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23 September 2022

Principal's Report

Dear Parents and Carers,

It hard to believe we are at the end of Term 3! Our students have been very hard at work this term. Students thoroughly enjoyed participating in the gymnastics program and were keen to use their new skills each week.

We would like to wish Ms Brooklyn all the best as she has commenced her maternity leave and we look forward to visits with the new baby next term. Ms Celine is now the relieving Assistant Principal Juniors. We are looking forward to Ms Tamie returning next term as she has been on leave. A big congratulations to Mr Luke who has been successful in the merit selection of Assistant Principal at Greenacre PS for the support unit. We thank Mr Luke for all his work with our students and across the school.

Chalmers Road School celebrated our amazing SAS staff in Week 7 and we are lucky to have amazing SAS staff working with us from our administration staff through to our classroom SLSOs. Our SAS staff are an important part of our school and partners in all students learning.

Students have enjoyed participating in additional programs such as weekly tennis at Strathfield Sports Club and Shining Stars Music. There is a buzz as they leave and when they return. The coaches at Strathfield Sports Club are very keen to keep the program with our students going.

Congratulations to our students who participated in the opening of the Operation Art Showcase on Saturday at the Armory. Not even the brief rain periods stopped their amazing performance. A special highlight on the day was Khoder playing Skyful of Stars on the Keyboard to begin the student dance performance. A big thank you to our staff, Natalie P, Celine and Liam for supporting the students and our families who also came along for the opening.

Don't miss out on the fun of our Trivia Night on Saturday 12 November 2022. Strathfield Council is supporting us this year with the hall hire. Come and play trivia, have some nice food and win some prizes as we raise funds to build a roof over the pool and retractable sides. We are seeking donations for prizes, if you are able to assist, please contact the school. Raffle tickets have now gone out to all families, staff, and the community, so please get these raffle tickets back to school as soon as possible for your chance to win one of the amazing prizes. It is a fun night so mark it in your diaries.

Have a safe and restful break. We look forward to seeing everyone in Term 4.

Michelle Davies
Principal

Upcoming Events

What's Happening at Chalmers Road School

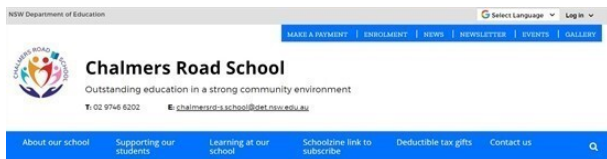
Term 3 2022	
Friday 23 September	Last day of Term 3
Term 4 2022	
Monday 10 October	Students return Term 4
Monday 24 October	P&C Meeting – morning 9am
Monday 14 November	Parent Forum
Friday 25 November	Last Day for Year 12 students
Wednesday 7 December	Year 12 Graduation
Monday 19 December	Last day of Term 4

Student Accounts

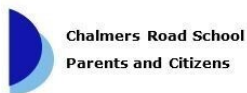


Parents are able to make payments for school fees and any other expenses through the Make a Payment tab on the school website at the link below. This is an easy and secure way to make payments

<https://chalmersrd-s.schools.nsw.gov.au/>



P&C Meeting



The next meeting for the P&C will be held on Monday 24 October 2022 at 9.30 am start.

Meeting will be via Zoom.

All parents, carers and friends of Chalmers Road School welcome.

School Uniforms

School uniforms encourage students to feel part of our community

Our uniform is designed to:

- Meet the requirements of occupational health and safety, anti-discrimination and equal opportunity legislation
- Include items that are affordable, comfortable and made from easy-care and easy-wear fabrics
- Be appropriate for the full range of school activities
- Learn more about the NSW Department of Education's School Uniform Policy

<https://education.nsw.gov.au/policy-library/policies/pd-2004-0025>

Chalmers Road School uniform supplier is Unison Designs

To order the uniform online visit the link below.

<https://chalmersrd.unisondesigns.com.au/>

or P: 0421 774 394 E: info@unisondesigns.net

Attendance Award

Congratulations on your excellent attendance rate this year – 99.3%.



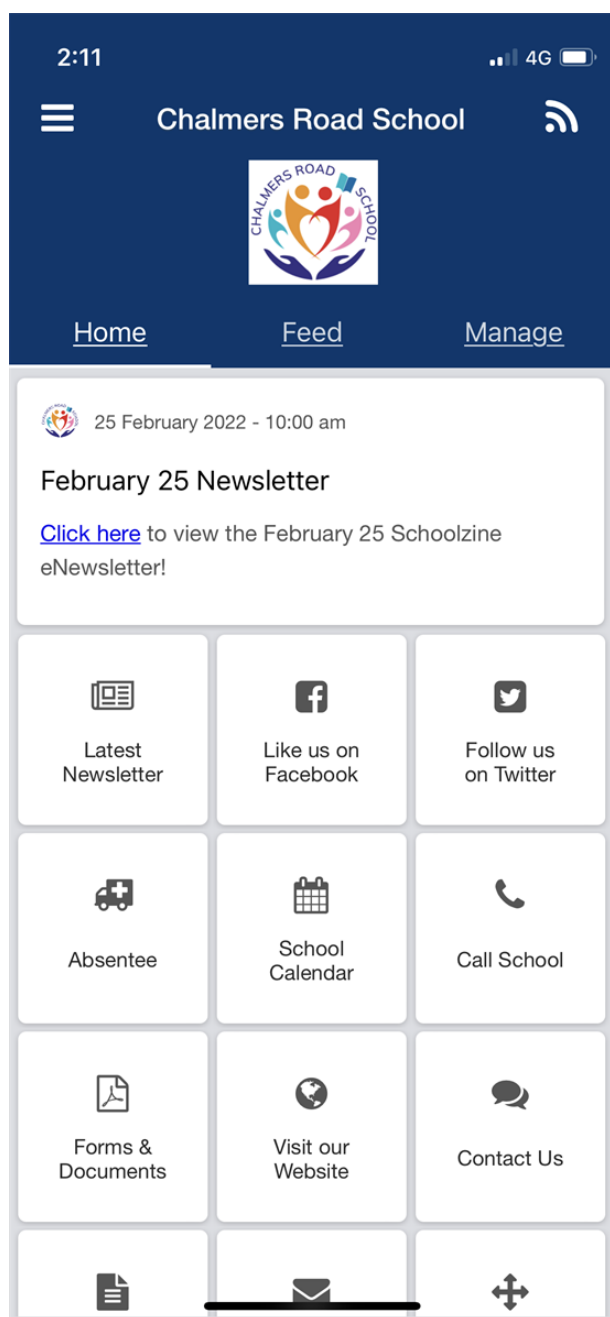
Thank you for showing their continued commitment to learning. Well done!

Student Absent – what to do

You can: –

- Ring the school and advise
- Email the school to advise
- Send the school a message on the Schoolzine App, open the Absentee Tab on the app and send the school a message (see photo).

It is a legal requirement that the school be notified as to why your child is away for more than 2 days and a Medical Certificate is required.



School Therapists

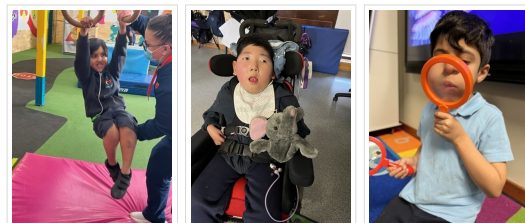
Chalmers Road School has a large number of therapists who work in collaboration with our staff to support student learning and engagement. We work towards building partnerships in working towards students personalised learning and support plans (PLSP). It is important that therapists who wish to work collaboratively with the school follow the correct protocols. This includes parents contacting the school to discuss therapist attending Chalmers Road School, the therapist or provider to then provide all mandatory training and read and acknowledge the school agreement. We look forward to continually building positive partnerships with parents, therapists and the wider community.

Green Class

Green Class had a wonderful Term 3. We have been engaging and enjoying completing learning activities. During this term we had Science Week and Book Week. Thank you to the parents

that organised costumes and for the students that dressed up. In Science week students used magnifying glasses and made kaleidoscopes exploring in the theme, Glass: More than meets the eye. Green Class have been busy learning their phonics and sight words in weekly lessons. Gymnastics has been a favourite and memorable activity throughout this term. We have had an exciting term.

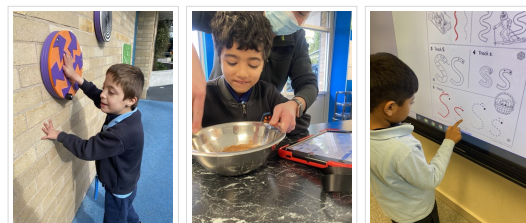
Tania and Shelly



Yellow Class

The students in Yellow Class are having a productive and fun end to Term 3. As part of our Entertainment unit in English, students have been learning to identify characters and key items in a story through using visuals and puppets. In our Paddock to Plate program for Science, students are learning how to identify living and non-living things, and what living things need to survive. Yellow Class continue to work hard towards achieving their learning goals by increasing their writing, number and self-help skills. We have also really enjoyed exploring other parts of the school like the high school and middle school playgrounds. Thank you to our families for supporting us this term, we hope you have a restful and safe school holiday!

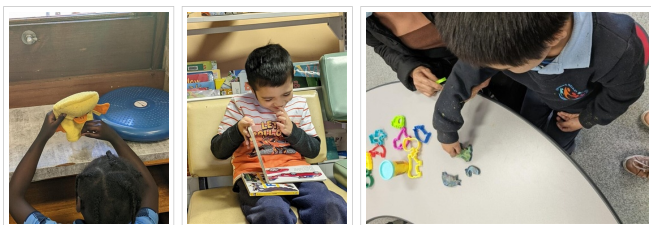
Celine and Helen



Red Class

Red class are having lots of fun on their walks during Community Access, pointing to birds, dogs and other items they spot on the way. They have been viewing different forms of entertainment this term including music, movies, stories, plays as well as using costumes and puppets to depict different characters. Red class enjoy reading lots of books each week in class and in the library developing their fine motor skills in how to turn the pages correctly. They have been matching visuals of 2D and 3D shapes and holding examples of them both in the classroom and on the playground. In Science they are having lots of fun viewing books, videos, pictures and holding animal toys to learn about different foods and the many environments animals live in. Red class celebrated Are you Okay? Day with songs and creating beautiful drawings that show it is okay to have different feelings and to ask for help if you need it. Term 3 has been quite an entertaining one, we wish you all a lovely break.

Kathleen and Sarah (SLSO)



Pink Class has been refining our fine motor skills when we made our fruit salad again during cooking



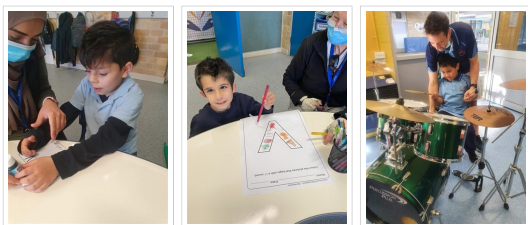
We explored different types of forces when we stretched and squeezed bread dough in science lesson



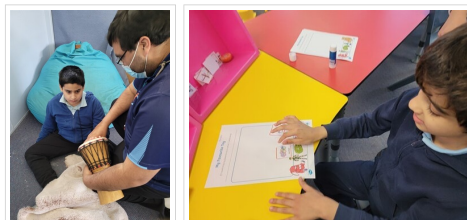
Blue Class

Blue class have made great efforts this term and continue to show their love for learning. In Science, we have been learning about how farm animals provide us with warm clothes and food such as eggs and milk. We have been enjoying our Creative Arts lessons, especially when we can have a play on the drums with Mr Liam. Blue Class like completing a range of “Letter of the Week” activities as part of our Phonics program. We would like to wish our Blue Class families a wonderful and safe school holiday, and we look forward to seeing you next term!

Tamie and Laura



“Thank you for the music...and the joy they’re bringing” – rhythm and tempo were the latest elements we learned this term. It’s hard to make a decision sometimes, but Pink class students learned this important skill when we had to decide on our favourite toy



Pink Class

On Thursday 8th of September, we celebrated R U OK? Day, where we did some colouring in and dancing to the R U OK? Day song

Magenta Class

Magenta class have been busy practicing and learning new skills.

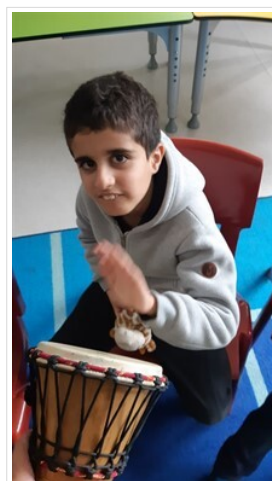
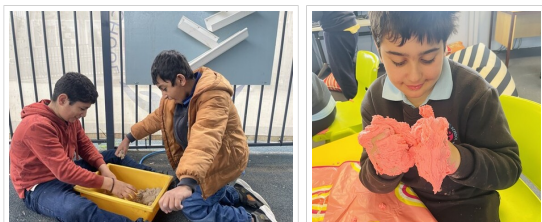
Students have had a great time stretching, rolling, balancing, and jumping during our Gymnastics program.

Students have been looking at Measurement and Length for Mathematics, types of Entertainment for English and push and pull forces during Science. A highlight has been looking at 'Aladdin' the musical and re-enacting the magic carpet ride.

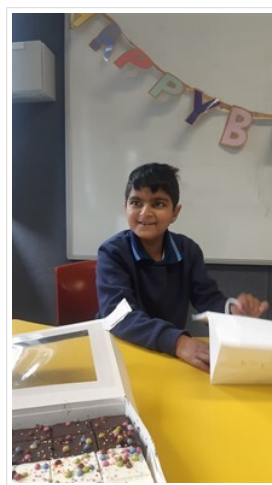
Students have very much enjoyed the MAD program (music, art and dance) exploring different musical instruments, mime as well as work by artist Henri Matisse.

We are looking forward to a creative rest of the year and hope everyone has a happy and safe holiday break.

Natalie & Chloe



We also had a fun time celebrating a class birthday (Happy Birthday Rishi!),

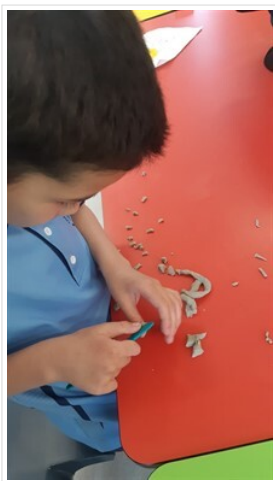


Teal Class

Teal Class have had an exciting time during the second part of the term. Making kaleidoscopes



and learning about push and pull in Science has been one of our highlights.



looking at different books, movies and theatre acts for English; and eating yummy foods we made during Cooking.



We can't wait to see what Term 4 will hold!

Joel and Linda

along with playing instruments to our favourite tunes for Music.

Orange Class

Welcome to the second newsletter of Orange Class for Term 3! We have been very busy these past few weeks and have lots of new and exciting things to share with you.

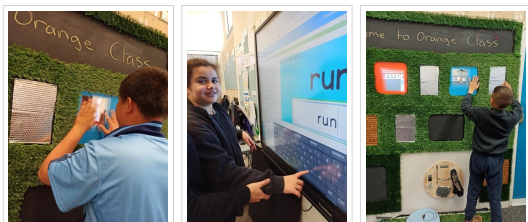
In English, we have been learning about different types of entertainment through exploring popular nursery rhymes,

fables, games, dramatic performances, and music by viewing the text, reading the text, and responding.

In mathematics, we have been learning about money by going around to each class and taking the staff member's orders and giving change when necessary ready for cooking on Wednesday.

In science, we have been learning about the chemical world especially focusing on plastic, wood, and glass. We have also been cooking food that we like once a week Thursday.

The students have been enjoying the new sensory wall.



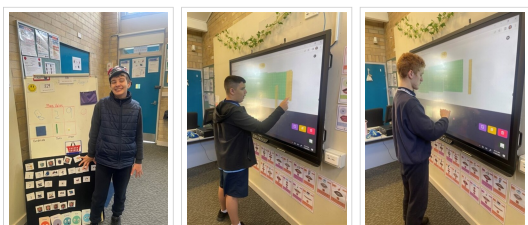
Audrey and Chrissy

Purple Class

Purple Class has been working extremely hard this term. In English students have been studying entertainment. We have read stories such as The Three Little Pigs, Charlie and the Chocolate Factory and Charlotte's Web and created drawings of the characters. We then have then animated these characters using online programs to create cartoons of the story.



In Mathematics we have been focusing on place value. Students have used hundreds, tens, and one's blocks to represent three-digit numbers given to them. By breaking the numbers up into these categories all students have been able to represent the random numbers given to them.



There have been so many events this term that Purple Class has loved participating in. During Science Week students investigated Glass creating kaleidoscopes and making music using glass bottles. Book week was especially exciting. All the students loved dressing up as their favourite characters and parading their costumes to the rest of the school.

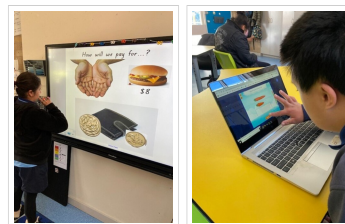


Banksia Class

Banksia Class have really enjoyed learning new skills throughout the term. Students have recognised how to count and collate data using tallies. During community access, we have recognised the least and most popular car colours by taking data while on a nice walk.



Students have enjoyed learning about addition, subtraction, whole numbers and money through the use of digital technology, accessing their own learning portal on Splash Learn. Banksia Class have teamed up with Kangaroo Paw class to role play a shopping scenario and build on our social and money skills.



Liam and Eaman wish everyone a safe and happy holiday break and we'll see you back in Term 4!

Kangaroo Paw Class

Kangaroo Paw has been working hard this term to further develop their literacy and numeracy skills.

We have spent time engaging in group reading activities and have developed our writing skills while enjoying a unit of work on entertainment.

During numeracy activities, we have learned how to collect data and have compiled information through a series of tallies and graphs. We have also had the opportunity to further develop our money handling skills by visiting the classroom shop in Banksia Class.

A highlight of our term has been the opportunity to celebrate Jaden's birthday together.

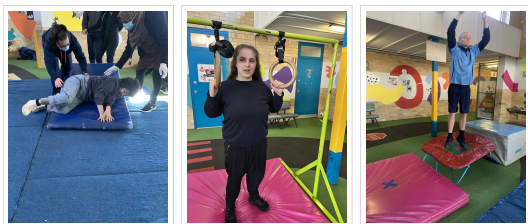
We have also had the opportunity to acknowledge R U OK? Day through artworks and written activities.

Chris and Eman would like to wish all of our families a safe and restful holiday.

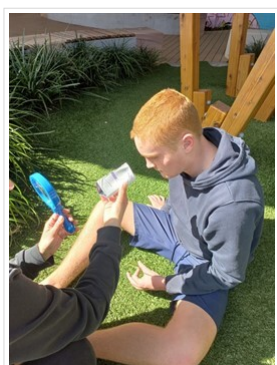


Wattle Class

The students in Wattle Class have really enjoyed the additional opportunities they got to participate in this term. The gymnastics program was a favourite, and the students enjoyed jumping, tumbling, and balancing on specialised gymnastics equipment.



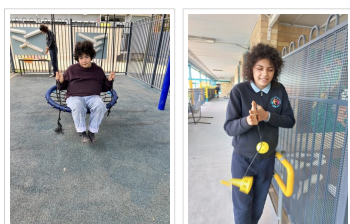
The activities for Science Week were also very interesting, and the students enjoyed conducting experiments and observations to explore the properties and uses of glass. Watching a video of a glassmaker in action was very relaxing!



Drama lessons were fun as always, and the students especially enjoyed dressing up in different costumes whilst exploring the physical space of the environment around them, their "stage."



Participating in sport with the other high school classes as part of the electives program allowed students to engage in activities with other students not necessarily in their own class.



We wish everyone a safe and happy holidays and look forward to lots more learning next term.

Sophie, Lubna, and Erica.

What's Been Happening

Café

Welcome to the cafe! We are excited to have high school students helping out in the kitchen this term. They have been cooking different foods like Fried rice and chocolate cupcakes. Singapore noodles and brownies. Sausage rolls and white chocolate, custard & raspberry desserts in a cup. Chicken/ Salad wraps and blueberry muffins, and lastly, schnitzel salad and apple crumble were all served to the staff members on a Wednesday. The students always look forward to learning new skills and learning how to use the equipment each week.



Audrey

Tennis

In Term 3, our tennis program will continue to provide students with the opportunity to learn and improve their skills. We have 10 weeks of classes planned, and each class will have a maximum of 15 students.

We will be using the Strathfield Sports Club as our venue, and all of our classes will be taught by experienced and qualified tennis coaches. Our goal is to provide students with a fun and supportive environment where they can learn and grow as tennis players.



Audrey

Dance Performance Group

The Dance Performance Group lit up the stage on the weekend at the Operation Art Opening at Sydney Olympic Park!

Chalmers Road School students performed a taster of the finale dance to be performed at The Shining Stars Showcase on the 11th of November at Campbelltown Arts Centre.

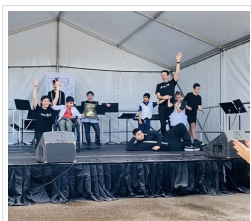
We are very happy the rain stopped to show-off and celebrate talent and students giving heart in all that they do. Everyone

had a great time, and the audience created a wonderful outdoor performance atmosphere with their loud cheering!

We are very proud of our students who shined on stage and look forward to performance opportunities ahead.

Creative & Performing Arts Team-

Nat P (Magenta class & Drama/Dance Teacher), Liam Annesley (Banksia Class & Music Teacher), Celine Dela Cruz (Relieving Assistant Principal & Music Teacher) and Michelle Davies (Principal)



Drama

Students across the school have shown excellent engagement and enthusiasm exploring props and costume during Drama. Looking forward to a creative year of bringing stories to life.

Nat P (Drama/Dance Teacher)



Science Week

Students had a lot of fun with Science Week. It was held from the 13th to the 21st of August. The theme this year was Glass. Students explored how glass is made, looked at unconventional materials using a magnifying glass and telescope, used mirrors to create kaleidoscopes, made music using glass and water and created our own edible glass using hard candy. Students loved engaging in all the activities and looking at material that we see in our daily life differently.

