



**Chilwell**  
Primary School



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## **NEWSLETTER No.37- 21st November 2017**

<b>Nov 22</b>	<b>Wed</b>	<b>Swimming Permission Notes and Money Due today</b>
Nov 24	Fri	Prep—Grade 2 Tabloid Sports Day
Nov 24	Fri	Grade 4 Bike Ed
Nov 27	Fri	Gr 6 Gallery Excursion—DATE CHANGED
Dec 1	Fri	Gr 3, 5 & 6 Ball Games
Dec 1	Fri	Gr 4 River Bike Ride
Dec 4-15		Swimming Prep—5
Dec 11	Mon	School Council
Dec 18	Mon	Grade 5/6 Swimming Carnival
Dec 19	Tue	Grade 6 Graduation—Fred Flanagan Room Geelong Football Club
Dec 22	Fri	Last day of Term 4—dismissal 2.30pm
<b>2018</b>		
Jan 29	Mon	Staff PD
Jan 30	Tue	Students Start
Jan 31	Wed	PREP—REST DAY No School
Mar 23	Fri	CHILWELL FAIR—SAVE THE DATE

### **SWIMMING PERMISSION NOTES AND PAYMENTS**

With only two weeks to go before our swimming program thanks to all those who have returned permission notes and money. If your child has changed a level recently please let me know as groups are now being formalised for the program. During the first few days of the program swimming teachers will conduct assessments and students will be moved to levels that suit their abilities. Teachers will need parents to help walk up to and back from the pool so please let teachers know if you can help. Students will need to have their own goggles and swimming cap each day as it is a requirement of the centre that all swimmers have caps. I hope the good weather holds for our program. Please ensure you return your form and payments by Wednesday 22nd November.

Regards

Jeff Smith Swimming Coordinator

Dear Families

**Congratulations:** Last week Harvey Marles represented our school in a golf competition. Harvey played in the Geelong Regional Final of the Victorian Primary School Golf Championships this morning. The competition was one of the fiercest of any in the state, making qualification for the State Final difficult. Harvey had 44 and missed qualification by a single shot. While it was heartbreaking, given he's in Grade 4 competing against kids in Grade 6 it was a tremendous effort.

Congratulations also to William Farnell and Elliot Hughes on 'Anaconda' for a great weekend of sailing in Williamstown. 1st place in the 6th Fleet International Cadet Sprint Series on Sunday and 2nd place in the Lipton Cup Regatta on Saturday.

**School Council:** Our Council members met last night to discuss a range of issues, reports and documents. Among these were:

- Reports from Facilities, Finance, Principal and Out of School Care.
- Care offered on Pupil free days.
- Our Fair for 2018.
- Policy reviews.
- Chaplaincy for 2018.

Finance recommended that our school community be given the opportunity to contribute to the creation of our new learning space via donations to the tax deductible BUILDING FUND. We have set a very ambitious target of raising \$50000 over the next 2 years. We also decided to direct the monies towards:

- Remodelling the classroom closes to the office( currently 3PD) into the Art room. This will be undertaken once the new building is completed.
- The installation of air conditioners in the new building.
- Installation of TVs into the new building.

We are planning to use as many items as possible from our existing building but some items are outside the scope of works for the project. 2018 will see the commencement of the building which will present a number of challenges to us. However the end result will be an increase in play space, 8 new learning spaces and facilities.

**Congratulations:** Last week we shortlisted and interviewed for an advertised teaching position at our school. After a lengthy process, Deb Fisher, was appointed to our school's vacancy. We very much look forward to Deb's input into our school and students. Her work in the past has been engaging and challenging.

**Zooper Dooper Sales:** The weather over the next few days is predicted to be hot. Today we sold zooper doopers at lunchtime. We will notify you when sales are on (supply issues may interfere!!!) but it may be an idea to pop 50 cents in the bag each night therefore eliminating the "I forgot" challenge.

**2018:** We are well underway with the planning for next year. If your family is moving we would appreciate being informed as early as possible. This allows for children to be placed in classes and our school structure to be finalised asap. Our staffing for next year is still being finalised with advertising for teachers and interviews happening over the next few weeks.

**Sentral:** You may have noticed we are sending out emails alerts out via sentral these email will come from no-reply@gptech.com.au email address. Just another way we can stay connected with you.

Regards,  
Gavan Welsh, Principal

# Happy Birthday !

Wed 22 Nov	Rosie G	POD
Thu 24 Nov	Rosie N	2JO
Fri 25 Nov	Ineka J	5MA
Tues 28 Nov	Tyler H Callum R	1MW 6JC



## SPONSORSHIP CO-ORDINATOR—Apprentice Wanted

Susie Ward who has been our sponsorship co-ordinator for 5 years is looking to train someone to takeover that role from 2019.

Susie is more than happy to work in conjunction with that person and is obviously keen to handover.

If you are interested, please contact Gavan or leave your name at the office.



## Our You Can Do It focus for term 4 is PERSISTENCE

Congratulations to the following students who received an award.

Prep D	Daniel Lim	2 JO	Alex Colquhoun	4JM	Chloe Adams
Prep J	Nina Revfem	2JS	Quinn O’Gorman	5MA	Vaughan Pendlebury
Prep B	Nyota Crewther	3KH	Matisse Parks	5NR	Stella Rixon
1MW	Rosie Baulch	3 PD	James Whitehead	6JC	Hayden King
1BH	Amy Dobson	4 JS	Hudson Grundell	6SW	Rory Dennis

This term, our YCDI focus is *Persistence*. Persistence is when something doesn't go your way and you just keep trying again. Energy and persistence conquer all things!

Emma and Archie (YCDI Committee leaders)

## Junior Tabloid Sports

This Friday November 24<sup>th</sup> the children from **Grades Prep, One and Two** will be participating in the Junior Tabloid Sports on the oval. This event will be about having lots of fun and promoting a have-a-go attitude. Our **Grade Six** students will be helping organise the morning. Families are welcome to come along to show support between 9:15am-11am. Students will be in small groups and can wear their house colours for the day.

Marnock - Red

Bareena - Green

Riversdale - Riversdale

Balyang - Blue



Dear Families,

I was just reminded by Daniel in Prep OD that I “*have the best job in the world, Mr Mac!*” After adding a wifi certificate to Daniel’s iPad he was heading back to class for his show and tell presentation - yes presentation!!! He has created a Book Creator about dioramas using images from the internet, then connected to Airserver via Ms Olivia’s laptop and played it on the big screen in his classroom, while he communicated to his audience! Yes - this is PREP! And thanks Daniel – I do have the best job in the world working with kids like you!

Daniel prompted me to write a quick reminder that we have a **BYOD iPad program for students in years 3-6**. We currently have an **85% uptake** across these grades, which has been sensational! The work the students are making, creating, solving, thinking, designing and sharing via Seesaw (P-2), Showbie and Google (Years 3-6) has seen parent involvement increase dramatically! As teachers, we appreciate your support and the quality of feedback you give to your child can actually have a massive positive effect on their learning! Keep at it! Ask your teachers how you can provide even better feedback to your child!

### **So what has been happening with staff and their learning with iPads?**

During 2017 staff underwent intensive iPad Professional Learning sessions that saw us work with an Apple Educator and take our pedagogy (how we teach) to a new level. We have had staff awarded as Seesaw Ambassadors and Showbie Champions! If you Google search the SAMR & TPACK models, you will get an insight into what staff are doing in the background as part of their planning and preparation for teaching. We are going to continue with a similar approach in 2018 to further develop and enhance our pedagogy!

We have had a number of families who have written to Santa over the years too about the educational benefits of an iPad for school... This may be a good time of the year to hone the persuasive writing skills!!!

Recently a note went home to the current year 2 families to help us gauge interest in the BringIT2Chilwell iPad program and we thank those who have returned the information. Not too late! Please send it back! It’s not too late for others in years 3-6 who want to join too.

If you have a few spare minutes, jump on our school website and look for **BringIT2Chilwell** and follow the links! Should we have not answered all your questions in our FAQ’s, please pop in and see me or send an email to the school for me to follow up.

We sincerely hope you choose to be part of the 4<sup>th</sup> year of the BringIT2Chilwell iPad program. We have a designated component of our school website that we try to keep updated with FAQ’s various Apps, Cybersafety resources etc, for you to peruse and make your decision.

Thanks.

Scott McCumber

Assistant Principal and ICT coordinator

<http://chilwellps.vic.edu.au/bringit2chilwell-ipad-program/>



## Mulberry Leaves

The grade 2 students have each adopted a silkworm to look after and study over the coming weeks. These little creatures are fussy eaters and only like fresh mulberry leaves. We have a small supply of leaves and need to expand our food chain. If you have a mulberry tree in your yard and are able to help please contact Mr Smith or Ms Sheridan at school. Any help would be greatly appreciated.



## Canteen News

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

**NO LATE ORDERS WILL BE ACCEPTED.**

**Each option \$5.00**

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

### Canteen Roster. - Fridays – 1.15pm

Fri 24th Nov	Amanda Lovell
Fri 1st Dec	Prema Saraswati
Fri 8th Dec	Amie Cox

## Chilwell P.S. Outside School Hours Care

Term 4 –October 2017

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

<b>Tuesday 21 November</b>	<b>Chess</b>
<b>Wednesday 22 November</b>	<b>Drawing with Crayon/Paints</b>
<b>Thursday 23 November</b>	<b>Mobilo/Water Play</b>
<b>Friday 24 November</b>	<b>Games Night</b>
<b>Monday 27 November</b>	<b>Giant Bubbles</b>

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

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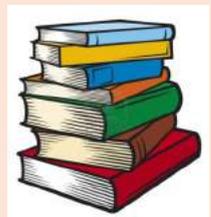
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Online orders to be placed by  
Saturday 2nd December.

## RETURN LIBRARY BOOKS

Please have a look around the house and return any library books students are not reading.



## Grade 4 Mums Night Out!

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November

7pm onwards

Gold Diggers Arms (Skene Street Newtown)

Details: Georgie on 0414975 566



## How independence-building is the pathway to your child's resilience

by Michael Grose

Parents and teachers often ask me how to build resilience in kids.

My response is always the same: "Start by building independence and resilience will follow."

Here's how.

### Children are hardwired for independence

Some time around the age of fifteen months, give or take three months, most children will make a strong case for self-sufficiency. They demand to do things their own way. This demand is soon backed by a strong voice – "NOOOO!" – and then more articulate cries of "I can do it!" as their third birthday approaches.



This is the time to harness your child's push for independence and self-sufficiency. Their desire for independence and mastery over their immediate environment will see most children take incredible physical risks in the form of play and exploration of that environment. Concerned parents will naturally minimise risks by moving furniture around, keeping doors closed and hiding sharp implements, to name a few protective measures.

But parents can't eradicate all risks. Kids will fall and hurt themselves – but they'll also get up and go again. In time, they'll learn to assess situations, stare down their fears and test themselves out in new situations. Falling down, brushing yourself off and trying again is part of the natural learning experience for most young children. Parents don't have to do much more than assess a situation for real dangers, then stand back and allow their kids to explore their environments, pulling them up only when their play and explorations transgress the rights and peace of others.



**So what's this got to do with resilience?**

Well, everything really. Independence is the pursuit of mastery over one's self and one's environment and rarely happens without mishaps and mistakes. It nearly always involves hurt, hardship, frustration and fear. That's where resilience comes in. Resilience is the art of bouncing forward after experiencing these hurts, hardships, frustrations and fears. Resilience is what comes from seeking out self-sufficiency and independence.

### **The language of independence**

The fact that there's a whole genre of language devoted to resilience (mostly cloaked in cliché) is no accident. Terms such as "Get back on the bike/horse when you fall off", "Come on, brush yourself off and get on with it" or "What doesn't kill you makes you strong" are built into the psyche of past generations. Many parents today will cringe at these terms as they appear a little callous and out of touch. Conversely most current parents' relationship with risk and adventure – both required for independence-building – is very tenuous at best, non-existent at worst.

Therein lies the challenge. I haven't met a parent, carer or teacher who doesn't want the children in their care to develop resilience that will last a lifetime. Yet many of those same adults will block the pathway to children's resilience by over-indulging them, solving their problems and not giving them real responsibility. In doing so they deny kids the sense of mastery that comes from sorting out their own problems, getting themselves out of jams and getting up after a fall.



You can never love your children too much, but you can love them helplessly. That's what happens when we deny kids the opportunity to become truly independent and self-sufficient. Deny self-sufficiency and you block a child's resilience. Develop real independence and you open a pathway to resilience that will last a lifetime.

*Find out how to develop real independence and resilience in your child in my latest book [Spoonfed Generation: How to raise independent kids](#).*



**Michael Grose**

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