



Celebrating 25 Years

Chisholm Matters

Newsletter of Chisholm Catholic Primary School, Bligh Park

Term 2 Week 8

Thursday 20 June 2019

Diary Dates

Friday 21 June

Primary Athletics
Carnival

Saturday 22 June

Confirmation
Commitment Mass
6.00pm

Sunday 23 June

Confirmation
Commitment Mass
9.00am

Monday 24 June

CCG Meeting 7pm

Wednesday 26 June

Stage 2 Soccer Gala
Day

Friday 28 June

Sacred Heart Mass
10.00am

Sunday 30 June

Confirmation
Commitment Mass
9.00am

Monday 1 July

Parent Prayer 9am

Wednesday 3 July

Stage 3 Boys Soccer
Gala Day

Thursday 4 July

Last day for Students
for Term 2

Friday 5 July

Pupil Free Day

Monday 22 July

School resumes for
Term 3

Dear Parents, Carers, Students and Friends,

I'm very much looking forward to catching up with many of you during our forthcoming Student Led Conferences and next week's Chisholm Community Group Meeting. I'll leave you with this beautiful prayer. It speaks volumes to me about the importance of being a parent.



A Parent's Prayer

Loving God,

*You are the giver of all we possess,
the source of all of our blessings.*

We thank and praise you.

Thank you for the gift of our children.

*Help us to set boundaries for them,
and yet encourage them to explore.*

*Give us the strength and courage to treat
each day as a fresh start.*

*May our children come to know you, the one true God,
and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent.*

*May your Holy Spirit help them to grow
in faith, hope, and love,
so they may know peace, truth, and goodness.*

*May their ears hear your voice.
May their eyes see your presence in all things.
May their lips proclaim your word.
May their hearts be your dwelling place.
May their hands do works of charity.
May their feet walk in the way of Jesus Christ,
your Son and our Lord.
Amen.*

Remember: Kindness is Contagious!

Take Care

Michael

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

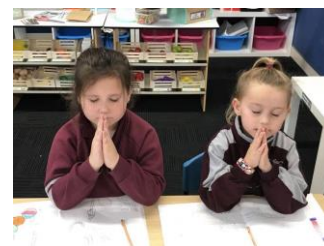
CHISHOLM STUDENT ATTENDANCE EVERY LEARNER EVERY DAY

A REMINDER THAT IT IS A LEGAL REQUIREMENT THAT ANY STUDENT WHO ARRIVES AFTER 8.45am BE SIGNED IN BY A PARENT/CARER.
THIS IS FOR THE SAFETY OF ALL CHILDREN.

Attendance EVERY DAY is Essential.

Chisholm Prayer Space

Please keep in your thoughts and prayers members of our Chisholm community and our family and friends who are unwell.



Thank you

Michael Mifsud – Principal



Staff Development Day - Pupil Free Day Friday 5 July 2019

It is a day when the teachers will be building their skills to teach Creative Arts.
The day will focus on music.

KINDERGARTEN 2020 - FINAL WEEKS TO ENROL



For parents wishing to enrol their child in Kindergarten for 2020 applications will be **closing soon**. Interview times are being timetabled and conducted with the aim that they will be completed by the end of the term.

If you have any relatives or friends considering enrolling their child at Chisholm in 2020, now is the time to remind them to place their applications at the school office, as places are filling quickly. Enrolment forms are available from the school office.

FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

Semester 1 Reports /Student Led Conferences

Over the past weeks class teachers have been working hard to complete your child's Semester 1 report. Student reports are scheduled to be sent home on Thursday 27th June, in week 9. On this occasion, Year 6 reports will go home on Monday 24th June.

Grade letters will be going home today in preparation for Student led conferences. The letters will include details of the arrangements for your child's grade, teacher availability and details of how to make your online booking.

Our student led conferences are a great way to be involved and share in your child's learning journey as well as work in partnership with your child's teacher and the school. With this in mind it is an expectation that all parents make the time to attend.

Thank you for your ongoing support and we look forward to a special week of sharing.

Community Safety and Afternoon Dismissal

Afternoon school dismissal is a busy time in any school and here at Chisholm the exit of nearly five hundred students and large numbers of parents has its challenges.

It is important to remember that it is each person's responsibility to keep themselves and others safe at all times.

Parents are asked to help by

- Being patient, calm and considerate of others
- Observing the school designated pick up areas
- Spreading Kiss & Ride pick up times between 3.00pm – 3.30pm
- Strictly obeying road rules
- Using the pedestrian crossing
- Considering neighbours

Parents and Carers are reminded that there are 3 designated areas for waiting to collect children in the afternoon. These areas are:

1. The undercover court area / seats.
2. The hand ball court area / seats.
3. The parent retreat area.

To support child protection protocols, parents are asked to refrain from;

- Waiting outside classroom doors.
- Accessing children's school bags before the bell.
- Accessing verandahs near year 1 & 2.
- Waiting near either of the toilet blocks including the silver seats near the senior toilet block and the uniform shop near the infant's toilets.
- Looking into classroom windows before classes are dismissed.
- Wandering around the grounds.

In addition, parents are advised, the routine for afternoon access is that school gates will be open at 2.55pm. This allows 5 minutes waiting time before pickup. Adults needing to gain access before this time can do so via the office as per usual.

Your ongoing support in keeping ourselves and our children safe is appreciated.

Andrew Emanuel – *Assistant Principal*

FROM THE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION COORDINATOR



Preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation is just beginning in our parish. The word "Confirmation" means strengthening or deepening one's relationship with God. The Holy Spirit gives our young people the increased ability to practice their Catholic faith in every aspect of their lives and to witness Christ in every situation.

If you have not enrolled your Year 5 or Year 6 child in this program and you wish them to be confirmed, please contact Mrs. Cita Adams through the Parish Office (4577 3073) as soon as possible.

Father of love and power,
it is your will to establish everything in Christ
and to draw us into his all-embracing love.
Guide these candidates as they begin their preparation for Confirmation.
Strengthen them in their baptismal promises,
build them into the kingdom of your Son,
and seal them with the Spirit of your love.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

In Christ

Marilyn Hancock – *Religious Education Coordinator*

SPORTS NEWS

Chisholm Athletics Carnival Friday 21st June

All children in Years 3 – 6 will be taking part in the 2019 Athletics Carnival. This year, students in Year 2 turning 8 years of age will participate in the 100m and 200m at the carnival. This will take place in the morning session.

2019 Chisholm Athletics Carnival Timetable

Venue: School Oval

Program: 9.00am

Aerobics

800m FINALS

11 yrs (a)

Jnr (b) 8, 9 & 10

Snr (c)

Rotating Events Schedule

Shot Put Finalists Dress Up /Egg spoon races	200 M Heats Ball Games	Long Jump Finalists Tug-a-war	100 M	Discus Finalists Obstacle Course Relay
10 Years	9 Years	11 Years	8 Years 7 Years	12 Years
9 Years	8 Years 7 Years	10 Years	12 Year	11 Years
*****RECESS Year 2 Return to Class*****				
8 Years	12 years	9 Years	11 Years	10 years
12 Years	11 Years	8 Years	10 Years	9 Years
11 Years	10 Years	12 Years	9 Years	8 Years
***** LUNCH ***** (House Cheers)				
100 metre finals				
4 x 100 metre relays				
Toddler Race (if time)				
End of Day 3pm				

The Infants Athletics Carnival (Kindergarten – Year 2) will be in Term 3 on **Friday 9th August**.

Netball Coaches

Chisholm will be participating in the Diocesan Netball Gala day in term 3. Coaches are required for the day if you are available to assist please contact Mrs Baxter through the school office.

MacKillop Cross Country

Well done to Olivia Jones, Damon Jones, Bree Rawlings and Nate Gill who all competed at the MacKillop Cross Country event last Friday. We are proud of all that you have achieved this year.

Karen Baxter – *Sports Coordinator*

GENERAL NEWS

Choir News

In **Week 9** at the Monday morning assembly, the choir will be performing one song they have been working on this year. We would love to see some of the parents and carers there to support them.

Jessica Triebe



School Fees

The second instalment of school fees is now overdue and reminder letters have been issued. If you are unable to make payment before the end of the term, please contact me in the school office on 4573 3200 or via email at chis-blghfees@parra.catholic.edu.au. Families experiencing financial difficulty should contact Mr Mifsud or myself to discuss. All financial matters are treated confidentially.

Bernadette Alexander
Finance Secretary

Premier's Reading Challenge

Congratulations to Charlotte Borg, 3G and Jemma Camilleri, 4G on completing the challenge for 2019. Well done and thank you for setting a great example for others to follow.

Woolies Earn & Learn

Way to go Chisholm!! We are well on our way to 30,000 Earn & Learn stickers. We have collected over 22,000 stickers so far with **one week to go!!**

Woolies will stop handing out stickers next **Tuesday 25th June**.

If your Woolies has run out of stickers, you can take your receipt to another Woolies and they will give you stickers, or you can bring the bottom of the receipt to school and we will add it to our total.



Thank you, Parents!!

Thank you so much to the following parents who answered our call for urgent book covering over the last month. **Over 400 readers were covered and are already being used in class!** What an amazing effort!

Molly Smith (Jaxson), Alison Lappalainen (James), Rochelle Sieders (Ashton and Indie), Sarah Kitching (Courtney and Mackenzie), Tara Groom (Izaac, Heath and Sienna), Melinda Nagle (Noah), Michelle Tuckey (Kieran and Liam), Leanne and Kevin Grima (Nicole and James), Agnes Casha (Melanie), Julie DeMauro (Zoey Anderson), Denisse Williams (Lucas), Sarah Kelly (Ryley) and Lydia Jakovljevic (Lukas, Aiden and Siara). Thank you on behalf of our Teachers and Students!

Fiona Lark – Teacher Librarian

Student Absences



A reminder that due to the changes in the Student Information System we will not send out the SMS notifications until further notice. Please advise the school through the **Skoolbag App** if your child will be absent from school. Alternatively provide written advice to the class teacher on your child's return to school.

Congratulations to **Lucas North (6G)** who has been selected in the NSW

Junior Baseball League team and will play in in the South East Asia Tournament in Japan next month.



25th Anniversary Photo



Chisholm Catholic Primary School



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The 25th Anniversary Photo is available to purchase from MSP Photography for \$18.00.

Please email Kelly Milgate (by Thursday 27 June) at chisholm@parra.catholic.edu.au to request your child's personalised order form. Please enter **25th Anniversary Photo** in the Subject line.

All orders forms will need to be returned to the school office by **Thursday 4th July** as the Friday 5th July is a Pupil Free Day.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Congratulations to the following students who will celebrate over the coming weeks:

Tristan Mizzi, Hayley Phillips, Dean Szyszka, Ashton Dukes, Sebastian Dabinett, Reuben Welch, Olivia Pottstock Millan, Ryley Wright, Melanie Casha, Harrison Parr, Heath Groom, Tyler Zammit, Charlotte Dimech, Ebonie Teuma, Melayna Biscoe, Tya Wilson, Ella Bongiorno, Edgar Sharples, Aylah Miljkovich,

Elizabeth Deters-Horan, Olivia Stivala.

CANTEEN ROSTER

TERM 2

Friday	June 21	Tami Adams, Jackie Kennedy, Alanna Carstairs, Sheila Bradford
Monday	June 24	Jessica Toms
Tuesday	June 25	Jackie Triccas
Wednesday	June 26	Tami Adams
Thursday	June 27	Natalie Allen
Friday	June 28	Jackie Kennedy, Belinda Parr, Alanna Carstairs
Monday	July 1	Jade Millan
Tuesday	July 2	Michelle Dimech
Wednesday	July 3	Alanna Carstairs
Thursday	July 4	Christine Agius
Friday	July 5	PUPIL FREE DAY

As you are aware, we run a very busy canteen, and to do this we need more volunteers. If you are able to assist in the canteen, please contact me.

Sandra Goldsbrough - Canteen Coordinator

TRIVIA NIGHT – SATURDAY 24TH AUGUST

LOCK IT IN! The CCG will be hosting a Trivia Night on Saturday 24th August. It will be a fun night open to all! It will be a night full of laughs with our MC firing 6 rounds of trivia as well as fun games and lots of prizes to be won! If you have a business or know someone that would like to donate prizes towards our night, please get in contact with us!



WHAT ELSE IS HAPPENING??

2018 FAIR MONEY

We have had a contractor come out and quote up the ideas we have had for the money raised from the fair last year. We should get the quotes back in the next week so we can discuss at our meetings and start to move forward with our ideas.

COLOUR-A-THON 2019

Together with the SRC, it was decided that this year's big fundraiser would be a colour run! We are looking at holding this in October and will be needing volunteers on the day to run this fun event! Parents will be invited to join in on the day! More details to follow!

SCHOOL FAIR 2020

We will be starting to discuss ideas for our School fair held next year. It was decided last year that we would not hold a fair this year due to a number of reasons but would look at holding the fair in 2020. We need to see if the idea is viable and if we have enough volunteers, so at the next meeting, we will be hopefully starting to form a fair committee.

CCG MEETING

The next CCG Meeting was postponed from June 18th and now will be held on Monday 24th June at 7pm in the staff room! We are discussing a lot of fun ideas for this year and next. We would love to see you there!

If you would like to discuss any matters at all please don't hesitate to contact us below

CONTACT US

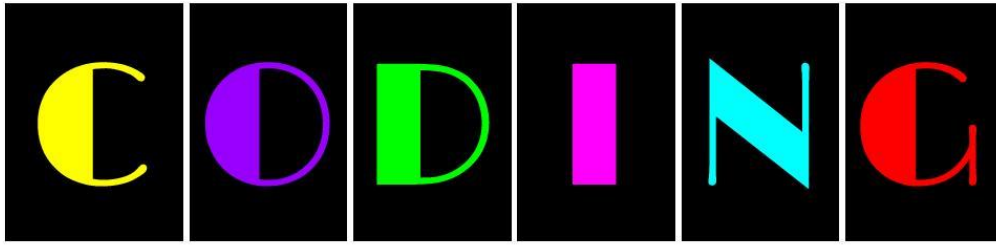
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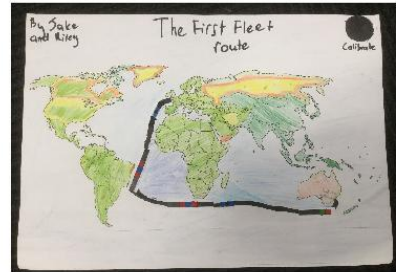
Learning Matters



What is coding?

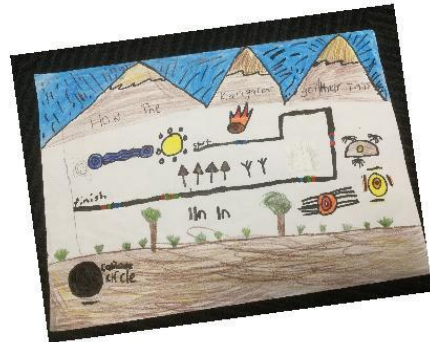


Technology is a big part of our lives, and coding is a skill our students will need to develop as they grow up in a digital world.



Coding involves problem solving, communicating, sequencing, and covers content across all of our subject areas - maths, science, english, geography, etc. Coding lessons are taught by Mrs Lark each week in the Library.

Students work in small groups to complete a task. They practise working together and listening to each other. This is helping to develop their social skills and task management skills.



This year, students in Years 1-6 have been using Ozobots to:

- map the voyage of the First Fleet
- map a trip around Australia
- Tell Dreaming stories
- Map the life cycle of ants and bean seeds



Our Kinder students have just started using BlueBots. They are learning how to operate the robots and are working with a different partner each lesson.



We are safe, honest, respectful learners!