



Chilwell
Primary School



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NEWSLETTER No.31- 10th October 2017

Oct 19-22	Thu-Sun	Chilwell Art Show Rutland St
Oct 23	Mon	2018 Prep Transition Day 9.15-11.30 am
Oct 23	Mon	School Council—6.30pm
Oct 25	Wed	Geelong Cup—PUBLIC HOLIDAY
Oct 26	Thu	Prep Werribee Zoo Excursion
Oct 27	Fri	2018 Prep Transition Day 9.15—10.45 am
Oct 31	Tue	Gr 3 Melbourne Zoo
Nov 6-Nov 8		Gr.4 Lady Northcote Camp
Nov 13	Mon	2018 Prep Parent Transition Information Session 7-8.00 pm
Nov 13	Mon	Gr 5/6 Cricket
Nov 14	Tue	2018 Prep Transition Day 9.15-10.45 am
Nov 20	Mon	Gr 6 Gallery Excursion
Nov 20	Mon	School Council—6.30pm
Nov 21	Tue	Gr 3 Planetarium
Dec 1	Fri	Gr 3, 5 & 6 Ball Games
Dec 4-15		Swimming Prep—5
Dec 11	Mon	School Council
Dec 19	Tue	Grade 6 Graduation—Fred Flanagan Room Geelong Football Club
2018		
Mar 23	Fri	CHILWELL FAIR—SAVE THE DATE

Chilwell Art Show 2017

Thursday October 19th – Sunday 22nd

@The Mill Warehouse Rutland St Newtown

REMEMBER TO BRING YOUR HAT TO SCHOOL

NO HAT—NO PLAY



Dear Families

Welcome back to school! I hope you have had a great holiday and are ready to dig in for a long term 4 full of exciting learning opportunities from Bike Ed in Year 4, Swimming, ball games day, transition sessions for our 2018 Preps and Year 6 Graduation. It is a long term so please take care of yourself and the kids (and your classroom teachers!!) to make sure we all get through it in the lead up to Christmas. **Don't forget your hats too!**

Uniforms: As the warmer months approach it is time to again check all items of clothing have a name clearly visible. This allows us an opportunity to return items which have been left outside. The lost property area, just inside the door in the South Wing near the flagpole, did have a large number of items at the end of term 3! Please check to see if any items belong to your family.

Dropping children off early: It is terrific to see how enthusiastic our children are to be at school. They are so keen they want to be at school at 8am in the morning!!!!!!

We do not have supervision in the yard before 8.45 so please hold off their arrivals until we can supply a teacher in the yard to support our children if needed

Parent survey: The summary of the 2017 Parent Survey has arrived at our school. Thank you to the 44 families who have supplied this important feedback. We appreciate the time taken to complete the survey. The results are extremely positive, we thank you for this. We are also aware that reflective organisations are always looking to improve so again the feedback supplied will guide us. Copies of the report are available via the office (hard copy) and via the school's homepage.

Fair 2018: The management team is meeting to discuss ideas for 2018. What to do new or improve on 2017 is obviously one of the areas to be discussed. If you have any thoughts or ideas please email School or write to me or drop in. The management team are keen to hear some views.

Congratulations and welcome: We are excited to welcome a new addition to Isabella Judd's family (1BH). Baby Henry joined the family over the holidays. Well done!!!

New Families: We also welcome 2 new families to our Chilwell community.

Firstly Monet (3PD) and Jules Gray (Prep CB) had their first day at Chilwell yesterday. Welcome to Lauren and Jason.

Secondly the Saraswati family, Taj has enthusiastically joined 1 MW.

As always our children have made our new students welcomed to their class and new school.

CRT (Casual Replacement Teachers): Sometimes we, as teachers, get ill and need to be replaced for a day or two. We try to have teachers who are familiar with the school replace our staff, so if your child comes home talking about a new teacher, it may be because their regular teacher is unwell or engaging in Professional Development.

Arrival and departure at school: We will now be using an lpad to sign in and out off the school. This will be linked directly to Sentral and information will be processed directly on the student classroom roll.

Regards,

Gavan Welsh, Principal

Happy Birthday !

Wed 11 Oct	Flynn C	6SW
Fri 13 Oct	Macey V	1BH
Sat 14 Oct	Eve B	POD
Sun 15 Oct	Joshua L Paige B Piper B Talia J	1BH 2JO 3PD 5MA
Mon 16 Oct	Tom W William W	3KH 3PD





Chilwell Art Show 2017

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@The Mill Warehouse Rutland St Newtown

This year the Chilwell Art Show will be held in a fabulous space just along from Boom Gallery in Rutland Street. Students will have the opportunity to walk down with their grades to view the show as well as Open hours on the weekend for our community.



Open Hours Sat 11-3pm

Sun 12-3pm

The Art Show will also host music and singing acts from our students throughout the weekend.

Help needed to set up on Wednesday 18th from 1.30pm

Help needed to Pack Up on Monday from 9am

Chilwell Art Show Entertainment

Please see Mr Perrott if your child is interested in performing live music at the art show on Saturday 21 or Sunday 22nd. This will best suit music students that are about to sit exams.

Grade 4 Bike Ed – Term 4.

Dear Parents,

We are looking for enthusiastic parent helpers, from any year level, to assist in the running of our bike education program in term 4 on Fridays, commencing October 20th for six weeks, between 11.30 to 1.15pm. No expertise is necessary as all training and assistance will be given. The program will only go ahead if we co-opt enough parents so if you can assist in term 4, starting from week 2 and running for 6 weeks, then please complete and return the slip below.

Regards – Jeanie Stynes - co-ordinator

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Bike Education – term 4

Yes, yes, YES!!!!!!! I would love to help with the bike education program in term 4.

Name _____ Child's grade _____ Contact _____



RUN GEELONG 2017

Registration is now open for
RUN GEELONG – 19th November 2017.



If you are entering could you please register via the 'chilwell primary school' group , as we will receive a sports equipment grant if we get over 50 entrant.

Peter Blackall

Swimming Program 2017

Dear Parents

Our swimming program will again be held during the last weeks of the school year at the Geelong College Pool from Monday 4th of December to Friday 15th December. All students from Prep to Grade 5 will participate. To organise groups we need to update our records of your child's swimming level. Last year's swimming levels will be used if no changes are reported.

To minimise costs, we need to also know if you will be absent for part or the entire program.

Could you please complete the form below, and return it to the school as soon as possible. This only needs to be done once unless there have been changes to levels.



Kindest regards - Jeff Smith

Chilwell PS Swimming Program 2017

Name	Grade	Swimming level
Possible absence during this time		

Themes and Expenses Planner for Term 4, 2017

Grade	Theme	VELS /Subject link	Associated Activity	Approx. Date of activity	Anticipated Costs
Prep	Inquiry	Science	Living Eggs	21 st November	\$tba
	Inquiry	Science	Werribee Zoo	26 th October	\$tba
		Health	Swimming	4 th to 15 th December	Approx. \$70
Grades 1 Grade 2	Inquiry	Health	Swimming	4 th to 15 th December	Approx. \$70 TBA
		Health	Swimming	4 th to 15 th December	
	Inquiry	Science	Balyang Sanctuary excursion	Tentative date 17 th November	
Grades 3 & 4	Inquiry	Science	Melbourne Zoo (held over from term 3)	24 th October	\$28.00
	Inquiry	Science	Melbourne Planetarium	21 st November	\$20.00
		Health	Swimming	4 th to 15 th December	\$75.00
Grades 5 & 6		Health	Swimming (Gr 5)	4 th to 15 th December	\$75.00
		Sport	Lightning Prem' – districts- Softball/Cricket	13 th November	Approx. \$6
		Sport	Ball Games	24 th November	Approx. \$6
		Art	Geelong Gallery Excursion- Archibald	20 th November	\$8.50
		Graduation	Grade 6 Graduation	19 th December	Approx. \$25
Specialists					

HELP WANTED

Can you sew? We are looking for someone to make covers for the cold packs that are used in the First Aid room.

Please contact the office if you are able to help.

PARENT NIGHT OUT ORGANISED BY Georgie Patterson, Jane Miller & Nikki Sleep

Friday 13th October 7.30pm at Bareena Bowling club

Cost \$10 RSVP Georgie Patterson 0414 975 566

Canteen News

Orders must be into your grade teacher by 9.30am on Thursday –

NO LATE ORDERS WILL BE ACCEPTED.

Each option \$5.00

OPTION 1	Cheese & Bacon Roll, Chocolate Donut & Fruit
OPTION 2	Chicken & Cucumber Roll, Hedgehog & Fruit
OPTION 3	Egg & Lettuce Roll, Honey Joy & Fruit

Canteen Roster. - Fridays – 12.45pm

Fri 13th Oct	Amie Cox
Fri 20th Oct	Megan Bell
Fri 27th Oct	Amanda Lovell

Chilwell P.S. Outside School Hours Care

Term 4 –October 2017

To book or cancel care please call Cheryl on 0417 014 973

Tuesday 10 October	Playdough
Wednesday 11 October	Table Tennis
Thursday 12 October	Drawing
Friday 13 October	Dress Up
Monday 16 October	Aft & Craft

Bookings are essential for both before and after school care.

EFTPOS facility is available – for payments over \$10.00.

Form available at the office or from OSHC.

IMPORTANT!!! School Council encourages families to keep their account in credit.

We issue Weekly Accounts .

Just a reminder to all those who have a permanent before/after school booking.

If unable to attend please cancel before 7.00am for mornings and 2.00pm for afternoon to assist staff or avoid session fees being charged to your account. Thanks – Cheryl & OSHC Staff



Acceptance for differences begins at home

by Michael Grose

It's often said that a civil society can be determined by the way it treats its most vulnerable members, including the young, the old and minority groups. Most Australians like to think that we do pretty well on these measures, but I suspect the imminent postal survey on same-sex marriage may challenge this comfortable view.

Thanks to saturation media coverage, virtually all Australians, kids included, are aware of the survey (aka plebiscite). We have all been exposed to the debate over the pros and cons of using a postal survey, and, of course, to the debate over its central question. Many, again including kids, will have heard some of the more vitriolic commentary that is part of the surrounding debate. You'd have to be living under a rock not to have noticed it. If it relates to you personally, you are likely deeply affected by it.

While the debate rages on, it's worth considering what place children and young people have amongst all this noise. As a parent, how are you approaching the issue with your children and/or young people at home?

There are many ways to approach this topic within your family, but perhaps it's most appropriate to view it through the lens of acceptance and respect for diversity.

The conversation starts at home

Kids learn acceptance from those around them. Children in primary school usually reflect the attitudes of their parents, and while adolescents are also strongly influenced by their peers, parental attitudes still have a significant impact on their acceptance, or otherwise, of people who are 'different'. In short, if you want your child to embrace differences - whether they relate to race, culture, behaviour, sexuality or anything else - then you need to work hard to make acceptance and respect a family trait.

Tackling tough issues head on

By looking at the same-sex marriage survey through the acceptance lens we may be able to steer conversations and discussions into relatively safe areas that kids can relate to. But that doesn't alter the fact that children and young people will have questions about human sexuality, which includes sexual orientation. Anecdotal evidence suggests that most parents struggle to talk to their children about human sexuality, with many happy leaving the topic to schools to tackle.



The current debate offers an opportunity for parents to have genuine discussions with their children about a broad palette of human sexuality topics that is truly reflective of the community in which we live. That means parents need to be informed and also feel comfortable with their own

views and attitudes. The latter may call for an examination of your own attitudes toward sexual orientation to prevent conversations and discussions being flavoured by any insensitivity or insecurity you may have.



It's worth remembering that research shows that providing young people with a thorough knowledge about sex and sexuality does not lead to an increase in promiscuity or teen pregnancy. On the contrary, it's widely accepted that a better understanding of human sexuality amongst teens is associated with a lower incidence of teen pregnancy and less likelihood of first intercourse at a young age.

Similarly, informed, adult discussions of different sexual orientation do not increase the likelihood that a young person will identify as homosexual or lesbian. Explaining LGBTIQ does not influence a child's sexual identity, orientation or expression. Importantly, it does decrease shame and harm for young people who are LGBTIQ - including those who have not yet 'come out' - and it models how to be respectful to those who are.

Being matter-of-fact

Kids are naturally curious. Questions such as "Where do babies come from?" and "Why does he have two mums?" can be asked by both a five-year-old and a fifteen-year-old, albeit in very different ways. Your responses as a parent to questions like these need to differ in complexity and depth as your kids reach different developmental stages. Regardless of a child's age, it also helps to use language that is objective and factual such as, "Families come in many different shapes and sizes", "All families are equal", and "There are many ways to make a family, adoption and IVF being just two examples".

Challenge prejudice and narrow-minded views

Sometimes children and young people will say the cruelest things about others, particularly if those others are part of a minority group. As a parent, remind your child or young person about the impact that narrow views can have on others. We shouldn't underestimate the long-term impact that intolerance by the majority can have on the wellbeing and mental health of a minority.

Most Australians like to pride ourselves on the fact that we've embraced people from a variety of ethnic and cultural backgrounds. I hope that when the same-sex marriage survey is finished, regardless of the result, we can also say that we are a nation that is accepting of diversity in all forms and whose citizens are truly respectful of each other. That's the type of country that most reasonable-minded adults want our children to inherit.



Michael Grose

Michael Grose, founder of Parenting Ideas, is one of Australia's leading parenting educators. He's the author of 10 books for parents including *Thriving!* and the best-selling *Why First Borns Rule the World* and *Last Borns Want to Change It*, and his latest release *Spoonfed Generation: How to raise independent children*.