YOUR CHILD’S LEARNING NEEDS

Cheltenham Primary School implements the Australian National Curriculum. We offer comprehensive programs encompassing the Disciplines:

**English**
Reading class sessions and “take-home” books daily. Children explore writing, spelling, grammar and punctuation. They learn about Speaking and Listening courtesies and to engage in confident public speaking. Literacy support programs provide additional instruction.

**Mathematics**
Number, Space, Measurement, Chance/Data, Structure and Working Mathematically

**Humanities**
Economics, Geography and History

**Science**
Biological, Chemical, Physical and Earth/Space Science

**The Arts**
Visual and Performing ~ Music and Drama

**Engagement in Interdisciplinary learning through:**

**Communication**

**Thinking**
ICT: Information and Communications Technology

**Design, Creativity & Technology**

Investigating, Designing, Producing, Analysing and Evaluating,

Our students participate in Enrichment Programs including ‘Gateways’ for talented students.

**An emphasis on Physical, Personal & Social learning through:**

**Personal Learning**
Managing Personal Learning

**Excursions and Incursions**

**Interpersonal Development**
Building social relationships and working in teams

**Health—Sunsmart Program.**

**Weekly Specialist P.E. lessons**
Perceptual Motor PMP – Thinking about moving.

**Fundamental Motor Skills** running, throwing, catching.

**Sportsmanship** and ‘fair play’ developed.

**Promotion of ‘Healthy Eating.’**

**Inter-school sport** — Years 3—6.

**Swimming Program— Years P-6**

**Bike Education** Yrs 4-6

**Enriched by innovative specialist programs offered in:**

Visual & Performing Arts, Online Languages, Music, Kitchen Classroom, Gardening, Physical Education, Library.

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2017 Prep Enrolments

**School tours with the Principal**
School Tours are scheduled each week on **Tuesdays at 9.30am** or by arrangement. Phone 8585 3200 or email cheltenham.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au Bookings are essential.

**EDUCATION WEEK OPEN DAY**

**Tuesday 17th May**

Prospective families are warmly invited to visit the school during Open Day. Tours will be held at 9.30am and 2.00pm. Bookings are essential. Please phone 8585 3200 or email cheltenham.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au

**PARENT INFORMATION SESSION for those families enrolled**

**Thursday 10th November**— Parents will meet the Prep teachers and be provided with specific information to assist the children with a smooth transition into school.

**TRANSITION SESSIONS for enrolled Preps**

**Session 1:** Friday 11th November 2.15-3.15pm

**Session 2:** Friday 18th November 2.15-3.15pm

**Session 3:** Friday 25th November 2.15-3.15pm

**Students attend all sessions**

**Activities include:**

- Cutting, pasting, writing, drawing
- Block construction, home corner, puzzles
- Music session, outdoor games
- Storytime, drama
- Walking tour of facilities
- Children will meet their 2015 teacher and receive a welcome letter.

**Parents Welcome Afternoon Tea** on **Friday 25th November** in the staffroom. Principal and PTFA welcome all new families to the school.

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MAKING YOUR DECISION
Take a school tour with the Principal on Tuesdays at 9.30am. Bookings are essential.

CAMPING and OUTDOOR EDUCATION
• Prep, Year 1 and 2 Barbecue followed by Years 1 and 2 sleepover at school
• Years 3 – 4 three [3] night camp
• Years 5 – 6 four [4] night camp
Independence, self reliance, self-esteem and friendships.

OUT OF HOURS CARE
• Provision of before and after school care for your school-age child on site. [Camp Australia]
• Fully qualified staff
• Exciting programs in a nurturing environment
• Breakfast and Afternoon Tea Provided
A complete package for working parents!

YOU CAN DO IT PROGRAM
Focuses on five areas—Getting Along, Organisation, Persistence, Confidence and Resilience.

LEADERSHIP PROGRAMS
• School Captains
• House Captains
• Technology, Music, Art, Environment, ICT & Sport Captains
• Junior school councillors [SRC] Yrs 3-6
• These students undergo peer leadership training to equip them to fulfil their roles and to help other students
• Peer Mediation Training for all senior students

EXCURSION/INCURSION PROGRAM
• Visits to enhance our Units of Study
• Learning through first hand experience

REPORTS AND INTERVIEWS
• Information sharing sessions 1-1 with your class teacher in February.
• Comprehensive written progress reports in June and December
• Formal interviews in June/July or as required by parent or teacher

ASSESSMENT SCHEDULE
• Ongoing assessment/testing in all subjects
• School Entry Assessment for Preps to determine your child’s exact learning needs
• Early Years Literacy and Numeracy Interviews
• Online Assessment
• Programs tailored to address individual learning goals

ACADEMIC RESULTS
Exemplary standards of student achievement.
Consistent excellent results well above state in English and Mathematics [NAPLAN]

MIDDLE YEARS OF SCHOOLING STRATEGIES
Include innovative teaching Units of Inquiry designed to support the transition to secondary school and provide stimulating challenges to the learning process in years 5-8. Support increasing independence in learning, study habits and responsibility.

PREP & YEAR 6 BUDDIES
Senior/Junior student partnerships.
A ‘big friend’ to help make transition easier and to “model” positive and responsible behaviour.

CHELTENHAM PRIMARY SCHOOL FEATURES:
• A proud tradition of educational excellence
• A unique native Flora Sanctuary
• Extensive sporting fields and playing facilities
• Netball and basketball synthigrass courts
• Gazebo
• Hall
• Canteen: Open Thursday and Friday for ‘healthy choice’ lunch orders and snacks
• Separate junior and senior school playgrounds
• Science Lab and Program with specialist Science Teacher
• Kitchen classroom, organic vegetable garden & chickens
• Modern and current ICT technologies: Interactive whiteboards in all classrooms, laptops, class sets of iPads, iPods and kindles.
• Active parent/school community helpers
• Parents, Teachers and Friends Association [PTFA]
• Staff dedicated to catering for your child’s needs
• Lunchtime clubs—friendship, activities and social

VISUAL AND PERFORMING ARTS
• Junior and Senior choir.
• Lessons in keyboard, guitar, wind, brass and percussion available (over 130 students currently undertaking instrumental lessons) in Years 3-6
• School Band with over 40 students.
• Participation in local performances
• Recorder - years 3-6
• Separate Junior and Senior concert/musicals yearly
• Visits to pre-schools and aged care hostels for performances

Visit our website to read the weekly newsletter, detailing forthcoming events.