



PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Welcome Back Everyone

It is great to see how well our students have settled in to their new classes and the wonderful learning occurring, we are not wasting any time. We are into it! Currently, there are 317 students enrolled mainstream and 6 students in Mirrung, our Autism support unit. If you haven't already, please join SEESAW so you can keep up to date with information and see what your child is learning in the classroom. Today or tomorrow there will be a fantastic stage newsletter that all the Assistant Principals have put together to give you crucial information about what is happening in each stage this term.



MEET THE FAMILIES

This year, we are offering all families a Meet the Family interview where we would love you to talk about your child - their strengths, challenges, medical issues etc. We want to hear from you, your child's first and most consistent teacher, and build positive partnerships from early on in the year. Please read the note carefully that comes home today, fill out the attached form and bring along to the interview. The interviews will be face to face and held in your child's classroom. Interview booking times will close one day before the actual interview at 3pm. **Bookings are AVAILABLE NOW only through the SENTRAL PARENT PORTAL.**

OTHER INFORMATION FOR YOU!

Congratulations to Dakota, Steven, Sienna, Matilda and Adele who will be representing our school at the Zone Swimming Carnival on Tuesday 28 February at Macquarie Fields Pool. So proud of you all and we wish you all the very best. Mrs Armstrong and myself will be attending on the day.

Regular attendance at school is vital. Everyday your child is well, they should be at school. If they are absent please respond to the 10am text message we send you - please be specific in your response eg my child is sick with an ear ache. Last year 55% of our students attended 90% or more of the time. This year we want to achieve 70%! 100% attendance badges are presented to students each semester.

Some School Reminders!

Students must wear a Chipping Norton hat every time they are outside. These are available from the school office for \$15. Please label all items of clothing. Our LOST PROPERTY is located behind the school office.

It is important that your child wears full school uniform everyday, including school colours for hairclips, beanies, scarves. Black shoes are worn everyday that it is not a sport day. SPORT DAY for K-2 is Wednesday, please ensure your child only wears sports uniform on that day. SPORT DAY for Yrs 3-6 is FRIDAY, the only day Yrs 3-6 should wear sport uniform. Our wonderful P&C are holding a second hand uniform stall at 2.30pm on Wednesday February 22. All items are \$5 each.

Supervision begins each morning at 8.30am, you **SHOULD NOT BE DROPPING YOUR CHILD OFF BEFORE THIS TIME**. If you need to, they should attend Camp Australia. All students are supervised from 8.30-9am each morning before lining up at their classroom at 9am. If your child is later to class than 9.05am, they are **LATE** and **MUST** go to the office to receive a late note.



Student Leadership Team

Boston Turner - Captain

Hello fellow students! I'm going to be your captain for 2023. There are many interesting things that I like such as: insects, tanks, games, sports, memes and school! I hope that I will be the best captain known to mankind and help the school at becoming very comforting and fun for the students. I will see you around the playground.

Faith Ojeda - Captain

Hi! I'm Faith. I'm 10 years old and part Spanish/Egyptian (but I promise I don't walk like one!). I enjoy dancing and performing in front of others. My favourite place to be, is on stage-it's where I feel most comfortable. My favourite colour is aqua, and I LOVE pasta- I could have it for breakfast, lunch and dinner!

Esra Salih- Vice Captain

Hi. My name is Esra Salih and here are some things you should know about me .Some activities I enjoy are dancing, swimming and art. My favourite food is sushi (tuna and cucumber) and my favourite colour is yellow. Tigers are my favourite animal and I have an older sister who is in Year 10.

Zachary Lauchlan - Vice Captain

Hi my name is Zach and I am your School Vice Captain. I love all different sports such as NRL and Basketball but my favourite sport is soccer. On the weekends I am a centre back for the Chipping Norton Chargers. Another one of my interests is reading. I love reading long chapter books about action and adventure, such as The Hunger Games and Scythe.

Anthony Kazi - Prefect

Hello to all parents, teachers and students who don't know me here's a quick description. My name is Anthony and I enjoy many fascinating hobbies, such as boxing, coin collecting, maths and my most favourite thing of all.... eating. If you see me on the playground don't be hesitant to say hi, I would be delighted. Thank you.

Aleyah Hutton - Prefect

Hi my name is Aleyah Hutton and I'd like to tell you a bit about myself. I enjoy spending time in the water. At the beach, pool and Raging waters. I have one sister Kiara and a pet dog Bella. My real passion is soccer. I'm a representative for Southern Districts Raiders. I play striker and left wing. My goal is to play soccer and represent Australia.

Victor Kulyk- Prefect

Hello, my name is Victor Kulyk and I am your Chipping Norton Public School Prefect for 2023. I like to play soccer, swim at pools and beaches. Also, I play for a soccer team and it is called Southern Districts. I am from Ukraine and I came to Australia when I was 1 year old. Right now, I am 10 but on March the 15th I will be 11.

Peter Van Haarlem- Prefect

Hi. My name is Peter and I am one of your prefects this year. I am a sport freak and know a lot about sports (well, football in particular). If you have any questions, you will find me shooting 3s on the basketball court.

Library News

Over the past two weeks students have had the chance to browse each of the different collections in our wonderful library. This has allowed them to find areas of interest and engage in quality reading time. This week they will start their own personal borrowing and begin to take books home. K-2 students are allowed to borrow 2 books each week and 3-6 students can take up to 3 books each week (provided that they have returned their books from the week prior). Each student has a borrowing card which is kept in the library, each time they borrow they earn a stamp, 5 stamps results in a green award. We do recommend borrowing weekly and encourage students to bring a library or plastic bag to protect their books. Kindergarten and Year 1 must bring a bag with them to borrow. Please see the timetable below for your child's library day:

Monday

5/6 Luxembourg

3/4 Holland

3/4 France

Tuesday

3/4 Jamaica

K Australia

K Korea

K Vanuatu

Wednesday

1/2 Monaco

5/6 Denmark

2 Slovenia

2 Mirrung

5/6 Japan

Thursday

4/5 Portugal

1 Morocco

1 Bahamas

The Premier's Reading Challenge

The Premier's Reading Challenge begins on 27 February (Monday Week 6)! The Challenge aims to encourage a love of reading in students and to enable them to experience quality literature. It is not a competition but a challenge to each student to read, to read more and to read more widely. K-2 Students are required to read 30 challenge level books and 3-6 students will need to read 20.

On completion of the challenge students will receive an award from the Premier of NSW. The certificates your child can receive from completing the challenge are:

Year of completing the challenge	Certificate awarded
First year	Challenge completion certificate
Second year	Challenge completion certificate
Third year	Challenge completion certificate
Fourth year	Gold certificate
Fifth year	Challenge completion certificate
Sixth year	Challenge completion certificate
Seventh year	Platinum certificate
Eighth year	Challenge completion certificate
Ninth year	Challenge completion certificate
Tenth year	Challenge completion certificate
Every year from Year 3 to Year 9 (inclusive) OR 50% course of 10 (ten years completing the challenge) Only Year 9-10 students are eligible (please see rule 11 below)	PRC medal

Students have been introduced to the PRC labelled books in our library and are encouraged to borrow these books if they wanting to participate. Last year we had 61% of families complete the challenge. We hope to increase this in 2023.

Student reading records must be submitted by 18 August to complete the challenge.

Building Resilience in our Students

We are attempting to build resilience in all of our students. As parents, it's ok for our children to sit in 'discomfort' as that is what life will be like...not everything, always goes the way we want it to. See the link below to read Maggie Dent's work on resilience.

<https://www.maggiedent.com/common-concerns/building-resilience/>

Upcoming dates

- 14/2 - 17/2 Sydney eye Care Testing
- 21/2 Scripture and Ethics Begins
- 21/2 2pm Induction Assembly
- 22/2 2pm -6pm Years 3-6 Meet the Families Interviews
- 22/2 2.30pm Second Hand Uniform Stall
- 24/2 Summer PSSA begins
- 28/2 Zone Swimming Carnival at Macquarie Fields Pool
- 1/3 School Photos
- 1/3 2pm -6pm Years K-2 Meet the Families Interviews
- 3/3 Summer PSSA round 2

