

Chillingham Public School



Success through Teamwork



31 October 2024 ~ Week 3

Staying Safe around Electricity

Last Week the Year 2/3/4 students used resources provided by Essential Energy's Electricity Safety Week Program to learn the basics of staying safe around electricity. Students watched some clips outlining practical steps to being a 'Safety Star', including how to get help (calling 000), avoid playing around poles and wires and don't use faulty appliances. Students lit a lightbulb using small circuits to gain



a deeper understanding of electric currents and started filling in a little workbook of games and information. Students have taken this workbook home to complete and discuss with their parents.



IMPORTANT DATES

1 November **Friday**

CANTEEN CLOSED

6 November Wednesday

Kindergarten Orientation Day 3

(Teddy Bear's Picnic)

11:00 – 12:30

8 November Friday

Tyalgum Ridge Retreat

No cost to families

15 November Friday

4 Week AFL program begins

Visiting Coach

No cost to families

Inventor Robotics



As you have probably heard, we have been using the Robotics Kits which are on loan from the STEM T4L library. From Kindergarten through to Year 6, students have been focusing on programming and designing Lego robots that can push and pull a given weight. This is in line with our Science and Digital Technology program and students are having a great time learning how to work together with lots of negotiation and creativity lighting up each classroom.



On Friday 25 October, students celebrated their amazing teachers with delicious chocolate cake, marshmallow kebabs and watermelon for recess, kindly donated by the P&C, all in the name of **World Teacher's Day**, this year's theme was '**Hats off to Teachers**'. Students had some fun and lots of laughs swapping hats on the teacher cut-outs that were attached to the outside walls of the Yr 3-6 classroom. On the following Monday, students also had the opportunity to thank and celebrate Mrs Roach upon her return from leave. *Welcome back Mrs Roach.*



From the Principal's desk

UPDATE: On Friday 8 November – Week 4, all students will be attending Tyalgum Ridge Retreat. This excursion is an excellent and engaging outdoor educational experience and we know our students will love the day. Students will participate in various activities throughout the day, including archery and kayaking, designed to help build resilience, confidence, team building, positivity, leadership and personal initiative – all in line with the PDHPE syllabus. Activities will be age appropriate and fully supervised.

Catering will be provided, so please ensure dietary requirements are made known to the school one week prior. There will be no charge to families thanks to our P&C, along with some remaining wellbeing funds granted from the NSW Department of Education earlier this year.

Students are to be at school by **7:15am**. Our expected arrival time back at school is **4:30pm** so we ask parents to be at school by 4:15pm to collect their children in the event we arrive early. Students are to wear their school hat, school t-shirt, jogger shoes, socks and either full leggings (to the ankle) or track pants; this is to protect their legs while on the high ropes. Students need to bring a full change of clothes for the bus trip home in case they get wet during kayaking.

Students will not be able to attend without a permission note, so please head to the parent portal and give permission as soon as possible.

Vicki Roach
Principal

STUDENT CELEBRATIONS



Merit Award recipients:

Kira, Elias, Sky, Coco

Beeeeeeees Knees recipients:

Parks, Zoe, Elias, Luke



**Happy Birthday to Nellie
Tuesday 5 November**



CANTEEN WILL BE CLOSED TOMORROW

Next Meeting – 15 November ~ 2pm ~ all welcome

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