Dear Parents, Students and Friends of Cheltenham Primary School

Last term several members of the Senior School attended the *Ignite, Innovate and Integrate* ICT Conference and have since come back to school motivated to put into practice some of the amazing ideas and innovations, presented to us. What an exciting time to be in education! Presenters at the conference spoke to us about creating meaningful learning where digital technologies were used as a tool to engage student learning in purposeful ways and to foster creative and collaborative learners and innovators.

Our new strategic direction of problem based learning has seen us present our units of inquiry around solving problems that matter. We are endeavouring to create a solutions focused culture where the question is often more important than the answer.

The conference offered so much more than just digital learning concepts. It was an opportunity to explore ways of teaching differently and the importance of resilience and positive psychology. Resilience and a growth mindset are so powerful and an essential skill in finding a balance in our constantly changing world.

So what does resilience and growth mindset mean to you? When people all over the world have been asked to write down “What do resilient people do?” the answers that have been provided include: Being strong; withstanding pressure; being independent and highly reliable. This sounded great to me but I was surprised to discover these traits do not mean resilient, they instead mean a person is stoic, so back to the drawing board. What does a resilient person do?

According to notable psychologist Maria Ruberto, a resilient person:

- uses their personal resources
- recovers well from failure
- is persistent and moves forward
- is socially inclusive and brings people together
- bounces ‘forward’ rather than the expression ‘bounce back’.

“When there is exposure to significant adversity resilience is the capacity of individuals to navigate their way to the psychological, social, cultural and physical resources that sustain their well-being. Resilience is the tendency to lean into adversity and find growth.” Maria Ruberto.

Having researched and applied this kind of thinking and culture into my classroom this year it has made me reflect upon my own ability as a person to be resilient and apply growth mindset principles. How much have I learnt and grown from the difficulties that I have had to face in my life? How much have you grown from the complications in your life and how have you imparted that learning to your children to support them to become resilient people who consider failure an opportunity to learn and grow?
I believe at Cheltenham Primary our staff do a terrific job at teaching our children how to be resilient individuals who are able to look at ways to improve and feel confident trying new things without fear of mistakes. In every mistake there is the potential for growth!

Kind Regards

Tanya

Tanya Wells
Senior School Area Leader

**CANTERBURY NEWS – FINAL SALE DAY**

The Canteen will be open for one last time this Friday, 25th November at **LUNCH TIME ONLY** for over the counter cash sales only. No hot food will be available, but students can buy drinks, Zooper Doopers, JJ Rings etc. Prices range from 50c to $2.

**CHRISTMAS CHURCH SERVICE**

Our annual Christmas Church Service will take place on Thursday, 1st December at 9.15am at St. Matthew’s Church (cnr of Nepean Highway & Park Road).

We warmly welcome parents who wish to join us. Our whole school will be singing the Carols for the service and the Preps will be dressed in nativity costumes.
IMPORTANT DIARY DATES

NOVEMBER
22nd – 25th  Years 5&6 Beach Program
Friday, 25th  2017 Prep Transition Sess. 3
Tuesday, 29th  PTFA Special Food Day

DECEMBER
Thursday, 1st  Church Service 9.15am
Sunday, 4th  Working Bee
Tuesday, 6th  Years 6-7 Transition Day
             Piano Soiree Years 3&4 - 6.30pm. Years 5&6 - 7.45pm
             School Council 7.30pm
Thursday, 8th  Band Soiree – 7pm
Friday, 9th  Student Reports home
Monday, 12th  Parent Helper Morning Tea
Wednesday, 14th  Year 6 Graduation
Friday, 16th  P-6 Class Party Day
Monday, 19th  Carols Evening
Tuesday, 20th  Last Day – 1.30pm Dismissal

2017 FEBRUARY
Wednesday, 1st  First Day Term 1 for Years 1 to 6 Students only
1st – 7th  Foundation Student Testing
Wednesday, 8th  Foundation Half Day
Thursday, 9th  Foundation Half Day

2017 PARENT PAYMENT CHARGES
A reminder to parents in order to qualify for the “early bird” discount, payment in full must be made by Friday, 25th November. (Please refer to your child’s payment form for details).

For families who have decided to take up Option B & C, the first payment is due no later than Friday, 9th December as this will trigger your child’s stationery pack to be ordered.

Stationery packs will only be ordered for families who have paid either in full or by Option B or C. Last day to for stationery pack order is Friday, 9th December. After this date, parents will need to make alternative arrangements for supply of stationery.

Thank you
CPS Admin Team

YOU CAN DO IT

This term our YCDI key is Getting Along. Getting Along means treating others the way you would like to be treated. It means respecting others and their belongings. It means working well with your classmates, solving problems with friends without getting angry and following the rules of your classroom. These students have won YCDI awards this week!

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2017 TERM DATES
Term 1: 1/02/17 to 31/3/17
Term 2: 18/4/17 to 30/6/17
Term 3: 17/7/17 to 22/9/17
Term 4: 9/10/17 to 22/12/17
LIBRARY NEWS
Next week is the final week for library visits. Please note that I will keep library bags until next year so that students will have them first week back at school in 2017. If you are leaving the school, you may keep the library bag for us at the new school. Please ensure that all loans are returned by **Monday, 12th December**.

Students in Prep to Year 2 will not be able to borrow from next week. Students in Years 3 to 6 will be able to borrow until Monday, 12th December. Please help your child/children to return all school community owned books on time.

As a special indulgence over the summer holiday period, Ms Morgan has invited all Year 3 & 4 students to have access to our new Wheeler’s eBook platform over the summer holiday period.

Please help your child to access and peruse the ePlatform with them on the first use so that you are familiar with the reading material available. The ePlatform is designed for school aged children and be assured that titles have age restrictions where appropriate. If you have any concerns, please let me know by either writing me a short note, calling me or come and see me in the Library Monday to Wednesday after school.

Isobel Rose
Library Technician
PTFA SPECIAL LUNCH DAY
TUESDAY, 29TH NOVEMBER

PTFA proudly offer a Wrap and/or Smoothie for our next food theme day. Families may order either a wrap or a smoothie or both from our local business partner, Red Moose of Sandringham. Each item is $5.00.

ORDERS MUST BE RECEIVED BY THURSDAY, 24TH NOVEMBER VIA THE QKR APP ONLY

NO LATE ORDERS CAN BE SUBMITTED AFTER THIS DATE!

How to order:

♦ Download the QKR app onto your android phone, iPhones or iPads and register and select our school. Further instructions on how to download QKR can be found in the newsletter or hardcopy flyer every child came home with. Please make sure you select your child first and then the food options—this will enable a label to be printed with your child’s name, class and order.

♦ Select from the following options:

SMOOTHIES—$5.00

- Red Mountain—apple juice, yoghurt, strawberries & raspberries
- Big White—milk, yoghurt, honey, cinnamon & banana
- Whistler—tropical juice & mango

WRAPS (Fresh only, not toasted)—$5.00

- White Horn—chicken & cheese
- Little Alberta—ham & cheese
- Castle—chicken, cheese, avocado & spinach
- Nelson—lamb, fetta, tzatziki & spinach
- Rundle—roasted vegetables, fetta & pesto

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BECOME A PANTHER IN 2017

BOYS: Under 8's - 17's
GIRLS: Under 10’s, 12’s, 14’s, 16’s

REGISTRATIONS OPEN
1ST NOVEMBER 2016

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