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Charlestown Public School

Newsletter Term 3 Week 2 – Wednesday 27 July 2016

A proud partner of the Whitebridge Community of Schools

Dear Parents

What a busy start to the term we have had already. There is a lot going on this term so please make sure you mark dates in your diary and watch out for alerts sent via our app.

BEANIE DAY

This Friday the school will be holding a Beanie day to raise funds for the Mark Hughes Foundation. This foundation is supporting research into brain cancer. Students are invited to wear their favourite beanie and bring a gold coin donation.

EDUCATION WEEK EXTRAVAGANZA

On Thursday, 4 August we will be holding our Education Week event. Grandparents are welcome in classrooms from 10:45am, followed by the world's biggest morning tea (gold coin donation) for the Cancer Council, a mini showcase and Book Fair Parade. It will be a wonderful day and all are welcome. Looking forward to seeing the students in their fabulous book parade costumes, and parents are most welcome to attend also.

ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

What a great day we had for the athletics carnival today. Students competed with pride for their respective Houses and showed a high level of sportsmanship. Congratulations to students who won their age races. Notes will be sent out shortly to those students who have qualified for the Zone Athletics Carnival. Thanks to all the parents and community members who attended. A special thanks to the volunteers who prepared the meal deal. It was enjoyed by all. Also special thanks to Mrs Nolan and Mr Overdijk for all the organisation they put in to the carnival

which made it run very smoothly and provided fun for all.

MONEY, MONEY, MONEY

Many thanks to all the parents using the Parents Online Payment (POP) system on our website. It makes money collection so much easier for all. Please take note however, that the final dates for payments, outlined on notes sent home, must be observed. These deadlines allow us to confirm exact numbers to external venues, bus companies etc and to allocate staff to supervise students not attending. The POP system has meant that we need to set our deadlines for money collection slightly earlier than we have in the past, due to the delay between you paying and the funds appearing in the school account. If POP payments are made after the deadline, money will be set aside in your school account and allocated to future events for your child. Thanks for your assistance in having all money sent to school on time.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

	TERM 3 2016
29.7.16	Book Club orders and \$\$ due
29.7.16	Beanie Day (gold coin donation to Brain Cancer foundation)
4.8.16	Grandparents' Day (gold coin donation to Cancer Council) CANTEEN CLOSED
Term 3	K-6 Gymnastics – every Friday
10.8.16	Y5-6 Soccer Gala Day
17/18.8.16	Zone Athletics
26.8.16	Y5-6 Science & Engineering Challenge
2.9.16	Father's Day Breakfast
12.9.16	K-2 Wetlands Excursion
18.9.16	Bunnings BBQ - Belmont
21.9.16	Y5-6 Touch Gala Day
22.9.16	Y3-4 Charlestown Cup
23.9.16	Last day of term

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

	TERM 4 2016
10.10.16	Monday – all students return
25.10.16	Kinder 2017 Orientation Day
2-4.11.16	Stage 3 Canberra
18.11.16	K 2017 1 st Transition afternoon
2.12.16	K 2017 2 nd Transition afternoon
8.12.16	Presentation Day
12.12.16	Year 6 Farewell
15.12.16	Party Day
16.12.16	Last day of school for students

KIDSMATTER

On the staff development day last week, staff completed the fourth session of component 1 of the Kidsmatter program. This program is an Australian program focussing on raising awareness of mental health issues in schools. Over the four sessions staff have learnt about what mental health is, ways to positively promote mental health and the importance of inclusivity in the school setting. As a means of acknowledging the large number of cultures we have represented at this school, staff have decided to introduce greetings in a range of languages to roll marking routines and a mural featuring greetings in the languages represented at this school is planned for the COLA area between our two class blocks. Over the next 2 years, staff will complete training in the other 3 components of this program. More information on the Kidsmatter program will be provided over time.

HUNTER TREBLES

Included in this newsletter is an advertisement for the Hunter Trebles. This is a great opportunity for Stage 2 and 3 students who enjoy singing so make sure you read the information enclosed.

FACEBOOK AND SKOOLBAG APP

The school facebook page has been closed down. Please use the skoolbag app to keep up to date with current events.

Have a great week.

Trisha Gill
Relieving Principal

READING RECOVERY AWARD



Congratulations Carsten!

LIBRARY NEWS

We are getting very excited about our big library events next Thursday 4 August!

Book week parade: Students should come to school next Thursday dressed as their favourite character from a book. This year we have sourced some prizes, so all students who come dressed up have a chance to win. A winner from each class will be randomly drawn.

Book Fair: The book fair will be open on Thursday 4 August at **9-11am** and **1-2pm**. Note that EFTPOS facilities will be available on the day. For those friends and family unable to attend on the day, there is also the option to prepay online your student's Book Fair purchase(s) using the "Parent Online Payment" facility on the Scholastic website. For more information see the instructions in the Book Fair catalogue coming home with your student this week.

We have lots of lovely new books available for students to borrow this term, please ensure that your student has their library bag with them so that they can borrow.

Kirsty Nash
(Relieving Teacher Librarian)

KM NEWS

It's great to be back at school after the holidays. We are straight back into routine from where we left off from before the holidays. We are so excited to have started teaching Geography this term; it looks like an engaging unit.

What a fantastic start to the term with NAIDOC Day. The children really enjoyed participating in the variety of activities that were provided on the day. We were also lucky enough to have Sean come and complete a performance for the children and some were able to come up on stage and show us their moves.

We welcome one new student, King, who has joined us in KM this term. We also welcome Miss Grout-Parks who is with us for this term, completing her internship.

We have a busy term ahead, learning a song to present at Education Week and we all need to give some thought about our outfits too, for Education Week. What fun this will be!

Keep up your reading every night and don't forget to bring in your home reading sheets so that you can earn your reading certificate.

KM students are so eager to learn - what an exciting and fun term it is going to be with all the fabulous activities we have planned.

CANTEEN NEWS AND ROSTER

Thu	28.7.16	K Style, T Black, M Rowe
Fri	29.7.16	No orders—counter service at lunch only P McNally, L Lee
Mon	1.8.16	CLOSED
Tues	2.8.16	CLOSED
Wed	3.8.16	K Bassett, L Todorovski
Thur	4.8.16	CLOSED for orders – Grandparent's Day Morning Tea J Battle, A Lee

CLOTHING POOL HOURS

Wednesdays	2:45 pm – 3:15 pm
Fridays	9:00 am – 9:30 am

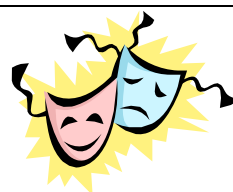
P&C NEWS

Grandparents Day

If you are able to supply any cakes/biscuits/slices for next Thursday's Morning Tea, please let the office know. The goods can be delivered to the school on Thursday morning.

The canteen will be CLOSED on this day.

COMMUNITY NEWS



ACTING – DRAMA CLASSES 2016
CHARLESTOWN
HELEN O'GRADY
DRAMA ACADEMY
(Established – 25 years Hunter region)

Improvisation, Scriptwork and Performance.

CHARLESTOWN PRIMARY SCHOOL

Primary: Friday 4.15pm - 5.15pm
Youth: Friday: 5.15pm - 6.15pm
Youth: Saturday 10.00am - 11.00am
Seniors: Saturday 11.00am - 12.00am

Enrolments now being taken Term 3
Free Trial guest lessons this term

Studios also available Elernmore Vale and Merewether.

Principal: Shane Skerly
Phone: 02 49 692338
Email: dramacorp@bigpond.com
Facebook : Helen O'Grady Drama Academy - Newcastle



Nutrition Snippet

The simplest way

...to DIY dumplings.

Easy to make, fun to eat!
Kids will love this do-it-yourself cooking task.



Serves 4.

- Prepare your favourite combination of vegetables for the filling: grated carrot, corn kernels, and finely chopped spinach works well; finely chopped mushrooms, cabbage and capsicum is tasty too.
- Place 16 wonton wrappers (available in packs in supermarkets) on a dry work surface.
- Place a few teaspoons of vegetable filling inside.
- Drizzle with salt-reduced soy sauce.
- Brush the edge of each wonton with water.
- Pull edges together and pinch to secure.
- Steam for about 10 minutes or until cooked.

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Do you love to sing?
Are you in primary school?

Represent your school in the Regional Primary School Choir

Hunter Trebles

Hunter Trebles is the junior choir of the Hunter Singers organisation, celebrating 27 years of music making. Young singers in Hunter Trebles participate in weekly rehearsals at Merewether High School, learning songs and singing technique, music theory, playing games and having fun making music. The Hunter Trebles is conducted by music teacher and Star Struck choir director, Charissa Ferguson.

Hunter Trebles perform in concert with the Hunter Singers once a term, plus additional performances at the Sydney Opera House Festival of Choral Music, Star Struck, and King Edward Park Carols by Candlelight. Membership is open by audition for students in years 3-6 at government primary schools. Hunter Trebles rehearse on Tuesday afternoons at Merewether High School between 5.00pm and 6.30pm. Membership costs are subsidised by the Department of Education and fees are \$90 per term, with a uniform cost of \$90, which includes three performance t-shirts, and performance pants.

Hunter Trebles is holding an information session and audition afternoon on Tuesday, August 2 from 4.30pm-5.00pm at Merewether High School Learning Centre. Parents and students are invited to join us for a brief introduction and overview of the ensemble, and then young singers will participate in a singing workshop, with musical games and informal singing assessment in a friendly environment.

Visit the Hunter Singers website at www.huntersingers.com or facebook page [www.facebook.com/huntersingers](https://facebook.com/huntersingers) for more information.

Hunter Trebles Information Session and Singing Workshop
Tuesday August 2, 4.30pm-5.00pm
Merewether High School Learning Centre (entry from Pokolbin Street, Broadmeadow).

Please register your interest by emailing admin@huntersingers.com, by messaging Charissa Ferguson on 0407 010 741, or by contacting Annie Devine on 0400 322 081.

MARK HUGHES FOUNDATION CHARITY DAY

Beanie, BBQ & Bowls



Due to weather – Now Sunday 31 July 2016

Arrive 10.00am Rego 10.30am

Entry includes Beanie, Sausage Sizzle, Bowls and a FREE drink \$20/person

Registration to Michael Munn on 0412 065 575 or Email: michael@kahibahsports.com.au

TEAM AND/OR INDIVIDUAL ENTRIES:

Celebrity Player Auction FREE entertainment by Spike Ryan from 3pm!

Kids activities – face painting, jumping castle, show bags for the 1st 100 kids

Fundraising Stalls, Raffle & more...

All proceeds to the Mark Hughes Foundation

See you on the greens at Kahibah Sports Club

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