From the Principal’s desk

Last week we saw many wonderful things happen at Chertsey Primary School for Education Week. We started the week with our wonderful Choir and Dance Group performing at Erina Fair. The K-2 public speaking finals were also held and what an amazing talented group of students that we heard interesting and informative speeches from. Congratulations on our finalists, Levi, Amber Ashleigh and Tavier who will now complete at the Public Speaking competition held at our school on Thursday August 6.

Taronga Zoo was another highlight for the week and the weather was certainly kind to us on this day. The children had a lovely time and there are some great photos on our facebook page if you have not yet seen them. Thank you To Mrs Auinger for organising this excursion and to all of the staff who attended.

The Science open day was a huge success and every child had the chance to engage in at least three different lessons. We had children making slime, making rockets and even ice cream as well as much much more. Please keep an eye out on facebook for some photos of the children engaging in some of these activities. All of the teachers organised a variety of wonderful experiments for the children to partake in and I would like to thank them all for the ongoing commitment to ensuring that the students here at Chertsey Primary School have wonderful rich learning experiences. Thank you to all of the families who supported their children during the week and joined in on our activities.

The book fair went on all week and Mrs Tialshinsky gave up much of her own time to ensure that the children had the opportunity to purchase many items from the library each day. The children were very excited about purchasing from their wish lists and the phone highlighters were a hit! Thank you once again to the parents for supporting this fundraising activity for our school.

Thank you also to Mr Makepeace for organising the boy’s touch football competition representing Chertsey Primary School at Sohier Park today in a gala day. We are looking forward to hearing how they all went.
From the Principal’s desk

Today we also had a special canteen day. Thank you to Di who organised the pizzas, drinks and treats for this special occasion.

You may have noticed that Mrs Denning is not here at the moment. Mrs Denning has taken three weeks leave to visit her family in Queensland. Mrs Jowett will be replacing her in the office for the duration of this time.

Yesterday I also sent home a note in regard to a reported Whooping Cough case at school. If your child has a persistent cough and you are concerned please seek medical assistance.

The Stage 3 excursion to Canberra is approaching quickly and payments for this will need to be finalised shortly. If you have any questions in regard to this excursion please see your child’s teacher. Last week a number of notes were sent home explaining what children need to bring on this excursion along with a code of conduct. Thank you to the parents who attended the information session last week.

The Chertsey Primary School fete is going ahead and the date for this event is Saturday October 24. Put this on your calendar and keep a look out for information coming home from the Fete Committee. There have been many parents who have been coming along to the meetings so far but the committee would love to see more parents come on board. It doesn’t matter if you can help out a little or a lot all help is appreciated. We will be communicating all fete information via our departmental facebook page so keep an eye out for further information.

Next year seems a long way off but if you know any child that is turning five 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

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REMINDER

STAGE 3 CAMP

FINAL PAYMENT REQUIRED THIS FRIDAY

14TH AUGUST
Student Banking 2015

Welcome to a new term of Banking here at Chertsey Primary School! Whether you have banked with us before or just starting out, there are a lot of great rewards this year. Did you see the exciting flyer regarding a new competition for our student bankers? It is attached below for further information.

Our weekly banking day is Tuesday of each week.

For any other concerns or questions, please see me by contacting the office, or when you see me around the school.

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 NSW Permit No LTPS/14/09857: ACT Permit No TP14/04345: VIC Permit No 14/5966: SA Permit no T14/2327
P & C NEWS

Chertsey Fete – Saturday 24 October 2015

Note your diary. It’s going to be awesome.

Volunteers are required to make this event happen so please give your time, be it a little or a lot.

Please leave your contact details at the office. It’s not too late to be involved.

Remember it’s for our kids and our school.

We are having a **plant stall** at the fete........ so if you have a **green thumb** we would appreciate any assistance you can give us. Start planting now.

The fete committee will also be sending out notes (coming to a school bag near you in the near future) regarding donations for prizes for our awesome chocolate wheel. Items will be used to make gift baskets/raffle prizes/2\textsuperscript{nd} chance draw prizes.

Check out what your class can do to help.
This term KH have been completing a unit of work on Zoo Animals. They have thoroughly enjoyed learning the names of a range of animals which they were able to see for themselves on their excursion to Taronga Park Zoo.

KH created these amazing artworks of the giraffe before their excursion and learnt not only is the giraffe the tallest animal on earth, but also have blue tongues, horns and take lots of short naps while standing up.
Chertsey Primary School

Education Week
Zoo Excursion
On Wednesday 15th July The boys softball team went to Hylton Moore Oval, East Gosford to compete in the PSSA Knockout Competition against Brisbania Primary School. The boys put in a huge effort, unfortunately we lost 18-7. I would like to thank all the parents and caregivers who helped with transport. A special thanks to Mrs Frazer for organising the catchers gear and washing all the uniforms and to Val for scoring the game.

EARN AND LEARN

The Woolworths Earn and Learn program commenced last week and will run until September. Remember to collect your stickers whenever you shop at Woolworths. One sticker for every $10 spent. You can put the stickers on the charts provided by Woolworths (we also have some at school) and completed charts can be dropped into the box in the school foyer. We have also been fortunate to secure boxes at both Gosford and Erina Woolworths, so you can also drop off there. If you prefer, you can just drop stickers in any of the three boxes available. Thanks for your support in another great program.

Kate Currie
CHOIR AND DANCE GROUP NEWS

Central Coast Choral Festival – Rehearsal 2 – Wednesday 12th August

Next Wednesday 12 August (Week 5), our choir will be involved in the second full-day rehearsal at Woy Woy South Public School for the Central Coast Choral Festival in October. Notes should have gone home about this today. All choir students are expected to attend. As always, transport to and from the venue is by private car and we thank those wonderful parents who are able to take students other than their own. This is a great help and is much appreciated!

Education Week performance

Congratulations to the choir and dance group who proudly represented us when they performed at The Hive in Erina Fair last Monday, as part of Education Week celebrations. I’m sure the many parents in attendance would agree they danced and sang beautifully!

Mrs Hynes, Mrs Blumer, Mrs Scott and Miss Gay (Dance and Choir Coordinators)

ATHLETICS NEWS

We are still in the process of completing field events and so the house champions will be announced sometime in the future, once this is completed.

The Southern Central Coast PSSA Carnival will be held at Mingara Regional Athletics Centre on Monday 17 August (Week 6). Students who qualify to represent Chertsey PS at this district carnival will receive further information later this week. Please note, most students (aged 8 years and older) who receive a first or second place ribbon in athletics events will go on to compete at the district carnival. Transport to and from Mingara for this event will be by private arrangement.

Mrs Scott (Sports Coordinator)
We have a large number of jumpers and other missing property in the office. If your child has lost an item, please come and check Lost Property.

Please ensure your child’s name and class is clearly written on their belonging’s.

## Merit Awards

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**Assembly times**
K-6: Friday – Even Weeks
From 1:45pm – 2:45pm
K-2: Wednesday – Odd Weeks
From 9:15am – 9:45am

**School Canteen**
Our School Canteen is now open on:
Wednesday
Thursday
Friday

**P&C**
Meetings are held every second Tuesday of each month at 6:30pm.
All Parents are welcome.

**Hire**
School Community Hall and Chertsey Community Cottage for hire to the public. Please see Office for further details.

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**Dates to remember:**

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**Changes to address and phone numbers**

Please notify the Office as soon as you have a change of details.

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**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.
ENROLMENTS FOR KINDER 2016

If you have a child or know of a child that is turning five 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.

The UNIFORM SHOP is located in the cottage opposite the car park

Open on THURSDAY MORNING from 8:30am until 9:00am
Chertsey Primary School

Parent Reading Night

A workshop for you!
The mums, dads and carers.
The workshop will cover:
- When are children ready to start learning to read?
- How to begin to teach children to read
- When to move on to the next stage
- How to incorporate learning in your child’s everyday life.
- How to combine a phonics and whole language approach to learning to read.
- What types of books to read to children
- What the school curriculum is all about

7:30 - 8:30pm
Thursday 13th August
Helping to create happy, smart and confident children.

Give us a call to book now.
Please call
1300 234 462
or email
learn@beginbright.com.au


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COME AND TRY BASEBALL WITH GOSFORD INDIANS BASEBALL CLUB

REGISTRATION DAYS
2015 – 2016 SEASON

Boys and girls, new and old players are invited to come and register for our MID WEEK comp U8’s – U16’s.

Where: Adcock Park (near the baseball canteen)

When: Tuesday 11th and 18th August

Time: 4 – 6pm

For further information please contact Kate Frost on 0416 177 016 or email: k8frost@optusnet.com.au