Dear Parents, Students and Friends of Cheltenham Primary School

As we approach the last week of term and many of us prepare to depart for school holidays, may I ask if leaving early next Thursday that you pick your child up during our lunch hour (1.00pm - 2.00pm) so that the learning and teaching program remains uninterrupted. Next week, our teaching teams will be engaged in curriculum planning for Term 2, and we will be operating on a different specialist timetable. If you advise your child and their classroom teacher, of your child’s early departure, we can ensure they are ready for collection at the agreed time.

Last week was punctuated by many sporting highlights. On Thursday I had the pleasure of attending the House Swimming Competition. It was lovely to see the children entering into the spirit of the competition and dressing proudly in their House colours. My thanks to Hayden McLennan for his organisation of the event and to the Year 3 to 6 teaching team for their contribution to the success of the day. Also to Andrea Kinsey and Margaret Dillon (our experienced scoring team) and to the parents and families who provided emotional and organisational support on the day. We are eagerly awaiting the announcement of the winning House at next Monday’s school assembly!

On Friday our senior children took part in the Lightning Premiership Day. This report comes courtesy of Ellen Hollowood…*The boys had a fantastic day and came in second place. They were very close to going through to the next round - Mentone Grammar won the same amount of matches as us so it came down to the total games won.*
Our school working bees, conducted twice each term are essential to the school’s commitment to a safe and well maintained physical environment for our children. Regular maintenance works around our spacious grounds are identified for completion during working bees. Support from our families assists considerably in saving the school high costs associated with outsourcing these regular maintenance works.

Working bees only go for three short hours; if we have a good turnout, we can usually accomplish all items that the Buildings & Grounds team have identified.

Our last working bee for this term is scheduled for Sunday, 20th March. David Senior, our Building & Grounds Convenor, will be coordinating this working bee. Aside from the assistance you provide to maintain our wonderful school, it is always a great opportunity to meet other families from across the school.

If your family is able to attend on Sunday 9:00 am to 12:00 noon, and you have not yet returned your form please contact the office on 8585 3200 to advise of your attendance.

‘Many hands make light work’ Proverb

Kind regards

Bronwyn

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

**MARCH:**
- Sunday, 20th: Working Bee 9am-12noon
- Tuesday, 22nd: SRC Red Dress Up Day School Council 7.30pm
- **Thursday, 24th:** Last Day Term 1 – 2.30pm Dismissal
- Friday, 25th: Good Friday Dismissal

**APRIL:**
- Monday, 11th: First Day Term 2
- Tuesday, 19th: PTFA Meeting 2.30pm
- 19-22nd: Years 5&6 Bike Education
- **Monday, 25th:** Anzac Public Holiday
- 26-29th: Year 4 Bike Education

**MAY:**
- Tuesday, 3rd: Junior Concert
- Saturday, 7th: Working Bee 9am-12noon
- Tuesday, 10th: House Cross Country
- 16th-20th: Education Week
- Tuesday, 17th: Open Morning School Council 7.30pm
- Wednesday, 18th: District Cross Country
- Thursday, 19th: 2017 Prep Info Evening

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**LIBRARY NEWS**

**Yabba Awards** – Today your child may have chosen to bring home a YABBA voting form. Details of YABBA can be found in the additional voting forms for the YABBA awards. Please be aware of the criteria for voting. The book must be first published in Australia in the last 10 years. Children may vote **four** times, **once** in each category: Picture fiction, fiction for younger readers, fiction for older readers and fiction year 7-9. See attached flyer in this week’s newsletter for previous winners for indicators of category.

Isobel Rose
Library Technician

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**SRC CASUAL CLOTHES DAY – GOLD COIN DONATION**

On **Tuesday, 22nd March** CPS is having a themed dress up day. All money raised will be donated to the Red Cross Tropical Cyclone Winston Appeal. This will help to rebuild Fiji and support the communities affected by the cyclone. **Our theme for the day is the colour RED.** The SRC will be promoting the dress up day at assembly and there will be posters around the school.

Thank you for your support.

SRC Students

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**PUPIL FREE DAYS 2016**

- Tuesday, 14th June (Monday, 13th Queen’s Birthday Holiday)
- **Friday, 16th September**
- Monday, 31st October

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Welcome to the annual Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge. Reading is an essential life skill for everyone and the Challenge encourages families to be actively involved in supporting children to read. The Challenge invites children and young people to read a set number of books and record their efforts online. It's a great way to get them talking about reading with friends and family, and to push themselves to read as many books as they can. Join the Challenge today and discover new authors, get expert tips, book recommendations and more. Participation is free. To find out more about the Challenge and access the booklist visit: www.education.vic.gov.au/prc

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2016 Privacy and Consent Form (Schools and Early Childhood Settings)

By signing this document, you agree to the TERMS and CONDITIONS outlined below. These include consent for your child to participate in the Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge and for their name to appear on a certificate of completion and for their name to appear in the online Honour Roll. Please note that the child’s name will appear on the certificate and online Honour Roll with no other identifying factors. Participating schools appear as a separate list.

Child’s name: ____________________________________________

School or early childhood service: ____________________________________________

Year level/class: ___________________________ Yes □ No □ I consent to my child’s name appearing on the online Honour Roll

Certificate name (only if different from name above): ____________________________

Parent/guardian name (please print): ____________________________________________

Parent/guardian signature: ____________________________________________ Date:

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Definitions: Department refers to the Victorian Department of Education and Training, Person refers to the child/adult listed below in the consent declaration.

1) Privacy Protection
The Department takes its privacy obligations seriously and any personal information collected or used by the Department will be handled in accordance with the Privacy and Data Protection Act 2014 (Vic). This law sets out what we must do when the Department collects, uses, handles and destroys personal information. Personal information includes personal details such as an individual's name and school that could be used to identify an individual.

2) Collection, use, disclosure and storage of personal information
If you provide your consent your school or early childhood setting will collect and disclose your child’s first and last name, and the name of the early childhood setting or school to the Department. The Department will then:
• Use the information to register your child and to generate an online account (through which school age children can record the books that they read);
• Publish your child’s name and year level on its online Honour Roll located at: www.education.vic.gov.au/prc at the completion of the Challenge with no other identifying factors such as school name.
• Give the name of your child to Finsbury Green Pty Ltd ABN 52 007 743 151 who will then disclose to a 3rd party for the purpose of printing Certificates of Achievement.

3) Accuracy, access to information and withdrawal of consent

This original has been printed in black and white on recycled paper to reduce cost and environmental impact.
The Young Australians Best Book Awards (YABBA) was established in 1985 by a group of Victorians keen to see children engage in reading Australian books.

YABBA seeks to provide children a voice within the general Australian children’s book industry. The YABBA Awards encourage children to recommend recent Australian published books, read all the recommendations in their peer category, rate them against all others and then finally reward that book they feel is best.

Please assist your child to vote for their favourite book by

- Helping research whether the book was first published in Australia.
- Checking that the book was published in the last 10 years
- Return this form no later than Wednesday, 23rd March 2016

**Voting Rules**

- Any Child from Prep to Year 6 may vote through our school library
- One vote per child
- Each child must have free choice
- The book must have been first published in Australia
- The book must be published in the past 10 years
- The book can’t be a previous winner (list in school library and newsletter)

There are 4 categories. Children may vote in each category one time only.

- Picture story
- Fiction for younger readers
- Fiction for older readers
- Fiction for year 7-9

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Additional forms for voting may be obtained from the school library
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A great big Thank You!
To all those that came to the welcome night, we hope you and your kids had a wonderful time.

Thank You those who helped on the night:
David Senior, Chris Day, Todd Cummings, Red Moos, Rolling Schnitzel, The Sneaky Bottom Elf, Susie Norwood, Kath Shield and Sandra Mills
And last but not least Chyanah Willett, Jasper Rumbelow, and Grace McIntyre.

It was a great evening and it was lovely to see the new and old families coming along to meet and spend time together.
Easter Raffle Time.....

The kids love the Easter Raffle, it's a great time of year.

You should have all received your flyers for collections of Easter goodies (prep to 2) due by the 17th of March for the Easter Baskets to be raffled at assembly Monday 21st March (1 for each class). And the Senior School (3-6) flyers for the Easter Bun Drive that also need to be returned by the 17th of March. The Easter Buns will be delivered to the class rooms on the 24th of March. Extra Easter Bun Forms and Raffle Tickets will be available at the office.

Too Much Yellow and Blue?

Are you seeing blue and yellow at home? Are there piles of blue and yellow clothes hiding in cupboards? Or in the open of the lounge, waiting for a home? Too small, too big? Well, do we have a great service for you!! Bring them to school (where they belong) as a donation and we'll take care of them, and find them a new home and raise valuable funds for our school..... And you'll enjoy your new found space....

WHAT WE'VE BEEN UP TO.......

We wanted to let you know that some of the funds you all helped us raise last year have been spent! (Yey), on items that teachers had put forward on a Wish List:
#New Readers (junior school)
#Springboard Items (senior school)
#Footballs
#A Marquee with school logo for sports department
#Lights for film production
#Musical Instruments