



FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Diary Dates

Friday 4/12	KLA Assembly,	9.15am
Monday 7/12	Presentation Day Assemblies	K/2 9.30am-11am Years 3/6 1pm-2.55pm
Wednesday 9/12	Parent and Scripture Helpers Morning Tea	11.15am
Friday 11/12	Student Reports sent home Reverse Santa	
Monday 14/12	Year 6 Farewell evening	
Tuesday 15/12	Movie Day and Beaut Behaviour BBQ	
Wednesday 16/12	Year 6 Graduation Ceremony (afternoon)	Time TBC
Thursday 17/12 and Friday 18/12	Pupil Free Days due to staff development.	

Congratulations Mrs Denning

Last week interviews were conducted for our school's Administration Manager's position which was created by the retirement of Mrs Wallace. I am pleased to announce that the successful applicant was **Mrs Kris Denning**. We have seen a lot of Kris in the front office since the beginning of Term 2 when she commenced the role in a relieving capacity. In that time Kris has proven to be a calm, friendly face who presents a positive impression of Chertsey to all of our school community and visitors. We look forward to having her at Chertsey for many years to come. We have also been

very fortunate to have had Mrs **Loida Anorga** relieving for Kris in the back office for the past three terms. I have been informed by Staffing that Loida will continue her role until the end of Term 2010 when the position will be filled by either a transfer from another school or by advertised merit selection. **We are a lucky school to have two such accommodating and friendly office staff!**

Digital Newsletters

Last week I asked parents to consider changing the way they receive their newsletter. The way you can now receive your newsletter is simply to access it via our new school website at: www.chertsey-p.schools.nsw.edu.au then click on the Newsletter link. This has a threefold benefit. Firstly, it provides to your children a positive environmental message, secondly the money the school saves can be spent on student resources and finally it will reduce Administration time and allow Loida more time to spend on essential things such as student first aid, teacher resources and even having a significant lunch break!

If you would like to trial the digital newsletter please complete the slip below and return it to the office.

REQUEST TO RECEIVE NEWSLETTER VIA SCHOOL WEBSITE

Parent Name: _____

Children/classes: _____

EMAIL Address: _____

Thank You! Please return this slip to the school office ASAP.

LAST WEEK

I have included some photographs of three exciting events that occurred last week. The first was the

Kindergarten Orientation for parents and caregivers which was held in the hall on Wednesday. **Mrs Auinger** organised a terrific variety of important facets of school life to be explained by students, parents and staff. I am sure everyone who attended benefited from it. I am sure we will have some excited children (and parents) at this week's Headstart Graduation Ceremony.

Soon after, we had the **Year 6 Mini Fair**. Year 6 students and staff, led by **Mr Francis** and ably assisted by **Mrs Currie, Mrs Plater and Miss Wiseman** organised a fun day which raised an incredible \$2,600. I have heard some great ideas of how the money will be spent. Also, a special thank you to **Michelle Cole** who stepped in again to help out at a crucial time and to the families who assisted with prizes or helped out on the day.

On Friday, I was assisted with supervision of Class 2H who through **Felicity Moore** won a day at Taronga Park Zoo with her entry in a Zoo sponsored art competition. Also in attendance were the two runners-up students, **Emma Salo (KA)** and **Tahlia Ritsinias (K/1P)** and her proud family members, **Cathy, Adrian and Jarrod Moore** and the excursion organiser and class teacher **Mrs Heath** and the wonderful School Learning Support Officer who coordinated the Chertsey entries, **Mrs Oosten**. The excursion could be best summed up by Felicity's brother, Jarrod who stated proudly that it was "the best day of his life!" It was great to see Felicity's work displayed around the zoo on large banners and on merchandise such as T shirts and coffee mugs. The behaviour of all of 2H was a credit to our school and the day was superbly organised by Mrs Heath. I know I slept well and am sure that all other participants didn't require too many bed time stories to send them off to sleep.

Last Two Days of Term 4 2009

An important reminder that the last day of school for 2009 is **Wednesday 16th December**. For the first time Department of Education and Training has allocated

two days designated for Professional Learning and Planning at the end of the year. On the 17th and 18th December, Chertsey staff will be involved in professional learning in the areas of Reading, Assessment and Reporting and Planning.

Reverse Santa

Last week I mentioned that Chertsey families are invited to participate in the **REVERSE SANTA** activity where students can bring in a gift for children of families who require a little cheer this coming Christmas. I have now been informed that Santa will be at our school on Friday 11th December to collect presents which will be given to the Central Coast Community Chest to be distributed to needy families. More details will soon be provided by Mrs Heath who is the school coordinator for the Chertsey Reverse Santa.

SunSAFE and Proud

This week's lucky hat draw winner is **Heath Tomlinson** of K/1P. Congratulations Caleb and enjoy your slushie!!
John Anderson



MERIT AWARDS



Logan Arora
Jessica Winter
Kaleb Steptoe
Samuel Bissett
Kira Rayson
Quentin Arora
Ryan Sivilis
Adam Campbell-Taylor
Quentin Arora
Krystal Eather
Brad Jay
Emersyn Downes
Dylan Payne

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Reading
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Dylan Condon	3/6V
Elliott Keeling	K/6D
Jye Furmston	5/6W
Emily Brown	5/6W
Veronica Lawson	5/6F
Tiga Rayson	5/6F
Joshua Dennis	Reading

Active After school

On Tuesday 8th December we will be having our end of year get together. Both Monday & Thursday groups are invited. We will hold it in the hall during lunch 1. If your child could bring something yummy along that would be great. Notes will be sent home.

Kate

Year 6 mini-fair: Thank you to all of the students, parents and teachers for helping to make our mini-fair an enjoyable and successful day for Year 6. We were able to raise over \$1600.00 which will be used to buy an end-of-year gift for the school and support the Year 6 farewell. I would especially like to thank all Year 6 students and parents for helping with the preparations, donations and clean-up of our fundraising event. My sincere thanks to the following people whose contributions did not go unnoticed: Iris Kempshall, Michelle Deegan, Ros Woodley, Kate Currie, Dave Moyle, Anita Blumer, Lee Crawford, Shaye-marie Phillips and the P & C fete committee.

Greg Francis

Would you please let us know if your family will be leaving the area over the Christmas holidays? If you know of anyone who is moving into the area during this period who may be enrolling at Chertsey please fill in the slip below.

Family Name: _____

Contact Details: _____

Uniforms

Please if you have kids leaving the school and they don't fit in their uniforms anymore, we need them, just bring them to the office! Thanks heaps

Chertsey P&C 2009

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the volunteers that have contributed to Chertsey this year. People help out in many areas from gardening, canteen, school projects and classroom assistance to teachers. Our school is a greater place for all the time that is contributed.

I would like to thank the executive of the P&C this year. Sarah, Phil, Nada, Carol and Fiona have all given so much of their time. Our Canteen, fete and Earth committee have worked tirelessly towards achieving their goals this year.

I would like to thank a new local business this week. The meat Wholesaler (next to IGA Erina Mall). We had vouchers that were raffled at our fete for the old Erina Mall Butchery that was in this location. Unfortunately this business closed. I would like to thank Matt from the new business; he has honored the vouchers in his store.

Next Monday 7th of December is our annual presentation, if you have the time to attend this is a great opportunity as group to thank the Students, Staff and volunteers for a terrific year.

Mark Deuxberry P&C President.

Reverse Santa

This Christmas Chertsey students will be thinking of others less fortunate than themselves. We are asking all students to bring a small gift suitable for a boy or girl their age, to school on Friday 11th December. Santa will visit our school and walk around each classroom to collect the gifts. The gifts then will be distributed to Community Chest through Gosford Rotary Club. If you wrap your gift please write if its for a boy or girl and the age. You do not need to write who the gift is from. Gifts do not need to be expensive. Your child

may want to make a gift.

A gift given from the heart is the best of all.

Mrs Heath

As you may be aware, our school website has been online for a few weeks now.

Go to: www.chertsey-p.schools.nsw.edu.au for lots of information, photos and calendar events for our school. A new addition to the website is the Student Magazine that you will find in

Latest News on the homepage. A big congratulations to our talented Year 5 multimedia team (Aimee, April, Jack, Ebony, Joshua, Jennifer, Veronica and Isabella) who

have been using their technology skills to produce a quality magazine for all to enjoy!

There is also a link to a Cybersmart webpage for kids and adults to learn about Internet safety. Make sure you check it out!

Again, well done to our student multimedia team and I hope everyone is enjoying the stories, newsletters and photos on our website. Feel free to let me know of any other inclusions you would like to see.

Regards Mr McFarlane.

Challenged by your child's asthma?

'Parenting Children with Asthma'

Researchers from the University of Queensland are investigating the challenges faced by parents of children with asthma. This project involves a survey examining the factors that parents believe make management of childhood asthma more difficult.

What does participation involve?

Parents of children with asthma, aged 3 to 12 years, can participate by completing a set of online questionnaires about their family, their child, and their child's asthma. These questionnaires will take approximately 15 minutes to complete.

You can complete the survey at:

<http://exp.psy.uq.edu.au/asthmaparent>
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For more information, please contact
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