

# NEWSLETTER

## Cherrybrook Public School



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Term 1 Week 7

Tuesday 10 March 2009

### PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

... .. Mrs Anne Stewart

### STARTING TERM 2 2009

When the current school calendars were gazetted in 2003 it was the practice that if ANZAC Day fell on a weekend the following Monday would be declared a public holiday. The NSW Office of Industrial Relations has determined now that there will be no public holiday on the following Monday this year.

**Monday 27 April will still form part of the school vacation** with staff returning on Tuesday 28 for a school development day and **students returning on Wednesday 29 April**. The number of school days each year is fixed some years before and must be maintained.

The cabinet has approved the school vacation and term dates for 2011- 2015. The calendars were developed in consultation with the major stakeholders and have been developed, as in previous years, with the following four principles:

- The four terms should be of equal length
- The mid year vacation should be two weeks
- Easter should not determine the term one holiday and when it is not part of the school vacation it should stand alone as a four day weekend; and
- Christmas vacation should always extend until at least Australia Day.

These dates will be gazetted and published soon on the Department's website and our school website.

### DEPUTY PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

... .. Mrs Glynis Bridgwood

### BAND NEWS

Following our band committee AGM last Thursday evening I am pleased to advise that the following parents have been appointed to the committee.

Band Coordinator:	Janice Scott
Assistant Band Coordinator:	Kathryn Halliwell
Secretary:	Roslyn Fong
Treasurer:	Beatriz Ortiz
Instrument Coordinator:	Jane Berry
Training Band Coordinator:	Jane Berry

Main Band Coordinator: TBA  
General Committee members: Keisha Naidu, Gianne Carlin, Jennifer Walkden-Brown and Jane Woollett

Thank you to these parents for taking on these most important roles.

### STEWART HOUSE

Stewart House provides health care and short term respite care for children in need. Every year Stewart House benefits financially from collections of unwanted clothing. For this purpose Stewart House bags will be sent home this week.

Please place any unwanted clothes in the bags and leave them outside the hall on the wall opposite the school office. Bags need to be returned to school by Wednesday 18 March 2009. Thank you for helping us support Stewart House in 2009.

Dianne Basso, Vicki Collett and Lyn Dolton.  
Charities Committee.

### P & C MEETING

A reminder that the P & C meeting is on Tuesday 10 March 7.30pm (tonight) in the library. We look forward to seeing you there.

C Collins  
P & C Secretary

### BOOK CLUB MONEY COLLECTION DAYS

Money collection days for Issue 2 will be Monday 16 March 2009 and Tuesday 17 March 2009 between 8.30am and 8.55am in the library. Please make any cheques payable to Scholastic Australia. Thank you.



Alanna Paterson and Alison Baker  
Book Club Coordinators

### "SUPPORT YOUR SCHOOL" PROGRAM UPDATE

Our school is once again registered for the 2009 "Support Your School" program with the Good Guys at Castle Hill and currently have \$166 reward dollars accrued. For any new families to our school, here is a brief reminder on how the program works.

Every purchase of \$25 or more at The Good Guys Castle Hill will entitle the shopper to receive on behalf of our school group, a \$1 Reward Voucher for every \$25 of purchase amount.

To obtain the Reward Vouchers, **prior to payment**, simply request reward dollars for "Cherrybrook Public School". These "Reward Vouchers" can then be dropped off at the front office. Accumulated "**Reward Vouchers**" can then be redeemed for purchasing school equipment or perhaps products to be used for raffles or school fundraising.

Please consider supporting this valuable program, please call me on 0419 604 354 should you have any questions. Thank you for your continual support.

Jayne Spasojevic  
On behalf of the P & C

REGIONAL LITTLE ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

The Regional Little Athletics Carnival was held at Mingara Oval, on 21 and 22 February 2009. John I qualified to run in the 100m and 200m track events at the Regional Championships, by coming 4<sup>th</sup> in the 100m final and 1<sup>st</sup> in the 200m final at Zone held in December.

In the 100m heat he came 3<sup>rd</sup>, and in the final came 5<sup>th</sup> with a time of 14.66. In the 200m heat he came 2<sup>nd</sup>, and in the final came 3<sup>rd</sup> with a time of 29.64. This qualifies him to represent his Region at the State Track and Field Championships to be held at Homebush on the weekend of 21 and 22 March 2009.



Emma S and Eliza W went to region. Emma ran in the 400m and 800m. She came 6<sup>th</sup> in the 400 heat and 10<sup>th</sup> in the 800m. Emma got personal bests in both races.

Eliza competed in the long jump and the 70m. She came 3<sup>rd</sup> in her 70m heat and came 6<sup>th</sup> in her final. Eliza got a personal best in the 70m final, but unfortunately she didn't get to the next level. In her long jump final, Eliza came 7<sup>th</sup>. Fantastic results, Eliza, Emma and John!



2009 SWIMMING CARNIVAL

Great weather and a group of enthusiastic competitors made our Swimming Carnival very successful. We had the highest number of entrants in Butterfly and the 8 year old Freestyle races. Congratulations to all the children who competed.

Thank you to all the parents who volunteered. We greatly appreciate your ongoing support at our sporting events. Teachers were kept busy and along with our parent helpers enabled the Carnival to run smoothly.

One very long standing record was broken on the day. James C broke the 1985 Senior Boy Breaststroke record. His time was 44.36 and the old record was 48.53. Exceptional swimming by James!

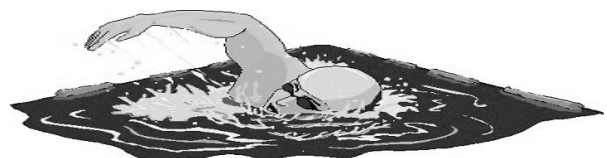
The House results for this year's carnival were:

1st	Wrens	592 points
2nd	Kookaburras	495 points
3rd	Currawongs	359 points
4th	Rosellas	333 points



Our school swimming champions for 2009 : -

<b><u>Swimming Champions</u></b>		
<b>Junior Boy</b>	<b>Michael C</b>	<b>(W)</b>
<b>11yr Boy</b>	<b>Owen G</b>	<b>(K)</b>
<b>Senior Boy</b>	<b>James C</b>	<b>(W)</b>
<b>Junior Girl</b>	<b>Whitney S</b>	<b>(K)</b>
<b>11yr Girl</b>	<b>Emily M</b>	<b>(R)</b>
<b>Senior Girl</b>	<b>Miriam F</b>	<b>(W)</b>



**Runner Up Swimming Champions**

**Junior Boy** Joshua L (W)  
**11yr Boy** Brennan F (C)  
**Senior Boy** Jack P (W)

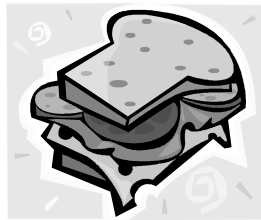
**Junior Girl** Emma S (C)  
**11Yr Girl** Ashleigh R (W)  
 Julia D (W)  
**Senior Girl** Alison F (K)

The Zone Swimming Carnival was held on Tuesday March 10 at Ryde Aquatic Centre Pool.

J Rowtleip

**CANTEEN NEWS**

If you are available to assist in the canteen for a day or even a hour or two, please drop in and see us or phone 9875 3269.

**This Week's Roster:****Wednesday 11 March:**

Narelle Cousins, Liz Schembri,  
 11-1.45: Gabby Martin.

**Thursday 12 March:**

Jo Whereat, Michelle Gough,  
**HELPER NEEDED.**

**Friday 13 March:**

Jayne Spasojevic, Kylie Winkcup, Denise D'Amore,  
 Karen Seamons.

**Next Week's Roster:****Monday 16 March:**

Di Jesse, Ros Fung.

**Tuesday 17 March:**

Elizabeth Hunter, Karen Gardiner,  
 11-1.45: Bron Poole.

**Wednesday 18 March:**

Heather Laherty, Priya Desai,  
 11-1.45: Shyama Ratnam.

**Thursday 19 March:**

Cassandra Collins, Dharni Chanmugan, Sharrie  
 Hodder.

**Friday 20 March:**

Alanna Paterson, Alison Baker, Sharrie Hodder.

**# Just a reminder about a Fresh Fruit and Vegetable promotion. Buy Frozen Pineapple rings, frozen Orange wedges, Apples or Carrot Sticks and receive a stamp. Collect 5 stamps and win a prize. All entries go into the end of term Movie Ticket Voucher Draw.**

**# New Product for 2009: Mini JJ Noodle Snacks. They come in two flavours: Chicken and BBQ and cost 40 cents per packet.**

**# Just a reminder FUZE DRINKS are no longer available.**

We thank all of the above parents and helpers/carers for their time given in helping to provide this service for the children of Cherrybrook Public School.

Nicole Digby and Sue Canty.  
 Canteen Managers

**TIPS FROM THE DET**

Get involved at school.

Research shows that students perform better at school when their parents or carers take an active interest in their school work. There are many ways to get involved.

In your child's classroom:

- listening to children read
- helping children on the computers
- helping set up craft activities
- organising a special event
- helping with school excursions

At school:

- serving at the canteen
- helping with raising funds
- you may have a special skill or expertise to offer, such as coaching a team, playing an instrument or giving a talk about your job.

**DIARY DATES**

**13 March:** Cyclical Sport  
**17 March:** Yr 2 Gym  
 Paul Kelly Cup  
**19 March:** Selective High School Test  
**20 March:** Harmony Day  
 Cyclical Sport