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From The Principal's Desk

IMPORTANT TERM 4 DATES

13th December- Beau Behaviour BBQ + P&C Meeting

16th December-Final day of school for students

19th/20th December- Pupil Free Days

A Great Year Concludes

As this is the final newsletter for the year it is important to try to put the year into perspective. I am sure I speak on behalf of many staff, students and parents/carers when I state that it has been a highly successful one. Everyone will have their own highlights. It might have been performing at the Sydney Opera House, starting kindergarten, going on an excursion, attending the school fete or even going sailing. Whatever the memories I am sure they are positive ones. At tonight's P&C meeting my report contains a summary of as many of the school events that I could recall. I have reprinted the page in this edition of the school newsletter and I am sure once you have read it you too will be amazed at what a small school such as Chertsey can achieve.

For 2012, I anticipate we should be able to maintain the current nine mainstream classes. Due to uncertainty about the future of the Language Class, Miss Sewell has opted to teach a mainstream class, a position created by Mrs Palmer's vacancy who will take 12 months leave. Miss Jankovic will have a teaching role within our Hearing classes.

I have recently been informed that the Chertsey SaCC will become a two days a week project from the start of 2012 and will move to Wyoming Public School from the start of 2013. A letter from our Department of Education and Communities explaining the review process and outcomes is published in this newsletter.

ACCEPTANCE, ACHIEVEMENT, COMMITMENT, INTEGRITY AND RESPECT

Nada Potter has been the SaCC Facilitator at Chertsey since its inception, for close to 20 years. At this point in time, Nada's role at Chertsey is unknown for 2012 so I believe it is timely to pay tribute to someone who has committed an incredible amount of time and effort to support our school community, staff and students. I recognise and acknowledge Nada's work at Chertsey. As I said at last week's 3-6 Presentation Day assembly, there are not too many people or houses in Springfield that are unknown to Nada. She not only has provided excellent programs for the 0-8 year age group but has also supported families in crisis and provided across school activities that have done so much to build Chertsey's reputation as a genuine community-focused school.

Nada is a big part of what Chertsey is and stands for and I know for nearly the last 20 years Chertsey has played an enormous part in Nada's life. Whatever the future holds for Nada I know that I speak for our school community when I say that our gratitude is heartfelt and sincere.

Presentation Days

Congratulations to all award recipients at both of our school presentation day s last week. In particular, I would like to acknowledge our outgoing prefects who demonstrated their ability to 'think on their feet' when having to reorganise the running order of the assembly. Well done **Brock, Dylan, Jasmine, Marco , Skye and Tamara** for their outstanding work as student leaders in 2011. I also welcome and congratulate our new prefects for 2012, **Alec, Brandon, Emersyn, Emily, Mitchell and Natalie**. I am sure they will be fine ambassadors for our school and I look forward to working with them.

Year 6 Farewell

What a terrific 'send off' for our Year 6 students this past Monday evening. With a tremendous setting at the Terrigal Surf Club and wonderful catering and decorations led by our hard working parent organising committee the students responded accordingly with great manners. A memorable night was had by all and I am appreciative of the good number of staff who volunteered their time to attend and farewell our Year 6 students. Thank you to Mr McFarlane who produced a great keepsake in the form of the student's placemats. Please see some of the great photographs in this newsletter taken by our roving photographer, Mrs Masters.

Best Wishes Mr Naughton

For the past 4 weeks we have a practicum student, **Mr Nicholas Naughton** working with Mrs Hynes on KH. Mr. Naughton's final day was last Friday and I know we have enjoyed having him at our school. He has been a valuable addition to our staff in that time and I am sure that working with Mrs Hynes has been a valuable learning experience.

Best wishes Nicholas for your future in teaching. We might see you return to Chertsey one day. And thank you to **Mrs Hynes** for assisting the next generation of teachers!

This Week's Events

As the year winds down there are still many activities and events at Chertsey this week to keep the students engaged. They include the **Year 6 Farewell** on Monday evening, **Beaut Behaviour BBQ** and the **P&C meeting** on Tuesday, **Movie Day** on Wednesday, the **Multiplication Masters/ Homework Club Lunch** on Thursday and the **Year 6 Graduation Assembly** on Friday.

2012 School Year Commencement Dates

Please note that the school year for Years 1 to 6 students commences on **Monday 30th of January** whilst for Kindergarten the starting date is **Wednesday 1st of February beginning at 10:000am**.

To all our Chertsey families I take this opportunity on behalf of our staff to wish you all a merry Christmas and a happy and safe Festive Season. We look forward to seeing you all return ready for a beaut 2012!

John Anderson

Schools as Community Centres

As you may be aware Chertsey Primary School is part of the Schools as Community Centres (SaCC) program.

A variety of community as government agencies work in partnership with SaCCs, to support families with children from birth to eight year old, with particular focus on the years immediately before school.

As communities change, so should the services provided by SaCCs, to ensure the resources available benefit the families that need them most.

The Central Coast's school areas have therefore been reassessed by senior officers from Education and Communities, Family and Community Services, Health, school principals, and SaCCs Facilitators.

Their assessment took into account many factors, including different areas' socioeconomic status, public housing data, childrens' health needs and literacy and numeracy levels among children.

The assessment has shown a change in the needs of families across a number of areas of the Central Coast, and therefore a number of changes have been made to cater better for those needs.

In summary, the changes are:

- A new three days a week SaCC project will start at Gorokan Public School from the a start of 2012;
- The Chertsey SaCC will become a two days a week project from the start of 2012, moving to Wyoming Public School from the start of 2013;
- The Umina SaCC will become a three days a week project from the start of 2012, moving to Woy Woy Public School from the start of 2013;
- from the start of 2012 the projects at Northlakes Public School and Blue Haven Public School will change to two and a half days a week each, with a five days a week facilitator appointed to the two projects, and
- from the start of 2012 the project at Wyoming Public School will change to three days a week.

The department of Education and communities will continue to monitor closely the need of families across the Central Coast and will continue to review the location of SaCC projects every three years.

CHERTSEY PRIMARY SCHOOL—2011 IN SUMMARY

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS	TEACHING/LEARNING PROGRAMS	CELEBRATIONS
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recorder Group performs @ the Opera House • Primary Choir performs @ the Opera House • Harmony Day • ANZAC & Remembrance Day services • Reconciliation & NAIDOC Weeks • CC Dance Festival • Father's/ Mother's Day Breakfasts • SRC disco <p>SaCCs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Storage sheds being added for the Cottage • Headstart • Dad and Me Fishing day • Kids Day Out • Carols on the Bus • Community Carols 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NAPLAN results. • Outstanding growth in Reading for students now in Year 7 • Parent Project Officer home/school initiatives • National Partnership program (Focus on Reading 3-6 & Multilit initiatives) • CARS-comprehension • 'Best Start' Kinder assessments and L3 literacy program for Early Stage 1. • Introduced the GO MATHS program • Continued to implement 'You Can Do It' student welfare program • Public Speaking/Debating • Premier's Reading Challenge • Stage Excursions • Varied sporting opportunities, including a 5th Round effort for Girls Soccer team in State KO. 	<p>P&C</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Success in Operation Art competition with Ava from Hearing Support Class student 'top 50'. • Stage 2 student runner-up in Regional PSP Writing Competition • Recognised at GCC Greenhouse environment awards • Debating team into final round of PSP competition • Highly successful fete • Earth Committee • Managing school canteen lease • Senior lunch seating area constructed • Fathers /Mother's Day stalls • HEADSTART assistance • Young Leaders Program • Presentation Awards contribution

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<p>CHARITIES</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Stewart House• Smiling for Smiddy• Jump Rope for Heart• Cystic Fibrosis <p>OTHER</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• BER air-conditioners• Breakfast Club• Active After School Communities• CHOOSH• ICAS competitions• Intern/Practicum/Work experience students <p>SUPPORT UNIT</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Deaf Camp Milson Island SRC)• Community life skills Excursions	<p>CLUBS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Photography• After School Literacy• Homework• Gecko• PA-Playground Activity Strategies Group introduced	
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CHERTSEY PRIMARY SCHOOL MOVIE DAY HSIE Excursion—Hoyts Erina Fair

WHEN: Wednesday 14th December, 2011

MOVIE: Alvin and the chipmunks 3—Chipwrecked

FULL SCHOOL UNIFORM to be worn.

NO MONEY for Candy Bar –may bring a small snack

BUSES depart 10:00



BEHAVIOUR has to be at a satisfactory level prior to the excursion to be able to attend.

Thank you

Sharon Hynes

REVERSE SANTA

Santa and his elves were kept very busy last Tuesday collecting gifts for less fortunate families on the Central Coast.



Thanks to our Chertsey community's generosity many families will enjoy a happier Christmas this year.

Wishing you the Blessings of Christmas from their families to your families.

Lesley Heath
Co-ordinator

Assembly times

K-6 Friday (Even Weeks) 1:45-2:45

K-2 Wednesday (Odd Weeks) 9:15-9:45

3-6 Friday (Odd Weeks) 1:45-2:30

Parents & Citizens Association



**Meetings are held
every 2nd Tuesday of
each month 6.30pm.**

**All parents are
welcome!**

**School Community Hall
for hire. Chertsey
Community Cottage for
hire
Phone school Office**

OUR PLACE

CHERTSEY SACCs

School as Community Centres

Phone: 4323 7158

Fax: 4323 7158

Facilitator: Nada Potter



Dates to remember

Friday 16/12	Students Last Day
	Year 6 Graduation Assembly 2.15pm
Monday 19/12 - Tuesday 20/12	Pupil Free Days

CHANGES OF ADDRESS AND TELEPHONE NUMBERS

**Please notify the office of
any address and
telephone number
changes. In the event of
an emergency we must
have current
information**

Canteen



**Our canteen is now
opened on :**

**Wednesday
Thursday and
Friday**



Calcium and our kids



Latest research tells us our children aren't getting enough calcium, and that is a problem for bone health. This is especially so for children aged 9 – 16.

So try to get some good dairy habits starting early.

It's easy to improve calcium intake by having 3 serves of dairy or soy products each day – 1 serve is 250ml milk, a 200g tub of yogurt or 40g of cheese.

Nutrition News Snippet 2011
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Dear Home Work Club Members

Thank you to all the families who utilized and supported Chertsey's Home Work Club this year. It has been enlightening, enjoyable and entertaining at times to share some of the homework problems we face with the students, and in true Chertsey fashion we band together and support each other. Congratulations to all those families who managed to increase the amount of homework completed and handed in each week.

I would also like to thank Miss Sewell and Mrs Van Drempt for volunteering their time, without their continued support we would not have such a successful club.

Have a wonderful Christmas and Happy New Year

Yours Sincerely

Lisa Seaman
Parent Project Officer

Sport and Recreation

Central Coast holiday activities – January 2012



Canoekayaking

10 – 16 years. Discover the beautiful Avoca Lagoon on an exciting and educational paddle. Participants must be able to swim 50 metres. Avoca Lagoon, 17 January. Cost \$33.

CARES bicycle safety

10 – 16 years. This program will develop your child's road sense and set the foundation of road safety they need right through life. Central Coast Lifetime Learning Centre, Palmdale, 12 or 23 January. Cost \$10.

CARES bicycle safety for kids with special needs

10-15 years. A modified version of the CARES bicycle safety program, suitable for children with intellectual disabilities and some mild physical disabilities. Limited numbers apply. Central Coast Lifetime Learning Centre, Palmdale, 12 or 23 January. Cost \$10.

Circus stuff

5 – 16 years. Clown around! This action-packed workshop will teach you heaps of neat tricks like tight-rope walking, tumbling, juggling, stilt walking, plate spinning, balancing and more. JoJo's Party Plus, Gosford, 19 January. Cost \$40.

Gymnastics for kids with a disability

7-12 years. Experience the fun of

gymnastics with this fun beginners course

for kids with intellectual and mild physical

disabilities. Central Coast Gymnastics

Academy, Charnhaven, 19 January.

Cost \$8.

Saddleclub – (entry or Intermediate)

7 – 16 years. Come and get saddled up and experience all the fun of owning and looking after a horse. Please indicate level preference at time of booking. Marena Stud, Wyong, 12 or 19 January. Cost \$47.

Kids' multi-sports

6 – 13 years. A jam-packed day including trampolining, indoor hockey, indoor volleyball, soccer, the jump pit, wheelchair basketball and lots more. Includes sausage sizzle and an ice block for lunch. Central Coast Youth Club, Niagara Park, 11 or 25 January. Cost \$25 first child and \$20 for additional family member(s).

Sailing (three-day program)

7-16 years. For beginners to advanced, this program is taught by Yachting Australia instructors on dinghies. Participants must be able to swim 50m. Gosford Sailing Club, Gosford, 18-20 or 23-25 January. Cost \$166.

Scooter (Beginners)

5-14 years. Introductory concepts including skatepark etiquette for both scooter enthusiasts. Participants must bring their own scooter with helmet – other protective equipment recommended. The Entrance Skatepark, 19 January. Cost \$25.

Surfing with Central Coast Surf School

7 – 16 years. Learn to surf with Central Coast Surf School in a fun, safe environment with professional, experienced instructors. Soft surfboards, wetsuits, rash vests and sunscreen are provided. Avoca Beach 4-6 January or Umina Beach 11-13 or 18-20 January. Cost \$95.

Surf Life Saving

5-13 years. Kids will learn about beach and water safety, and develop skills and knowledge in beach and surf recreation whilst having loads of fun. Toowoon Bay Beach 6 January or Terrigal Beach 20 January. Cost \$17.

Surfing with BJ

10 – 16 years. BJ's excellent 'learn to surf' program teaches you all you need to know to tear up the waves with the best surfers on the coast. This program is for both beginner and intermediate surfers. Boards and rash shirts are provided. 3 days - Shelly Beach or Terrigal Beach, various dates in January 2012 – please check website for further details. Cost \$95.

Tennis (Gosford - three-day program)

5 – 16 years. Learn stroke production, forehand, backhand and volley and serve as well as match play and scoring. Lunch can be ordered at the Centre on arrival. Suitable for beginners to advanced. 18-20 January. Cost \$120.

Tennis (Wyong - three-day program)

6 – 18 years. Catering to all levels, this program covers all aspects of the game including court etiquette, technique and rules of the game. Play games, mini-tournament and includes a small party on the last day. 9-11 January. Wyong Tennis Club. Cost \$67 (third sibling free).

Trampoline

5 – 15 years. This program will include safety and equipment familiarisation, basic landing positions, aerial positions and supervised practice. Central Coast Youth Club, Niagara Park, 12-13 January. Cost \$32.

Trampolining for kids with a disability

7 – 17 years. Learn basic trampolining techniques with some of the best coaches on the Coast. Suitable for kids with intellectual and mild physical disabilities. Central Coast Youth Club, Niagara Park, 12 January. Cost \$5.



Limited number of Christmas gift certificates can be requested as stocking fillers for each program up until Friday, 16 December 2011, 3pm on 4362 3184 only.

All prices include GST. To avoid disappointment, pre-bookings are essential. Times vary between programs and programs are subject to change, for more information or to make a booking call 13 13 02 or (02) 4362 3184 or visit www.dsr.nsw.gov.au



Free Healthy Life-

The Go4Fun Program is a program aimed at improving the health, fitness, self esteem, children 7-13 years who are above their ideal weight. The program runs after school for ten weeks over the school term at various Central Coast locations. It is **completely free of charge** to participants. Registrations are now being taken for Term 1 2012, and places are filling fast. Please note: A parent or carer must accompany each child to every session.

Families interested in participating should contact Louise on 4394 7974



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WOOSH Vacation Care

December 2011 & January 2012

If you are working or just want something fun for your child to do during the school holidays, our Vacation Care program for the December/January school holidays is out now!

December 2011

Mon 19th Dec (PFD) – **Movies at the Club**
Tues 20th Dec (PFD) – **Jumping Castle**
Wed 21st Dec – **The Entrance Water Park**
Thurs 22nd Dec – **Christmas Craft & Cooking**

January 2012

Mon 9th Jan – **Waterslide**
Tues 10th Jan – **Jewellery Making & Drama**
Wed 11th Jan – **Reptile Park**
Thurs 12th Jan – **Water Games**
Fri 13th Jan – **Swimming**

Mon 16th Jan – **Trivia at the Club**
Tues 17th Jan – **Art Attack & Fishing**
Wed 18th Jan – **Swimming**
Thurs 19th Jan – **MasterChef (k-3) Ice-skating (Year 4+)**
Fri 20th Jan – **Sport & Rec**

Mon 23rd Jan – **Pony Rides**
Tues 24th Jan – **Swimming**
Wed 25th Jan – **Mini Jeeps**
Thurs 25th Jan – **CENTRE CLOSED**
Fri 26th Jan – **Disco at the Club**



Plus much more, including:

- Cooking
- Games & Fun
- Craft
- Free Play



Bookings are essential as places are limited. Please see staff at WOOSH for an Enrolment Form and a copy of our Vacation Care Program, phone (02) 4367 8666, or visit our website www.wooshcare.com.au for more information.

 43284222 Book Now	Sunday Swim Lessons Wyoming Swim Centre Commencing December 2011	
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QUALIFICATION	START DATE	END DATE	TRAINING VENUE	DETAILS
Certificate III in Aged Care / Home Community Care <i>Dual Certificate program</i>	20/2/12	23/5/12 + work experience	Gosford	Includes First Aid (2 days program), hands on training in an industry facility Mondays / Tuesdays / Wednesdays Entry level program \$1975
Certificate IV in Aged Care <i>Full Certificate program</i>	21/2/12	18/9/12	Gosford	Ideal for anyone who has completed a Certificate III in Aged Care or equivalent Medication units are included in the delivery Tuesday evenings Existing Worker program \$1825
BAS Agent Registration Skill Set <i>Statement of Attainment Program</i>	4/2/12	24/3/12	Gosford	Cited as meeting the educational requirements for persons wishing to register as BAS Agents 3 full day workshops + 2 tutorial sessions 2 units from Certificate IV in Bookkeeping Saturdays Existing Worker Program \$495
I.A.M. 'It's about me' YOUNG Women's Workshop – Pre-employment Program <i>Non accredited Program</i>	17/2/12	24/2/12	Gosford	2 day workshop Fridays \$225
Access to Business <i>Statement of Attainment Program</i>	13/2/12	8/3/12 + work experience + job search	Gosford	Australian Apprenticeship Access Program FREE for eligible participants Mondays / Tuesdays / Wednesdays / Thursdays
Certificate IV in Bookkeeping <i>Full Certificate program</i>	27/2/12	30/7/12	Gosford	Cited as meeting the educational requirements for persons wishing to register as BAS Agents Monday evenings Existing worker program \$1900
Access to Business <i>Statement of Attainment Program</i>	20/2/12	16/3/12 + work experience + job search	Toronto	Australian Apprenticeship Access Program FREE for eligible participants Mondays / Tuesdays / Wednesdays / Thursdays / Fridays
I.A.M. 'It's about me' Women's Workshop – Pre-employment Program <i>Non accredited Program</i>	6/3/12	27/3/12	Gosford	4 x ½ day workshops Tuesdays \$225
Certificate III in Aged Care <i>Full Certificate program</i>	5/3/12	8/6/12	Lake Haven	Includes First Aid (2 days program), hands on training in an industry facility Mondays / Wednesdays / Fridays Entry level program \$1900
Youth Work / Coaching and Development Skill Set <i>Statement of Attainment Program</i>	8/3/12	1/6/12	Gosford	Ideal for anyone wanting to access a career working with youth Thursdays / Fridays \$1685

TRAINING CALE





TRAINING CALENDAR

Certificate III in Business Administration <i>Full Certificate program</i>	12/3/12	17/5/11	Gosford	Ideal for anyone wanting to access a career in an office environment or for anyone wanting to update their skills and knowledge Monday to Thursday \$2050
Certificate II in Retail <i>Full Certificate program</i>	19/3/12	30/5/12	Gosford	Hands on program which includes on the job training in retail outlets Mondays / Tuesdays / Wednesdays \$1750
Certificate IV in Training and Assessment <i>Full Certificate program</i>	22/3/12	2/8/12	Gosford	Ideal for anyone interested in training and assessing in their area of expertise Thursday evenings
Diploma of Community Services Coordination <i>Full Certificate program</i>	23/4/12	End March 2013	Gosford	Monday evenings Ideal for people working in the Community Services sector who wish to Upskill \$2950
Coaching Young People for Success	Run on demand – dates can be negotiated		Gosford	Fee for Service Program – Price available on request Ideal for employees from Schools / Youth Agencies and Job Service Australia Providers
ONGOING FEE FOR SERVICE PROGRAM				
Career and Training Services	ET Australia offers career guidance, coaching and training services. Services available include: professional resumes, application letters, career profiles, career coaching, interview coaching, job search techniques, outplacement services, career / life coaching, youth coaching plus more. Prices available on request.			
Literacy and Numeracy Assessment and Training	Price available on request One on one initial assessment followed by training tailored to your needs			
Apply first aid (formerly known as Senior First Aid)	\$165 – Bookings required 2 day accredited training program			

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New look Healthy Kids website

The Healthy Kids website has a great section for parents with lots of ideas, fact sheets, recipes for school age and preschool children and families.

This website is a joint initiative of NSW Health, NSW Department of Education and Training, Sport and Recreation, a division of Communities NSW and the Heart Foundation.

Have a look at www.healthykids.nsw.gov.au

Nutrition News Snippet 2011
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CLOTHING POOL DONATIONS



As the school year is drawing to an end and children have almost grown out of their school clothing the school's clothing pool would greatly appreciate any donations of unwanted clothing for the coming year.