



Chisholm Catholic Primary School

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Chisholm Update – Term 4 Week 7

Keep Safe - Stay Healthy - Be Kind

22 November 2022

Dear Parents & Carers,

I hope you are all keeping well. I thank all parents and carers for the support and trust you give us as we work together to provide the best possible learning experiences for your children. I also wish to thank our tremendous staff who work beyond school hours to prepare for all of the learning opportunities provided to our students as well as the time spent in writing reports over the last few weeks. I am privileged to be working with such professional, dedicated and caring educators.

Semester 2 Reports

Semester 2 reports will be available in Week 10 of this term through the Compass Parent Portal. When you login and view your child's report we recommend you discuss it with them talking about strengths first before looking at areas for improvement. Ask for their opinion about how they performed and discuss some goals for the future. Please contact your child's grade teachers if you have any questions.

Compass Parent Portal

Instructions on how to login to the Compass Parent Portal, download the app, view your child(ren)'s semester report and add, switch and remove accounts are attached.

Chisholm Gardens

Our wonderful CCG's successful fundraising endeavours and funds will go towards expanding our Chisholm Gardens across Kindergarten to Year 6 next year. As you are aware, the Year 3 and Year 6 Gardens have been very successful over the years, providing fresh vegetables for us to enjoy and for the students to use during cooking sessions. The money raised will go towards purchasing garden tools, garden beds, water tanks, mobile kitchen islands and maybe even a concrete slab for our chicken coop. We are excited that all students will contribute and be a part of the Chisholm Gardens in 2023. We thank our CCG and all parents and carers for their generosity in making this happen.

Chisholm Fun Day

On Wednesday 14 December, we will be celebrating with a Chisholm Fun Day for our Kindergarten to Year 6 students. The planned activities include water slides and jumping castles and other organised fun activities. Students will participate in the activities in their grade groups where they will have the opportunity to develop their team building skills. The Chisholm Fun Day is supported by Nepean Blue Mountains Primary Health Network (NBMPHN), as part of the NSW Government's response to the 2022 floods. More details about the Chisholm Fun Day will be provided in the weeks to come. **Please note the Kindergarten to Year 1 Fun Day previously communicated has been incorporated into this day.**

Chisholm Swimming Carnival

Our Chisholm Swimming Carnival will be held on *Tuesday 29 November 2022*. All students in Year 2 to Year 5 will participate on the day along with students in Year 1 who meet the eligibility criteria. The carnival will be held at YMCA Hawkesbury Oasis Swimming Centre, South Windsor. Transport to and from Oasis has been arranged by the school. Children are to arrive at school at normal time and will return for school dismissal time. Please complete the [Chisholm Swimming Carnival 2022 Form](#) by Friday 25 November.

Nativity Play and Christmas Concert

On Tuesday 13 December at 9.15am, our Kindergarten students will present the Nativity Play. This will be followed by the whole school Christmas Concert. Students from each grade are asked to wear the following outfits on the day:

Kindergarten	Colourful Christmas clothes (Students in the Nativity play will be provided with costumes.)
Year 1	Christmas shirt and swimming shorts
Year 2	Christmas clothes. (One or more of the following: T-Shirt, Christmas Hat, Antlers, socks etc)
Year 3	
Year 4	
Year 5	Christmas hats and clothes. (Characters in the play wear suitable outfits for their character)
Year 6	Santa Elf Hat plus a white shirt with denim shorts (black or blue is also OK if you do not have denim)
Ensemble	Black clothes. Students will wear a Chisholm stole (provided). They may change back into Christmas clothes after the concert.

Krispy Kreme Pick Up

Thank you for your support in fundraising for Chisholm. Thank you to the CCG for their organisation and support. The pick up date for the Krispy Kreme orders is Monday 5 December from 2pm - 4.30pm in the staff car park. If you wish for your child to collect your order please email the CCG on ccg.blighpark@gmail.com

Medical Action Plans

Medical Action Plans are required for all students who take regular medication at school (eg ventolin). Parents and carers should supply specific written permission for the distribution of medication. The following forms are available from the website or the school office:

Medical Form 1: Notification and request by Parent/Guardian for the administration of medication during school hours

Medical Form 2: Medical Advice to School to be completed by the prescribing doctor verifying medical condition and treatment

Prescription medicine should be in a prescription container or blister pack which gives the name of the child, the dosage and time the medication is to be given and the name of the prescribing doctor. Medical Action plans are required to be kept up to date at all times. If your child currently has a Medical Action plan, can you please review and update if necessary. Please advise the school office of any changes or if your child no longer requires medication as soon as possible.

Revised 2022 Upcoming Term 4 Key Events

Week 7	Thursday 24 November Friday 25 November	9:00 am Advent Prayer & Assembly Year 6 Motiv8 Day
Week 8	Tuesday 29 November Friday 2 December	Year 2 - 5 Swimming Carnival 9:00 am Advent Prayer & Assembly
Week 9	Tuesday 6 December Wednesday 7 December Friday 9 December	6:00 pm Year 6 Farewell Mass 9:45 am End of Year Mass - Followed by Parents Carer/Helper Morning Tea 9:00 am Advent Prayer & Assembly 6:00 pm Year 6 Dinner Dance
Week 10	Monday 12 December Tuesday 13 December Wednesday 14 December Friday 16 December	9:15 am Awards Ceremony 11:30 am Meet the 2023 Teaching Team 9:15 am Nativity Play and Christmas Concert K-6 Fun Day Last day of school for students
Week 11	Monday 19 December Tuesday 20 December	Staff Development Day (Pupil Free) Staff Development Day (Pupil Free)

2023 Important Dates

The first day back for students in Years 1 - 6 will be on Tuesday 31 January 2023.
Kindergarten students will commence on Thursday 2 February 2023.

Mathematics Assessment Interviews (MAI)

Mathematics Assessment Interviews for students in Years 1 - 6 will be conducted on Friday 27 January & Monday 30 January 2023. More details to follow.

Uniform Orders

The last day for ordering school uniforms will be Wednesday 7 December 2022.

Covid

The safety of students and staff still remains the top priority for our school community. [NSW Health recently advised](#) that COVID-19 transmissions within the community are rising, with a peak of cases expected in early December. Whilst NSW Health has not changed its required actions at this time, we recommend ensuring that COVID-safe measures are taken to minimise infections. Students should remain at home if they are unwell and should only attend school when they are symptom-free. Parents and Carers will be contacted to pick up their child from the sick bay if they are displaying any symptoms. Rapid Antigen Tests (RAT) are available upon request. Please contact the school office if you require any tests.

We look forward to continuing our learning journey and the upcoming events in Term 4.

Take care.



Michael Mifsud
Principal