Principal Report

Kingston Junior Mayor:
On Thursday the 19th April, four of our student leaders attended the Kingston Junior Mayor competition at The Chelsea RSL. Katja Jansen (School Captain) spoke on behalf of our school and was supported by Kyle Wilkes (School Captain), Harry Campbell (Promotions Leader) and Georgia Foreman (Promotions Leader). The students were accompanied by some extremely proud adults, Mr Mace, Katja’s grandparents, and Harry’s mum, Larissa Campbell. Twenty seven schools were represented at this event and although not successful in her bid to become the 2012 Kingston Junior Mayor, Katja should be complimented on her speech. This is an extremely daunting forum and Katja, wrote her own speech to support the criteria, delivered it within the timeframe and executed it with conviction in an engaging and professional manner.
We are all very, very proud of you Katja – WELL DONE!

Anzac Day: Our Promotions Leaders, Harry Campbell and Georgia Foreman, represented Chelsea Heights Primary at the Chelsea RSL Anzac Day Ceremony. Mr Mace and I would like to both thank and congratulate these two student leaders and their parents for representing our school and for the resilience they demonstrated when inclement weather impacted on the scheduling of the ceremony.

CHPS Review:
On Tuesday the 24th of April our school reviewer, Martin Winfield (Monash University) spent the day at our school, developing an overview of all aspects of Chelsea Heights, from our Curriculum to staffing, leadership, timetabling and much more. Martin will be spending four days with us prior to presenting his report on our Review Day, Monday 18th June 2012. Over these four days Martin will be:
1. Watching a Literacy Lesson at each grade level
2. Watching a Maths Lesson at each grade level
3. Watching an Art, Performing Arts and PE Lesson
4. Meeting with each teacher individually
5. Meeting with the Office Staff
6. Meeting with the Integration Team
7. Meeting with our School Council President, Robyn Erwin
8. Meeting with a student forum representative of Grades Prep to 6
9. Meeting with a Parent Forum – 2:00 pm Wednesday 23rd May

Accompanying this newsletter is an expression of interest form re the Parent Forum. I encourage you to participate in this forum. 

Jane Satchwell
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Do you sponsor a World Vision Child? Would you like to hear first hand about the work that is being done by World Vision?

Then you should come along on ...
Sunday 6 May 2012
St Chad’s Church Hall 6.00pm

Come and hear Ashley Goode from World Vision speak of his work with this organisation in many different countries around the world.
YOU ARE INVITED TO….
BOOK LAUNCH……
BABY LOVE @
PATTERSON RIVER SECONDARY COLLEGE LIBRARY
Eel Race Road
Carrum
DATE: Wednesday, May 16th
Time: 7.00pm

Angela Jacobsen is a past PRSC student / nanny to Madonna and she will be launching her new book Baby Love at the school.

She will sign all books purchased prior to or on the night. The book will cost $18.00.

Those who pre order and pay for a book will be placed in the draw for a special prize and there will be several random prizes on the night.

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A UNIQUE PRESENT FOR NEW MUMS’ OR BABY SHOWER GIFT!

SUSTAINABILITY AT CHELSEA HEIGHTS PRIMARY

We are extremely excited to announce that our wonderful school has won a Coles Junior Landcare Award worth $825.00.

This will enable us to purchase 2 X Aerobins (large and efficient) compost bins in which we propose to collect all food waste produced throughout the school day.

The compost generated will be used on our veggie garden and will assist in reducing the amount of waste going into landfill each year.

Our waste project is titled ‘The WOW Factor!’ (War on Waste). We hope that over the course of the year, the amount of waste we generate can be reduced by a change in attitudes and behaviours.

We presently recycle aluminium cans, paper, cardboard, printer cartridges, old mobile phones and are hoping to introduce a system that also allows plastic and glass recycling to take place. Families are most welcome to send along to school any of the above items for recycling.

We are also planning to reintroduce the practice of ‘Nude Food Days’ when students will be encouraged to bring along ‘Rubbish-free lunches’ each Wednesday. More details on this soon!

Thanks to the Furnell / Ingram Family, we are now collecting corks for recycling by the Melbourne Zoo. There is a special box for these just outside the office window. Corks, plastic wine stoppers and aluminium screw tops (from wine bottles) may be deposited in this box. These will help Friends of the Zoo (FOTZ) raise funds for the needs of the elephants at the Melbourne Zoo.

Kingston Family Support Service

Welcome
CHELSEA PARENTS GROUP

EVERY THURSDAY 10.30am - 12.00pm
CHELSEA MATERNAL CHILD HEALTH CENTRE
CNR STATION STREET AND THAMES PROM - CHELSEA

The Group provides fantastic opportunity to:
Meet with other parents in your area
Learn about local services available to you
Learn new skills
Participate in weekly activities.
Have fun and enjoy!

Chelsea Parents Group is for:
Parents who live in the City of Kingston who have children in their care from 0-18 years
Rabibes and Pre Schoolers welcome
Light refreshment provided

For more information, call Kingston Family Support Service on 03 9514 0660

Possum Playgroup

Stuck at home alone?
No family around?
Join our free playgroup!
Meet other parents!
Have a cuppa!
Fun for you!
Fun for your children!

Where: Family Life Community House
8-10 Swanpool Ave, Chelsea Victoria 3196
When: Every Tuesday in 2012 (excluding school holidays)
Time: 1pm - 3pm
Ages: 0 to 5yrs

For further information please contact Andrea at Family Life on 9782 7800
www.familylife.com.au

CERES Waste Module – Workshop.

On Tuesday, June 5th at 4.00pm, Kirsty Costa from CERES will be speaking to all staff about developing a Waste Action Plan for Chelsea Heights PS.

We would like to invite any interested parents and community members to attend this workshop and contribute their ideas.

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OSHC NEWS

Hi Everyone,

Welcome back to Term 2!
This week and next week our activities will be based on China and India so please come in and see some of the things we are doing.

Next Wed & Thurs we start AASCPC if you would like to join us jump online and enrol for those days.
This term AASCPC activities are Artal Arts with Tony Ball and Netball with Dandenong Netball club.

So come in and join the fun.

Regards The OSHC Team.

REMININDERS

How to get started before using our programs you must register online for an account. Registering is quick and easy. Visit our website to begin www.campaustralia.com.au

Once registered you can make bookings and cancellations, view your statements and manage your details anytime of the day online. Keep in mind we are able to take bookings at short notice to help busy families.

Save on Care You can save 50% or more on Before and After School Care fees with the non means tested Child Care Rebate. Almost all families are eligible. To find out more call our Customer Service Team on 1300 105 343 Monday to Friday.

WHAT’S ON THIS WEEK

Week 1: China
Week 2: India

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