Dear Parents, Students and Friends of Cheltenham Primary School

Good schools are about good relationships. In a school where there are good relationships between staff there will usually be good relationships between the students. The relationships students have with each other and the staff will be one of the key factors determining the level of success and satisfaction they have while at school.

Once a relationship has been formed it must be maintained. This takes time, commitment and courage, particularly if it is honest. Trust can be broken, respect can be lost and relationships can falter. It can be very difficult to show others a sense of positive regard when you feel let you down. Yet through all of this we must try to separate the behaviour from the individual and, through empathy, build understanding.

I believe that Cheltenham is a school that encourages positive relationships and helps students develop the skills necessary to continue to do this in their life after school. The holistic nature of the education provided at Cheltenham: the student leadership opportunities, co-curricular activities, sports education, music and drama productions all help our students develop the ability to form relationships in a variety of situations. Ultimately, we hope these skills will help our children make a difference in every aspect of their lives should they choose to utilise them.

Our traditional ‘Meet and Greet’ interviews conducted at the start of every year are that first step towards building meaningful and trusting relationships between our teachers and school families.

Thank you to all our staff and families for making these meetings a priority.

Emergency Management

In the light of recent events with well reported threats to many schools across Victoria (some of these neighbouring schools) we had a whole school ‘lockdown’ yesterday. David Senior our Occupational Health and Safety Officer’s report follows:

*On Wednesday the school undertook a lockdown drill as part of its cyclic Emergency Management Plan. A lock-down may be necessary due to an incident that has occurred outside or in the local area and it is determined it is safest for children, students and staff to stay inside. A lock-down may be required in response to an emergency such as a hazardous smoke emission from a nearby factory fire, severe weather event or a sensitive police operation.*

*All staff spoke to the students prior to the lockdown drill explaining as to why it is important to undertake emergency drills, so they will know what to do in case of a real emergency. At the conclusion of the lockdown all area wardens met and discussed where refinements could be made to ensure procedurally we are minimising risk to staff and students if such an incident was to occur. Further feedback will be sought from the staff in the coming days. It is intended to conduct an offsite evacuation as our next emergency drill practice.*
World’s Greatest Shave

Our curriculum framework, the Victorian Curriculum, recognises that education extends beyond the intellectual to include not just socially responsible attitudes but also thoughtful and appropriate action. Action for our students can be as simple as a student wanting to share their learning with another or researching further on a particular topic. Or, it can be an action like writing to someone who is able to effect change about an issue raised during a unit of inquiry. Action can also be deciding not to act; for example, if, during a unit on health, a student realises that soft drinks are not the best choice and opts for water instead.

One of our students, Jack D. in Year 6, exemplifies this notion of ‘taking action’. He is participating in the Leukaemia Foundation’s World’s Greatest Shave this year. This annual event raises money to help people with blood cancer and to fund research. Blood cancers are the third biggest cause of cancer death in Australia although survival rates are improving.

Jack’s goal is to raise $560 and he has currently raised $524! As a school we are proud of Jack and his desire to contribute to proactively finding a cure. You can help support Jack in his efforts through the sponsorship link located at: http://worldsgreatestshave.com/

Jack will have his head shaved at a forthcoming school assembly.

In conclusion, a reminder that next Tuesday is School Photograph day. The Advance Life photography order form is in this week’s newsletter. As someone whose school photographs were often punctuated by disappointing hair days with one pig tail in and one out, one plait in and one unravelling (much to my family’s amusement) please try and ensure that the children attend in correct school uniform with hair neatly swept back from their face.

Kind regards

Bronwyn

Bronwyn Morgan
Principal (Acting)
Important dates for your diary:

**FEBRUARY:**
- **Wednesday, 17th**  
  Parent Meeting 3.40-5pm  
- **Thursday, 18th**  
  Prep Parent Meeting 7.00-8.15pm  
- **Saturday, 20th**  
  Working Bee 9am-12noon  
- **Monday, 22nd**  
  Student Leaders Badge Ceremony 9.00am  
- **Tuesday, 23rd**  
  Student Photo Day  
  School Council 7.30pm  
- **Thursday, 25th**  
  Prep Parent Meeting 7.00-8.15pm

**MARCH:**
- **1st - 4th**  
  Year 5&6 Camp  
- **Monday, 7th**  
  SRC Badge Presentation 9.00am  
- **Thursday, 10th**  
  House Swimming  
- **Monday, 14th**  
  Labour Day Public Holiday  
- **Sunday, 20th**  
  Working Bee 9am-12noon  
- **Tuesday, 22nd**  
  School Council 7.30pm  
- **Thursday, 24th**  
  Last Day Term 1 – 2.30pm Dismissal  
  Good Friday Holiday

**CARPARK- ONLY FOR STAFF PARKING**

A reminder to all parents that our on-site carpark is only for staff cars. Parents are not to park in these spaces at any time. We do not have a drop off or pick up area for parents to use. All parents must find a park in the local streets and pick children up via the front school entrance. In recent times, the school has received a number of reports of ‘near misses’ in the carpark with small children walking or running freely who have narrowly been missed by cars entering or leaving the school grounds. We do not want any accidents, so we urge all families to ensure the safety of their children entering via the school via the front entrance off Charman Road and leaving via the same entrance. Thank you for your cooperation in keeping our school a safe place for all.

**PUPIL FREE DAYS 2016**

- **Tuesday, 14th June**  
  Friday, 16th September  
- **Monday, 31st October**

**YOU CAN DO IT**

Confidence is the You Can Do It foundation for this term. Confidence means feeling I can do it. It means not being afraid to make mistakes or to try something new. **These students have won YCDI awards this week!**

![Image of students receiving awards]

**Winners:**

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**Kitchen Classroom**  
Indira B (1/2A)
**DISTRICT SWIM TRIALS**

On Monday, 15<sup>th</sup> February 55 Cheltenham Primary School students participated in the swimming trials at Bayside Aquatic Centre. This was for an opportunity to represent the school in the District team who are competing on Thursday, 18<sup>th</sup> February at Bayside Aquatic Centre, Mentone from 10am-12pm. Parents are welcome to come and support but please remember no photography is allowed in the pool area.

It was an excellent day with all students showing great sportsmanship and encouragement for their peers. All students participated in selected strokes over a 50 metre distance against other students in their age group.

Congratulations to everyone involved for swimming so well and striving for your best. Well done to those who made the District Swimming Team and good luck for the District competition on Thursday. A big thank you to our parent helpers who took the time to assist on the day, your help is always greatly appreciated.

The annual school house swimming carnival for grade 3 to 6 students is approaching on the Thursday, 10<sup>th</sup> March at Bayside Aquatics Centre. Parents who are able to help on the day can nominate themselves on the permission forms when distributed.

Mr Hayden McLennan  
**PE Teacher and Sports Co-Ordinator**

**LIBRARY NEWS**

Welcome back to all students and a warm welcome to new prep students. If you are a parent or guardian of one of the prep students please let your child know when the library is open and extend this invitation to them to come for a visit.

As the School year begins, it's a good time to remind everyone of the services available in our library:

- Opening hours: 8:45am – 3:45 pm Monday Tuesday and Wednesday  
- Also open lunchtime Monday and Wednesday 1pm – 1:45 pm  
- Library collection includes books, journals and reference materials

**Library bags, borrowing limits and times are as follows:**

- Preps – one item for one week loan  
- Grade 1 and 2 - one item for up to two weeks  
- Grade 3 and 4 - two items for up to three weeks  
- Grades 5 and 6 - three items for up to four weeks

Items overdue by more than 5 days will incur an overdue notice. No loans will be allowed to students with overdue items.

Items can be returned and reloaned for extended periods. These loans can only be extended if there is no reserve on the item.

Library bags extend the life and aesthetic appeal of our resources. Library bags have been supplied to each student throughout their time at Cheltenham primary School. Library bags must be used to borrow library books at Cheltenham primary School. If your child can not find his or her library bag please help by supplying any type of suitable bag for library use.

Mrs Isobel Rose  
**Library Technician**

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**SCHOOL BANKING DAY REMINDER**

Don’t forget that TUESDAY is School Banking day and students should bring in their weekly deposit.

For every deposit made at school, no matter how big or small, students will receive a silver Dollarmites token. Once students have individually collected 10 tokens they can redeem them for an exclusive School Banking reward item in recognition of their regular savings habits.
BOOK CLUB
I am excited to announce that we are introducing Carnival Book Club to Cheltenham Primary School this year. This is a school initiative that I feel passionately about as a way to embrace and encourage interest in reading and increase literacy at home.

The carnival Book Club is wonderful and diverse range, spanning titles suitable for Prep to Year 6 aged children in one comprehensive catalogue each term. This means only the youngest member of each family will go home with a catalogue once each term.

While most importantly, Book Clubs actively encourage voluntary reading at home, they also offer a fabulous fundraising opportunity for our school with 20% of all sales coming back to the library as rewards to purchase new resources for our students.

Please join in supporting this reading and fundraising opportunity for the children. Keep an eye out for the colourful catalogues, which will be distributed, to each youngest child in the coming week.

Mrs Isobel Rose
Book Club Coordinator
CHELTENHAM PRIMARY
WELCOME NIGHT

MONDAY FEBRUARY 29TH
5:30PM-7:30PM

BYO PICNIC
FOOD VANS
AVAILABLE

JUMPING CASTLES
SUITABLE FOR 3 DIFFERENT AGE GROUPS
CHILDREN'S
ENTERTAINER
6:30PM-7:30PM

A FREE
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FOR EVERY CHILD

A GREAT NIGHT HOSTED BY THE PTFA
TO MINGLE AND MEET
WITH OUR FANTASTIC COMMUNITY.
FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE
INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

Every Victorian child should have access to the world of learning opportunities that exist beyond the classroom. The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund helps ensure that no student will miss out on the opportunity to join their classmates for important, educational and fun activities. It is part of making Victoria the Education State and the Government’s commitment to breaking the link between a student’s background and their outcomes.

CAMPS, SPORTS & EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF)

School camps provide children with inspiring experiences in the great outdoors, excursions encourage a deeper understanding of how the world works and sports teach teamwork, discipline and leadership. All are part of a healthy curriculum.

CSEF will be provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. A special consideration category also exists for asylum seeker and refugee families. The allowance is paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

The annual CSEF amount per student is:
- $125 for primary school students
- $225 for secondary school students.

HOW TO APPLY

Contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or download from www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

MORE INFORMATION

For the CSEF application closing dates and more information about the fund visit www.education.vic.gov.au/csef
CAMPS, SPORTS AND EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF) APPLICATION FORM

School Name  
School REF ID  

Parent/legal guardian details

Surname
First name
Address
Town/suburb  
State  
Postcode
Contact number

Centrelink pensioner concession OR Health care card number (CRN)

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☐ Foster parent* OR ☐ Veterans affairs pensioner

*Foster Parents must provide a copy of the temporary care order letter from the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS).

Student details

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I authorise the Department of Education and Training (DET) to use Centrelink Confirmation eServices to perform an enquiry of my Centrelink customer details and concession card status in order to enable the business to determine if I qualify for a concession, rebate or service. I also authorise the Australian Government Department of Human Services (DHS) to provide the results of that enquiry to DET.

I understand that:
• DHS will use information I have provided to DET to confirm my eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund and will disclose to DET personal information including my name, address, payment and concession card type and status.
• this consent, once signed, remains valid while my child is enrolled at a registered Victorian school unless I withdraw it by contacting the school.
• I can obtain proof of my circumstances/details from DHS and provide it to DET so that my eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund can be determined.
• if I withdraw my consent or do not alternatively provide proof of my circumstances/details, I may not be eligible for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund provided by DET.
• information regarding my eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund may be disclosed to the Victorian Department of Health and Human Services and for State Schools Relief for the purpose of evaluating concession card services or confirming eligibility for assistance.

You are able to request access to the personal information that we hold about you, and to request that any errors be corrected, by contacting your child’s school.

Signature of applicant  
Date  /  /  

Victoria State Government
CSEF ELIGIBILITY

Below is the criteria used to determine a student’s eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF).

Criteria 1 - Eligibility
To be eligible for the fund, a parent or legal guardian of a student attending a registered Government or non-government Victorian primary or secondary school must:

• on the first day of Term one, or;
• on the first day of Term two;

a) Be an eligible beneficiary within the meaning of the State Concessions Act 2004, that is, be a holder of Veterans Affairs Gold Card or be an eligible Centrelink Health Care Card (HCC) or Pensioner Concession Card (PCC) holder, OR
b) Be a temporary foster parent, and;
c) Submit an application to the school by the due date.

* A special consideration eligibility category also exists. For more information, see: www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

Parents who receive a Carer Allowance on behalf of a child, or any other benefit or allowance not income tested by Centrelink, are not eligible for the CSEF unless they also comply with one of (a) or (b) above.

Criteria 2 - Be of school age and attend school in Victoria
School is compulsory for all Victorian children aged between six and 17 years of age inclusive.

For the purposes of CSEF, students may be eligible for assistance if they attend a Victorian registered primary or secondary school. Typically, these students are aged between five and 18 years inclusive.

GSEF is not payable to students attending pre-school, kindergarten, home schooled, or TAFE.

Eligibility Date
For concession card holders CSEF eligibility will be subject to the parent/legal guardian’s concession card being successfully validated with Centrelink on the first day of either term one (27 January 2016) or term two (11 April 2016).

Closing Date
Parents are encouraged to lodge the application form by 29 February 2016, so that payments can be made from March 2016. However schools can accept parent applications up until 03 June 2016.

PAYMENT AMOUNTS

CSEF payment amount
The CSEF is an annual payment to the school to be used towards camps, sports and/or excursion expenses for the benefit of the eligible student.

• Primary school student rate: $125 per year.
• Secondary school student rate: $225 per year.

The CSEF is paid directly to your child’s school and will be allocated by the school towards camps, sports and/or excursion costs for your child.

For ungraded students, the rate payable is determined by the student’s date of birth. For more information, see: www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

Year 7 government school students who are CSEF recipients are also eligible for a uniform voucher. Secondary schools are required to make applications on behalf of parents so please register your interest at the school.

HOW TO COMPLETE THE APPLICATION FORM

1. Complete the PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN DETAILS section.
   Make sure that the Surname, First Name, and Customer Reference Number (CRN) details match those on your concession card. You will also need to provide your concession card to the school.
   If you are claiming as a Foster Parent or a Veteran Affairs Pensioner, you will need to provide a copy of documentation confirming your status as a temporary Foster Parent or provide your Veteran Affairs Pensioner Gold card to the school.

2. Complete the STUDENT/S DETAILS section for students at this school.

3. Sign and date the form and return it to the school office.

CSEF payments cannot be claimed retrospectively for prior years.

Queries relating to CSEF eligibility and payments should be directed to the school.
2016 Photo Day
Envelope and Order Instructions

Dear parents and students,

Cheltenham Primary School PHOTO DAY IS 23/02/2016
School photo order envelopes have been or will be distributed to every student and it is important that the order instructions (below) are followed.

**ONLINE ORDERING** Your child’s school photos are now available for secure online purchase, please note if you are ordering online, you do not need to return an envelope to the school

4 EASY STEPS TO ONLINE SCHOOL PHOTO ORDERING

- Step 1: Easy Access Link: Click on this link if you are using a supported device: [Click Here](#)
- OR - Go to [www.advancedlife.com.au](http://www.advancedlife.com.au) before photo day and enter your school code [FRN GBH DWD]
- Step 2: Enter your student’s details
- Step 3: Choose the package that best suits your needs (all orders will be returned to the school for collection)
- Step 4: Pay for the photos via the shopping cart (upper right corner of the page)

Please Note: Late fees will apply once orders are closed (5 days after photo day)

**FAMILY / SIBLING PHOTOS** No envelope required if ordering online

4 EASY STEPS TO ONLINE SCHOOL PHOTO ORDERING

- Go to [www.advancedlife.com.au](http://www.advancedlife.com.au) before photo day and enter your school code [FRN GBH DWD]
- Family/Sibling photo orders online close on 21/02/2016
- Orders can be placed by returning an envelope up until photo day with cash or cheque enclosed

**ORDERING USING AN ENVELOPE**

ENVELOPES WILL BE HANDED TO EACH CHILD, PLEASE SEE THE SCHOOL OFFICE IF YOU HAVE NOT RECEIVED ONE

- Step 1: Student Details: Complete the student details section on the front of the order envelope.
  - Please use black or blue pen.
- Step 2: Purchase Details: Complete the purchase details on the front of the envelope.
- Step 3: Payment Method: Select your payment method.
  - Cash – Please enclose correct money – no change is given under any circumstances
  - Cheque – Make payable to Advancedlife Photography with your name & address on the back of cheque

Please allow 60 days for your cheque to be finalised - a $25 fee will apply to any dishonored cheque payments

Please feel free to contact us via email or phone should you have any queries in regards to your child’s school photo order.

[info@advancedlifevic.com.au](mailto:info@advancedlifevic.com.au) or 03 9852 1133

Advancedlife Team
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LET US ENTERTAIN YOU!

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$35 Child/Adult
$40 on the day

$20 Junior
$25 on the day

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NOW ON SALE!

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Please print and present your ticket at the Fete entry gate to receive your wristband. Wristbands are non-refundable & non-transferable.

Purchase via our Fete website @
www.beaumarisnorthprimaryfete.org

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