Term 1 has come to an end and what a quick term it has been! I would like to say thank you to the wonderful staff here at Chertsey Primary School for the effort they put into ensuring that our school is the best place for you children to learn. We have had many exciting events this term and I look forward to many other events as the year goes on.

This term we have been working very hard on our Annual School Report and The 3 year School Plan. I would like to thank the many staff, students and parents who have contributed to the writing of these documents and to let all families know that they will both be up on our website early next term.

We have our stage 3 excursion to Canberra in August and Mrs Denning is busy taking deposits whilst our year 6 teachers are organising an exciting agenda for the students.

On Friday March 20 Mrs Donna Knee organised a wonderful Harmony day celebration and it was lovely to see the children thank the teachers in line with the theme of the day. Each teacher was made to feel special and I am sure that the children enjoyed talking about their teachers and thanking them publically. Thank you to Donna for organising this lovely event.

Last Friday we had our Cross Country carnival and the weather could not have been more perfect. The children all participated and it was wonderful to see so many parents here at school cheering on their children. We certainly do have some talented runners here at Chertsey and those children who will represent our school at the next level will receive a note home very shortly. Such a carnival could not happen without teachers organising these events and I would like to thank Ms Whitty in particular for coordinating this carnival. You will all agree it was a great day, thank you Ms Whitty.

On Monday March 23 our five school leaders attended the annual Young Leaders Day forum with Mrs Stuckey. The children listened to inspirational leaders such as Bindi Irwin, Dylan Parker, James Norton and The Hon. Mike Baird. Thank you once again to the P&C who have kindly sponsored this event and to Mrs Stuckey for supervising them to Sydney and back. The students and Mrs Stuckey had a lovely day.
Congratulations to the 5 families who won prizes in the Easter egg raffle. Thankyou to Mrs Frazer and her family for organising this raffle as I know a lot of work behind the scenes goes into making a successful fund raiser. I am aware that over $400 was raised which will be used to fund resources here at school.

On Saturday 18 April the leaders and our school choir will be participating in the Central Coast Centenary of ANZAC march. We will be meeting in Donnison Street and marching to the stadium where a service will be held. If you would like to attend, the march begins at 10am.

On Wednesday April 22 we will be having our school ANZAC day service here at school. We will be commencing the service at 2pm followed by the unveiling of our long awaited sculpture. I hope that you will be able to attend.

Next year seems a long way off but if you know any child that is turning 5 next year we are now taking enrolments for Kindergarten 2016. Please ring the office if you would like more information.

I would like to wish all of our families here at Chertsey a wonderful Easter break and a safe and happy holiday. School resumes on Monday 20 for teachers and Tuesday 21 for students. Happy Easter!

Toni Skinner
Principal

Dear Parents and Carers

Harmony Day is always a highlight of Chertsey Public School and last week was no exception.

We celebrated Harmony day with the colour orange and an assembly dedicated to celebrating our culture and the staff that have contributed to the unique caring culture within our school. All of our students were involved in producing artwork to decorate the hall. Students from each class were given the opportunity to speak about teachers that have impacted their lives within our school. This was very heartfelt and appreciated by everyone.

We want to thank everyone that helped facilitate this event that highlighted our culture and appreciation for each other.

Chertsey is a truly remarkable school. Thank you.

Toni Skinner
Principal

Donna Knee
Chaplain
THANK YOU!!

On Saturday 21 March 2015 a working bee was held at the school. Our volunteers accomplished so much. Check out our beautiful grounds to see the results.

A special Thank You to our student volunteers Brandon Frazer and Bree Deuxberry.

A great big Thanks to Steve Frazer; Mark and Joel Deuxberry; Adrian Tindall; Rebecca King; Rob Moore; Jarrod Hamilton; Margie Swanson and Ross Nicol; Luciane Sperling; Toni Skinner; Paul Winspear and Alex Wastell for giving their time. We greatly appreciate the support of our family, friends and staff. We couldn’t do it without you.

Easter Raffle 2015

And the winners are.......  

1st Prize  Kailah Lenihan
2nd Prize  Kayla Drummond
3rd Prize  Dane Taylor
4th Prize  Sophia Nye
5th Prize  Kerry Greenhalgh

Congratulations to our winners and Thank You to everyone who bought tickets. We raised $460.00.

Special thanks to Brandon, Steve and Ashleigh Frazer for stamping, stapling and folding raffle tickets. I couldn’t do it without an awesome team.

Michelle Frazer (P & C President)
MOTHERS DAY STALL

Our Mother’s Day stall will be held on Tuesday 5 May 2015.

Gifts will range in price from $2.00 to $7.00.

To assist our volunteers on the day please ensure that your child has an envelope containing their money and who they are buying for....... (name and spending amount e.g. Mum - $5.00). Cheques can be written out to Chertsey P & C. There is no EFTPOS facility.

Volunteers are needed to help with the stall on the day.

All assistance is greatly appreciated.

We are also looking for plastic bags for the stall.

If you can help, please contact myself via the school office.

Michelle Frazer
P and C President

K-2 Easter Tabloids
Thursday 2nd April 9:15-10:15am

This year K-2 children will be participating in an Easter tabloid as part of their Easter celebrations. Children will be involved in relays and games with an Easter theme. An alternative activity has been organised for children not participating in the Easter tabloid. Happy Easter and have a safe holiday!

K-2 Teachers
Dear Families,

This year marks the beginning of events that will commemorate the ANZAC Centenary, marking 100 years since Australia became involved in the First World War.

Chertsey Primary School applied for and was granted funds from the Department of Veteran’s Affairs to commission a sculpture to be installed in our newly landscaped entrance garden. The sculpture will be dedicated after our ANZAC Assembly which will be held during the first week after the school holidays.

The assembly will be attended by several special guests including:

Lucy Wicks, Member for Robertson; Lawrie McKinna, Gosford city Mayor; David Ferry, Honorary Secretary Bob Bethel, Peter Wyllie, and Terry Saxby, Members Terrigal Wamberal RSL Sub Branch; Gail Santi, President Springfield Residents Association; Michael Vaynman, sculptor; Nada Potter.

We would like you to attend and share this important occasion with your child and stay for afternoon tea with our guests. Please take note of the date and time below.

**Wednesday 22nd April 2015,**
Assembly: 2pm  
Sculpture Dedication: 2:45pm  
Afternoon Tea:3pm in the hall

We look forward to seeing you there.

Toni Skinner, Principal.
During Term 1, 5/6J have been studying Antarctica. As part of their assessment they have produced some outstanding projects in the form of games, collages, survival guides, puzzle books and information reports. Students have thoroughly enjoyed playing each others games and learning about the amazing Antarctic explorers!
CROSS COUNTRY CARNIVAL 2015
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 for details

Assembly Times
K-6 Friday (Even Weeks) 1:45-2:45
K-2 Wednesday (Odd Weeks) 9:15-9:45

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CHANGES OF ADDRESS AND TELEPHONE NUMBERS
Please notify the office of any address and

ADVERTISEMENTS

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 Primary School is not responsible for, and expressly disclaims all liability for, damages of any kind arising out of use, reference to, or reliance on any information contained within advertisements placed in our Newsletters.
Woodport Inn Markets
207 The Entrance Road, Erina
April 12, May 10
9:30am - 2:30pm
All Sundays
A variety of market stalls, kids entertainment and a jumping castle. A perfect family outing with licensed bistro and riverside seating.

This market supports Fairhaven Services, a charity ensuring that disability is no boundary for local people.

Contact Catherine at Fairhaven on 4323 3566 for more information

www.facebook.com/FairhavenServices
WOOSH Vacation Care  
April 2015

If you are working or just want something fun for your child to do during the school holidays, our Vacation Care program for the April 2015 school holidays is out now!

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**Plus much more, including:**

- Cooking
- Craft
- Games & Fun
- 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](http://www.wooshcare.com.au) for more information.
Little Learners Literacy Club

Term 2
Wyoming Schools as Community Centres (SaCC)
Wyoming Public School
Starts Fortnightly on Fridays 10.30 – 11.30 am

Due to the success of our program, we now have 2 groups and run every fortnight!

Little Learners is a preschool literacy program for children 3-5 years.

We focus on phonemic awareness, sounds and story-telling. We will have play stations and fun activities for pre-schoolers to learn correct pencil technique, sounds before letters and comprehension through stories.

We will guide the children’s learning opportunities through play based activities and skills to assist them to discover their potential and achieve pre school learning goals.

Benefits:

Children benefit from sound activities as they:

- Help establish connections between different parts of the brain that develop memory and language.
- Improve concentration
- Improve confidence and self esteem
- Provide opportunities to develop social skills and make friends

Free to attend. Registrations essential as spaces are limited.
Email philippa.skipper@det.nsw.edu.au or
call Philippa on 0477 317862

The UNIFORM SHOP which is located in the cottage opposite the carpark

is open on THURSDAY MORNINGS from 8:30am until 9:00am
Wise about Waste

Recently Chertsey students took part in Gosford City Council’s ‘Wise About Waste’ in-school program. This involved experts from Kariong Eco Garden and Remondis Waste Services working with our school about current waste and environmental issues by providing lots of information and fun activities.

The program was aimed at Year 1 to 6 students and included a presentation on the big picture of waste in the world. It got us talking and learning about human impact, litter, marine pollution and what we can do.

Some workshops we participated in were -

**So much stuff!** - Where does my stuff come from? What happens when I throw something ‘away’? How long does it take to go ‘away’? Are we running out of resources?

**Beyond the Bin** - Who is winning the Zero Waste Race? The 7 R’s: reduce, return, re-use, repair, refill, rot and refuse.

**Land Litter & Marine Pollution** - How can we stop litter before it hits the ground? What will Cash for Containers and Plastic Bag Free NSW look like? Why are these things important?

**Nature’s Recycling System** - Meet the humble earthworm and other compost creatures. How can we work with nature?

The end result was a great day with lots of discussion about what we can do at school and home to help with waste and recycling and how it will impact us now and in the future.

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Trash Free Tuesday!

*Don’t forget to pack a Trash Free Lunch on Tuesday.*

Put your lunch in a lunch box and bring a drink bottle. Use containers instead of plastic bags. Let’s start making a difference at school.
This year we are also holding a baking section for those children who love to cook. Other activities are Art, Photography, Senior & Junior Showgirls and Produce Judging with the winner proceeding to the Royal Easter Show. Please check our web site for more information.

Jennifer Winslade
The Show Committee is most appreciative of our local Schools which have for several years provided Displays of their Farm Animals, adding greatly to the agricultural aspect of the Show. It is hoped 2015 will see this involvement continue, showcasing each school’s particular focus.

If your School is able to mount a Display that will include any of the Farm Animal Sections shown or others please contact Grant Jackson, Gosford High School Email grant.jackson@det.nsw.edu.au. There is no cost involved with 1st, 2nd & 3rd Ribbons to be awarded in all categories, Sash for Champions & a Trophy will be awarded to the Best Schools Display.

The Animal Nursery has become a popular attraction with the young children, please indicate if your School can contribute to this feature. Your space will be allocated with the setting up to take place on Friday 1st May in the Horticultural Pavilion at the Showground. A number of passes will be allocated per School to allow handlers to be in attendance to monitor & care for the welfare of the animals on show. The committee looks forward to again hosting the Schools Animal Display.

The Show is hosting for the first time the **Zone JuniorJudging Comp of Fruit & Veggies**, the Winners to represent at the 2016 Sydney Royal Easter Show. Forms will be available on www.gosfordregionalshow.com.au, Jennifer Winslade is the contact person & for the individual Fruit & Vegie Competition. jenniferwinslade@bigpond.com Ph 4332 4770
PRODUCE SECTION

** All entries to be labelled** by Name, School, Age & Category

Special Awards, Ribbons 1st, 2nd & 3rd

All entries to be lodged at Horticultural Pavilion, Gosford Showground

From 3.00pm to 5.00pm Friday 1st May, 2015 & to be picked up at 4.30pm Sunday

Enquiries: Jennifer Ph: 4332 4770 Email: jenniferwinslade@bigpond.com

AGE OR SECTIONS.

a) INFANTS - Children 1 – 6 years          b) JUNIOR- Children 7 – 12 years

CATEGORIES

Fruit - Citrus or Stone
Fruit – Berries, nuts etc
Vegetables – Grown above ground – cabbage, lettuce, spinach (bunch) etc.
Vegetables – Grown under ground – potatoes, carrots, beetroot etc.
Vegetables – Grown on vine or bush – pumpkin, squash, beans, peas etc.

JUNIOR JUDGING COMPETITION OF FRUIT & VEGIE - SEE SEPARATE FORM

ENTRY FORM

Name: __________________________  Age or Section: ________________

Email: __________________________  Phone: _______________________

School: __________________________

Category: ______________________  Class: ________________________

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www.gosfordregionalshow.com.au
Central Coast Oztag has got some very exciting news!!!!

Central Coast Oztag will be running the Inaugural Autumn 8 week competition at Narara Valley Sporting Precinct opposite Lisarow High School. Competition starts Monday 20th of April.

$65 per person.

**Divisions offered:**
- U/8's Mixed,
- Boys - U/10's, U/12's, U/14's & U/16's
- Girls - U/10's, U/12's, U/14's, U/16’s & Women's opens (15 years and older).

**Registration Details:**
Register a whole team or as an individual

**Registrations** are being held at Lisarow Sporting Fields (competition venue)

**Date:** Tuesday 7th April 2015

**Time:** 4:30pm – 6:00pm

For further registration details please visit [www.centralcoastjunioroztag.com.au](http://www.centralcoastjunioroztag.com.au) or contact Peta – 0402 040 293 or Charmaine – 0423 655 289

We look forward to the start of our new competition and hope to see you there.
National Child Restraint Laws

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Child restraint laws improve child road safety and state that all children under 7 years of age must be secured in an approved child restraint when travelling in a vehicle. More specifically,

- Children up to 6 months of age must be restrained in an approved rearward facing child restraint.
- Children from 6 months to 4 years of age must be restrained in an approved rearward or forward facing child restraint.
- Children from 4 to under 7 years of age must be restrained in an approved forward facing child restraint or booster seat.
- Children under 4 years of age must not be in the front row of a vehicle that has two or more rows.
- Children from 4 years to under 7 years of age can only sit in the front row of a vehicle with two or more rows when all other seats are occupied by children under 7 years of age in approved child restraints or booster seats.

The ages specified above are a guide for children’s safety. If a child is too small for a restraint specified for their age, they should be kept in their current restraint for as long as necessary. If a child is too large for a restraint specified for their age, they may move to the next level of restraint.

A child between 6 months and 4 years of age will need to move to the next level of child restraint when:

- Their shoulders no longer fit comfortably within the restraint; or
- Their eye-level is higher than the back of the restraint; or
- The top insertion slots for the shoulder straps are above the level of the child’s shoulders.

A child between 4 and 7 years of age will need to move to the next level of child restraint if:

- Their shoulders no longer fit comfortably within the restraint; or
- Their eye-level is higher than the back of the booster seat (when measured perpendicularly from the seat back).

Children should remain in a child restraint for as long as physically possible.

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Seasonal Eating with Yummy Times

March signifies the beginning of autumn, when the leaves turn red and the air gets cooler. The change in season brings with it new fruits and vegetables. Did you know that fruits and vegetables grown in-season provide the best nutritional value to your body? Fresh is best – eating fruit & veg in their prime time substantially increases your immunity from colds & viruses as well as increasing energy levels and general sense of wellbeing.

Not only does your mind & body benefit, it is much more sustainable and economical to eat seasonably. Supply is high and transportation and energy costs associated with importing unseasonal foods are avoided by eating this way.

Consuming a balanced, colourful diet rich in fruit and vegetables is important as it maximises health benefits. Eating seasonably allows you to receive a wide variety of nutrients, throughout the year, which is vital for smooth running bodily functions.

Yummy Times promotes balanced meals and is constantly searching for ways to improve and give back to the community. At Yummy Times we do three main things, educate, encourage and connect.

In terms of education, we hold events where people can learn more about seasonal eating, find out about businesses that support this initiative, and win prizes, making everyone happy.

Yummy Times also encourages businesses to adopt practices which support sustainability and educate them about season eating as well. For example, Yummy Times has recently teamed up with the Franchise Lok Lok Dumpling Bar, which has now introduced specials with seasonal vegetables incorporated into them, particularly specials for children, to encourage healthier, more balanced diets.

Finally, Yummy Times seeks to connect businesses and communities, and find commonalities and ways to work together towards encouraging seasonal eating and a sustainable and healthy future.

Keep a look out for more from Yummy Times, and stay informed and more importantly, stay healthy.

Help us help everyone!

Yummy Times
Please return to the school office. Competition closes 29th of April. Student winner receives a free family dinner to the value of $80 and $500 for their school.

COLOUR ME!

SHOW ME WHAT SEASONAL EATING MEANS TO YOU!

Name: ____________________________
Age: ____________________________
Phone number: ____________________
School: __________________________

Draw with the seasonal theme and colour-in Lollie for your chance to win a free dinner for your family and $500 for your school!

Tips and colouring pads

OR Submit your entry at Lok Lok Dumpling Bar in Erina Fair Shopping Centre