



Message from Monique

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Welcome back to school for Term 3! Here's to a positive and productive term of learning ahead. We have several things to look forward to such as gymnastics at Jet's Gym in Diamond Creek, Book Week celebrations and upcoming incursions.

I look forward to sharing these experiences along with our daily literacy and numeracy programs this term.

Kind Regards, Monique

Staffing news

We have checked in with Svetlana and are happy to report she is recovering well and looking forward to a return to Christmas Hills soon. All staff and students have been incredibly grateful for our 'Jane duo' for their work and dedication to not only our Quip Quip students, but to our whole school. We of course miss Svetlana, but it has also been lovely to have them both as part of our community.

Welcome back, Belinda! Belinda will be working in an education support role at Christmas Hills for the remainder of the year. We are incredibly lucky to have someone join the team whose strengths are building positive, respectful relationships and celebrating and supporting each and every one of our students here at Christmas Hills.

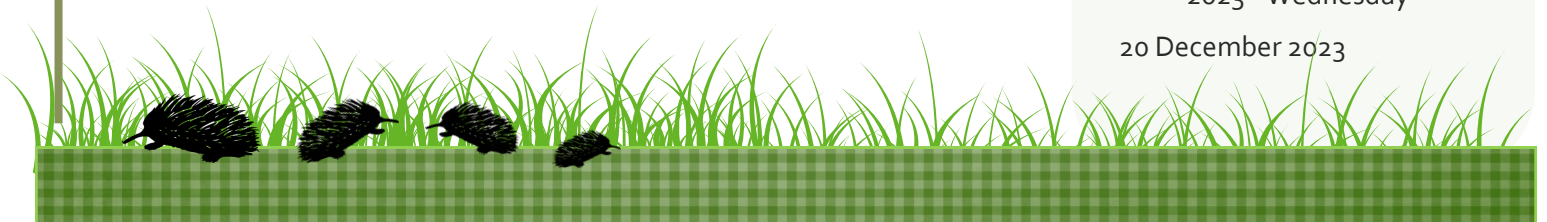
Term Two
21st July, 2023

Important Dates for Term 3

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Dates to Remember

- Term 1** - Monday 30 January 2023 - Thursday 6 April 2023
- Term 2** - Monday 24 April 2023 - Friday 23 June 2023
- Term 3** - Monday 10 July 2023 - Friday 15 September 2023
- Term 4** - Monday 2 October 2023 - Wednesday 20 December 2023



Our inquiry into Vikings!

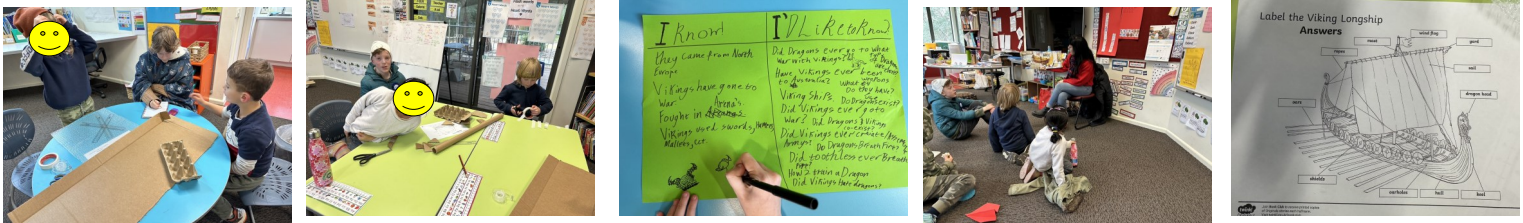
Hello families,

We have been learning about the Vikings as our history inquiry topic this term. The children are very interested and engaged and have been making some wonderful connections between life then and now. They have been making artefacts and will be sharing their learning in a presentation to you all on Friday 4 August at 3pm in the Quip Quip classroom.

We hope you can make it to celebrate their learning.

Kind regards

Jane Dempsey



Social and Personal Capabilities

In your child's Semester 1 report you will see a curriculum area assessed and reported on was, Social and Personal Capabilities.

Personal and Social Capability involves students in a range of practices including:

- Recognising and regulating emotions
- Developing empathy for others
- Understanding relationships
- Working effectively in teams
- Handling challenging situations constructively
- Developing leadership.

Personal Strengths

Children and young people need a vocabulary to help them recognise and understand strengths and positive qualities in themselves and others. Discussing and brainstorming personal strengths provides learning experiences to build this vocabulary and to use it when discussing personal, social and ethical challenges. Research in the field of positive psychology emphasises the importance of identifying and using individual strengths.



Social and emotional learning programs which use strength-based approaches promote student wellbeing, positive behaviour and academic achievement. This topic of personal strengths builds the personal and social capabilities in students.

As a school we have been discussing our personal strengths. Our lessons have focussed on developing the following skills and understandings:

- Describing personal strengths in self and others
- Identifying skills and strengths they wish to develop

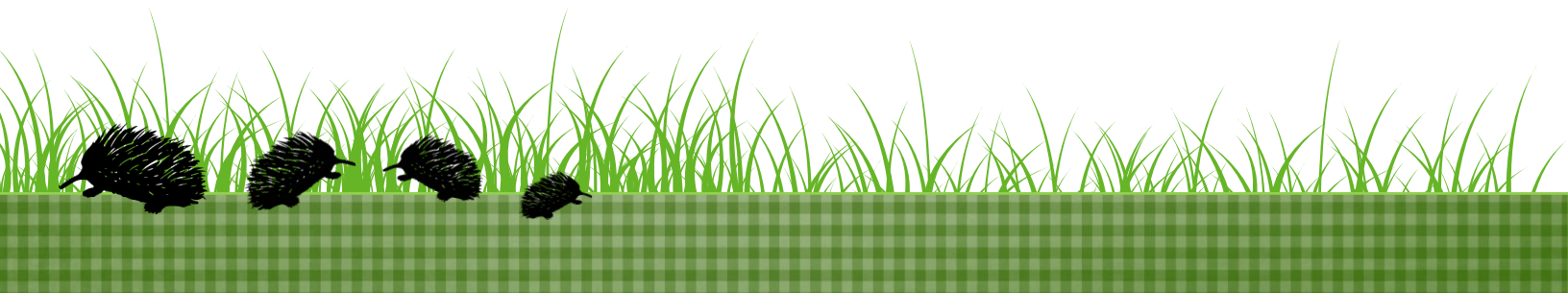
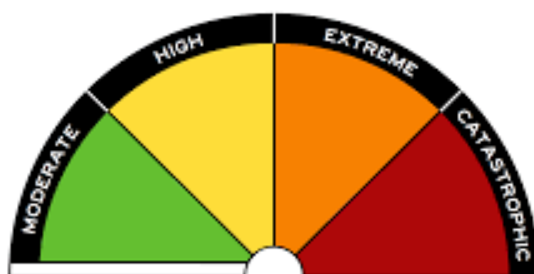
Students at Christmas Hills have identified the following strengths in themselves as learners, classmates and friends: generosity, hardworking, kindness, humour, curiosity, fairness, creativity, honesty, self-control, courage and determination. What a strong group of learners we have here at Christmas Hills!

Through discussion we have realised that many of our physical strengths such as ability to climb, write, swim, run, build and play sports are not only developed but enhanced when we use personal strengths such as persistence, determination and inquisitiveness.

Our school values, caring, honesty, inquisitiveness, respect, persistence and sharing are personal strengths, and help to build each students' social and personal capabilities.

Visitors to Christmas Hills

On Tuesday, 18th of July we welcomed some visitors from Strathewen Primary School and our local CFA. We met the Principal of Strathewen Primary, Jane, some Year 5/6 students and some local CFA members. They showed us a clay animation presentation the Year 5/6 students created about the new bushfire rating system. The CFA members also brought a collection of tools for us to view and use. It was a lovely opportunity to connect with our wider community. Thank you to Strathewen Primary School and the CFA members who attended.



Something to share from our Bunjil Poetry unit ...

BLACK

Black looks like the void that erodes the quiet,
It sounds loud in the silence,
It smells of withering yet blooming roses.
It feels as soft as silk,
despite its thorny cover.
It tastes like blood curdling nightmares.
It reminds me of sadness,
or depression.
Like a delicate dandelion swaying in the cold vast wind.

By Maggie Watson

A few shout outs...

Thank you to the staff who attended school over the holiday break to declutter and clean learning spaces. We will continue this work over the term to ensure students and staff work in safe learning spaces and have easy access to learning resources.

Thank you to the families who came to check on the chooks over the holidays and weekends.

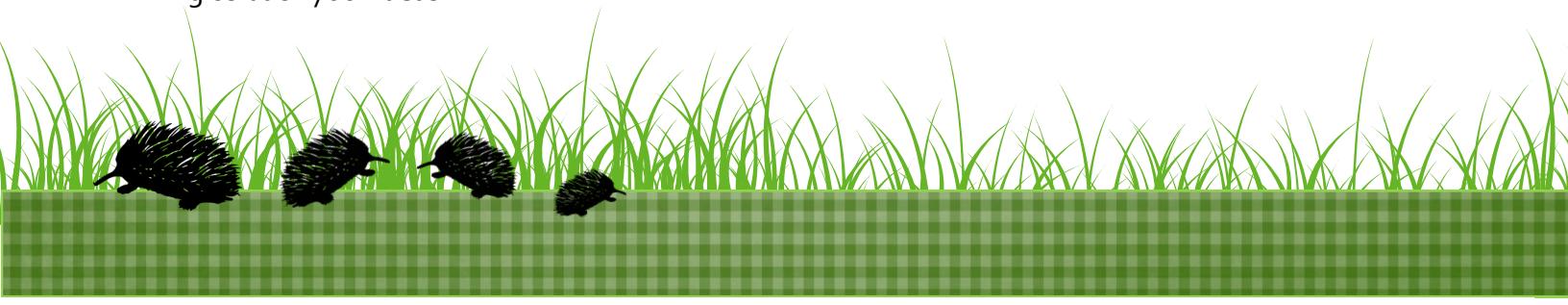
Thank you to Richard our maintenance person for the bushfire season preparation work he completed this week.

Thank you to the students for returning to school with positivity and readiness to learn. I think the break has given us the refresh we needed!

Numeracy problem to discuss at home...

$$a + b - c = 27$$

Bring us back your ideas!

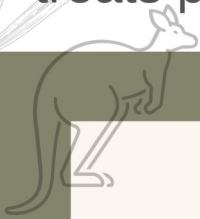




Christmas Hills Bush School

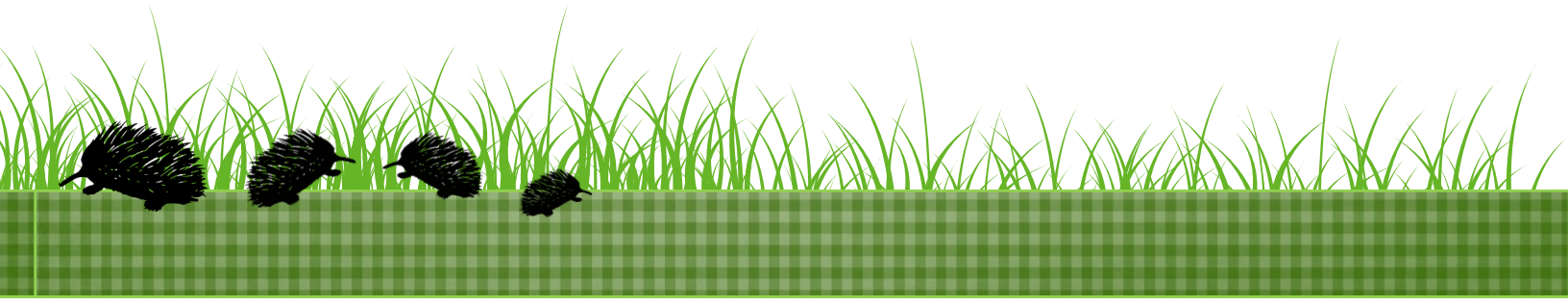
You are invited to join our Bush School Afternoon Tea.

Come and help celebrate a wonderful year, with some amazing treats prepared by our students and our bush school teachers.



2:00PM - 3:30 PM
2ND AUGUST, 2023

1409 ELTHAM - YARRA
GLEN ROAD
CHRISTMAS HILLS



BOOK WEEK

Dress Up Day

August 23rd

Come dressed as your favourite book character

**Book Week Parade will start at 9:00 am,
followed by Book Week activities**



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BOOK WEEK®

19 to 25 AUGUST

#CBCA2023



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BOOK COUNCIL
OF AUSTRALIA

READ
GROW
Inspire

We Need Your Help



SCHOOL CHICKEN EGGS \$6 A DOZEN

We are after more volunteers to help out with checking on the chickens water, food and hay on the weekend.

If you are interested in helping put, please contact the office



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Exciting Activities coming up

Jets Gymnastics - Every Tuesday from week 5 until the end of term

Book Week Dress Up Day and Activities - 23rd August

Lunch orders from Dark Horse are continuing this term.





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Salad Roll \$6.00

Ham and Cheese Toastie \$5.00

Fresh Sandwich \$5.00

Ham and Cheese \$5.00

Vegemite \$5.00

Jam \$5.00

Nuggets and Chips \$6.00

Cheese Burger and Chips \$6.00

Chips \$3.00

Party Pies and Sausage rolls \$1.50 each

Hot Dog with Cheese \$3.50

Hot Dog no Cheese \$3.00

Chocolate or Strawberry Milk \$2.80

Prima Apple juice \$2.50

Water \$2.00

LUNCH ORDERS EVERY WEDNESDAY

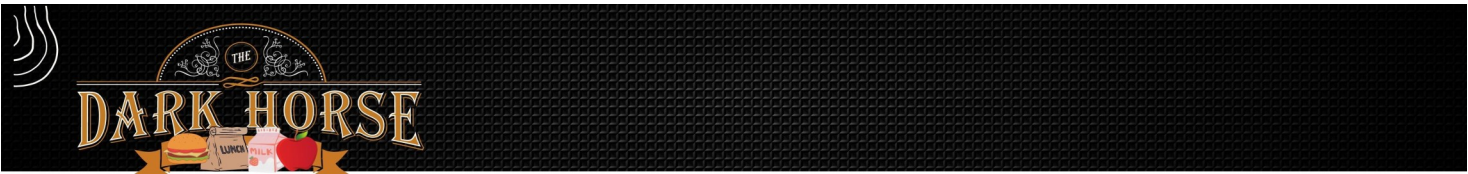
**PLEASE WRITE YOUR ORDER AND CHILD'S NAME ON A BROWN PAPER BAG AND
ENCLOSE CORRECT MONEY.**

LUNCH ORDERS ARE DUE TO THE OFFICE NO LATER THAN 3PM TUESDAYS



Call us to arrange a tour
9730 1238
0499 205 083

1409 Eltham-Yarra Glen Rd,
Christmas Hills, Vic 3775
Christmas.hills.ps@education.vic.gov.au



Child Name _____

Menu

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|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Salad Roll | \$6.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Ham and Cheese Toastie | \$5.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Fresh Sandwich | \$5.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Ham and Cheese | \$5.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Vegemite | \$5.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Jam | \$5.00 |
| | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Nuggets and Chips | \$6.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Cheese Burger and Chips | \$6.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Chips | \$3.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Party Pies | \$1.50 each |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Sausage rolls | \$1.50 each |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Hot Dog with Cheese | \$3.50 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Hot Dog no Cheese | \$3.00 |
| | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Chocolate Milk | \$2.80 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Strawberry Milk | \$2.80 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Prima Apple juice | \$2.50 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Water | \$2.00 |

Please Enclosed Correct Money

Total \$ _____

Caring Honesty Inquisitiveness



Christmas Hills Primary School

At CHPS we show our CHIRPS by...

Respect Persistence Sharing

Yard	Transitions	Classes	Toilets	Excursions
Hear calm, polite and friendly voices	Calm, organised	Be mindful of personal space	Good hygiene	Be good role models
See inclusive play with a variety of activities	Enter learning spaces in an orderly manner	Take responsibility for your own learning	Respect others' privacy	Hear calm, polite and friendly voices
See people caring for each other		Respectful listening		Be mindful of the general public
Respect nature				Move in an orderly, calm manner

SCHOOL UNIFORM

C.H.P.S



UNIFORM PRICES

- Polo shirt size 6,8,12,14- \$15
- Polo shirt - Adult S,M, L - \$21.50
- Wide brim hat - \$15
- Communication satchel - \$15
- Child vest - \$17.90 Adult 21.20
- Blue gingham dress- \$18
- Grade six top - \$46



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