

Chillingham Public School



Success through Teamwork



Pete Cromer Inspired Australian Birds

Years 5 and 6 students have been exploring the world of Australian artist Pete Cromer. Inspired by Cromer's colourful Australian birds, the students focused on collage, printmaking and texture techniques to create their own masterpieces. This term, we will continue to apply these techniques to craft artworks showcasing other various living things.



22 February 2024

IMPORTANT DATES

23 February Friday

SUSHI ONLY

28 February Wednesday

Swimming Lesson 1

29 February Thursday

Swimming Lesson 2

VISION STATEMENT

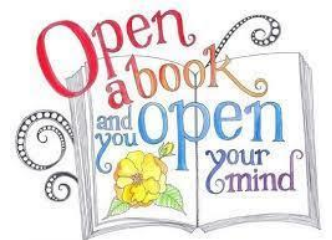
Our students are happy, literate lifelong learners. We empower them with the knowledge, skills and confidence enabling them to make a positive contribution to society. Chillingham Public School is a great school. Join us.

Library

We have started our library program with gusto, and it's fabulous to see everyone throughout the school borrowing. Library days are as follows: K/1/2 **Tuesdays** with Miss Brett and 3/4/5/6 **Wednesday** with Mrs Mason. Just a few reminders:

- Students are encouraged to borrow two books each week. These books are chosen by the students and are primarily for enjoyment and entertainment. With regular reading at home, students will learn more about the world around them and improve reading skills for life.
- Books are to be returned weekly (if your child has not finished a book and wishes to reborrow, please send it back to be scanned for another week).
- Library bags are used to transport books to and from school.
- Please let us know immediately of any loss or damage so replacements can be organized.

Happy reading bookworms!



From the Principal's desk

Sushi was a hit last week, so we have decided to do it again this week, while we wait for the canteen to re-open next week and resume our traditional menu. Thank you to the P&C for your support with getting the canteen ready as quickly as possible.

Thank you to all those who attended the P&C AGM and first meeting for the year. Both meetings were a success and I look forward to working with all our families and community in making 2024 an exciting year for Chillingham Public School. I would like to announce the

2024 P&C committee Members:

President: Louise Medcalf

Vice President: Erika Thomson

Secretary: Kristina Selwood

Treasurer: Jason Saxby

Canteen Committee: Mary O'Brien & Kelly Rawat

Items that were discussed included:

- Swimming lessons to commence in Week 5 and continue through to Week 7, with lessons on the Wednesday and Thursday of each week.
- Years 3 and 5 students will be completing Naplan online in Term 1 this year.
- Easter Hat Parade will take place in Week 9 on Thursday 28 March. Children from the preschool will be invited to join us.
- Donations & tickets for Easter raffle will be asked for in upcoming newsletters.
- P&C Levy was set at \$30 per family again for 2024.
- Financial audit for 2023 is to take place shortly.
- Student participation in Murwillumbah RSL Anzac march on **25 April** (school holidays).
- Fundraising events to be finalised with suggestion of Colour Run on a weekend in Term 2.
- Next scheduled meeting is Friday 8 March at 2:30pm in Mrs Roach classroom.

The Stewart House Donation Drive for 2024 has commenced. If you would like a chance to win a \$4000 gift voucher, all you need to do is donate \$2 in the attached envelope. If you would like more details regarding Stewart House Charity, please pop over and see Ms Crocker in the office. Entries and donations will close early May, reminders will be given in newsletters.

Family accounts will be sent home within the next 2 weeks. Please note that accounts are separated into 2 sections. One is for school costs such as book packs and one is for P&C costs such as uniforms and student levies. School costs can be paid either online via 'make a payment' tab on school website or with cash at school office (sorry no eftpos available). P&C costs CANNOT be paid online and must be paid via cash at school office. If you need any assistance to make payments, Ms Crocker is more than happy to help.

Chillingham Public School will be transitioning to the new School Bytes Student Finance Program. The change-over will be completed and ready for parent access by the end of Term 1, this year. More details to come shortly.

Swimming lessons commence **Week 5 (next week) Wednesday and Thursday mornings**. Students will arrive at school in their swimming gear, with their school uniform overtop, so make sure they have underwear packed along with a towel, bathing cap, goggles and a plastic bag for wet gear. Students will be in their swimming gear on the bus to and from the

pool so boys are required to wear a swimming top. If you need any further clarification regarding the lessons, or what to bring, please contact the office or speak with your child's teacher. All students will be participating ~ there will be no supervision at school. If you haven't done so already, please return permission notes to the office by Friday this week. We encourage a big breakfast to fuel the swimmers.

NSW Health has advised of very high rates of cryptosporidiosis, a diarrhoeal disease, in the community. The main symptom of cryptosporidiosis is watery diarrhoea and stomach cramps. Fever, vomiting and loss of appetite occur less commonly. Most healthy people will recover within 3-7 days, although symptoms can persist up to 30 days.

Pools are of significant concern because they are a potential source of outbreaks affecting many people. Cryptosporidium is not easily destroyed by chlorine at the normal operating concentrations found in pools.

Parents/carers are to:

- Inform the school if your child is experiencing, or have experienced, gastrointestinal symptoms such as diarrhoea in 2 weeks prior to the planned learn to swim activities.

Students will still attend the pool but will remain a spectator for 2 weeks from last symptomatic episode.

Students are reminded to wash hands regularly with soap and water and avoid swallowing pool water to further reduce transmission risk.

More information on cryptosporidiosis can be found here: [Cryptosporidiosis fact sheet – NSW Health](#)

Respect at School posters

This term, you will notice new posters around the school that aim to help support a safe and respectful culture at our school.

These posters are part of an initiative to remind everybody to treat our hard-working school staff with kindness and respect. Every school community around the state is very different. While most schools are respectful and harmonious, violence and unsafe behaviour in any form is not acceptable in schools. School staff and students have the right to learn and work in safe and respectful learning environments.

With that in mind, I encourage you to join everyone at our school in getting behind this important work to make a positive change.

We value our partnerships with you to support our students to learn, grow, and belong. It is up to us – the school and the parent-body - to be good respectful role models to our students. Together, we can create a safe and harmonious environment for our students and staff.

I hope you will support this initiative. What do you need to do? It is easy: Please treat our students and staff with kindness and respect, at all times. We are here to help you.

I invite you to contact me if you have any questions.

Kind regards

Vicki Roach
Principal

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“On a Board”

Merit Award Recipients: Billy, Cooper, Nellie and Henry



Beeeeees knees Recipients: Billy, Penny, Cooper and Elliana

Happy Birthday

Luke for today ~ Thursday 22 February



Canteen / P&C Notice Board

P&C Association: Thank you to everyone who attended Friday's AGM and first meeting of the year. Congratulations and welcome to our new committee for 2024 (listed in Principal's news). The P&C is very much looking forward to a successful and productive year ahead. If you have any suggestions that you would like to put forward, please attend the next meeting on Friday 8 March or if you are unable to attend the next meeting, please send email to the school and it will be put forward on your behalf. Email: chillingha-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

Canteen:

REMINDER : ONLY SUSHI AVAILABLE FROM CANTEEN AGAIN THIS WEEK

Term 1 Canteen Roster attached to this newsletter – if you are unable to attend your allocated week please let us know straight away so we can find someone to replace you.

Thank you for supporting the P&C Canteen.



WHAT'S HAPPENING IN OUR COMMUNITY

Chillingham Community Assoc. 1469 Numinbah Road.

PRESENTS

CCA.

The HUNDRED-FOOT JOURNEY

Outdoor Movie

Entry: \$2

Friday 23 Feb '24 @ CCA

6.30 pm for 7.30 pm

B.Y.O. Chairs - Picnic - ect.

MURWILLUMBAH Netball Association

AFFORDABLE SPORTING OPTION

NETBALL SIGN-ON

Netball is one of the most popular team sports
It's fast and fun and it'll get you fit!

FOR ALL DIVISIONS

Net Set	5 - 7 years
Go Grade	8 - 10 years
Juniors	11 - 13 years
Intermediate	14 - 17 years
Opens	18+ years

COME ALONG AND MAKE SOME NEW FRIENDS!

Online from 17th Feb - link to come
16TH AND 23RD MARCH 9AM
Murwillumbah Netball Courts
admin@murwillumbahnetball.org.au
www.murwillumbahnetball.org.au

New Members
come along & try for FREE!

MURWILLUMBAH SWIMMING CLUB

Season Starts
MONDAY 19 FEBRUARY
5:30PM - 7PM

- no race experience necessary!
- develop your skill as a swimmer in a friendly, supportive environment

Tweed Regional Aquatic Centre
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AGES 9-12

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