

CHATHAM PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

ISSUE 11 – 24 JUNE 2022
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Diary Dates

Date	Event
Monday 11 July	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Term 3 Commences
Wednesday 13 July	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Year 4/5 Excursion to Chinese Museum
Thursday 14 July	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Parent Helpers Course Prep – Year 2, 9:30 – 10:30am
Monday 18 July	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Finance Committee Meeting 5:00 – 6:00pm
Tuesday 19 July	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Year 6 Excursion to CERES
Thursday 21 July	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Free Dress Day (all students) – Fundraiser for Cancer Research (Gold Coin Donation)
Friday 22 July	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Professional Practice Day - No Students at School
Wednesday 27 July	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• AFL Girls Boroondara Division
Friday 29 July	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Chatham Parents Club Meeting 9:15 – 10:15am
Mon 1 – Fri 12 Aug	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Prep – Year 6 Intensive Swimming Program – Bialik College
Monday 8 August	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Finance Committee Meeting 5:00 – 6:00pm
Wednesday 10 August	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Years 4-6 House Athletics Carnival – Bill Sewart Athletics Track, Burwood East• Communication & School Development Committee Meeting 5:00 – 6:00pm
Monday 15 August	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• School Council Meeting 7:00 – 9:00pm
Thursday 25 August	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• District Athletics - selected students only
Friday 26 August	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Curriculum Day - No Students at School



As we come to the end of this term, I am grateful that we have been able to maintain our classroom and specialists programs despite the impact of COVID and Influenza on schools, particularly as we now face a significant shortage of teachers across Victoria.

It has continued to be an engaging, eventful, and successful Term as we have progressed our school and been driven to excel in so many areas.

Just a few brief matters of interest.

Staffing Matters

We wish Mrs Jessica Wilson the greatest of enjoyment as she takes leave for Terms Three and Four. We are extremely grateful for the drive, commitment and capacities Mrs Wilson has brought to the role in 2022 of Physical Education and Sports Teacher and also as generalist teacher of Year 3DW. I am delighted to advise that Ms Catherine Townsend will replace Mrs Wilson in Year 3DW on Mondays and Tuesdays. Ms Townsend is well known to our students, staff and parents.

At this stage we are in the process of selecting a replacement for the Physical Education and Sport role for Terms Three and Four. We have advertised extensively and are in a selection process at the time of writing. I hope to advise you as appropriate early in Term Three of the appointment.

Parent Teacher Discussions – An opportunity Not To Be Missed

At the time of writing these are continuing and, if for some reason you have missed this opportunity this week, please contact your child's teacher to make another mutually acceptable time early in Term Three. This will be done via WebEx for the foreseeable future. Additionally, I would urge parents to refer to the *Areas for Future Learning* detailed for their child in Mathematics and English. In most cases there exists a real and plausible opportunity for parents to use experiences at home or in community interactions to further these areas for their child.

Professional Practice Days – Term Three and Four

You will be aware that the following dates are remaining as Curriculum Days for 2022. All schools have four of such days per year and students do not attend school on these days.

- Friday 26th August 2022
- Friday 17th November 2022

As of Monday 20th June 2022, I have received direction from the Department of Education and Training that teachers are to be provided two professional practice days for 2022 as part of their entitlement under the proposed Victorian Government Schools Agreement 2022. The DET has decreed that to ease the burden and cost of replacement teaching staff, the Professional Practice Day for Term Three can be held on a common day for all teachers in a school. After consultation with the School Council and Teaching Staff, I have decided that this day will be **Friday 22nd July 2022**. Students will not attend school on this day.

The purpose of such days is multifaceted for teachers. It may be used for the development of planning documents; assessment; data analysis of student achievement; implementation strategies and creation of resources; curriculum development; understanding and exploration of emerging and changing DET policies and requirements, along with a host of other matters. After consultation with staff, we will prioritise how this day will be effectively used.

Communication Strategy

In the world of the 24/7 news cycle, social media platforms, expectant and changing events and lives, it can be overwhelming to gain a sense of where information is being provided in a school community and more importantly, what is *actually accurate*. Attached to this newsletter is a *Communication Strategy* we shared with the School Council recently. Importantly, it gives a great sense of where *accurate* information can be expected to be provided in a sensible and timely manner.

Most importantly, *within our resources*, we strive to keep the calendar of our web site up to date at www.chathamps.vic.edu.au which we encourage you to refer to in relation to dates and events.

I am pleased to advise further that we are exploring a new platform for our newsletter which will enable it to be readily and easily accessible on mobile phones. I hope to have this in place in early Term Three.

Canteen – Term Three and Beyond

An opportunity exists for an energetic and committed parent or others to seek a role in managing and developing our Canteen. If you have an interest in this regard, please email the Principal directly at christopher.cotching@education.vic.gov.au More detailed information can then be provided to those interested. Applications for this position close by 4:00pm on Friday 8th July 2022.

Junior School Council

We are delighted with the work undertaken by our Junior School Council comprising Ella McPhee, Rose Clayton, Tim McGregor, Reece Middleton, Alex McDonald, Ryan Maclean, and Ryan Oswin who put two proposals to School Council on Monday night. The first involves a free dress day to raise funds for Cancer research after our students researched a number of cancer conditions. This will be held on Thursday 21st July 2022. Our Junior School Council will provide more information early in Term Three about the details and colours to be worn and what they represent. Apart from being a valuable fundraiser, this will also educate our community about cancer and its manifestations through life.

The second of such days will be a Chatham Footy Day to be held on Thursday 15th September. Students will be encouraged to wear their AFL team colours or if they prefer, the colours of a sports team that is of interest to them. The gold coin provided will be directed to raise funds for the *Fight Motor Neurone Disease*. Again, these dates have been placed on the Chatham Calendar for your convenience.

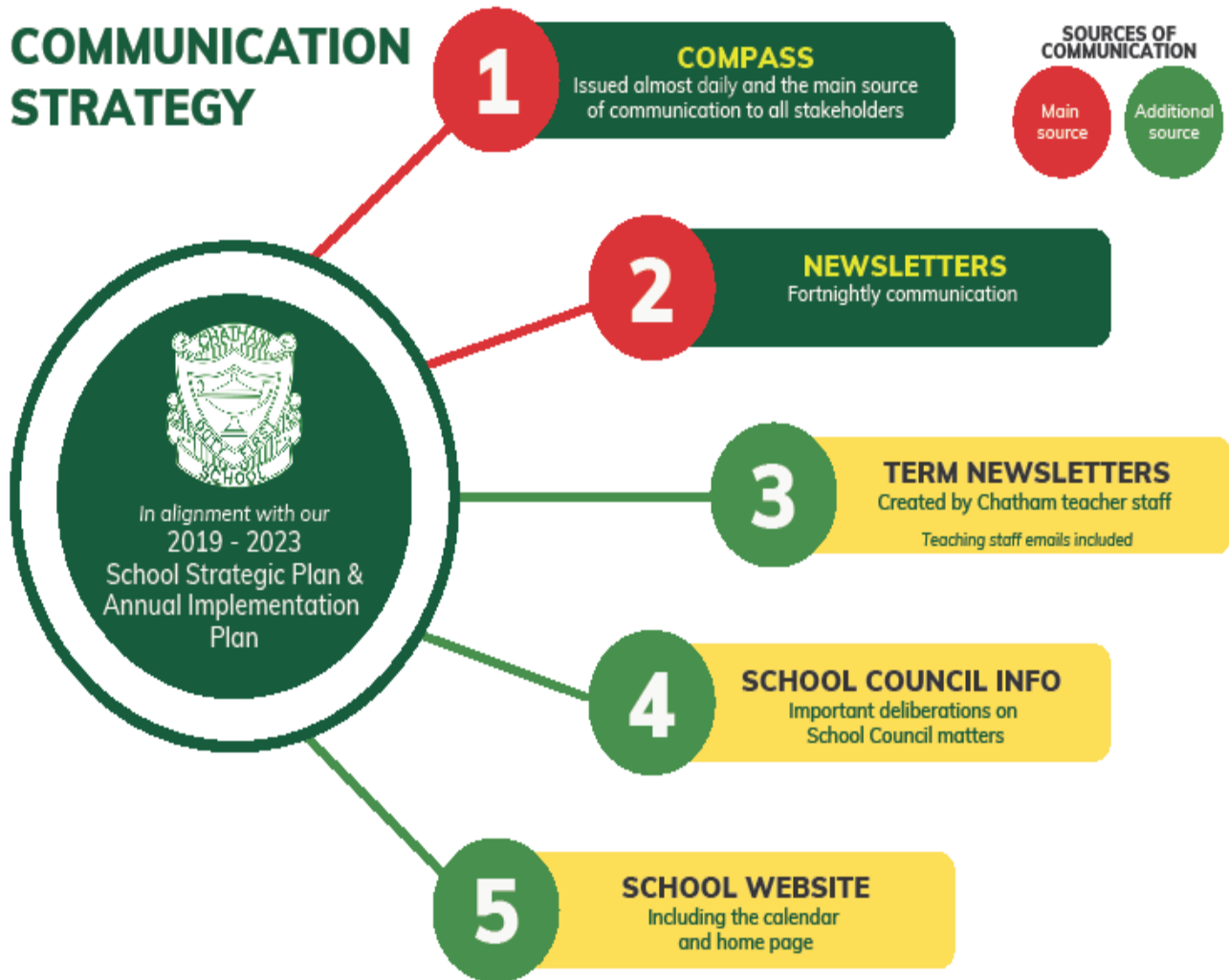
Family Statements for 2022

These were distributed on Tuesday 21st June. These statements detail all payments made towards 2022 Curriculum Contributions items and other contributions. Outstanding amounts where indeed this is the case are also listed. If you have not paid your 2022 Curriculum Contributions, we ask that you do so immediately. These funds are crucial to the direct support of all students in our school and enable us to realise our educational provision for all students over the entire year.

We hope that our students, staff, and families enjoy a restful and relaxed break over the coming fortnight and look forward to resuming on Monday 11th July 2022.

Christopher Cotching
Principal

COMMUNICATION STRATEGY



Occasionally, teaching staff or Education Support staff will communicate with parents via email re: matters concerning individuals.

CHATHAM PRIMARY SCHOOL 2022 | COMMUNICATION & SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT

The Chatham Primary School Council is looking to engage an independent Canteen Service Provider:

Hours - 10 hours a week (service Friday's for Term 3 – Term 4 neg)

Remuneration \$40 per hour – must have own ABN and GST reg (if applicable)

Certification – Food Safety Supervisor Certificate for a Class 2 Premises

For further information please contact our Principal,
Christopher Cotching

0431 473 466

christopher.cotching@education.vic.gov.au

COLLECTING YOUR CHILDREN DURING SCHOOL HOURS

If you are collecting your child during school hours for appointments, etc, please email your child's class teacher and the school office prior to 8:30am.

Teachers do not access emails during class time. Please avoid collecting students during recess and lunchtime.

When you arrive at the school to collect your child, please call the school office to arrange collection.

Morning recess: 11:00 - 11:30am

Lunch: 1:30 - 2:30pm

chatham.ps@education.vic.gov.au

Ph: 9830 1933

Please note, we deliver to school every Thursday.
Use code **DEL2SCHOOL** at checkout page for
free delivery

Uniform Shop- Opening Hours

Monday - Friday 9am- 5pm

Open Saturday 4th June 10am-1pm

Public Holiday Closure: 13th June

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TERM 3 KIDS YOGA @ CHATHAM PRIMARY

LUNCHTIME CLASSES with Nat Coulson
THURSDAYS
JUNIOR: PREP-YEAR 3

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STUDIO: LIGHT SPACE YOGA



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ABOUT OUR PROGRAM...




Through sun salutations, visualization, yoga poses, partner work, & fun games, our classes uncover many tools & techniques to achieve focus, empowerment, resilience, body awareness, & self-confidence.

Kids will learn how to discover calm, energy, balance & strength, & learn to love themselves, better connect & communicate with those around them, and truly discover what it feels like to simply 'be'.

By the end of our time together your child will have a yoga toolbox full of postures, mindfulness, visualization, and breathing techniques that they can forever dip into and benefit from.

\$135 FOR 8 CLASSES

Thursdays:
21 July- 8 Sept

 helloyogakids.com
 admin@helloyogakids.com
 0431 151 682

*P/1M, PCS & 1AB's Excursion to
the Library - June 2022*



Here each grade was able to take a short walk to the local Balwyn Library. The students learned about how a library works, explored different books, and listened to a story. The students had lots of fun! A big thank you to our Parent Helpers and to Balwyn Library.



Our Year 1 Excursion to Rippon Lea Estate



We really enjoyed learning how to be servants and using the carpet beater to get the dust off. - Charlie and Finn



I enjoyed exploring the mansion and looking at olden days stuff. - Dina



I liked learning how to play Tug of War. - Harry



Our Olden Day servant names were Mort and Matty and we learnt how to wash clothes. - Geri and Julia



I liked going into the mansion and washing the clothes. - Mabel.



'I went to Rippon Lea Estate with my class. My favourite game was tug of war.' - Emily.



'I liked when they gave us the names they said to us. Then the maids were very nice and let us in their house. It was very interesting.' - Charlie.



'I liked when we got to go into the mansion and learn about the servants.' - Mason.



'I liked when we played tug of war.' - Yusuf
'I liked the tug of war and find the spotting game at Rippon Lea Estate.' - Freya





End of Term 2
Instrumental
Performances



Year 3 Winter Solstice Celebrations

At 7:13pm on the 21st June 2022 the Southern hemisphere was tilted at its furthest point from the sun, creating the longest night of the year and subsequently the days falling either side are the shortest of the year. To celebrate the **winter solstice** Year 3 wore warm woolly wintery hats with wobbly pom poms waving wildly in the wind while waddling whimsically on a wonderful nature walk.



Amelie 3DW

There are cats. Small cats with bright eyes who run hunting for lots of small mice. They are not afraid of the dark at night. Night hunters.

Angela 3DW

There are bats. Tiny bats who loop above the grassy hills and fly in groups to hunt for tasty treats. Night hunters.



Year 3 Winter Solstice Celebrations

We were fortunate enough to have one of our science captains, Mary, join us. On our walk we counted deciduous trees (trees that drop their leaves in winter), more than 200 of them. We also picked up some fallen leaves for a winter display.



Later we settled down around our cosy fire to share stories with a wonderful reading of *The Very Sleepy Bear* by Mr Cotching who read the book with the voice of an angel. Students shared their winter poems, and gracefully sang songs. The year 3s had a blast!

Written by 3SN

James 3DW

There are foxes.
Great foxes who
scatter around.
'Oooooooooow.'
They jump so high.
Night dogs.

conor 3SN

Why?

Is the worst

Not hot

The best

Enjoyable

Radical

Morris 3SN

Wind

Incredibly cold

Not hot at all

Too cold

Empty of warmth

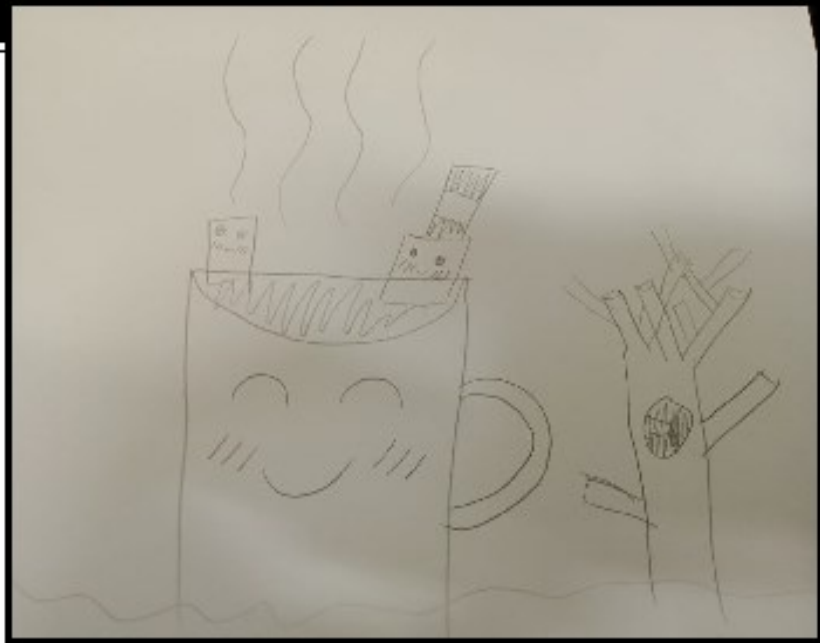
Really freezing

Year 3 Winter Solstice Celebrations



Winter Time by Georgia and Charlotte 3SN

Winter time is a time of year it is frosty and mossy like winter is.
You step outside and your fingers turn to icicles in the winter
wonderland go inside and get a warm drink.



Year 3 Winter Solstice Celebrations



PARENTS CLUB NEWS

chathamparentsclub@hotmail.com



**SEE YA NEXT
TERM**

FROM CHATHAM PARENTS CLUB

HAPPY HOLIDAYS CHATHAM, SEE YOU SOON!

Can you believe it's the end of Term 2 already? We'd like to extend huge thank you to, well all of you really, for supporting our fundraising events this year. It's great to see Chatham spirits lifting again. We look forward to our Kitchen Garden coming to fruition thanks to the funds we've managed to raise so far. There's more to come, so stay tuned for all the details.

Also, a big shout out to all our Canteen Volunteers, and in particular, to Belinda Dalton, who's selflessly given up her time to make sure we all have this incredible service. Have a safe and relaxing break!



**UPCOMING EVENTS
TERM 2**

**PARENTS' BIG
NIGHT OUT
SAT AUG 6**

Put the babysitter on standby for this guaranteed night of fun and frivolity. If you really want to know what the legendary Chatham social scene is all about, then make sure you're at this event.



Like

'Chatham Primary
Parents Club'



CHESS INCURSION AT CHATHAM PRIMARY

On Thursday 23 June
Year 1 and 2 students will be learning
to play chess. No registration required

REGULAR CHESS CLUB

For all interested students
from Prep to Year 6

- Tuesday lunch times 1.40 to 2.30pm
- Starts Tuesday 19 July for 8 weeks

CHESS

is the original and enduring "thought sport" played throughout the world and has many benefits for young people. These include improved cognitive skills as well as self confidence and resilience. With coaches who rank among the best players in the country our chess programs are tailored to suit the needs of all abilities.

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Learn Music

here at school

Come and join in the fun of learning to play piano, keyboard, guitar, flute, clarinet, saxophone, violin, drums or trumpet here at Chatham Primary School.

Creative Music for Schools conducts a music program here at school each week.

Small group classes or one-to-one lessons of up to 30 minutes give children an excellent grounding in music where they will learn to read music and play their chosen instrument.

Tuition costs from \$24.30 per lesson and enrolments are now being accepted for limited places in term 3.

Interested parents should contact Swee during office hours on 9818 2333 or via email: swee@creativemusic.com.au

 Creative Music
www.creativemusic.com.au



CHATHAM CHALLENGES

PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGE IN COST OF THE PROGRAM.



Coming up
Term 3, 2022 . . .

DINOSAUR DYNAMICS



Chatham Primary School

Students, by handling models, will find out what sort of dinosaurs existed, identifying and classifying them. Using wooden models, they will learn about fossils, where they are found and about carbon dating. Students will discover geological timelines and use some of the skills of palaeontologists. There will be constructions, art and craft activities. Senior students, will increase their knowledge and understanding of "Aussie" dinosaurs.

Chatham Challenges Application for 3rd Term, 2022

This program is available for all Grade 1 - Grade 6 children who have qualified

The unit for third term commences week beginning Monday 18th July.

The unit will run for 8 weeks commencing: **Monday 18th July, 25th July, 1st Aug, 8th Aug, 15th Aug, 22nd Aug, 29th Aug and 5th Sept.**

Teacher: Noel Blacker: Mobile 0409 435 396

X.....
I wish to enrol my child in the unit "Dinosaur Dynamics" starting week beginning Monday 18th July 2022..

Child's Name _____ School: Chatham Primary School

Date of Birth _____ Class (2022) _____

Parents' Names _____

Address _____

Phone: BH _____ AH _____ Mobile _____ Email: _____

My child has already qualified for Chatham Challenges YES/NO

I would like a free test for my child YES/NO.

I would like my child to be tested with a fuller assessment (assessment cost \$500 inc GST).

The cost of the program is \$276.10 (fees \$251 plus GST of \$25.10).

NB: Due to the Government increase of teachers' wages, please note the new cost of the program.

To access the Chatham Challenges program for 2nd Term 2022:

Please send the Enrolment form to Noel Blacker; email: noelblacker@bigpond.com by Thursday, 14th July 2022.

Payment of \$276.10 (inc GST) also needs to be received by Thursday 14th July 2022.

Payment: Access Re-Ed Services Pty Ltd, BSB 083218 Account No. 516636659 (Please include your Child's name, Grade and School so I know who the payment is for)

Please contact me, Pat Truscott, on mobile 0407 313 657 if you have any queries.



UKULELE @ CHATHAM PS

Enrolling Now

TIK kids  **LOTS of different things**

Learning how to play the ukulele with Tuned In Kids really does help children be their best selves!

- Nurtures resilience & emotional literacy
- Exceptional music education
- Exploration, Joy and Fun
- Curiosity & creativity
- Values mistakes as learning opportunities
- Framework for Learning



Thank you for the wonderful experiences you have given our three children since 2012. They love learning the uke.

The way Yanai has encouraged our boys to overcome their nerves, and create and perform their own songs – truly exceptional.

Becky, mum of Tom, Daniel and John

Weekly small group classes
Ukulele - excellent
beginning/second instrument
In School @ Chatham PS
Perfect for Preps and beyond



Find out more at
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or call Dassana on
0418 356 574

Come and join the Chatham Canteen Crew!



Providing nutritious food in our canteen is a vital step in helping kids set up healthy routines and habits for life. Our canteen is run with the help of a crew of volunteers from our school community working together. Your kids will love seeing you lend a hand in the canteen!

If you can spare any time to join our crew and help prepare and serve food at our canteen, we would very much appreciate a hand. It's easy and fun work with on-the-job training and you can dedicate as much or as little time as you like. We have short shifts (9am-12pm or 12.00pm-2.15pm) and long shifts (9am-2.15pm) available on Fridays throughout Term 2. Most volunteers do one shift per month, but we also need a team of on-call volunteers in case someone is unavailable for their regular shift.

If you would like to know more about this fun volunteering opportunity, please contact Belinda Dalton at belindadalton@me.com



CHATHAM CANTEEN MENU

TERM 2, 2022

PLACE ALL ORDERS ON OKR! BY 9AM THURSDAY FOR FRIDAY CANTEEN SERVICE

Snacks

Piece of Fruit - apple	\$1.20
Piece of Fruit - banana	\$1.20
Vegetable Sticks; cucumber & carrot	\$2.00
Wholegrain Rice Crackers	\$1.00
Cheese & Wholegrain	\$3.00
Rice Crackers	
Hommus Dip	\$1.40
Fruit Toast: 2 slices	\$2.00
Hot Cross Bun; butter	\$2.00
Ginger Teddy	\$2.50
Popcorn	\$2.00
Banana Bread	\$3.00
Yoghurt Squeeze:	\$2.50
Strawberry	
Bananarama Smoothie	\$5.00
Very Berry Strawberry Smoothie	\$5.00

Drinks

100% Fruit Juice :	
Just Juice	
- Apple	\$2.50
- Orange	\$2.00
- Apple & Blackcurrant	\$2.50



Lunch

Sushi (GF)

Chicken Sushi	\$3.80
Tuna Sushi	\$3.80
Vegetarian Sushi	\$3.80
Avocado Sushi	\$3.80

Sandwiches

On Wholemeal Bread	
Vegemite	\$2.50
Cheese	\$3.00
Cheese & Vegemite	\$3.50
Ham	\$3.50
Ham & Cheese	\$4.00
Cheese & Tomato	\$4.00
Ham, Cheese & Tomato	\$4.50

Hot Food

Spiral Pasta&Tomato sauce	\$5.00
Spiral Pasta&Tomato Sauce with Cheese	\$5.50
Sausage Rolls (party size)	\$2.00
Hot Potato Wedges	\$4.00
Crumbed Chicken plus Wedges & Salad	\$7.00
Pumpkin & Spinach Veggie Bites, Yumi's (GF) x 4 bites	\$3.00
Mini Pizza : Margherita	\$3.50
Mini Piza : Hawaiian	\$4.00
Mac'n'Cheese'n'Veg shaped in snack sized muffin	\$1.50

Toasted Sandwiches

On Wholemeal Bread	
Cheese	\$3.00
Cheese & Vegemite	\$3.50
Ham	\$3.50
Ham & Cheese	\$4.00
Cheese & Tomato	\$4.00
Ham, Cheese & Tomato	\$4.50



CHATHAM CANTEEN MENU

TERM 2, 2022

PLACE ALL ORDERS ON QKR! BY 9AM THURSDAY FOR FRIDAY CANTEEN SERVICE

Wraps

Salad	\$5.00
Cheese & Salad	\$5.50
Chicken, Lettuce & Mayo	\$6.50

Sauces

Tomato Sauce	\$0.40
Soy Sauce	\$0.40
Mayonnaise	\$0.40
Aioli	\$0.40



Frozen Desserts

Icy poles	\$1.50
99% fruit juice Berry Quelch	\$1.20
Frosty Fruits - Tropical	\$2.00
Frosty Fruits - Watermelon	\$2.00
Frozen Yoghurt - Strawberry	\$2.80
Frozen Yoghurt - Wild Berry	\$2.80
Frozen Yoghurt - Mango	\$2.80

Chatham Canteen classifies food and drink on the menu as **Everyday (Green)**, **Select Carefully (Amber)** and **Occasionally (Red)** based on their nutritional content.

Premiers' Reading Challenge

Dear Parents and Carers,

The Premiers' Reading Challenge is now open for all students across the school! This presents a wonderful opportunity for the whole school community to engage in a fun annual challenge that encourages reading routines, develops literacy skills and fosters a lifelong love of reading.

Students in Prep-Year 2 are encouraged to achieve their target of reading 20 challenge books and 10 choice books throughout their participation in the competition. Students in Years 3-6 are encouraged to achieve their target of reading 10 challenge books and 5 choice books throughout their participation in the competition this year. All participants who achieve their goal will be awarded a certificate at Assembly after the competition closes on the 2nd of September, 2022.



Today all students will receive their Premiers' Reading Challenge login access details. Please sign in to log any books from the challenge that your child reads at home. Classroom teachers will also enter the books read with students at school throughout the duration of the challenge. To log books on the challenge, please follow the instructions below:

1. Follow the link: <https://vprc.eduweb.vic.gov.au/home>
2. Click 'Sign in'
3. Click 'VPRC login'
4. Enter your child's username
5. Enter your child's password
6. Click 'Login'
7. Then click on the 'Search Books' button to find and add any books that your child reads at home.

Please don't hesitate to contact your child's classroom teacher if you have any questions.

I wish all students the best of luck throughout their participation in the Premiers' Reading Challenge this year!