

NEWSLETTER

Friday 10 May 2019

Term 2 Week 2

Dates to Remember

Every Monday
Every Friday

Monday 13 May
Wednesday 15 May
Friday 17 May
Saturday 18 May

Week 3-4

Tuesday 21 May
Tuesday 21 May
Wednesday 22 May
Thursday 23 May

Thurs-Fri 23-24 May

Friday 24 May
Friday 24 May

Monday 27 May
Tuesday 28 May

Wednesday 29 May
Friday 31 May

Wednesday 05 June

Friday 07 June

Monday 10 June

Friday 21 June

Wednesday 26 June

Robotics Club

Chess Club

MAY

JC Cross Country
Pelicans Afternoon Tea
Scholastic Book Club Issue 3
ELECTION VOTING ON JC

NAPLAN

SC Information Night

STEM Enrichment P-2 (various locations)

P-2 Parent Literacy Information Session

Year 6 Combined Band

SC Outdoor Ed Caving Camp

Reconciliation/Melaleuca Unit Assembly

Drama Performance Technical Rehearsal

LONG WEEKEND

SC & JC Regional Cross-Country

Drama Performance Dress Rehearsal

Drama Performance

3:30-5:00pm

SC 3:00-4:30pm

New Date

2:00-3:00pm

Orders Due

BBQ available

Year 3, 5, 7 & 9

6:00-7:30pm

Select Students

9:00am & 6:00pm

JC Hall 2:15pm

Scaredy Cat

Reconciliation Day

Stromlo Park

Scaredy Cat

SCAREDY CAT

JUNE

P&C JC Crazy Hair Day

Acacia Unit Assembly

LONG WEEKEND

Grevillea Unit Assembly

Author Workshop Year 4-6

Gold Coin Donation

JC Hall 2:15pm

Queen's Birthday

JC Hall 2:15pm

Jack Heath

Junior Campus (JC)

Senior Campus (SC)

CCS Preschool - Year 10

Principal's Report



STAFFING CHANGES

We are excited to welcome several new staff members to our team. We have been fortunate to recruit some very talented and highly professional staff to replace others that have taken leave for various reasons. Please join me in welcoming:

On the Senior Campus (SC)

- Daniel Downes replacing Kasie Ryan in the Health & Physical Education team.
- Adrian Davis replacing Trish Marton in the Arts Team. Trish has been successful in winning a promotion in the Education Directorate's Improvement Team. We thank her for the years of service she has provided Caroline Chisholm School.

On the Junior Campus (JC)

- Madeleine Barnett is replacing Alannah Riley in Year 4.
- Justin Hughes will be taking on Jess Crilly's class in 5/6
- Greta Mauerhofer is providing additional support for our K/1 Team.

LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

Our students have had access to a wide range of additional learning. On Thursday our Year 10 HaSs students were visited by Courage to Care. Through their educational workshops about the holocaust, they encourage students to be upstanders, people who speak out and act against hate, prejudice, discrimination, and bullying. As part of the program, our students had the privilege to listen to a holocaust survivor, Susan Warhaftig. The Years 10s asked many thoughtful and insightful questions about Susan experiences and opinions. It was clear that this incursion had a tremendous impact on their understanding and empathy for what happened during the Holocaust. This kind of learning is invaluable for our students and it is experiences like this that remind me of the quality education that students are accessing every day.

POSITIVE BEHAVIOURS FOR LEARNING (PBL)

Last week I wrote to our Junior Campus community about our school having a proud history of positive community engagement. I believe that each day presents us all with an opportunity to contribute to building a positive school culture. Together we have a responsibility to ensure we act in a respectful and responsible manner. By doing so enables us all to focus on achieving great learning outcomes for our students.

Positive Behaviours for Learning (PBL) is an educational approach our school has committed to implementing this year. We are working with staff, students and parents on PBL and have established common expectations based around our school values: *We are Responsible, We are Respectful, We are Learners.*

ENROLMENTS 2020

Enrolment applications for 2020 opened on Monday 29 April 2019. All information can be found on the ACT Education Directorate website <https://www.education.act.gov.au/public-school-life/enrolling-in-a-public-school>

We are holding a **Year 7 Information Evening on Tuesday 21 May at 6:00pm**. All families that live within our Priority Enrolment Area (PEA) and have children entering high school in 2020 are invited to attend for a guided tour as well as listen to specific information about our transition programs.

NAPLAN TESTING

Year 3,5,7 and 9 will be participating in *NAPLAN* during week 3 and 4 of this term. This is the first year that your child will be engaging with the tests online. You can become familiar with *NAPLAN Online Tests* by visiting the public demonstration site at <https://www.nap.edu.au/online-assessment/public-demonstration-site>

The purpose of this site is to familiarise students with the type of items they will see on *NAPLAN Online* and the related functionalities. Familiarisation with this platform is worthwhile to help students understand and be comfortable with the test format.

SEMESTER 1 REPORTING

Semester 1 reports will be arriving home in week 10 this term. It is important that you spend time discussing the outcomes in your child's report, examining their strengths and areas for improvement. Every student in our school will be creating a learning goal in Semester 2 based on their report feedback. The format of our student reports will change slightly to incorporate more of the Australian Curriculum text however more information will be distributed to parents soon.

COMMUNICATION & FEEDBACK

Our school is always looking to improve our practices and therefore feedback from you is important. If you have ideas on how we can improve our school or would simply like to debrief, please do not hesitate to make an appointment to see me via Lisa Greig on the Junior Campus (6142 3559).

Ben Hall
A/g Principal

Incidents Involving Strangers Approaching Students

A timely reminder to our community about the importance of stranger safety and the need to report any unusual incidents or approaches immediately. Having conversations about protective behaviours, moving safely around the community and what to do if they ever feel unsafe play an important role in keeping children safe.

Schools and Education Support Office continue to work with ACT Policing on issues as they arise. ACT Policing urge anyone who may have witnessed any incidents or have any information that could assist Police to contact Crime Stoppers on [1800 333 000](tel:1800333000) or via <https://www.crimestoppers.com.au/>. If an incident has just occurred or is occurring, contact ACT Police on [131 444](tel:131444) or in an emergency [000](tel:000).



Student Enrolment 2020

ACT Preschool – Year 12 students living within a Priority Enrolment Area (PEA) of a school are guaranteed a place at that school regardless of when they apply. If a school has capacity after enrolling students from its PEA, it may offer enrolment to ACT students who live outside the PEA.

Applications for student enrolment 2020 are open NOW. For all information regarding how to enrol and our Priority Enrolment Area (PEA) Maps etc please go to www.education.act.au.

Student Absences

Please email chisholm.absences@ed.act.edu.au to let us know if your child will be absent from school with your consent.

JUNIOR CAMPUS

Kurrajong Unit



In 1T we have been learning how to write recounts. We have learned that we write what happened in order and we use exciting sentence starters like *first*, *next*, *then* and *lastly*. We went on a mini excursion around the school and wrote a recount of what we did. It is great to see so many students adding detail to their writing. (Students' personalities are well and truly starting to come across in their writing!) Ms Sally was so impressed by our writing she presented us with a special Principal's Award!
Eliza Birse, Laura Tapp, Emma Gillan & Marjorie Waugh

Melaleuca Unit



Students in Years 3 and 4 have been practising hard for the upcoming Cross Country! Students are excited to represent their houses and have fun with their classmates.

Year 3 students have begun new inquiry units this term exploring Australia's neighbouring countries, how Canberra has changed over time and investigating heat in science. Year 3 are also preparing for NAPLAN next week.

Year 4 have been learning about the role of local government in their civics unit and are working hard on their Rostrum speeches. They look forward to delivering them later in the term.

The Melaleuca unit have been focussing on what it means to be a learner as part of our PBL values and have created some posters that show this value. These posters will be displayed in the foyer, please come and have a look.
Kayla Catling, Jayne McDonald, Anna Connell and Alannah Riley

Grevillea Unit



The students in the Year 5/6 classes and SLSU have been very busy these past two weeks preparing their speeches for the upcoming Rostrum public speaking competition and practicing for the Cross Country Carnival.

The Year 5 students have also been preparing for NAPLAN testing which will take place next week. The students have been discussing what it means to be a learner and are working to apply skills to every learning opportunity they encounter.

The Year 6's enjoyed their excursion to the Career Expo on Thursday. Many came away with a better understanding of the career opportunities available to them and what these various careers entail.

In cooking this week, the students in the SLSU made some very tasty pumpkin soup from a pumpkin grown in Ms Lydia's garden. Although cutting the onions was not a pleasant task, the effort was worth it.

The students and teachers in the Grevillea unit said farewell to Ms Crilly last Friday and wish her the best of luck at her new school.



Lydia Kepich, Andrea Irving, Rachel Salter, Kim Barnett & Jen Heywood

Library News

Thank you to those parents who have offered to help with the covering of library books. It is a big job, made much easier if it is shared!

I am excited by the number of students who have put their name down for the Chief Minister's Challenge. This year the requirements have changed – students need to read 30 books before September instead of the usual 15. There is also the opportunity to challenge yourself even further by reading books from different genres or about different subjects. Last year we won awards in all three categories: P-Year 2, Years 3-4 and Years 5-6. I am hoping we will be just as successful this year.

Later this term, in June, the senior students will have the opportunity to attend workshops with local Australian author Jack Heath. In library lessons we have been reading some of his stories and are looking forward to meeting him. Keep an eye out for notes with further details.

Unfortunately, there are still many books that are overdue. I send out overdue notices regularly and ask that you help your child look for the books. If they are lost or damaged, please send me a note and consider a contribution to help replace them. Please come and see me if you are unsure about what is missing or if the book never made it home. Sometimes they magically appear on the shelves!

Irene Ovchinnikov



Indigenous News



We would like to acknowledge the generous support of THE CHISHOLM TAKEAWAY and FARM FRESH who partner with us bi weekly supplying us with a complimentary box of fresh fruit. This fruit allows for students the opportunity to access fresh fruit daily if needed.

Reconciliation Week is fast approaching, stay tuned for information regarding upcoming activities and events.

Steve Dwyer
CCS Indigenous Support Worker

SENIOR CAMPUS

Southside Oz Tag Gala Day

On Wednesday 1 May, CCS took 4 teams to the 2019 Southside Secondary Oz Tag Gala Day. Considering the short turnaround from the beginning of the term, all 4 teams worked well and showed up ready to work hard during each game.

The Middle Years (MY) girls' team, coached by Mrs Bindley, were part of the largest pool (10 teams) and improved every game they played. The Year 8 and 7 girls worked as a team throughout the whole day, listening to feedback, and supporting each other. They drew one game, won another (a whopping 9 points to 2), and narrowly missed another win. They ended the day ranking 7th out of the 10 teams in their pool.

The MY boys' team, coached by Mr Hawke, went through the pool games undefeated, showing some excellent individual skills. Although undefeated in the round games, they somehow finished third and went down in a tightly contested Semi Final versing MacKillop.

The Senior Years (SY) girls' team were coached by Miss Briggs. The girls began the day with a convincing win, won their second game and then faced Melrose for the first of three times in a row. The SY girls had a difficult first game, going down to Melrose, but we're able to redeem themselves in the second. They worked together to make sure any time they were scored against they then scored to even things again, but sadly in the last few minutes Melrose gained a lead of 3-2. The SY girls made it into the Semi Finals where they had to face Melrose a third time, the girls were exhausted but worked together even though they ended with a loss.

The SY boys' team were coached by Mr Bindley. They started the day with a loss which galvanised them and helped them work as a team. They were switched on for the games ahead and won their next 3 games to make it into the Semi Finals versing Melrose. They won and faced off against St Edmunds in the Grand Final to win the day and be crowned the winning 9/10 Boys team.

The MY boys, SY girls, and SY boys' teams have all been invited to the Battle of the North versus South later in the year. Congratulations and well done, you all represented Caroline Chisholm well!
Please see photos on the next page.



NEW BUS NETWORK - FEEDBACK

The ACT Council of Parents and Citizens Associations (the peak body for the school's P&C) is collating feedback on travelling to school using the new bus network. They would like to hear from any public-school parents, carers or students about difficulties or concerns and will represent these to Transport Canberra. Send a message with your specific feedback to contact@actparents.org.au .



ACCESS CANBERRA



As we drive and park our cars around schools, we all need to ensure the safety of school students is our priority. Parking illegally and unsafely across pedestrian crossings, corners and verges puts children at risk. We all need to help keep our children safe. Here is a short video demonstration: <https://youtu.be/AsIMVXpA9Zc>
Access Canberra inspectors will be patrolling our school zones to help us ensure drivers do the right thing.

Please Check Your Child's Hair for Head Lice and Nits

If you find evidence of insects or eggs, please remove and see your local pharmacist for a recommended treatment. Once these steps have been completed, your child may return to school.



Thank You to the P&C Committee

Thank you to the P&C and the lovely volunteers that helped run our Mother's Day Stall this morning. Volunteering is a great way to form friendships and stay involved in our fabulous committee. Thank you to the families who donated gifts for the stall.



Happy Mother's Day to all of the lovey ladies that love and care for our beautiful students. I hope that you feel especially loved up on Sunday.