

## Newsletter No. 6 – 19.5.16

Dear Parents,

Thank you so much to our many parents who assisted with the cooking for NAPLAN last week. The reviews from the children were so favourable we have decided to have a Breakfast Club each Friday for the remainder of this term. Naturally we will rely on two families to assist with cooking from 7:30am. Please see the attached roster and fill in when you are able to assist. If we have sufficient parent/adult helpers then we will continue the Breakfast Club for Term 3. **Cost – Bacon & egg burgers - \$2 each.**

### Sporting Houses

Please contact the office if your child is newly enrolled this year and you require clarification of their sporting house. Windsor students will require a blue t-shirt for our Sports' Day and Dunn students will require a yellow t-shirt. You are most welcome to make shakers, banners or posters for the day. More details will be provided about our school Sports' Day in the next week.

### Nebo Rodeo

Congratulations to our P & C and our wonderful parent helpers (and a few students) for the astounding success of the catering at Nebo Rodeo. The P & C reportedly made a profit of \$11 000 and the collegiality amongst the workers was simply sensational! Congratulations Chelona parents and friends!

### Tennis Court Upgrade

I'd like to thank John Bennett for the many hours he has given us with the preparation for the Tennis Court Upgrade. Thirty truck loads of fill were delivered to the school so if weather conditions remain favourable, the court should be completed by the end of this term.

### Helping Hands Before and After School

The harsh reality is that this wonderful service is not being utilized to its full potential and I have been advised that it will not continue next year with current attendance numbers. The P&C and Staff worked tirelessly to commence this service and the returned surveys at the initial set up indicated a strong enrolment. However, many families who initially indicated they would use it, haven't. The plan was that the facility would steadily increase during the two year trial period but this has not been the case.

### School Arrival Time—

Students are **not to be on school premises prior to 8:15am**. I will be personally contacting parents who are sending their children prior to 8:15am. Once again, it is imperative that Helping Hands is utilized before this time.

Have a great week

Mrs Tonimaree Brown

### PREP

Dear Families,

We have just passed the half-way mark of Term Two and there is still so much to do!!

The Preps have been busily working on all aspects of the curriculum whilst also incorporating some play and agency in their learning. We are trying to incorporate a range and balance of effective pedagogies in our program as a component of the Age Appropriate Pedagogy Program we are working on.

Our BIG event for this term is next week - Under 8's Day. This day will be conducted next Thursday May 26 from 9:00 – 11:00 am. Our Prep families have been highly supportive in helping

organise resources and offering to assist with the setting up for the event. The children will be participating in activities such as: face painting, sensory play items, woodwork, listening to stories presented by the 'First 5 Forever' co-ordinator from the Mackay Regional Council Library, looking at a police vehicle with Constable Craig, painting, playing in our recently installed mud kitchen and much, much more. We are anticipating the attendance of 115 little people and their parents, educators and carers. We simply want everyone to have a fun filled morning celebrating being under eight in our little patch of paradise. So thank you for supporting this event.

**SOS – Please ensure your child has a full set of spare clothing at school as I'm certain they will probably need them during Under 8's Day.**

See you on Wednesday. - Kris 😊

### **Year 5-6 Classroom News**

Congratulations to Noah Dickson, Jack Clark, Madison Thompson, Samantha Lelliott and Tom Crewe who competed in the Sarina and District Cross Country Trials this week. These students represented Chelona very well and we are proud of their efforts. The competition was very fierce and unfortunately none of our students made it through to the next level.

Last week was a busy week with students involved in the NAPLAN testing. There was a somewhat festive air in the mornings thanks to the hard working parents who supplied students with a mouth-watering hot breakfast. I would like to congratulate the students who tried their very best and were considerate of other students during this period.

Unfortunately there have been a lot of errors noticed in homework books and some students have been failing to submit their books as required on Friday. It is each student's responsibility to ensure their work is error free and handed in as expected. Communication books also must come to school every day. There have been a number of notices that have not made it home safely because students have not handed their communication books in before school.

In History, students have been looking at Australian land explorers. Students have an assigned explorer who they have been researching and taking notes about. For their History Assessment, these notes need to be written in sentence form. Students have already been provided with a lot of class time when this could have been completed and when support staff have been present. Those students who have not completed their research will need to do so for homework, however it is essential that students do the work themselves.

Thank you for your support - Leonie Strang

### **P & C Notice**

#### **AMART ALLSPORTS**

We have secured \$150.00 in credit from the Amart Allsports Loyalty Program for the first quarter of the year. The money will be spent on sporting goods for the students.

Join the Amart Loyalty Program when you or your family members purchase items from AMART ALLSPORTS and select our school. The school receives 5% kick back for all purchase which select our school. Please help to support the school.

By buying your sporting goods from them, it is possible to help secure funding to improve our facilities.

### **Student Banking**

Please give your Bendigo Student banking satchels to the P & C Box located inside the door of Miss Priv's room in the morning of the BANKING DAY.

If your child does not have a Bendigo Account please fill out and return the attached form to your child's teacher, making sure the all documentation is attached (e.g. birth certificate of child, parents ID). If the student wishes to bank on that day, please place name and money in an envelope to be collect with forms.

### **Banking Dates**

May 26

June 9, 23

### **Uniforms**

TIMES FOR PURCHASING OF UNIFORMS is 8.15am-8.45am on a Monday morning. Other times, please phone Roxanne on 49595310 or Kristy Bennett on 49595996 or Lizzy Burrows on 49595691 to arrange an appointment. **Money is required at time of purchase. EFTPOS now available.**

**OLD DESIGN SCHOOL SHIRTS** are now discounted down to \$15 per shirt and the new school shirts are now \$32.00 each. The P&C plan to phase the new uniform in over 5 years.

**SCHOOL BAGS** are available for purchase at the cost of \$40.00.

**HATS** are available for purchase at the cost of \$28.00.

### **Tuckshop**

**GLUTEN FREE NUGGETS** NOW AVAILABLE FROM TUCKSHOP AT 50C PER NUGGET.

Please see Michelle if you can help out with the tuckshop.

### **P & C President Report**

Nebo Rodeo has come and gone and hopefully everybody has fully recovered.

Our wonderful volunteers managed to cook 300kgs of chips, about 150 serves of fish and about the same of chicken nuggets. Not to mention 1300 steak burgers and about 500 bacon and egg ones to boot.

All this effort has rewarded us with not only a profit of \$11,000, but a proud reputation of being a reliable and very professional caterer.

Our little school has earnt massive praise for supplying wonderful food at a fair price in a timely fashion, not only from the rodeo committee, but from the patrons and our competitors.

Making the hard cold cash is always our driving goal, but displaying our school name to thousands of people with pride and a show of excellence only helps our recruitment ability for the next year.

From a personal note, a super thank you all to the people who were able to make the time and effort to assist with the project, the individual reward was obvious in every body's smiles! (but definitely not their backs)

I know some people would have loved to help but were unable to, so, maybe next year if we are invited back, you can join the Chelona's MKR's.

Our Treasurer has done it again with another grant success of \$ 4,750 from the federal government for catering supplies, a little late arriving but we will find a good use for the loot.

Speaking about spending the loot, the Gr1's and 2's have put their hand out for assistance on their excursion to Bloomsbury so your P&C will pay for the bus (\$880).

That Miss Priv. puts a strong case for help for her students, so it's up to the other classes to suggest a trip for their own.

From the President's desk, again thank you all, it has been a physically challenging month but an enormously rewarding one!

Laurie Allan.

**BREAKFAST CLUB- PLEASE RETURN – 20.5.16**

20/5/16	I can help with the cooking for Breakfast Club from 7.30am	Yes / No
27/5/16	I can help with the cooking for Breakfast Club from 7.30am	Yes / No
3/6/16	I can help with the cooking for Breakfast Club from 7.30am	Yes / No
10/6/16	I can help with the cooking for Breakfast Club from 7.30am	Yes / No
17/6/16	I can help with the cooking for Breakfast Club from 7.30am	Yes / No
24/6/16	I can help with the cooking for Breakfast Club from 7.30am	Yes / No

FAMILY NAME \_\_\_\_\_ SIGNED \_\_\_\_\_ /5/16.

