



PARENTS' BULLETIN – 2008
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Calendar of Events

TERM 1

March

Mon	10 th	Labour Day Public Holiday
Tues	11 th	Parents Club Meeting at 9.00 am
Thurs	13 th	Work Experience Meeting at 7.30 pm
Fri	14 th	Summer Sports Years 7 - 12
Mon	17 th	School Council Meeting 7.30 pm
Wed	19 th	Northern Zone Swimming (<i>Note the change of date</i>)
Thurs	20 th	End of Term 1 – 2.30 pm finish

TERM 2

April

Mon	7 th	Start of Term 2
Tues	8 th	House Aths: Years 5 – 12
Tues	8 th	Parents Club Meeting

May

Fri	9 th	Mothers' Day Fete
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From the Principal
John Harley

Dear Parents, Staff and Students

Andrea Peverill
As many parents and students may know, Andrea Peverill was admitted to the Critical Care Unit in Bendigo on Monday in a critical condition. Her condition has slightly improved as of Thursday morning.

At this stage no visitors are allowed. The family thank everyone for their support and well wishes. On behalf of the students and staff of Charlton College our thoughts and prayers are with

Andrea, Andrew, Mathew and Megan and we hope that Andrea will soon recover her health. We have a number of plans in train to cover Andrea's classes but the important thing is that Andrea gets better.

Music
Congratulations to Lachlan Mulquiny and Kerry Shovan for their musical performances recently in Bendigo. Lachlan was successful in the section he entered. Thank you also to Mr Marc Law, our music teacher, who accompanied the students to the competition.

Instrumental Music: Keyboards
We are currently trying to finalise our instrumental music program for the year. We have the option of providing additional instruction in keyboards if there is the demand. Mrs Melodie Rose is a qualified keyboard/piano teacher. If you have a child interested can you please contact the office.

Badge Conferral
Thank you to those parents and friends who attended the badge conferral ceremony today. The guest speaker at the event was Anthony Judd. Thank you to the VET hospitality students for providing afternoon tea and to Mrs Harley for coordinating the event. It is important to celebrate those students who have been elected as leaders in our school.

School Crossing
I have been contacted by the Shire who has expressed concerns that some students and parents are crossing the main highway near the Tyre Service and the Hotel rather than crossing at the designated school crossing. We ask that the correct crossing point be used. We don't want to have anyone involved in an accident.

Summer sport
On Friday of next week all of our secondary students will be involved in the summer sports round robin. All students have had the opportunity to choose a sport and all students are expected to participate unless they have a medical reason not to. It would be very unfair to the other members of the team if students did not come to school on the day and a team was short of players. I ask for parent support for what is a normal part of our school program.

House Athletic Sports
This is forward notice that these sports for Years 5-12 students will be conducted on the first Tuesday of Term 2. Parents are invited to attend the sports which will be conducted at Charlton Park.

Sporting Achievement: Ellen Tormey

Congratulations to Ellen Tormey who recently was recognised by being awarded the Junior Achiever of the Year by Harness Racing Victoria. This is a highly prestigious award. Well done Ellen.

VCE Information Night

Thank you to all those parents and students who attended this important information evening on Wednesday night of this week. Expectations, work deadlines and VCE rules and regulations were clearly spelled out by Mr McKenzie. Our teachers are there to help the students at any time but the rewards the students will achieve very much depends on the amount of work they are prepared to do.

Junior Landcare

Our school has been approached by Charlton Landcare to form a Junior Landcare group at the school. I had a meeting with Mr Kevin Spence from Landcare and we had discussions about a range of environmental programs including the possible development of a small wetlands area at the school that could be used in our teaching program as well as other ways that students could be involved. It is not just about planting trees. A meeting of interested students will soon be called to see if we can set up a group which would be the first in North Central Victoria.

John Harley
Principal

Years Prep – 4 News

Student of the Week: Wally Townsend

Wally is a dedicated, hard working student in all areas of the curriculum. He produces work of a high standard.



Values Winners From Last Week: Personal Best

Prep / One: James Cashin

Two: Trent Cossar

Three / Four: Brooke Thompson

Value For This Week: Self-discipline

Responsible Citizens: Year 3 / 4

Cool Cat: Year 2

Monday Holiday

Next Monday the 10th of March is a public holiday. There will be no school for the students. Our P-4 assembly will take place on Tuesday after the holiday.

Lunchtime Craft

Students in the P-4 area have the opportunity at lunchtime to participate in craft activities. Miss Gould is supervising the activities in the Year 2 classroom. Students eat their lunch first and start the craft tasks at 1.30pm.

Canteen

P-4 students are able to have lunch orders from the canteen. Lunch orders are collected from the P-4 classrooms in the morning and are delivered back to the classrooms at lunchtime. P-4 students who have older siblings or friends in the Years 5 – 12 area of the school are not allowed to ask these students to purchase items from the canteen for them. All canteen purchases for P-4 students must be done through the classroom.

Cartons, Boxes & Foam Meat Trays

Mrs Hastings is in need of the above items to assist her in the area of art. If anyone has egg cartons, foam meat trays or cereal boxes that they no longer need could they please bring them into Mrs Hastings.



Years 5 - 8 News
Judy Stanley, Coordinator

An Invitation

To all parents and friends of
Charlton College
A Theatre Sports Performance
by Impro Zone (Melbourne)
Friday 7th March at 9.45 am in the
Stadium

The performance will concentrate on
teambuilding, communication, trust and respect
for others ideas.

This is part of the College's Smart Start program
and will be attended by students in Years 5-8.

Years 9 - 12 News
Barry McKenzie, Coordinator

WORK EXPERIENCE MEETING

I would like to have a meeting of all parents to clarify a few issues including requirements at the end of the year, fundraising and money raised so far. Please meet next **Thursday 13th March at 7:30** in **Room 21** for about an hour. **Your attendance is important** - please try to be there.

All parents should have had a note come home yesterday giving more information on Work Experience and the meeting.

VCE MEETING LAST NIGHT

About 30 people attended a meeting last night to discuss various issues regarding the VCE including the ENTER score, Study scores and all the associated rules and regulations regarding doing the VCE. If you did not attend it would be useful for you to talk to me about what we discussed and what you missed out on.

UNIFORM

Most students are doing well in this regard; please help us by checking that your student is in uniform before they leave home, and if it is needed, send a note explaining why they aren't.

MANNERS

Recently we have some instances of students using equipment, or going into rooms without permission. In most cases, if a student asks politely, the answer will be a "yes". This is only manners and common courtesy, and a really positive thing for students to carry into their adult lives. I have spoken to the students about this, and hope that it will improve for those few who have not been using common courtesy so far.

Year 10 Work Experience
Roster for Assistants at the Trots –
Friday, 7th March (*tomorrow*)
Charlton Meeting (Day)

Dining Room at 9.00 am: 2 x Newport-Rose Family

Kiosk: 11.00 pm – Whykes Family
2.30 pm – Finlay Family

Parents' Club News

At a previous meeting it was decided that we would publish the upcoming meeting agenda in the newsletter to allow people to put forward items for discussion. Please still feel free to do this, by contacting either of the people listed at the end of this notice.

Topics for discussion to date are:

- Feed back on summaries & agendas in the newsletter if any.
- School photos - plan on the run of the day for future reference - times & helpers
- Outcome of window coverings in Room 21
- Progress of canteen makeover
- Discuss decision on P-4 shading area & our contribution
- Running a Head Lice Program Information Night/Day
- Updates on uniform change
- Any feedback on calendar idea
- FETE...updating Convenors & helpers as some families that were coordinating these have now left our school community...please, if you would like to help in any way, contact a member of the committee as time will be cut short (due to school holidays) to finalise these things. Will the major raffle still be \$250? More things to discuss at the following meeting

- Request for funds of \$1099 for a Sewing Machine in the Textiles Department.
- Healthy Eating for Lunch Boxes...an email was sent by the The Parent Jury, Back To School.
- Request for funds of \$720 for Audio Equipment for the Years 3/4 Listening Centre

If you want any thing discussed that is not listed, please contact either:-

Marlene Townsend
 Bev Shovan: 5491 1749 or 0400-644 965
 Jacinta Holmes-Brown A.H. 54911441
 John Harley @ School 54911280

Community News

**Charlton Netball Club
Working Bee**

Saturday, 15th March 2008
 At 9.00 am

Courts to be tidied, clubroom to be cleaned.
 Players and parents are urged to help out –
 “*many hands make light work*”

Charlton Football Club Ladies Auxiliary
AGM

Wednesday, 2nd April 2008
 At the East Charlton Hotel
 At 7.30 pm
 All Welcome



**BASKETBALL
NEWS!!!!!!**

THE **ANNUAL GENERAL
MEETING**

OF THE
 CHARLTON BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION
 INC.

**will be held on Tuesday,
 March 11th 2008
 commencing at 7.30 p.m.
 in the Stadium Foyer.**

**Everyone Welcome!!!
 Please come along & support
 this meeting as we need
 new faces with new ideas
 to help us keep our club
 going!!!!!!**

Doug Finlay (President)