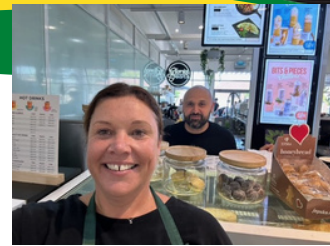




### PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

#### Inclusive Swing

What a day we had Saturday at Chipping Norton Market Place! We raised \$1750 for an inclusive swing for Black Muscat Park, along with amazing support from Bill at Gloria Jeans. What an incredible community event. Below are photos of the swing for able bodied and disabled children. Thank you to our incredible P&C, staff and volunteers who selflessly gave up their time to help out and thank you to our great families who came down and bought a sausage or purchased raffle tickets.



#### Meet the Families

Thank you to the 65% of families that attended the Meet the Family afternoons, we hope you found the time with your child's teacher useful. We are trying really hard this year to keep you updated on how your children are going, where they need support etc. Keep a close eye on SEESAW and you will notice teachers are updating what children are learning and any follow ups. If you couldn't make it or needed to cancel, please make another time to meet with the staff. If children are to be successful at school, it is important that we form strong positive partnerships with families.

#### PULSE ALIVE 2023

Last Friday night the PULSE Alive group performed at Ken Rosewall Arena, Homebush. The girls shone on stage and their behaviour, effort and support of one another was incredible. Well done girls! Thank you Mrs Armstrong for giving the girls such an incredible experience! You may have seen the girls wearing their PURPLE t shirts at school today.



### **Harmony Day**

Next Tuesday 21 March (Week 9) is Harmony Day! It's a day we celebrate inclusiveness, respect and a sense of belonging for everyone. We would love for students to come dressed in traditional clothing or orange (the official Harmony Day colour). Students will be engaged in a class activity and are welcome to bring in a traditional dish to talk about with their peers - please remember that students will not be allowed to share their dish and to refrain from including any nut products. We look forward to a wonderful celebration!

### **NAPLAN Testing**

NAPLAN testing begins this week for Years 3 and 5 students. Students will begin on Wednesday with a writing Assessment administered on paper for Year 3 and Online for Year 5. Other assessments in Numeracy, Reading and Language/Spelling will continue in Week 9. Please ensure your child is on time throughout the testing period. I wish all the best to our students!

### **MIRRUNG – our new classes**

Welcome to Miss Theresa Bowen, our new teacher on 1-6 Fiji. Miss Mitchell has done an incredible job setting up the class and we will miss her. Miss Bowen started with the boys on Friday and we look forward to supporting and welcoming her to our great school.

Mr Dai, from Octave8 has been working with Mirrung each Thursday in engaging students in Music Therapy. The boys are enjoying the experience!



### **P&C Election Day BBQ**

If you have an hour or so to spare on Saturday 25 March, we would love your support at the ELECTION DAY BBQ, another great fundraiser for our school and your children.

**Ms Brendish and I will be travelling to Coonamble this week and engaging in a really valuable experience, learning more about Aboriginal language and culture. We are super excited and will upload some photos to Facebook. We are travelling with 5 other local principals, teachers and our Director, Alex Mandel. Mrs Diaz will relieve as Principal in my absence.**

**Have a wonderful fortnight,  
Shelley Diamond  
PRINCIPAL**



## **Assistant Principal Messages**

### **GRIP Leadership Conference**

On Wednesday 8th March, our 2023 Leadership Team attended the GRIP Student Leadership conference at the Quay Centre in Homebush. The day focused on shifting our thinking from being self-first leaders to others first leaders. To do this, we need to hear other's opinions, help with the little things and always lead by example.

Throughout the day, the leaders thought hard about an initiative that they could undertake this year to help others in their school. They came up with quite a few ideas and will now meet to discuss them and decide on their next steps.

Each and every leader represented Chipping Norton Public School beautifully on the day and were a pleasure to take. Watch this space, as great things are in the planning phase.

Mrs Diaz



## **Assistant Principal Messages**

### **Teddy Bear's Picnic**



On Thursday 9 March, Kindergarten and our Year 6 buddies enjoyed Teddy Bear's Picnic Day where students brought in their favourite teddy bear to share the day with.

It was a lovely day for a picnic, with the students enjoying the warm sun outside. The children each brought their own favourite soft teddy or animal from home to enjoy the picnic too, which stayed by their side for the whole day.

Our Teddy Bears' Picnic was inspired by the classic book, 'We're Going On A Bear Hunt' – a light-hearted story that has become a staple in children's reading.

The students participated in many activities such as reading their familiar read or a text to their teddies, and embarking on a bear hunt to search for our school teddy bear. The children walked across the oval, they found him hiding – many screams of delight! Students also participated in sport, mathematics, and art activities. Year 6 buddies did an outstanding job at supporting this event - their leadership and care blew us away!

The Teddy Bear's Picnic was a wonderful opportunity to bring our Kindergarten students and families together in a positive and supportive way.

Below are some pictures of the fun our students and their teddies.

Miss Vas and Mrs Kim





## K- Vanuatu

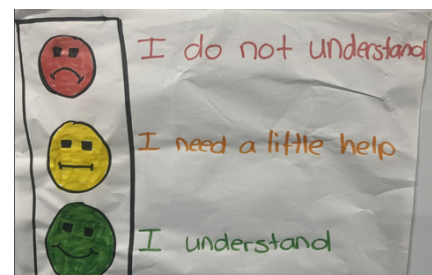


K-Vanuatu have settled in so beautifully to school. What an amazing term of learning we have had too!

In Mathematics, students have been learning about the concept of patterns and have had opportunities to create their own AB, ABB and ABC patterns. Students from K-Vanuatu have also begun assessing their own learning with the traffic light system. The traffic light system is a tool to indicate to the teacher how confident they are when completing a set task. A green light indicates high levels of confidence, an orange light indicates some practice, whereas the red light is a sign that children need more practice. They will be continuing using this assessment tool throughout their learning.

In English, students have participated in a range of activities, including, guided reading and writing. In our Phonics program, students have learnt the phonemes (sounds) and graphemes (letter) m, t, a, s, i, p, f, r, o, c, k, ck. They have participated in a range of roaming activities to practise recognising, saying and writing these letters. Students have also learnt a range of high frequency and irregular words which will support their reading and writing. In class, we have had a focus on adding detail to our drawings and students have been working extremely hard to reflect on their drawings and improve them.

Well done for all your hard work so far K- Vanuatu. You have all settled into kindergarten so well and Miss Vas is extremely proud of you all! Keep up the wonderful work.



## Racism - No Way!

In line with NSW Department of Education policy, **all forms of racism are unacceptable at Chipping Norton Public School**. No student, employee, parent, caregiver or community member should experience racism, including direct or indirect harassment within the learning or working environments of the department. As Chipping Norton Public School's ARCO (Anti-Racism Contact Officer) I have a role in mediating, educating and monitoring racially based issues. Students can raise any concerns with their teacher or any member of staff, who will then forward it onto me.

March 21 is Harmony Day. The message of Harmony Day is '**everyone belongs**' and the day aims for people to share their culture with respect to diversity and difference. We are lucky to have so many different cultural backgrounds at our school, that live and work alongside each other each and every day.

Coming up on April 4 is an Iftar dinner from 5-7pm on our school grounds. It would be lovely to see families from all cultural backgrounds coming along to share a cultural tradition that may be different to their own. I know, that I am looking forward to it myself.

Mrs Diaz





# **AWARD WINNERS**



*Congratulations!*  
**TO ALL OF  
OUR AWARD  
WINNERS**



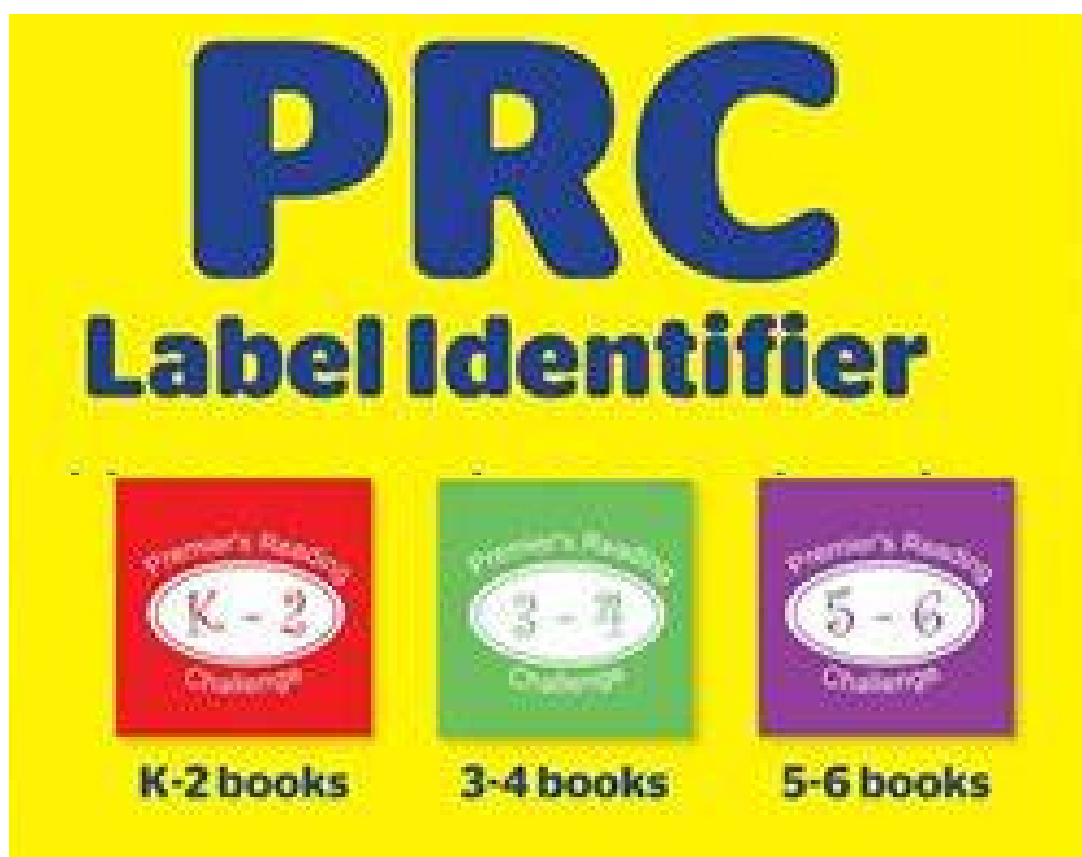
## Library News with Mrs Washington

### Overdue Notices

Pink overdue notice slips were sent home today to help remind students to return their books for their upcoming library session. These will be sent out each fortnight, please make sure to check in with your child about whether they have received one.

### Premier's Reading Challenge

We've already had a fantastic response from families who are taking part in the PRC. 21 Children across the school have completed their record for the year, such an amazing effort! If you need any help logging books online please reach out for help!





## P & C News

Hello CNPS families

The P&C met last week for our second meeting of the year and we have some great news to share! CNPS is in the process of upgrading technology throughout the school for the students. It is so exciting thanks to a great year of fundraising last year that we are able to support the purchase of 15 brand new laptops totalling \$11,689.20 to be used in stage 2.

Upgrading more laptops across the school will be something we work towards through fundraising this year along with the many other recourses we hope to be able to provide to benefit the education of all students at CNPS!

Some other great news following this weekend is our success from the BBQ at Gloria Jeans where we were able to hit our goal and raise \$1750 to support the installation of an inclusive swing in our local Black Muscat playground. We would like to thank Bill at Gloria Jeans for allowing us to use his outdoor area to hold the event!

We couldn't have had such a successful day without the hard work & support of all those who came to volunteer on the day, we thank you!

Some very generous families who donated & helped purchase everything we needed for the day. Thank you to the Glinellis family, the Hawkins family, the Dugum-Memic family, the Lie family & the Bellach family.

There were also some amazing prizes donated from local businesses for the raffle which aided in us reaching our goal! The Bank restaurant, Exhale womans Pilates, Gloria Jeans, Sessions Set Craft Beer & G&G collections. Thank you for all the support the community has given our wonderful school! We look forward to what's to come this year! It's never too late to be part of all the exciting things the P&C gets up to! All are welcome, we'd love to see you come along!

Kallyn

### Upcoming dates

15/3 NAPLAN testing begins Years 3 and 5

21/3 HARMONY DAY

22/3 - Parent Forum (Mathematics)

25/3 Election Day BBQ/ Cake Stall

27/3 MUFTI DAY - donate an Easter Egg

4/4 5pm Iftar Dinner

6/4 LAST DAY OF TERM 1

EASTER HAT PARADE/EASTER SHOW



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