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Issue 10

Term 2 Week 10



Dear Parents, Carers and Students,

HELPING CHILDREN TO UNDERSTAND THEMSELVES AND DEAL WITH PROBLEMS

WALK AWAY, FIND CALM, THEN DECIDE HOW TO RESPOND

As we head into the holidays, we'd like to share an **important message** about **children's behaviour**. When children fight, it's not a sign of toughness, but rather an indication **that they are struggling to cope with the situation**. This concept applies to us as adults too. For example, when we're having a good day and someone cuts us off in traffic, it's easier to brush it off because we're coping well. Conversely, when we're having a rough day, the exact same situation might provoke a **more aggressive response** in us, showing that we're not coping as well.

We encourage you to discuss this with your children over the holidays. Help them understand that **recognising when they're struggling is the first step**. Teach them to **walk away** from the problem if they are not coping, not to leave it unresolved, but to find calmness. A **calm response** allows them to assess whether the **problem is minor** and can be ignored or if it requires a resolution. If they need help **resolving it respectfully**, remind them that **it's okay to ask a teacher for assistance**.

Our goal as parents and educators is to **help students understand themselves better**. While the title of this piece talks about helping children, it's actually a strategy for us as adults too. Getting upset is part of being human, so feel free to try this out when you find yourself struggling.

Your support in reinforcing this message is invaluable. Many thanks in advance for your support.

CANTEEN ORDERS – CLOSE AT 9.30am

This is a friendly reminder that our online ordering system for the canteen, **Munch Monitor**, stops accepting orders **daily at 9:30am**. I admit that I myself have rung the canteen after 9:30am to order my lunch when I have forgotten to do so in the morning. This puts undue strain on our canteen staff and makes it very challenging for them to manage their workload.

They have a very efficient system that relies upon us all **getting our orders in before 9:30am**. Out of respect for our hardworking Canteen staff, I am going to be

committed to get my order in **before 9:30am** and I ask that all our families do the same. If we don't order before 9:30am, unfortunately the canteen **will not be able to accommodate us**.

Thank you for your understanding and support with this matter.

SAFETY & PARKING AROUND OUR SCHOOL AT PICK-UP AND DROP-OFF TIMES

As we strive to provide a **safe and conducive environment** for our children, it has come to our attention that there have been **concerns expressed** by members of our community **regarding road safety during pick-up and drop-off times**. The **safety of our students and families** is of paramount importance to us, and it's crucial that we address these concerns together.

Some community members have reported instances of **double-parking**, creating blind spots and causing traffic congestion around our school vicinity. Additionally, there have been reports of **U-turns being made across double lines**, leading to unpredictability and the potential for accidents.

These issues not only **pose risks to our students** but also to the broader community. It is imperative that we all take responsibility for our actions on the road to ensure the safety of everyone involved.







We kindly remind all parents and caregivers to **adhere to parking signs and time limits** when dropping off or picking up their children. By doing so, we can help maintain a **smooth flow of traffic** and reduce the likelihood of accidents occurring.

Furthermore, it's essential to **practice respectful road use** at all times. This means not only refraining from double-parking, making illegal U-turns, but also **blocking driveways**. We would like to extend a gentle reminder to all families to consider our neighbours and refrain from parking across their driveways. Ensuring they have access to their properties at all times is not only a **matter of courtesy** but also a **legal requirement**. We must all be mindful of the impact our actions have on others in the community.

By working together and **demonstrating respect** for one another, we can create a **safer environment for our children and the wider community**. Let's prioritize

the **safety** and **well-being** of all individuals on our roads.

Thank you for your cooperation and continued support in **fostering a safe environment for our students**.

Remember to always choose safety first.		
	NO STOPPING What does it mean? Under no circumstances are you allowed to stop in this area. Why is it there? To keep sight lines clear for drivers and children so both have more time to avoid accidents.	Fine: \$362 Demerit points: 2
	NO PARKING What does it mean? You may only park for two minutes to drop off or pick up children, and you have to stay within 3m of your vehicle. Why is it there? To provide a safe place for children to be set down and picked up without endangering others.	Fine: \$201 Demerit points: 2
	BUS ZONE What does it mean? You must not stop your vehicle in the bus zone unless you are driving a public bus. Why is it there? To provide a safe place for large buses to set down and pick up school children.	Fine: \$362 Demerit points: 2
	PEDESTRIAN CROSSING (INCLUDING CHILDREN'S CROSSING) What does it mean? Keep an area of 20m before and 10m after a pedestrian crossing clear. Do not let your child in or out of a vehicle at a pedestrian crossing. Why is it there? To ensure children can be clearly seen by vehicles approaching the crossing.	Fine: \$481 Demerit points: 2
	DOUBLE PARKING What does it mean? You must not stop your vehicle, and or park in the middle of the road to drop off and pick up. Why is it there? Double parking forces cars to go around you causing traffic congestion. It also reduces the view of drivers and children crossing the road.	Fine: \$362 Demerit points: 2
	DRIVEWAYS AND FOOTPATHS What does it mean? Do not park your vehicle on or across a driveway. Why is it there? To ensure that you don't force pedestrians onto the road to get around you.	Fine: \$362 Demerit points: 2

Please note: Fines are subject to change without notice. Penalties apply to offences in school zones during posted school hours and/or gazetted school days. Please refer to the Transport for NSW (TfNSW) website for more information on road safety around schools. transport.nsw.gov.au

Meet our Student Leaders...



Hello my name is **Hoshi**. I am **Chester Hill Public School's Vice-Captain** for 2024. I take my role as a Vice Captain very seriously and I feel proud to hold this position at our wonderful school. I believe as role models, student leaders need to be **patient, calm** and **respectful** towards others for who they are, without judgement.

Kindness is **free!** We all need **kindness**, and it is easy to show **kindness** towards others.

I started at Chester Hill Public School in Year 3 and an interesting fact about me is that I am part Japanese. I have visited Japan quite a few times. I have also been to Canada for a year and my family has travelled around America. Fun fact! I went to China when I was one year old. Some of my hobbies are basketball and netball. I enjoy helping others and reading many books. **I challenge myself each year** by entering the Premier's Reading Challenge to read 20 books before August.

I am very proud of my leadership position and thankful for the role I have been given as Vice-Captain. I have represented Chester Hill Public School in the debating team and the basketball zone team. We have made it to the semi-finals but sadly we lost. I have also participated in the netball zone with some of my friends.

By the end of this year, I hope to inspire other students to be patient, kind and respectful towards others and to have the confidence to become future leaders.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS

As this is the last newsletter for the Term 2, I'd like to wish you all a **very safe** and **enjoyable holiday**. We've had yet another very productive term and I know this break is well deserved by all.

Just a reminder that **students** are due to **return** to school on Tuesday 23 July to commence another exciting term of learning. **See you in Term 3!**

Ben Walsh
Principal



The Athletics Carnival has been rescheduled for Monday, 29 July (Term 3, Week 2)

The carnival will now be held at **Kelso Park North, Henry Lawson Drive, Panania**. A new note has been sent to families via **School Bytes**

Please complete and sign the updated permission slip for your child/children. If you have not paid for the carnival previously, please do so promptly. Students without completed permission slips and/or payments will not be able to attend and will remain at school.

The last day to return notes and payment will be **Wednesday, 24 July** (Term 3, Week 1).

Due to the change of venue, we are still in the process of organising facilities for the canteen. **Further details about the canteen will be emailed and posted on Facebook closer to the day.**

Celebrating Student Achievement

Principal's Awards

Students who have been awarded 2 Excellence Awards (60 class awards) receive a Principal's Award for outstanding application to learning.

Congratulations to the following students who have received a Principal's Award:

Nima	1/2 Jackson
Joshua	2 Koala
Rukayya	4 Georges
Rajeb	5 Tasman

Excellence Awards

Students who have been awarded 2 Teacher's Awards (30 class awards) receive an Excellence Award for excellent application to learning.

Congratulations to the following students who have received an **Excellence Award**:

Rajeb 5 Tasman
Xuan 6 Saturn

Primary School Sports Association

Soccer

Round 7
CHPS vs Regents Park PS
Juniors won 8 - 0
B&F: **Walid**
Seniors won 9 - 1
B&F: **Mehran**

Round 8
CHPS vs Greenacre PS
Juniors won 3 - 2
B&F: **Yusuf**
Seniors won 6 - 0
B&F: **Sekope**

Netball

Round 7
CHPS vs Georges Hall PS Bs
Juniors won 32 - 2
B&F: **Precious**
Seniors won 44 - 2
B&F: **Lailani**

Round 8
CHPS vs Bankstown West PS
Juniors lost 18 - 12
B&F: **Celine**
Seniors won 39 - 0
B&F: **Heela**

NSW Premier's Spelling Bee 2024

Last Monday, we held our **NSW Premier's Spelling Bee** Finals. Our talented finalists were well prepared and provided a nail-biting competition. Congratulations to all who prepared and improved their spelling ability.

The proud winner of our Junior Final was **Sukaina** (3/4 Kerr). **Zayed** (6 Saturn) was the winner of the Senior Final.

Our winners now progress to the **Regional Finals** in Term 3. We are all proud of your achievement and our C.H.P.S community wishes you every success in the next round!

Thank you, Mrs Baker for co-ordinating the competition and taking the time to support the students at every level.



What's happening at CHPS... Coming Events

Dates are accurate at the time of printing. Keep this calendar handy so you are aware of what is happening at our school.

Term 2

Week 10

1 July - 5 July		NAIDOC Week
3 Jul	Wed	NAIDOC Week Performance
4 Jul	Thurs	100 Days of Kindergarten
4 Jul	Thurs	Semester 1 Reports go home
5 Jul	Fri	Last day of Term 2

Term 3

Week 1

22 Jul	Mon	Staff Development Day
23 Jul	Tues	Term 3 Begins - Students Return

Week 2

29 Jul	Mon	Athletics Carnival
30 Jul	Tues	Digital Newsletter - Issue 11
1 Aug	Thurs	Opportunity Class Test
2 Aug	Fri	Winter PSSA Round #9
2 Aug	Fri	3-6 Assembly - 4 Swan (11.35am)

Week 3

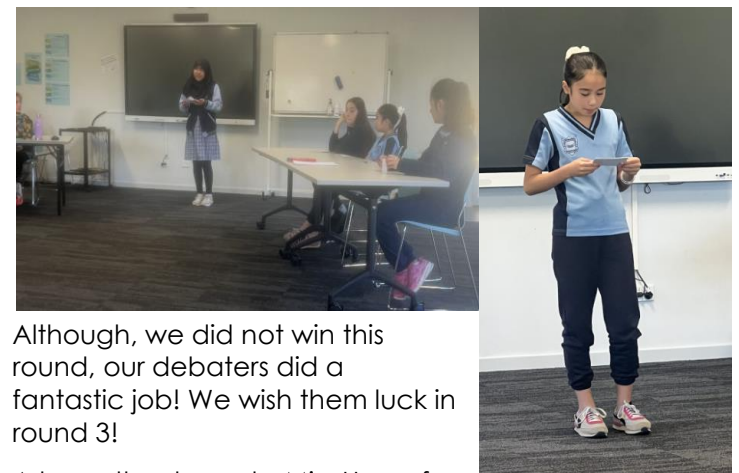
4 August - 9 August EDUCATION WEEK		
9 Aug	Fri	Winter PSSA Round #10

Week 4

13 Aug	Tues	Kindergarten Excursion Fairfield City Farm
13 Aug	Tues	Digital Newsletter - Issue 12
15 Aug	Thurs	Stage 1 Excursion Sea Life Sydney Aquarium

Premier's Debating Challenge

Last week our **Year 6 Cheso Chinwaggers** participated in the 2nd round of the Premier's Debating Challenge against Newington Public School. It was our debating team's first time experiencing a face-to-face debate.



Although, we did not win this round, our debaters did a fantastic job! We wish them luck in round 3!

A huge thank you to Miss Uepa for training and inspiring our future leaders.

SAFE

RESPECTFUL

ACTIVE LEARNERS

Year 2 Excursion – Australian Museum

Written by Aiden, Noah and Violet



On Thursday 20 June, Year 2 students went on an excursion to the city.

First, we visited the **Australian Museum**. We looked at Aboriginal artefacts and we also saw different precious

stones such as opals, crystals and gold nuggets. We had a guide for part of our visit. His name was Charlie. Charlie let us hold an echidna spike. Then we went on a scavenger hunt searching for mystery animals. We were great wildlife detectives and found the rhino, dingo and bobcat.

After the **museum**, we headed through the **Botanical Gardens** towards the **Opera House**. We walked past the **Art Gallery** and saw beautiful flowers and plants. We saw our magnificent harbour. We were in a hurry as the bus was picking us up at 2pm and it was already 1:35pm.

Soon we were in front of the **Sydney Opera House** and we could see the **Sydney Harbour Bridge** across the harbour. We also saw a humungous cruise ship. We headed towards the bus, but the walk was uphill! We were tired!

Finally, we boarded the bus. Our excursion to the city was exhausting, but fun. We walked a total of 11,101 steps which is approximately 8.5km!!!



Planet Protector Update

This term we have collected 7240 plastic bottles/poppers which means we raised \$72.40 for Little Wings.

LITTLE WINGS
FUEL OUR PLANES FUNDRAISER

TOGETHER OUR GOAL IS TO RECYCLE & DONATE 150,000 UNITS IN 2024

JUNE UPDATE
CONGRATULATIONS 65,000 UNITS RECYCLED
4 MISSIONS FUNDED
38 SCHOOLS & BUSINESSES RECYCLING TOGETHER

20 Bottles Equals 1 Litre Of Fuel

Thank you!

Thank you Return And Earn Depots for making this happen

Thank you local councils for donating the recycling bins

P&C News

P&C Sausage Sizzle

Thank you to the parents who gave up their day to run the sausage sizzle which was planned for the Athletics Carnival. It all ran very smoothly in the canteen after the last-minute change.

P&C Meeting

Our first meeting in Term 3 will be on Wednesday 24 July. The meeting will be held in the Learning Centre from 2-3pm.

Uniform Shop

The uniform shop will be open on the Staff Development Day on **Monday 22 July** as per usual from 8:30-11:30am.

Community Hub



Everyone is welcome to the Community Hub!

The Community Hub runs various programs during the school term for families and is also open to local community.

Here are some of our programs that will continue next term:

School Readiness Program - TUESDAY in the School Hall from 10:00 am – This is for families with young children starting school next year.

Parent Child Playgroup - THURSDAY at the School Hall from 9:30 am – For parents and children aged 0 – 6 years.

We will have two English programs next term:

Beginners English Program – WEDNESDAY from 10 am to 12 noon

General English Classes - WEDNESDAY at the Hub from 1:30 – 2:30 pm

There are no visa requirements to attend the English programs and there is limited childminding available.

From time to time the Hub also runs various training courses, parenting programs and other activities. Next term we are starting a make-up course on Fridays. Places are full for this course but please register with Hub get updates on future courses.

Fit & Well Club – FRIDAY in the Hall from 9:15 am

Make up course – FRIDAYS from 10 am – 2:30 pm

Follow the Community Hub Facebook page for regular Hub program updates.

Anisha
Community Hub Leader
Ph: 0436 943 537

find us on facebook



Community Hub Chester Hill
156 likes • 240 followers

July School Holiday Activities

<p>July School Holiday Program</p> 	<p>MONDAY 8TH JULY Sports afternoon TIME: 1-4pm WHERE: Roundabout Youth Centre WHO: 7-12years</p>	<p>TUESDAY 9TH JULY Drop in & Skate TIME: 1-3pm WHERE: Roundabout Youth Centre WHO: 5-18 yrs</p>	<p>TUESDAY 16TH JULY Winter Garden Workshop TIME: 10:30am-12pm WHERE: Chester Hill Community Garden- <i>Parents must accompany children to this workshop</i> WHO: 6-12 years</p>	<p>TUESDAY 16TH JULY Drop in & skate TIME: 1-3pm WHERE: Roundabout Youth Centre WHO: 5-18 years</p>	<p>WEDNESDAY 17TH JULY Movie Afternoon TIME: 3-5pm WHERE: Roundabout Youth Centre WHO: 6-12 years</p>
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<p>Please note: A registration form will need to be filled out to secure your booking.</p>	<p>WEDNESDAY 10TH JULY Arts & craft TIME: 1-3pm WHERE: Roundabout Youth Centre WHO: 6-12 years</p>	<p>Please note: You can only book a MAXIMUM of 3 school holiday activities. To book please email cyfsassistant@chnc.org.au</p>	<p>THURSDAY 18TH JULY Winter Garden Workshop TIME: 1:30-3pm WHERE: Chester Hill Community Garden- <i>Parents must accompany children to this</i> WHO: 6-12 years</p>	<p>Please note: A registration form will need to be filled out to secure your booking.</p>	<p>Please note: You can only book a MAXIMUM of 3 school holiday activities. To book please email cyfsassistant@chnc.org.au BOOK NOW TO SECURE YOUR SPOT</p>
Bookings are essential					