As I mentioned in the last newsletter Chertsey Primary School is looking into some fun and exciting changes to our school rules and values and therefore we thought it would be a perfect time to introduce a school mascot. Last week children were invited to enter a competition where they were asked to come up with any ideas, names and designs. We have had some great ideas come in and we are encouraging all the children to have a go. Once we get all of the entries in we will design and name a mascot based on the children’s thoughts.

In week 4 the year 3 and 5 students sat the NAPLAN tests. I would like to congratulate all of the children who sat these tests for their hard work and excellent behaviour during this time. Results for this state wide test become available to parents and schools in October.

Unfortunately the girls’ soccer game was cancelled last week due to the wet oval. Miss Gay and Ms Owens will let the teams know of the new date as soon as they have everything in place. Thank you for your patience and understanding.

Some of you may already be aware but we have set up a Chertsey Primary School face book page. This page is organised through the Department of Education and it is another means of communicating events that are happening or not happening at Chertsey Primary School. If you would like to join our page please search ‘Chertsey Primary School’ and press the like button. This will enable you to see any posts that have been distributed by our staff. It is the one with the school crest!

Teachers are writing reports at the moment and will have these ready to go home at the end of this term. Interviews will be held early next term and we encourage all parents to make a time with their children’s class teachers.

Over the next few weeks here at school there are many activities taking place such as sporting games, dance performances, athletics carnival, excursions and much more. Please keep an eye out for notes coming home with your children as these notes provide important information you will need.

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 or drop in and fill out an enrolment form.

Toni Skinner
Principal
On Wednesday 20th May, our Choir visited Ettalong Public School for the first of three rehearsals, in preparation for the Central Coast Choral Festival to be held in October.

Chertsey Choir have been working extremely hard learning a range of exciting songs! Our choir’s hard work was evident at the rehearsal and the students represented our school well, and sang beautifully. We practised the full repertoire of songs for the festival, along with eight other Central Coast School’s. We look forward to our next rehearsal, which will be held at Point Clare Public School.

A special thank you to all of our wonderful parents who volunteered to transport students to and from the rehearsal, the day would not have been possible without your assistance!

Miss Gay and Mrs Scott
Choir Coordinators

Student Banking 2015

Welcome to a new term of student banking here at Chertsey. Whether you’ve banked with us before or are just starting out there are heaps of great new rewards to collect your tokens for this year.

Our weekly Banking Day is Tuesday.

Did you see the exciting flyer regarding a new competition for our student bankers?? It’s in this newsletter. Please let me know if you have questions or concerns. I can be contacted through the school office or when you see me around the school.

Michelle Frazer
Student Banking Coordinator

School Banking Rewards now available! Term 2

The School banking program encourages good savings habits by rewarding students with awesome reward items. New rewards have just been released for Term 2, and are available while stocks last:

- ET DVD (term 1 reward still available while stocks last)
- Planet Handball (term 1 reward still available while stocks last)
- Invisible Ink Martian Pens – released term 2
- Intergalactic Rockets – released term 2

You could win a family trip to Disneyland

In a School Banking first, students who make 25 or more School Banking deposits in 2015 will automatically receive one entry into the competition draw to win a family trip to California’s Disneyland. The prize includes return airfares, five nights accommodation, transfers and three days park entry for up to two adults and two kids, plus AUD$2000 spending money.

For more information, visit commbank.com.au/schoolbanking

Things to know before you Can:

Conditions apply. Promotion starts 9.00am AEDT 27/01/2015 and ends 11.59pm 18/12/2015. Entry is open to all Youthsaver account holders aged 5-13 years who participate in Commbank’s School Banking program. Entrants under 18 must have parent/guardian consent. The draw will take place at 12.30pm AEDT on 12/01/2016 at the Promoter’s office. The first valid entry drawn will win a family trip to California’s Disneyland valued at $22,245. The winner’s name will be published in the public notices section of The Australian on 26/01/2016. Promoter is Commonwealth Bank of Australia ABN 48 123 123 124 of Level 2, 11 Harbour Street, Sydney NSW 2000. Full terms and conditions available at commbank.com.au/schoolbanking

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No 14/99857: ACT Permit No TP14/04345: VIC Permit
Major Fundraiser 2015
It’s Fete time.
Volunteers are required to make this event happen so please give your time, be it a little or a lot.
Without volunteers this event is not possible and our kids miss out on the resources provided by what is raised.
Please leave your contact details at the office. A note has been sent home already. It’s not too late to be involved.
Remember it’s for our kids and our school.

Next P & C Meeting
Tuesday 9 June 2015 at 6.30pm in the staffroom.
All welcome.
Hope to see you there.

Michelle Frazer
P and C President
2015 ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

The 2015 annual Athletics Carnival is being held in **Week 10** of this term.

**When:** Thursday 25th June 2015  
**Where:** Mingara Athletics Centre  
**Cost:** $10.00 per student payable to your child’s class teacher by **Monday 22nd June** (Week 10)  

(All students attending this carnival must pay the full cost, regardless of transport arrangements)

**What to wear:** Sports uniform (students may wear a shirt in their house colour), joggers, jumper  
**What to bring:** Something to sit on (e.g. a blanket, towel or mat), hat, sunscreen, plenty of water to drink and enough food for the day as there is no BBQ operating and the canteen is out of bounds to all students at all times.

**Departure times:** Years 2-6 δ 9:15 am  
**Return time:** All students will leave Mingara at 2:00pm and return to school by 2:45pm

The theme for our athletics carnival is participation and fun. All competitors receive points for their house just for having a go. We invite all parents and family members to come and enjoy this great day with us and cheer on our aspiring athletes. Good luck to everyone!

Mrs Scott (Carnival Co-ordinator)

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STAGE 2 PDHPE EXCURSION

**Exciting News!** We have confirmed the date for our Stage 2 excursion that was cancelled last term!

In two weeks, on **Tuesday 9th June** (Week 8 of this term, just after the long weekend), Stage 2 will participate in a PDHPE excursion. This sport and recreation day is run by ‘Active Education’ at their Morisset centre. The purpose of this excursion is to build confidence and cooperative team-working skills, as well as encourage physical development and an active lifestyle.

The medical form already returned will remain current for the postponed excursion, however please indicate on the green permission note if there are any changes. This note was sent home on Friday – spares are available from your child’s teacher or the front office. Please return this note as soon as possible.

Stage 2 Teachers
1G have been learning about the importance of sharing both inside the classroom and in the playground. We read “The Rainbow Fish” by Marcus Pfister, which taught us that giving to others can give us a greater feeling of fulfilment compared to having many things to ourselves. Here are 1G’s Rainbow Fish that we decorated using glitter, crayon, texta and coloured pencils.

LOST PROPERTY

We have a large number of school jumpers and other lost property in the school office. If your child has lost an item please check at the office.
Dear Parents,

Change and loss are issues that affect all of us at some stage in our lives. At Chertsey Primary School we recognise that when changes occur in families through death, separation, divorce or related circumstances, young people may benefit from learning how to manage these changes effectively. We are therefore offering a very successful education program called ‘Seasons for Growth’.

This program is facilitated in small groups and is based on research that highlights the importance of social support and the need to practise new skills to cope effectively with change and loss. The program focuses on issues such as self-esteem, managing feelings, and problem-solving, effective communication and support networks.

‘Seasons for Growth’ runs for 8 weeks and each weekly session is 40 minutes. The program ends with a ‘celebration’ session. This Program will commence 2nd Term and run into term 3. This will be facilitated by Donna Knee who has received special training in the use of this program. If you think your child would benefit this Program we would encourage you to talk to them about this. If you would like your child to participate please fill in the section below and return to school by Wednesday the 20th of May in a sealed envelope marked ‘Seasons for Growth’.

A special session for parents entitled “How to support your child through Seasons for Growth session” will be held before the group commences and you will be required to attend this session so you can best support your child through this journey.

Please understand there are limited places available for the program and children will be placed on a needs basis.

Thank you

Donna Knee  
Seasons for Growth Facilitator

Principal

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SEASONS FOR GROWTH  
Please return this slip to the school office.

I, ______________________________ (parent/guardian name) am interested in my child ____________________________________________________ participating in the ‘Seasons for Growth’ program Term 2. I have discussed this with him/her.

Best Contact phone number __________________________

My child is in class ___________________ and is ________ years old.

Reason for registration __________________________________________

If this application is successful, I am committed to attend the session “How to support your child through Seasons for Growth” in week 5 term 2.

__________________________  __________________________

Parent/Guardian Signature  Child’s Signature
“Kinder Teddy Bear Story Time”

ENROLMENTS FOR KINDER 2016

If you have a child or know of a 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 or drop in and fill out enrolment forms. Please provide copies of birth certificates & immunisation record or we can make copies if you provide the original.
PREMIER’S READING CHALLENGE

The school has registered to take part in the Premier’s Reading Challenge for 2015. This is a reading scheme promoted by the Department of Education. It is not compulsory but it is an opportunity for you to support and encourage your child's/children's love of books and learning. For Years K-2 30 books must be read from a set list. These books can be read by students, read by you to the student. For Years 3-6 15 books must be read from a set list and 5 other books of similar difficulty. Students have until September to complete the 'challenge' and will receive a Premier's Certificate for having taken part. All students entering the Premier’s Reading Challenge will receive a PRC certificate and appear in the PRC Honour Roll if the challenge is completed independently at home. Books are available in our school library and community libraries. For the complete list of books log on to -

http://www.schoolsnsw.edu/premier'sreadingchallenge/

If you wish to find out more information, please contact Mrs Auinger or Mrs Tialshinsky

Karen Auinger

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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

Our canteen is now open on:
Wednesday
Thursday and Friday

Canteen

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

P & C

DATES TO REMEMBER

Thurs 28/5
Reconciliation Week - Aboriginal Performance
Boys Soccer – Gavenlock Oval

Fri 29/5
Debating— at Lisarow P S
C C Dance Festival/Dress Rehearsal

Wed 3/6
1CAS Science
Girls Soccer-Chertsey V Narara

Mon 8/6
QUEENS BIRTHDAY HOLIDAY

Tue 9/6
Stge 2 Active Education Excursion

Tue 16/6
1CAS Spelling
Laycock St Dance Festival

Fri 19/6
Jump rope 4 Heart
“Jump Off”

Thurs 25/6
School Athletics Carnival at Mingara

Fri 26/6
Last Day of Term 2

Tue 14/7
Children return for Term 3

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.

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The Gosford Tennis Centre offers a host of exciting programs for Junior’s and Adults to enjoy, and for all standard of players from Beginner to Elite.

Our all new Membership system caters for all your families tennis needs and begins for as little as $5 per week. Member benefits include Free Court hire, Coaching classes, Competitions, Member Prize Draws and much, much more.

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is open on THURSDAY MORNINGS from 8:30am until 9:00am
AVOCA beachside Markets

SUNDAY MAR 22
Heazlett Park Foreshore 9am-2pm

2015 Markets
April 26
May 24
June 28
July 26
Aug 23
Sep 27
Oct 25
Nov 22

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