Dear parents and students,

**Education Week**

A very big thank you to those members of the Chester Hill P.S. community who were able to attend one or more of our education week activities. I know that the students and teachers were thrilled to have so many of you take the time to support the school.

I would like to thank Miss Alexander for all her work in coordinating the “Sculptures on the Hill” activity and all the teachers and students for their marvellous creations. I think some are still lurking around the school. Thank you also to our wonderful hardworking P&C who put on a lovely morning tea and to Mrs Hume for giving up so much of her time to support the Book Fair.

As I said in my education week address education week is in reality education year as there are always so many opportunities for parents to be involved in their children’s education. The next chance will be this Thursday when the whole school goes to Amour Park for our **school athletics carnival**. I hope to see many of you there supporting our future athletes.

**Parent Online Payments (POP)**

Several of our families have already taken advantage of a new method for the paying of school activities. The information to access this method was sent out earlier in the term. The link to the payment process is on our school website along with links on how to complete a transaction. If you have any queries or concerns please contact our school office.

B.Kunkler
Principal

**Coming Events**

This calendar of events will be updated in each edition of the newsletter. Dates are accurate at the time of publication but can be changed for various reasons.

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**Starting this term you can make payments to your child’s school online**

A new online payment portal linked to the school’s website will be launched to make it easier for you to pay for school related payments. This is a secure payment page hosted by Westpac.

**When?**
This payment method is now available.

**How?**
Log onto School website at www.chesterhilp.schools.nsw.edu.au. Click on “Make a Payment” and follow the prompts to make a payment via Visa or MasterCard.

**More information?**
Further information is available on the school website or from the school office.
Families from our school readiness program enjoyed a day out on Monday. The trip began with a visit to the Bankstown Women’s Health Centre followed by the Australian Museum and lunch at Hyde Park. Over 25 families participated and it was an enjoyable day for all.

Learning through Play Workshops

Starting on Wednesday 26th August for 8 weeks from 9:30-11:30am, parents and carers are invited to a series of workshops that will focus on learning through play. These workshops will target 0-4 year olds and will be run by an early childhood specialist. Child minding will be provided and all participants will receive activities to keep and use at home. A flyer will be sent home soon for you to register your interest. For more information, contact Lina on 0403 433 212.

Financial Wellbeing Workshops

Learn more about how to manage your money when there is not much money to spend through workshops run in our hub. 3 workshops will be run this term by specialists from the Creating Links financial wellbeing unit. These free workshops will be run on Tuesday afternoons from 1-3pm on 11th, 18th & 25th August. To register call or send an SMS to 0403 433 212.

English Classes for Parents Term 3

English classes due to start this term will begin on Thursday 13th August. The class will run from 9.15-11:15 and will continue until the end of term. Contact Lina on 0403 433 212 to register or for more information.

School Readiness Program

Give your child the best start to school in 2015 through the school readiness program held in our hall. This program is open to children starting school next year along with any younger siblings and an adult. The program runs on Tuesdays during school term from 9am-11:30. To enrol please contact Lina on 0403433212 or 96441286.

Kindergarten 2016?
ENROL NOW!

If your child is turning 5 years old before 31 July 2016 they are eligible to start Kindergarten next year. Please come to the school office to collect enrolment forms as soon as possible. We are about to start organising classes.

If you know of any friend or relatives’ child that should be enrolling please let them know. Orientation to school program will be held next term.

Like us on Facebook

The school has a Facebook page where you can find up to date information about school events and important reminders. Like us to stay up to date.
Encouraging all students to achieve their personal best

**Athletics Carnival Canteen**
The canteen will be selling items to students at the athletics carnival on Thursday 6th August. No lunch orders will be available, only snacks. Parents & carers are needed to help run the canteen on the day, if you can help at some time during the carnival please come to the canteen set up on the oval.

**Next P&C Meeting**
Our next P&C meeting will be held on Wednesday 26th August at 9am

**Uniform Shop**
Navy coloured hijabs/headscarves are now available for purchase from the uniform shop for $6 to support the school’s uniform policy.

**Woolworths Earn & Learn 2015**

Simply start collecting stickers at the checkout of your local Woolworths supermarket (self-service too) to place on your child’s sticker card. Sticker cards are available from the canteen. There’ll be one sticker for every $10 spent, excluding purchases of liquor, smoking/tobacco products and gift cards. Once completed, simply drop the sticker card into a collection box, either at the school canteen or at your local Woolworths.

So let’s start collecting

**Child Protection lessons K - 6**

As required by the Department of Education all students will participate in age appropriate child protection lessons which are part of the Personal Development, Health and Physical Education syllabus at school. These lessons will cover the subject matter of safe living, personal health choices, interpersonal relationships and growth and development where the skills of communicating, decision making, interacting and problem solving will be developed. If you have any enquiries please arrange an interview with your child’s teacher.

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**Primary Schools Sports Association (PSSA)**

**Friday 31 July Week 3**

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**Gillawarra Festival of Performing Arts**

**Coming Soon**

Monday, 7th September &
Tuesday, 8th September 2015
Bankstown Sports Club
From 7pm

Encouraging all students to achieve their personal best
Last week we celebrated Education Week by hosting ‘Sculptures on the hill’. There were twenty-seven unique sculptures on display which were created by our students and teachers. One was even created by the preschoolers and parents from our school readiness group.

Many of the sculptures were linked to learning in Science, Human Society and Its Environment, English or Mathematics. Some classes researched an environmental issue or used recycled objects to create their works of art.

The students worked hard and enjoyed creating their artworks. They had an even greater time walking around the trail to see them all. It was great to see so many parents out in the playground enjoying the sculptures our students produced.