



Chertsey Primary School

GROWING AND LEARNING FOR ACADEMIC SUCCESS



Term 3 Calendar

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
W1 Term 3 Jul 22	23	24	25	26
🔔 NAIDOC Week				
Term 3 start	🔔 Students return	🏈 PSSA Touch Football		🔔 NAIDOC Celebration
🔔 Pupil Free Day				● 2:00pm 🔔 K-6 Assembly
📅 Staff Development Day				
W2 Term 3 Jul 29	30	31	August 1	2
🗨️ EHS NAIDOC Week Activity Day				
W3 Term 3 Aug 5	6	7	8	9
🔔 Education Week				
🗨️ Parent - Teacher Interviews				
				🔔 Education Week - Open Classroom and Parent Reading Workshop
W4 Term 3 Aug 12	13	14	15	16
● 6:30pm 🗨️ P&C Meeting	🗨️ Stage 3 Camp			
W5 Term 3 Aug 19	20	21	22	23
	🔔 Game Changer Challenge Semi Finals		● 9:15am 🔔 Book Week Parade	🔔 Athletics Carnival

Semester One Reports

Today was the first time since our move to the time efficient and paperless digital age, with student's reports published on School Bytes. Mrs Sewell has spent many hours learning and navigating the setup, supporting staff, and troubleshooting. Today, we experienced an impressive reduction in administration time and paper usage, that would only be achievable by going digital. As parents and/or carers, the hope is that you also experience or see benefits in the future. Going digital allows easier access to report/s, less storage needed (now and in the future), less time to find a report when a 'family member may not have returned it to the filing/storage area', or simply becoming familiar with high school's online procedures. I do hope that there are benefits for you and your family.

I thoroughly enjoyed reading about your child's success and the next steps in their learning. All children have the opportunity to learn each and every day and when they are focused, motivated and responsible for their learning, their growth can be greater! With your support and partnership, the children's potential can increase. Next term we will be holding parent-teacher interviews, where you can seek further information from the teacher. Interview will be held in week 3 from Monday 5th August – Friday 9th August (subject to staff and times available). Online booking will be accessed via School Bytes, with more information to come next term.

School Uniform

The wearing of school uniform promotes a sense of belonging for students and contributes to a positive identity for the school and school community. Uniforms contribute to the personal safety of students by allowing for easier recognition of students, both at school and in the wider community. Our student's safety is a high priority. It is wonderful to see our Chertsey Primary School students wearing their uniform with such pride and being respectful and responsible representatives of our whole school community. I am delighted to say that we have received multiple compliments and positive feedback about the respectful and considerate behaviour that our students present daily from external groups in particular other local schools at PSSA events.

This term we have started to see students wearing non-school uniform clothing including red PSSA jumpers. The PSSA jumpers are only available for purchase when students have competed at Zone sporting events. At the P&C meeting, we discussed the reasons we have a uniform. A determination was made based on the following information:

- PSSA jumpers and apparel are not school uniform.
- PSSA jumpers do not align with a sense of belonging as only a select few can purchase these.

From Term 3, PSSA jumpers can be worn on sport days, i.e. Fridays or mufti days.

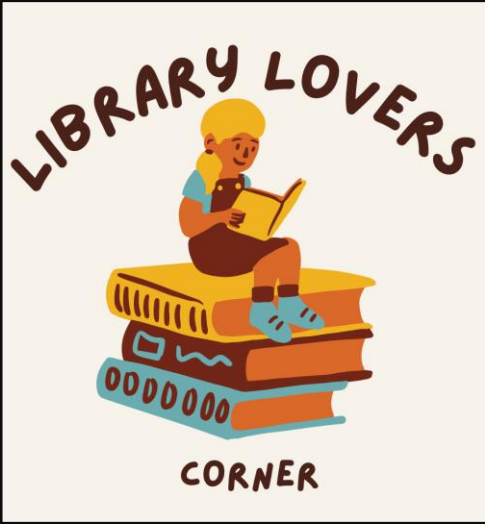
I thank you for your continued partnership, contributing to our safe and inclusive school community.

NAIDOC Week Local Events

With NAIDOC Week beginning this Sunday 7th July, consider participating in some local events [Central Coast NAIDOC Community Day | NAIDOC](#) [Gosford NAIDOC Community Day - Central Coast Community Council \(thecccc.org.au\)](#) to celebrate and learn more about our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people's culture, the oldest living culture on earth. Stay safe and I look forward to seeing you next term!

Yours sincerely,

Sarah Baldwin
Principal



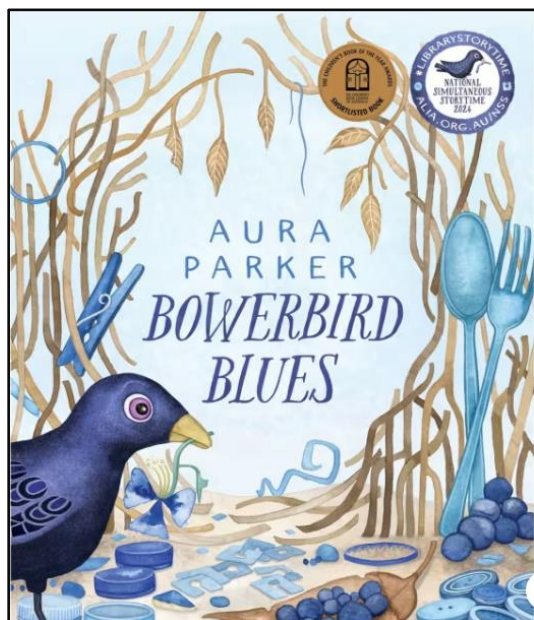
Book Fair 2024 in Weeks 3 & 4 was a great success!

I would like to express my appreciation to parents/carers and extended family members who bought items from our Book Fair. Each purchase equates to reward points and this year has resulted in over \$400 worth of books to go directly into purchasing books for our school library. The books purchased from these points are chosen on student interests and requests made across the year. This year we have purchased fiction and non-fiction books e.g. graphic novels, Minecraft, expanding our collection from author Anh Do and the Bin Chicken picture book series. We also received donations of some beautiful books from parents, carers, teachers, and our P&C.

Thank you to the teachers, parents and P&C who volunteered to assist with this successful book fair.

Miss Darwin





On 22nd of May, Chertsey Primary School participated in the National Simultaneous Storytime. Our students enjoyed coming to the library to have the picture book *Bowerbird Blues*, written, and illustrated by the Australian author and illustrator Aura Parker, read to them.

If you haven't read *Bowerbird Blues* or missed this event, click on this link [ALIA National Simultaneous Storytime 2024: Bowerbird Blues | National Library of Australia \(nla.gov.au\)](https://www.nla.gov.au/nla-national-simultaneous-storytime-2024/bowerbird-blues) and enjoy.



Planetarium Incursion

A giant inflatable 360° dome recently visited Chertsey PS, providing an immersive educational experience about space. Equipped with a 4K projector, the dome created a captivating environment for students.

As we entered the dome, it lit up with stunning space visuals, immediately engaging students, who excitedly pointed at stars and constellations. The presenter then showed a movie about life on the International Space Station, making it feel as if it flew right above us. We also learned about how astronauts survive in space, dealing with radiation, heat, water, gamma rays, and pressure, as well as exploring Aboriginal Dreaming stories.



It was interesting to hear that two clusters near the Milky Way were believed to be gateways for souls passing on.
Written by Max



Jersey Day

During Jersey Day, our canteen offered a variety of treats, including chicken nuggets, poppers, and water. The sports combo, featuring 6 nuggets and a popper or water for \$5.50, was a big hit. Students who brought a gold coin donation wore their favourite team jerseys, contributing to the festive spirit. Thanks to everyone's generosity, we raised an impressive \$340 for the Year 6 Farewell at the end of the year.

By Evan

During Jersey Day, the canteen sold a whopping sports combo for \$5.50, including 6 chicken nuggets and a juice popper or water. Many students enjoyed it, with one even exclaiming, "Yay!" For a gold coin donation, students could wear their favourite sports team jerseys. We raised an impressive \$340, with all profits going towards the Year 6 Farewell.

By Max

PSSA Zone Cross Country

On Friday, 24th May, 25 students proudly represented Chertsey Primary School at the Zone Cross Country held at Rogers Park, Woy Woy. Competing against all schools within the Brisbane Water network, our athletes showcased their dedication and school spirit. A special congratulations goes to Kaley (Year 3), who excelled on the day, finishing in 8th position. She is a reserve for the state finals.

By Henry



PSSA Soccer

Before the game, we eagerly put on our shin pads, socks, and shirts, feeling the excitement build. After warming up with passing drills and goal shooting practice, we gathered at the centre of the pitch, ready to give it our all. Despite our best efforts, the opposition team, Lisarow Public School, scored a couple of early goals. During halftime, we rehydrated and regrouped, returning to the field with renewed energy and focus. Although we played our best football in the second half, we unfortunately lost the game. Despite the outcome, we were proud of our effort!

By Kaison





On June 26th, 2024, our soccer team participated in the PSSA tournament at Lisarow High School. Team members Travis, Kody, Matteo, Saxon, Hunter, Leo, Cruze, Jaiden, Jhet, Orestes, and Kaison gave their best effort. Although we had a 10-0 loss, our defence worked hard to prevent an even larger score. Saxon and Jhet played as strikers, Jaiden, Hunter, and Cruze as midfielders, Travis, Kody, and Kaison as defenders, with Leo and Travis taking turns as goalies. We all felt like winners and are very proud of our efforts!

By Travis



Reconciliation Week and Sorry Day

On Friday 31st May, we acknowledged Reconciliation Week and Sorry Day. Aunty Tam from Dhinewan Mentoring shared her personal account of the impact of the Stolen Generation and the significance of our school, and national commitment, to Acknowledge the history of our First Nations people.

The day commenced with a smoking ceremony followed by our K-6 Assembly, with the remainder of the day increasing our cultural knowledge through authentic immersion in Aboriginal culture.

Friday had a profound impact on our students and school community. The respectful and active engagement from our students highlighted their cultural growth and the impact of our school strategic focus on Aboriginal Education.





2024 Spelling Bee Competition

We are thrilled to announce the successful conclusion of the Spelling Bee Competition, held on June 28th, 2024. This year's event was a remarkable display of our students' spelling talents, hard work, and determination.



Highlights of the Event:

- **Participation:** Over 50 students from Years 3 to 6 participated in this year's competition. Each student demonstrated exceptional spelling skills and impressive poise under pressure.
- **Final Round:** The competition was intense, with the final round featuring the top spellers in Stage 2 and Stage 3. With 7 rounds of spelling, there were some challenging words to spell, like: "angular," "vogue," and "pragmatic".
- **Winners:** Stage winners will compete in the regional finals early next term.
 - **Stage 2:** Jake (Year 4) - His winning word was "angular." Runner up Sam (Year 3), just edging out Ivy in a fierce battle.
 - **Stage 3:** Cooper (Year 6) - He Showcased tremendous skill and composure. Runner up Max, who just edged out Matteo with an extra 3 round showdown.

Congratulations to all participants for their hard work and sportsmanship. Your dedication is truly inspiring!

Mrs Trasler, Miss Gorsky and Miss Friggieri



Exciting News from the Game Changer Challenge Design Thinking Competition!

We are thrilled to share some fantastic news about our students' participation in this year's Game Changer Challenge! This year marked a significant milestone as the Department of Education received the highest number of applications ever (over 500)! These applications showcased the incredible enthusiasm and creativity of students across public schools in NSW.

Our student interest was high with three video submissions. This is testament to the talent and innovative spirit within our school. The quality and originality of the projects were truly impressive, making it a tough competition all around. We are especially proud to announce that two of our teams, Flawless 5 (Year 6) and Road Sentinels (Stage 2), have successfully made it into the semi finals! Their dedication and hard work paid off, and they have set a shining example for their peers.



Unfortunately, our Year 5 team - Barrier Breakers were unsuccessful. This came as quite a shock to students and teachers alike, as their video submission was outstanding. They will continue to support the remaining teams in the semifinals next term. Please join us in congratulating all the participants for their outstanding efforts and in cheering on Flawless 5 and Road Sentinels, as they advance to the next stage of the competition. We can't wait to see what they achieve next!

Mrs Trasler

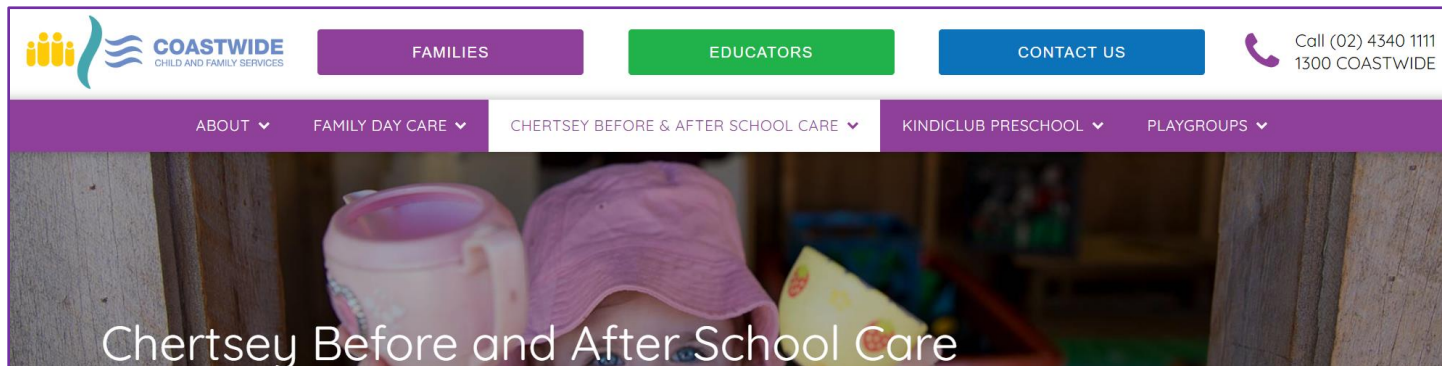
On Monday 20th of May, Zhalia, Max, Evan and I, went to Gosford Leagues Club. We learnt how to be good leaders... it was fun! We learnt how to step up, be nice, help if people need help, even if we would feel embarrassed helping others. I received a badge for being a confident leader. We watched a few short clips, taken from movies, on stepping up and helping others. Three other people and I were picked to read out our answers related to the clips.

Andy ran a *show* where we could be loud. Every school had to have one person go up onto the stage and out of the four of us, three of us went up.

By Dominic

GRIP Leadership Conference 2024

Coastwide Before and After School Care



[Chertsey Before & After School Care - Coastwide Child and Family Services \(ccfdc.com.au\)](http://ccfdc.com.au)

We are coming to the end of our first term at Chertsey, and wish to thank the school staff, parents, families, and community members who have been so welcoming as we established our service at the beautiful space underneath the Chertsey Cottage.

We are still device free, and aim to keep our programming of activities relevant, fun and engaging, with lots of craft and outdoor activities (weather and safety permitting).

Got homework? No problem – let our educators know and they will make time for your child to make inroads into their homework while they are at the service.

Hungry before or after school? Easy fixed! Our menu changes weekly - from fruit, cereal, toast for breakfast to freshly made scones or mini pizzas warm from the oven perfect for those cold afternoons after school. We have lots of gluten free options too!

To help us grow and develop our service, we would love it if Chertsey parents could complete this quick survey for us – for those who have children that attend AND those that don't - we want to hear from you!

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/chertsey>

Love to hear from you with any feedback you may have at – admin@coastwideoosh.com.au



Turtle making and groovy painting at Before and After School Care.

Vacation Care






Monday 8 July to Monday 22 July 2024 (incl. the pupil free day Monday 22nd)
\$75 per day (Childcare subsidies apply)

The Coastwide team of Sara, Vicky, Putri, Kailee, Mia (and sometimes Lisa) are taking bookings now for vacation care, and we have a great program of activities ready to go. Bookings essential! We want to make this work beautifully for our families.



CHERTSEY OUT OF SCHOOL HOURS CARE VACATION CARE

WEEK ONE
8TH TO 12TH JULY

 MONDAY 8TH JULY MINI OLYMPICS + BYO BOARDGAMES	 TUESDAY 9TH JULY DIY SLIME WORKSHOP	 WEDNESDAY 10TH JULY WHEELS DAY	 THURSDAY 11TH JULY TIE DYE DAY	 FRIDAY 12TH JULY MINI MASTERCHEF DAY
Kick off our very first day of Vacation Care with our own Chertsey Olympics!	Make your own slime to take home and enjoy science fun with friends!	Bring your bike, scooter, rollerblades – if it's got wheels, you can ride it here today! Please note: you will not be able to ride without a helmet	Bring in something white and prepare to get messy as you head back to the 80s and create using the art of tie dye!	Compete against your friends and see who comes out on top as the Chertsey Cooking Champion on Mini Masterchef Day!
\$75.00	\$75.00	\$75.00	\$75.00	\$75.00



WEEK TWO
15TH TO 19TH JULY



**MONDAY 15TH JULY
GARDENING DAY**

Join us as we transform
our garden with the help
of Bunnings!

\$75.00



**TUESDAY 16TH JULY
PAINT AND SIP**

Work alongside friends
and create your own
masterpiece to take
home!

\$75.00



**WEDNESDAY 17TH JULY
FIRE FIGHTER DAY**

A day dedicated to
community heroes –
craft, games and a visit
from the local Fire
Brigade

\$75.00



**THURSDAY 18TH JULY
CHRISTMAS IN JULY**

Wear your best
Christmas outfit and
come prepared to
celebrate all things
festive!

\$75.00



**FRIDAY 19TH JULY
CONSTRUCTION DAY**

Can you build it? Here at
Chertsey Vacation Care
we can!

\$75.00



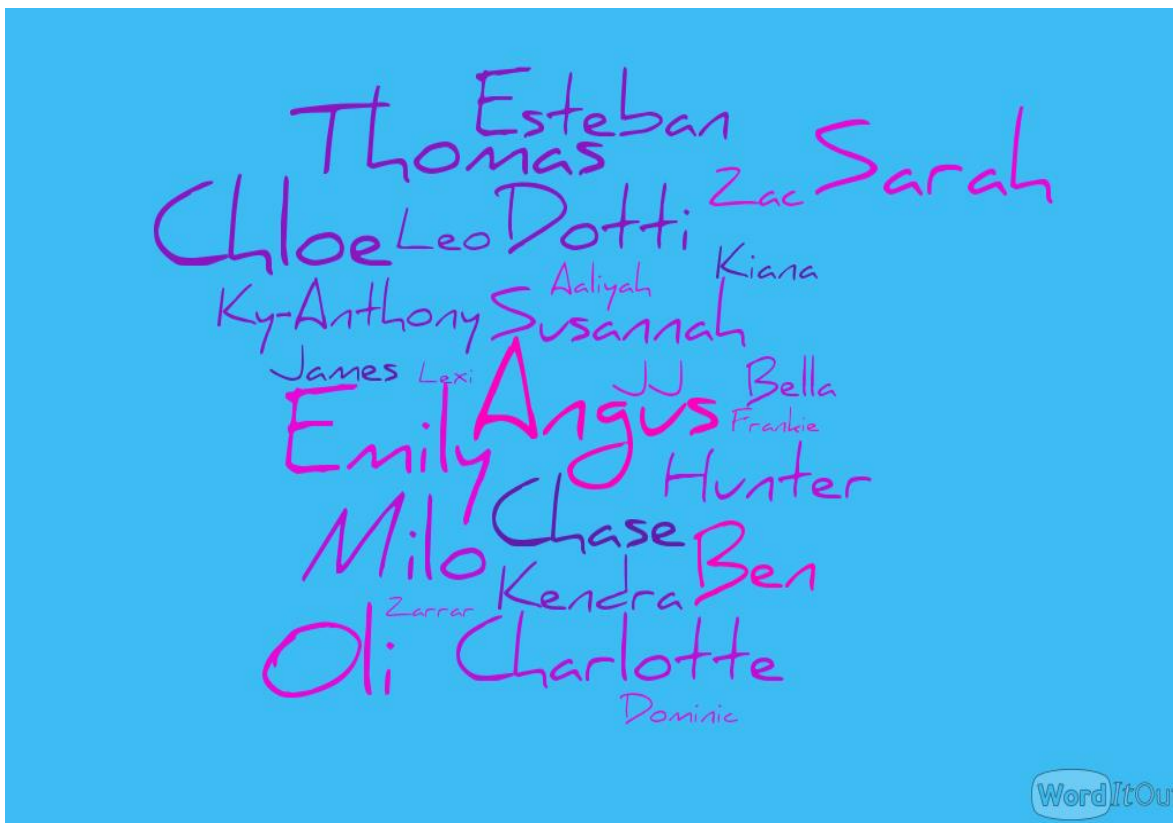
PUPIL FREE DAY - MONDAY 22ND JULY

Come in your cosiest PJs, and enjoy a chilled day of crafts, movies and popcorn before Term 3 begins

\$75.00



Congratulations to our amazing Merit Award Winners!



Attendance Matters

We want to do all we can to be sure your child achieves their potential and enjoys being in school. We know that school is the best place to learn. By attending school every day your child will get the most out of their learning and improve their career and life options.

When your child is absent it is important you let the school know, including the reason why, on the day or the day before. This helps make sure we know where our students are and offer support for you and your family if needed.

If you are having trouble getting your child to school every day or on time, please talk to our school staff so we can work together, because every day counts.

Missing a day here or there may not seem like much, but absences add up and can negatively impact your child's learning and wellbeing. When your child misses one day per fortnight, that's 4 weeks of missed learning in one year. Over an entire school journey this adds up to 1 year of lost learning.



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CENTRAL COAST KIDS DAY OUT

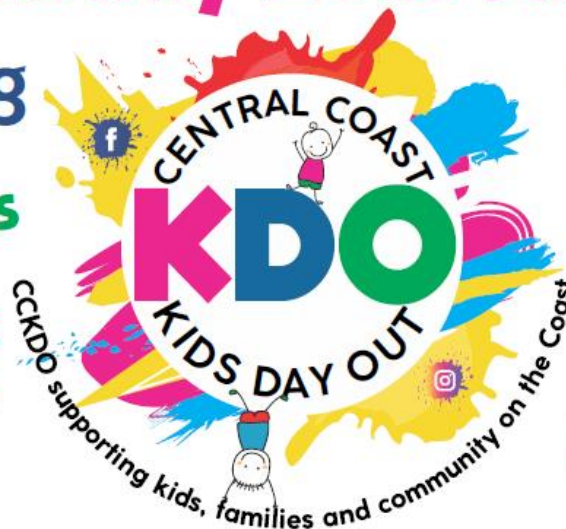
at NARARA VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL

Sunday 28th July

cckdo.org

10am-3pm

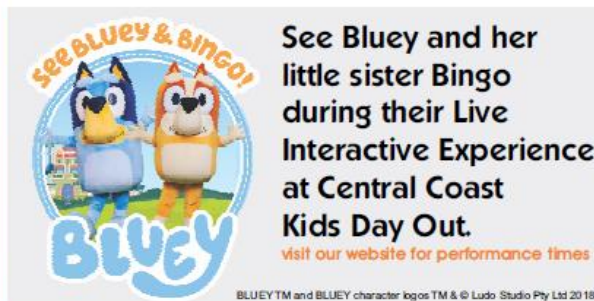
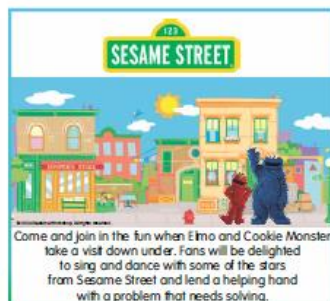
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CENTRAL COAST KIDS DAY OUT CONNECTING FAMILIES TO SOCIAL SERVICES



CENTRAL COAST SKATEPARK SERIES

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WINTER FRENZY

The Central Coast Skatepark Series is back this Winter School Holidays, offering **12 FREE skills workshops** over two huge days for Rollerskate, Scooter and Skateboard including two Jam sessions with plenty of free giveaways.

Mon 8 July (Rollerskate & Scooter)

Slam Factory

93 Gavenlock Rd, Tuggerah

9:30am to 5:00pm

Fri 12 July (Skateboard, Hip-Hop & Graffiti Art)

Bato Yard

460 The Entrance Rd, Bateau Bay

10:00am to 2:00pm



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School Security

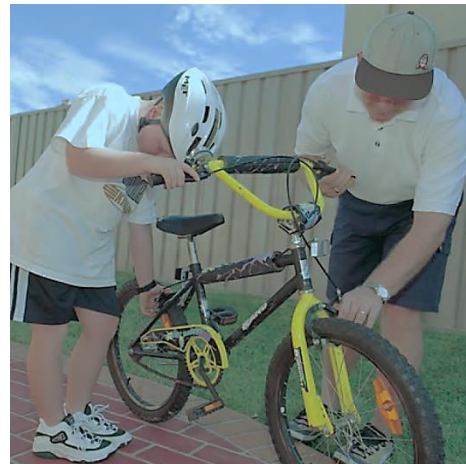
Thank you for helping keep our school safe. You are encouraged to report any suspicious behaviour on school grounds during the holidays to School Security on 1300 880 021 or to local police on 4323 5599.

SCHOOL HOLIDAY ROAD SAFETY REMINDER FOR FAMILIES

With the school holidays approaching, daily routines will soon change. Different play locations and holiday destinations means different traffic environments.

So, to help keep our children safe, families are reminded about these road key road safety points:

- **Stop, look, listen, think every time you cross the road.**
If your child is aged 8 years or younger hold their hand when walking near or across roads. If your child is 9-10 years old always actively supervise them.
- **It's the law that everyone wears a helmet when riding a bike in a public place.**
It makes sense to wear a helmet when riding scooters and skateboards too!
- **Click click front 'n back every person for every trip.**
Everyone in the car must be securely buckled up in the right seatbelt or child restraint.
- **Talk to your child about being a safe road user.**
Reinforce safe road behaviours by being a good role model! Children learn safe road behaviours from the adults who care for them. Talk about what you are doing to be safe when near roads, in the car and when riding.
- **Point out road safety differences and dangers in new environments.**
This is especially important when on holidays in different surroundings. Roads, footpaths, parks, carparks, bike tracks and bike lanes may look different in holiday areas.



The best way to keep your child safe is to actively supervise them.

Talk and teach your child about road safety every time you are out and about.

Remind other adults who care for your children to do this too.

You can find out more at:

[Welcome to Safety Town](#)

[Transport for NSW](#)



Want \$500 to help you with school costs?



Saver Plus is a financial education program for families and individuals on a tight budget to develop life-long savings habits.

To join Saver Plus, you must:

- ✓ Have a current Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card **AND** an eligible Centrelink payment*
- ✓ Be studying yourself **OR** have a child in school (can be starting school next year)
- ✓ Have regular income from work (either yourself or your partner)*
- ✓ Be 18+ years old

*Many types of income and Centrelink payments are eligible

Here are some of the school costs the \$500 can be used for:



laptops & tablets



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lessons & activities



camps & excursion

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Playsession for Early Childhood Education & Care Ourimbah

WHAT IS PLAYSESSION

Playsession is a valuable teaching tool for our students who are undertaking studies in Early Childhood courses. Each week, the students will provide open-ended learning experiences/ and environments for the children to explore.

We have a dedicated childcare room with a lovely playground.

Students will be:

- Encouraging all children to develop their own creative style
- Valuing the process available at each experience rather than the end product

Your support of individual creativity and awareness of respecting each child's attempts and achievements is encouraged.

The students are assessed throughout each Playsession based on their ability to both implement planned experiences and to encourage children's involvement using a variety of strategies.

Digital media may be used for educational purposes and/or marketing. For example, when students set up a play learning environment for children, a video recording may be taken to provide them with an opportunity to reflect on and evaluate the learning environment.

DETAILS AND HOW TO GET INVOLVED:

WHEN

- Monday, Tuesday and Thursdays in term time (no Playsession in TAFE holidays)

TIME

- 10am – 12pm

WHERE

- TAFE NSW Ourimbah
Early Childhood Studies Centre (Yerra building)
10 Chittaway Road OURIMBAH NSW 2250

COST

- \$5 per session payable at the beginning of term for the whole term via EFTPOS. Tax receipt available.

PARKING

- Free and reserved parking behind Yerra building

CONTACT

- Email stacy.lind-dickford2@tafensw.edu.au or phone 7920 4703

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