Josh Arnold concert

Goosebumps and almost tears... Words cannot describe how proud I am of the students and staff at Chinchilla State School as I watch the film clip for ‘Play the Game’.

It was wonderful to see so many family and friends gathering to proudly watch, on Thursday night, as the children performed their song. It truly is their song. Our students were there for every step of the creative process from the initial ideas brainstorm and lyric writing to the recording and filming and finally the outstanding culmination that was our Josh Arnold Showcase concert.

Thanks must go to all the parents, staff and students who gave their time and energy to ensure this project was a success.

Our school song, ‘Play the Game’ will be sung with pride each week to finish assembly.

Don’t forget ‘Play the Game’ CD’s are still available to purchase for $10 from the Project Club. Place your money in an envelope with your child’s name and class and put it in the slot at the front office.

If you missed it or would like to share it with loved ones here is the link to the film clip https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uA2imwpkJ

Curriculum Corner with ACES 2

ACES 2 have had a fantastic start to Term 4! This for some students is their last term at Chinchilla State School before moving onto high school in 2018. Week 1 was full of excitement as we presented our song, ‘The Unbreakable Chain’ at the Josh Arnold Concert alongside 4 A.

This term, students will be working hard learning more about a range of numeracy topics such as time, money, measurement, shape and chance, whilst also practising our number facts.

In English, ACES 2 have started learning about narratives, in particular, fairy-tales. This is an engaging unit in which students will look into the features of a narrative such as the setting, the characters, complications and resolutions.

We will be learning more about Earth Science this term. Students will be learning about Earth’s resources, how they are used and how they can be conserved.

Other exciting class projects this term, includes starting our garden and using our problem solving skills in some STEM projects.

As you can see ACES 2 have a very exciting and busy term planned. We are looking forward to being positive and productive in the coming weeks!

Leadership change

Due to students leaving we had two Leadership positions left vacant so nominations were held and a big congratulations goes to the following two students: Charlotte Stevenson who was nominated as the new Goreside House Captain and to Libby Zajacek who will be the new Project Club Vice Chairperson.

Both girls received their badges on assembly yesterday and we wish them all the best in the positions and hope they enjoy their roles.

Hi 5 Insert
From the Principal’s Desk

Congratulations to the staff, students and parents for the outstanding efforts that went into our Josh Arnold Concert last week. What a performance!! It was absolutely fantastic to see all of our students actively engaged in the entire Josh Arnold project, from the initial start-up in the classrooms where the whiteboards were empty, all the way through the writing phases, the practising and refining processes, the recording and filming process, all the way to the culmination at the school concert. A very big thank you must go to all of the parent volunteers who assisted our P&C with the endless line of parents and children at the canteen. A tremendous effort by all. Well Done!

A reminder that this coming Monday the 16th is a student free day. Teachers and teacher aides from across the Chinchilla Cluster of schools will join forces at the Chinchilla Cultural Centre in a professional development session on the importance of effectively and explicitly teaching reading within all subject areas every day from Prep to Year 12. A special thank you to our four school captains and their parents for agreeing to come in on their day off to open the workshop.

Yesterday, Mr Sean Mead, principal of Columboola Environmental Education Centre, along with his staff came to our school to work with our Year 5 cohort at our annual leadership development day. A very big thank you to Sean and his team. The activities had all of our students fully engaged and the day was a huge success. Our students all had the option of taking home a leadership nomination form for the positions of School Captain, Vice Captain, Sports Captains and Music Captains at the end of the day. The nomination process is now open for all students. Please ensure you discuss the significance of taking on such a leadership position in our school with your child so that they know exactly what the expectations will be, and what the role involves. I look forward to announcing the winners at our Presentation Day at the end of the year.

Class Attendance

Term 4, Week 1 overall class attendance:
- Prep – 87.47%
- Grade 1 – 93.47%
- Grade 2 – 92.43%
- Grade 3 – 94.39%
- Grade 4 – 87.77%
- Grade 5 – 91.62%
- Grade 6 – 91.37% Target: 95%

Total days lost to absenteeism in Week 1 was 145 days.

Please ensure you are contacting the school everyday that your child is away from school.

Congratulations to 3A for the highest attendance percentage of 98.86% for Week 1.

Please make sure you contact the school by 9:30am via telephone: 07-4672 9222 or by emailing: admin@chinchillass.eq.edu.au.


As many will realise, Jaymon Gaul from Year 5 has fallen extremely ill and is in Lady Cilento Hospital in Brisbane. At the Small Town Culture Concert on Thursday night, many people kindly made donations to support Jaymon and his family at this difficult time. The donations on that night totalled $202.85

On behalf of Jaymon and his family, we thank you for your amazing generosity.

This Friday, October 13, we are also planning a free dress day. The proceeds from this day will be combined with the donations received so far and sent to the family. If your child wishes to come along in free dress, a gold coin donation for this privilege is required. Jaymon’s classmates, Year 5B, will collect the donations on Friday morning.

Thank you for your generous support.

School Performance

This term’s School Performance will be presented by the Youth Touring Program, ‘Wind in the Willows’ and will be here on Thursday, 19th October 2017.

If you would like your child to see this performance, ‘Wind in the Willows’ with their class, payment for this performance must be made by:

Thursday, 12th October 2017

Please place all payments in a sealed envelope and mark clearly with student’s name, class, amount, activity and hand into the front office. Cost is $130.00 for Prep and $8.00 per student Years 1-6.
PBL Update

This week’s value is: Respect
Our rule for the week is: I use my positive learning strategies.

Chinchilla State School is committed to providing a safe, supportive and respectful learning environment for students and staff, where students learn. Each day, students have opportunities to engage in quality learning experiences and acquire values supportive of their lifelong wellbeing.

This week’s value lesson will explicitly teach students how they can positively engage in daily lessons. Students will engage in lessons and discussions on how students can successfully manage their own learning. These strategies include, staying with the task and not giving up, showing commitment, pride and a positive attitude in completing tasks, trying again and again and again, being patient and willing to work hard and finally getting support from peers, teachers and parents. Students who use their positive learning strategies will achieve higher academic success.

Chinchilla State School’s P&C Association supports the PBL program in the school and has three representatives on the PBL Committee, Mrs Tanya Kidd, Mrs Lorraine Evans & Mr Steven Luckraft.

Social media tips

Social media applications (such as Facebook) are extremely popular with young people and the usage of these sites is only likely to increase.

Some tips to help your child stay safe while using social media include:

- make sure they never reveal their home address, phone number, email address and passwords
- review the age suitability for any sites and apps your child joins or installs
- look at who their contacts and followers are — this will help reduce the risk of them encountering inappropriate people and content
- establish an open relationship with your child so they trust you to view their profiles
- reinforce the need for them to keep passwords private and to update them regularly

You may also want to consider creating an account on the social media application your child uses and request to become friends or follow their account. Your child may resist this but it may still be a good idea to open an account to increase your understanding of the site or app they are using. ([https://www.qld.gov.au/education/schools/health/cybersecurity/pages/cybersafety-qps](https://www.qld.gov.au/education/schools/health/cybersecurity/pages/cybersafety-qps))
Sports with Mr Clarke

So Week 2 in the last term for 2017. This term is going to go quick for me. I will be in and out of the pool nearly the whole time. Swimming this term will go right up until Week 9 in which we have our Swimming Carnival.

Just a reminder to parents and students regarding swimming and being responsible for our things. If we could please remember to have everything needed for swimming. This includes Togs, Towel, Swim Shirt, Goggles (optional) and sunscreen (we do provide some). Already we have had a number of students forgetting swimming shirts, towels or swimming days.

In addition, there has been a number of students going to the office asking if admin can ring home to organise togs that have been forgotten. The office will call home if you have forgotten your togs, although they will only do it one time for each student. Therefore, if you forget your togs a second time, you will miss swimming. Students have to start taking responsibility for their swimming things.

Hope you have had a smooth start to the term, and I look forward to sharing our run into the end of year.

Yours in sport, Matt

An Important Note for Parents

Students will not be able to attend swimming unless the full fee of $30.00 has been paid.

Also, please do not supply your child with aerosol sunscreen. Most children are unable to apply an adequate coverage for sun protection as well as there being an issue with children getting sunscreen sprayed in their eyes.

Year 6 into 7

Chinchilla State High School welcomes our future Year 7 students and their families. Please see below upcoming important dates to remember:

- Tuesday 17 October: Year 6 into Year 7 Enrolment night (collect personalised enrolment pack, book enrolment interview time). Time TBA.
- 6 – 10 & 13 – 17 November: Enrolment interviews take place.
- Tuesday 28 November: Year 6 orientation day (all 2018 Year 7s invited to spend the day at high school).

Please don’t hesitate to contact your child’s teacher for further information in relation to high school transition.

Tuckshop Roster

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FRIDAY 20.10.17

Renay Young, Michelle Kerns, Amandla Maguire

Uniform Shop

Please be aware that the Uniform Shop is open on Monday and Wednesday — 8:30 to 9:00am

Important Dates: October 2017

| CSS Koalas 9-10:30am | 11th Oct |
| STUDENT FREE DAY | 16th Oct |
| Primary IM Camp (Years 4-6) | 17th-19th Oct |
| CSS Koalas 9—10:30am | 10th Oct |
| 2018 School Captain nominations due | 20th Oct |
| Year 3 Camp—Cumbumbale Environment Education Centre | 23rd—27th Oct |