NEW SAFE ENTRY INTO SCHOOL NOW OPEN

For those of us who use the Willow Road entry to gain access to the school, I am pleased to advise that a new entry/exit point is now in use. Located near the oval gates off Willow Road is a wide new pathway leading up to and continuing past the cottage and the hall. It will be especially useful for those parents who are pushing a pram or students walking their bicycles or scooters into the school. The path will be a safer alternative for these pedestrians as the other entry (on the high side of the carpark) has quite a few steps to negotiate and can be slippery in wet weather. The remaining part of this project yet to be constructed is a fence alongside the top section of the path to discourage pedestrians or toddlers inadvertently entering the staff carpark. I ask for your cooperation that all parents refrain from entering our staff car parking areas.

I would like to sincerely thank Michael Seaman and the concreters from SEAMAN CONCRETING and Mrs Denning for obtaining the funding grant for this project.

MOTHERS DAY

We are hoping to see many of our mums, carers and other significant family members in attendance at this week’s Mother’s Day Breakfast. It will be held on Thursday morning, starting at 8am, in our school hall. I would like to sincerely thank our School Chaplain, Mrs Donna Knee, for coordinating this special event and the many staff who have volunteered to assist. It promises to be a great morning in the fine tradition of Chertsey breakfasts!
Thank you also to our hard working group of parents and carers, led by our P&C Secretary, Michelle Fraser, who have ensured our students will have presents to purchase for Mothers Day. Students are able to purchase presents this Tuesday.

NAPLAN (repeat)

The National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) is an annual assessment for students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9. It has been an annual event for schools since 2008.

On Tuesday 14, Wednesday 15 and Thursday 16 May, students will undertake the 2013 NAPLAN tests.

NAPLAN is made up of tests in the four domains of Reading, Writing, Language Conventions (spelling, grammar and punctuation) and Numeracy.

NAPLAN assesses skills in literacy and numeracy that are developed over time, through the school curriculum. NAPLAN is not a pass or fail type test, but rather shows how individual students are progressing in numeracy and literacy skills against national standards for all Australia children.

All students are encouraged to participate in the tests. Students with disability may qualify for special provisions that reflect the support normally provided to them in the classroom.

Individual student NAPLAN reports will be sent to the school later this year. The school retains a copy and parents/carers will also receive a copy. Parents/carers can use this information to monitor how their child is progressing and to identify any areas of concern. Parents/carers may also wish to use their child’s results to discuss progress with teachers. More information is available at www.naplan.edu.au.

P&C Meeting (repeat)

Our May monthly P&C meeting will be held next Tuesday, 14th May at 6.30 pm in the school staffroom. With a time limit of just 2 hours we hope to encourage as many parents and carers to attend. It is a great way to be informed as to what is happening at your child’s school. We hope to see you there.

PRACTICUM STUDENT

Welcome to Mrs Kerryn Cooper who is commencing her practicum this week with Mrs Scott.

OPPORTUNITY CLASS PLACEMENT FOR YEAR 5 IN 2014

Parents of Year 4 children who are seeking placement in an opportunity class in Year 5 in 2014 are required to submit an application form to their current primary school or online by Friday, May 17, 2013.

Application packages are available from the office on request or you can apply ONLINE at: www.schools.nsw.edu.au/ocplacement.

A note will go home to all Year 4 pupils about the Opportunity Class, and information and request slips returned to the school office prior to Friday 17th May 2013 to enable school assessment data to be finalised.

The date of the test is Wednesday, 24th July, 2013.
THIS WEEK’S CLASSY ARTICLE

This week class K-6D share with us day and night.
Well done K-6D.

Sun safe and Proud

Well done to Madison of class 1/2W who won this week’s hat draw. Madison wins a slushy, courtesy of our canteen and our P&C. It is great to see our students proudly wearing their winter uniform. Congratulations Madison enjoy your slushy!

Wishing everyone a good week.
John Anderson

Before School Care at CHOOSH Care (repeat)

As you may be aware, CHOOSH Care issued a Before School Care (BSC) survey during Term 1, to determine whether there was a need for BSC on site at Chertsey Primary School. The feedback from this survey was very positive, with many parents identifying that they would utilize Before School Care.

We are pleased to announce that CHOOSH care will be trialing Before School Care during Term 2 & 3 2013, and will be commencing from Monday 13th May (Week 3).

Before School Care will operate from CHOOSH Care (Chertseydale Community Cottage) from 6:30am – 8:30am Monday – Friday during school terms. Children attending BSC will be supervised by our experienced and qualified staff and will be provided with breakfast and activities during morning care.

If you would like to enrol your child at CHOOSH Care for Before or After School Care, please pick up an enrolment form from Bec at CHOOSH or contact WOOSH Care on (02) 4367 8666 for more information.

Please note: Enrolments and bookings must be received ASAP to ensure that this trial is successful.

Thank you - we look forward to meeting all of the new families and children who will be attending Before School Care.

Milka Roach
Director
CHOOSH Care (WOOSH Care Inc)
FUNCO AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

Dear Chertsey Primary School Parents,

This letter is to gauge your interest in your child/children taking part in ongoing Friday afternoon activities at the school. The diverse options we are proposing such as drama and/or music games; art and craft; outdoor games; homework help, reading groups and technology sessions would provide your children with a positive start to their weekend and to build relationships with people in their neighbourhood.

We are a group of Springfield residents (teachers, senior high school students and young adults) wanting to give back to our community. Our plan is for these activity afternoons to run every second Friday from 3.15 - 4.15 during Term Two. If you would like your child to be a part of this, could you please indicate which of the above activities they would be interested in pursuing, by completing the short questionnaire below.

Yours Sincerely

Funco members.

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Please return to the school office

FUNCO AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

My child ___________________ Class __________________ would be interested in participating in the following aspects of the program, drama and/or music games;

• art and craft;
• outdoor games;
• homework help and
• technology sessions

Please circle the activity/activities that your child would like to participate in.
Meetings are held every 2nd Tuesday of each month 6.30pm. All parents are

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

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

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Thursday 9/5
Mother’s Day Breakfast
8am-9am
Hearing Test (Aboriginal Children)
AASC—AFL

Friday 10/5
Zone X Country Umina Oval

Tuesday 14/5 –16/5
NAPLAN (YRS 3 AND 5)

Tuesday 21/5
Computer ICAS

Wednesday 22/5
Reconciliation Week
Performance – Fred Ried

Thursday 23/5
Paul Kelly Cup– Boys/Girls

Friday 24/5
Girls Soccer Gala Day

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

Our canteen is now open on:

Wednesday
Thursday and
Friday

ADMINISTERING MEDICATION AT SCHOOL
Dear Parents/Guardian
When medication is needed to be administered at school it is a departmental requirement that a form be filled out before we are able to administer the medication. Please see the office staff for a form when needed.

CHERTSEY SaCCs
School as Community Centres
Phone: 4323 7158
Fax: 4323 7158
Facilitator: Nada Potter

Our DIARY

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K/6D have been looking at “day and night”.

These are some “night time” paintings we have done.
STAGE 2 “ACTIVE EDUCATION” PDHPE EXCURSION

An overnight excursion for Stage 2 students has been organised for Week 8 of Term 2 (Monday 17th to Tuesday 18th June 2013). This sport and recreation camp is run by “Active Education” at their Gosford Centre – Mangrove Mountain. It is an excellent opportunity for students to develop a variety of skills supporting their physical, social, and emotional development and have fun at the same time. More detailed information will be sent home later this term. The cost is $160 per student. Student assistance is available to those families experiencing financial hardship. A suggested payment schedule has been developed to allow families to budget for this expense. Blue payment cards are available from your child’s teacher or the office to help make regular payments.

Please make the following payments on, or before the due date:

***OVERDUE*** 1. A Deposit of $40 due Thursday 8th March (Term 1, Week 6)

***OVERDUE*** 2. $40 payment due by Friday 12th April (Term 1, Week 11)

***Due this week*** 3. $40 payment due by Friday 10th May (Term 2, Week 2)

4. $40 final payment due by Friday 7th June (Term 2, Week 6)

This excursion has the permission of the Principal.

Stage 2 Teachers

CHOIR NEWS

All students in our primary choir yesterday received a reminder information and permission note for participation in the Central Coast Choral Festival this year. We will be performing with over ten other schools at a concert on Thursday 5th September at Mingara Recreation Club Auditorium. In preparation for this event, our choir will be attending a number of rehearsals at other schools.

The dates for these are as follows:

Rehearsal 1 - Thursday 30th May - Ettalong Public School (full day)
Composer Workshop - Thursday 6th June - Niagara Park Public School (half day only - venue/time to be confirmed)
Rehearsal 2 - Thursday 25th July - Woy Woy South Public School (full day)
Rehearsal 3 - Thursday 22nd August - Wamberal Public School (full day)

We are hoping to minimise costs by using private transport rather than hiring a bus each time. As our choir group is quite large we would require a minimum of 10-15 parents willing to transport up to 4 students each. Please indicate on the note if you are able to transport on even one of the above dates. If we don’t have enough volunteers we will be hiring a bus which will cost approximately $8-$10 per trip. It is very important that all students attend all rehearsals.

Please return this permission note (along with transport availability) as well as the $10 choir participation fee in a labelled envelope to the office as soon as possible.

Mrs Scott
Choir Co-ordinator
Calling all Mums, Carers, Aunties and Grandparents!!

we are having a Mother’s Day Breakfast on

Thursday 9th May at 8am-9am. In the School Hall

Lets take some time to honour
YOU!

The amazing women who care for our children and
truly make
a difference in Chertsey Children’s lives

Please put this date in your diary

(it’s the second Thursday of term 2!)

Please fill in the form below and return to school
office to let us know if you are coming for catering
purposes.

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PLEASE RETURN TO OFFICE FOR DONNA KNEE.

MOTHER’S DAY– BREAKFAST

I _________ can come to the Mother’s Day Breakfast on Thursday 9th May, 2013

at 8am-9am.

My children are coming with me ______________________ Others who are coming with me are _______.

(Name/s) (Class)

Thank you
ART SCHOOL for KIDS
CREATE THEN EXHIBIT IN A PROFESSIONAL GALLERY

8 STUDENTS MAX PER CLASS, ENROLLING NOW
Class timetable and course structure email or call
info@createcollective.com.au
0413 834 152

Bring your bike and take the

Kids Challenge
Rotary Club of Erina Inc.

Sunday, 19th May 2013

Count the laps around the park!

Showbags
Sausage sizzle
Lucky Rider Prize!

When: Sunday, 19th May 2013
Where: Mt. Panang Parklands, Kariong
Cost: $10 per child (max $30/family)
Registration: 8:30am for 9:30am start (finishing about 10:30am)
Ages: 5 – 12 years (3 divisions)
More info: monnehart@hotmail.com

Organised by the Rotary Club of Erina, Inc. to coincide with the Century Challenge. Proudly supported by Woy Woy

Just turn up and enter on the day!
Win a share of the Dollarmites’ treasure
by saving in Term 2 of School Banking.

The Dollarmites have found some amazing treasure on Savings Adventure Island and both your child and school could win a share of it in Term 2 just by saving.

First prize is a $5,000 family adventure holiday to anywhere in Australia, with $500 spending money. Plus, the winning student’s school will also receive $5,000 to spend as they wish. What’s more, there are 25 Runners-up Kid’s Adventure Packs, worth over $700 each, to be won. Each adventure pack includes a Wii U, night vision goggles, a waterproof camera, walkie talkies and a Razor eSpark electric scooter!

For you chance to win, students need to simply make three or more School Banking deposits during Term 2. To find out more, talk to me or visit commbank.com.au/adventureisland

Things to know before you Can:

Remember our weekly banking day is Tuesday.
Michelle Frazer
Student Banking Coordinator