

News

Week 7 of 10, Term 2

Thursday 4th June, 2009

Diary: 2009

June

Friday 5 th	Prep Swimming commences
Friday 5 th	Level 2 Incursion – Sand, Rocks & Clay
Monday 8th	Queens Birthday holiday
Thursday 11 th	Canteen Pasta Lunch
Friday 12 th	Pupil Free Day
Tuesday 16 th	Stagestruck
Wednesday 17 th	Stagestruck
Wednesday 17 th	School Council Meeting
Monday 22 nd	Junior Hooptime
Wednesday 24 th	House Athletic Sports Yr 4-6
Friday 26 th	End Term 2, 2.30pm dismissal
Saturday 27 th	Working Bee

July

Monday 13th Term 3 starts

September

Saturday 5th CHAPS Trivia Night

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Due to a change in the Departments application of Pupil Free Days our **Student Reporting** timetable will be a little different this year. We are mandated to have a pupil free day next Friday June 12th. This will be used for teachers to write the reports as it is too early for any other reporting related purpose. Student Reports will go home on the last day of this term, June 26th. Parent Teacher interviews will be organised in the first week of term 3 to take place in week 2 with most taking place on Wednesday July 22nd.

We welcomed IMA to assembly on Monday to reinforce the Safety House Yellow Day message. Thank you to Christine Humphrys for organising the day.



I would encourage families to read the information on the **Green House Games** and consider joining in and supporting the school in this project.

This information on **Human Swine Flu** has been made available from the Department.

As parents would be aware there are currently a number of confirmed cases of H1N1 Influenza (Human Swine Flu) in Victoria. Appropriate measures are being taken in relation to these cases. Specific concerns from parents about H1N1 Influenza can be referred to any of the following:

- The Swine Influenza Hotline Tel. 180 2007
- Nurse-on-Call Tel. 1300 606 024 – for expert health information and advice (24 hours, 7 days)

STAGESTRUCK APPLICATION FORMS DUE BACK TOMORROW

**Chocolates/money due back
ASAP**

- Your doctor (GP) – if you have an influenza-like illness (fever, cough and fatigue) and have travelled to Mexico or California, Arizona, New Mexico or Texas in the past seven days.

Families should continue with standard good general health hygiene practices, such as ensuring your children undertake regular hand washing and cover their nose and mouth if sneezing and coughing.

As we know from the media, the nature of the response to confirmed cases in Victoria has changed in recent days. I have not heard of any confirmed cases in or around our community. If this changes I will inform parents immediately.

This practice is being reinforced with your children while at school.

If your children are unwell, you should seek medical attention and avoid public places and close contact with others.

The Department of Human Services is also asking parents of children returning from USA, Canada, Japan, Mexico and Panama to voluntarily keep their children home for seven (7) days from arrival back in Australia. This is a further precautionary measure to assist in managing the further spread of the virus.

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On a different and more local medical issue we still have an issue with **Headlice** in the school community. Can I ask that parents please check your children regularly for this pest. Combing through the hair with a very fine metal comb must be done to get rid of the eggs. Only with constant monitoring by all the community and thorough treatment when identified can we minimise this constant and draining issue. With 2 long weekends coming up it provides a great opportunity for us to get on top of this issue. Please do your part to get this pest out of our community.

Graeme Caudry

LEVEL 3 RECORDER

All years 3 & 4 students need to bring their recorders to school each week for their Music Lesson, and should be practising at home for a more rewarding experience. Newly ordered recorders should arrive soon, for those who have returned the Recorder Order Form.

All children in Years 3 & 4 will be learning recorder as part of the Music Program and need to note the following **Recorder Learning Guide**:

- Children need to bring their clearly named recorder to every lesson.(include class)
- Children are expected to practise at home between lessons.
- Children will not be permitted to take recorders out at playtimes – they are not a toy.
- Children need to carry their recorder in a holder / case / pouch.
- Children may only practise set pieces and technique (not “tootle”) for our collective sanity!
- Children should not rehearse within 2 metres of any long-suffering adult.

Performing in front of Teddy or the Cat is a good idea - practice is important for confidence and to ensure more rewarding achievement.

STAGESTRUCK-09

Stagestruck-09 is the annual CHPS Performing Arts concert which is staged in our school hall over 2 consecutive nights. The program provides an opportunity for students to perform their talents to an appreciative audience and show case their work from class, Music or Performing Arts programs. The senior and junior choirs, as well as auditioned soloists and small group items are presented at **Stagestruck**.

*Please note these dates in your diary now: **Tuesday 16TH & Wednesday 17TH June - 7:00PM** in the school Hall.*

All StageStruck Audition Application Forms should be in to the Music Room by THIS Friday (5/6/09).

CHPS GREENHOUSE GAMES

CHPS is competing against other schools across Victoria in the inaugural GreenHouse Games Schools Challenge during Term 3. Sign-up begins soon, and the more families who help out, the more points we will accrue. A Work Place GreenHouse Games Challenge is already underway.

CHPS families are encouraged to sign up and do their little bit towards our whole school effort, teaching and learning important environmental strategies and money saving benefits along the way!

See further details and GreenHouse Games website information along with today's Newsletter.

BOOKFAIR BACK ORDERS

According to my records the only outstanding orders are for the book 'Monsterology'. Carnival has had to order more of these from the publishers and have not told me when to expect them. Usually it doesn't take too long. All other backorders have been delivered to the children's classrooms. If you have any concerns please contact me at the library. **Sue Offer**

DOLPHIN AMBASSADORS

Last Friday the dolphin ambassadors attended their second workshop at Mordialloc Creek to see the rubbish that gets washed into the bay. Christopher Thompson reports. The people who work at the catchment showed us how much rubbish gets caught in the catchment. The catchment is like a big fence across the creek. We saw chip packets, balls, cans, paper and even a bathtub caught in it. Pollutants like oil and other chemicals like shampoo are liquids that get through. They get caught in the second catchment. A filter pumps it all away into a tank and recycled to make new oil. We then drove to Port Philip Bay where we learnt that all drains are connected to the sea. I sea, I care newsletter will be attached to next weeks newsletter.

Faye Chapman

SENIOR HOOPTIME

How close could a final be? The buzzer sounded as the ball bounced on the ring and finally dropped through the hoop. Unfortunately, our Future Stars team, Croydon Hills Hawks, was defeated in the Grand Final by just one point! A very successful and fun day was had by all the students who attended the Senior Hoop Time day, at Maroondah Stadium on Monday, 1st June.

Ninety five students in thirteen teams played approximately sixty five games.

The children's behaviour was fantastic as was their sportsmanship!

Congratulations to our All Star Boys 1, our All Star Girls 1 and our Future Stars – Croydon Hills Hotshots who will all advance to the Regional Finals in October.

A HUGE thank you to all the parents who helped on the day with coaching, scoring and team managing. A very special thank you to Bronn Pratt, Rachele Robertson, Rhonda Wheeler and Karen Cyster who assisted with team selection, uniforms, organization on the day and anything else that came their way on the day! THANK YOU! (More photos to follow next week.)

Debra Karanzoulis



JUNIOR HOOP TIME

Junior Hoop Time is to be held on **Monday, 22nd June**. Yellow permission forms should have been returned. We are currently organizing the teams and these should be announced late next week. They will be finalized in the week before Hoop Time, after I have received the fixture from Basketball Victoria. A final notice will be sent home during this week. We are still in need of assistance, particularly with scoring. If you are able to help on the day, please let me know.

Thank you.

Debra Karanzoulis

SPORTS NEWS

Interschool Sports

Over the past two weeks we have played Great Ryrie PS and Ringwood North PS. So far most teams have been successful with the Football team, Mixed Netball, Netball C team, Girls and Boys Softball teams being undefeated. We still have two more rounds to go, playing Kalinda PS this week and Good Shepherd in two weeks. Anything could happen in these weeks so fingers crossed, our teams do well.

State Trials

Last week Frank Anderson was selected to try out in the State Metropolitan Football finals. He was successful and then played last Sunday in the Metropolitan V's Country match where he was yet again selected to attend the Football Camp next weekend. The Victorian Primary Schools Football Team will be selected from this final competition Good luck Frank, we wish you the best. Congratulations again to all the children who have been competing over the past few weeks. You have all reached a high level of sport.

Zone Cross Country Championships

Yesterday the Maroondah Zone Cross Country Competition was held at the Yarra Valley Racecourse in Yarra Glen. Congratulations to our runners who competed after qualifying in the top 10 in the District Cross Country. Well done to the Monique Hoskin who won her race and Aaron Fenton and James Parker who came fourth in their age groups. These three students have qualified to compete in the State Cross Country Championships on 24th July at Bundoora Park. Congratulations and good luck for your next race.

Noreen McMenaman, Sport/PE

CHAPS CHOCOLATE DRIVE

All chocolate returns are now **overdue**, please return any unsold chocolates and money. From next week onwards we are no longer able to accept chocolate returns, only payment in full. Thanks for your support.

Karen Cyster 9725 1206, CHAPS Fundraising

CANTEEN NEWS

PASTA BLASTA - Thursday 11th June

The Pasta Blasta lunch order forms are due back tomorrow, if you have not received one, extra copies are available from the canteen.

SPECIAL LUNCHES - \$3.00

Wednesday 10th June – Nachos – cheese, salsa & sour cream.

Wednesday 17th June - Chicken Schnitzel Roll with lettuce & mayo.

Wednesday 24th June – Wedges with sour cream or tomato sauce.

ROSTER

Friday 5th June – Rachele Robertson, Lia Biasuzzo, Kylie Gaudion, Lucy McDaid.

Monday 8th June – CLOSED

Tuesday 9th June – Janine Synhur, Mesina Kelsall, Antonella Iaria, Lina Fraraccio.

Wednesday 10th June – Mandy Duval, Kylie Black, Sue Williams, Alitheia Page.

Thursday 11th June – Rachele Robertson, Penny MacDonald, Jo Sudborough, Fiona Mortimer, Holly Unwin.

Friday 12th June – Helen Thompson, Nicole Murphy, Sonia Newlands, Suzie McAuley, Danni Bennett.

UNIFORM SHOP

As it is a holiday on Monday the hours for next week are Tuesday 8.30 – 9.30 am and Thursday (as usual) 2.30 – 4.00 pm. There are some scarves available in either red or blue.

Second Hand Payments for Uniform sold

The following families have money to collect from the Uniform Shop

Julie Anstie (Melissa Roberts to collect), A. Bone, P. Catt, S. Dyson, L. Edwards, K. Gaudion, B. Hall, S. Henshaw, J. Hunter, K. James, C. Kerr, C. Lopes, L. Lowe, L. McDaid, L. Metcalfe, K. Morton, K. Moxey, L. Peters, N. Pittock, D. Spurrell, C. Sharpe, F. Stamation, A. Tough, S. Vaughan, S. White, J. Winstone, C. Wookey, Kaye Smith (for L. Rose)

St Johns Kindergarten Croydon has a limited number of vacancies in it's 4 year kinder program for 2010. Applications are available from the kinder or via the website.

Please contact us if you require further information Ph:9723-4119. Jan Mackie

LOST – Year 6 windcheater named Nathan Johnson

AUTISM AND OTHER SPECTRUM DISORDERS

If you have or know anyone that has a child with autism, ADD, ADHD or similar, come along and learn what can be done to help these kids. Judy will discuss case studies and share with you what treatment strategies have been helpful with these conditions. There are an increasing number of children with these problems and there are natural treatments that can help. This discussion will also benefit those with allergies. Notes are provided as well as a gift.

Date: 11th June
Time: 7.30pm to 9.30pm
Tutor: Judy Palankay (Naturopath & Hypnotherapist)
Cost: for 1 session \$25 Includes Notes