



Chrysalis School

for Steiner Education

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Newsletter

Weeks 1 and 2, Term 4,
2009.

Welcome back to school. Term 4 is a splendid term, we move from a warm spring into summer and the usual end of the year activities.

NSW GOVERNMENT HONOURS

WATER SAFETY HEROES

Swim Awards: Chrysalis School has been recognised by the NSW State government through its annual water safety awards. The award is for *The Community education program of the year: Chrysalis School, Bellingen, for 'River Safety Awareness Program'*.

This is a fabulous award and we are so pleased that our school has been recognised for an excellent innovative swim programme which treats the river as an opportunity rather than a risk. Children love the swim programme and it has now been running for 4 years at our school.

Building the Education Revolution:

Our Hall has been approved, this is very exciting. Whilst there has been extensive press coverage about the programme and the cost blowouts, our School is doing well with the grants and getting excellent value for money.

The *National School Pride programme* is continuing and we are the proud recipients of a wonderful new shade structure at Kindy; grass has been laid for the first time ever on the Class 1, 2, 3 level, it is delightful to see such a vibrant green surface, the children can't wait to lie on it!

We are very fortunate to have these ongoing improvements and our school

looks wonderful for it.

Kindergarten 2010: As you may remember from last term, Chrysalis School is working towards offering part time little Kindy in town in 2010. The meeting was scheduled for Wednesday 28th October at 7pm at the Playgroup Room at the Children's Centre at Elliot Close in North Bellingen. Due to unforeseen circumstances arising from the Centre Management and Bellingen Shire Council, **this meeting has been postponed until 24th November 2009.**

This new venture will be part and parcel of Chrysalis School. As with any other class, the educational impulse will be held by the College of Teachers and the management and administration will be supported by the school office, albeit in an off campus location. We hope that you will join us at this meeting.

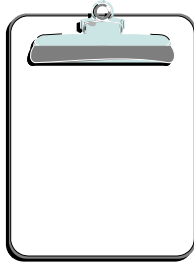
Class 1, 2010. We are delighted to inform you that Claudia Alfaro has been appointed as the Class 1 teacher for 2010. This follows a comprehensive process that saw 8 teachers apply for this position. Claudia comes to us from Sydney and is a State Registered and Steiner trained teacher.

Fees: Invoices for school fees were sent out on the first day of term. Fees are due in full by Friday 30th October or periodic payment plans must be underway. If you have questions about your fees, please call Steve or Ceinwen promptly.

We wish everybody a fabulous term 4.

Regards,

Steve and Kelley.



Dates for your Diary:

October:

Mon 28: Board Meeting
Tue 29: Class 1 Meeting,
7pm @ snibs
Wed 30: Class 5 Meeting,
3.30pm at Chrysalis Bus
Stop
Thu 29th: Class 8 Guy
Fawkes Camp

Classifieds:

Anthroposophic

Conference:

Hobart, January 2010.

www.anthroposophyconference.com

Concert: Akabella annual
concert: Sat 14th

November at the Coffs
Regional Art Gallery start-
ing at 3pm,
\$10 - tickets at door.
Refreshments available.

www.akabella.com.au

House For Rent: For
Summer Holidays, North
Bello, 2 Dec - 15 Jan.
Sleeps 4, fully furnished,
big yard, \$295/week
Call 6655 9032

Tuckshop:

Tuckshop will commence this
week and will be held each
week on Thursday. This
week's menu is zucchini slice
with spring salad and honey
cake

The full menu for term 4 will
be in next week's newslet-
ter.

Chrysalis School Craft Group

Craft Group is a wonderful opportu-
nity for parents in our school com-
munity to gather one morning a week
in town. Meet other parents and
learn simple craft skills and discover
the joy of making your child a hand-
made toy. There are skilled parents
on hand waiting to guide you step by
step. It is a child friendly environ-
ment with a fenced yard, please
bring some toys for your child to
play with. Make yourself a cuppa and
enjoy a social morning at the CWA.

Craft group term 4
Every Wednesday morning at the
CWA from 9am till 12pm

28th Oct: Knitting: learn to knit. If
you've always wanted to learn to knit,
we will teach you the basics so you
can take home a small knitted cat or
rabbit. Wool supplied, if you have any
size 4 needles bring them along.

4th Nov: Learn to make a small doll
with a formed head, or a felt animal.
You will be taken through step by
step to produce a beautiful unique
doll.

11th Nov: Continue with your doll or
animal, to hopefully complete for
Christmas

18th Nov: Felting: make a piece of
felt,

25th Nov: Be inspired to make some-
thing for Christmas with your piece
of felt

Techniques to learn will be blanket
stitch, simple embroidery

2nd Dec: Little kindy craft morning,
we would love to see all parents come
along and make some felt animal
families for the new little kindy.
Using the new techniques learnt this
term, come along and be part of cre-
ating a beautiful space for the new
kindy children.

9th Dec: This morning will be an op-
portunity to finish any unfinished
projects, it could be something you
have begun at home and need some
advice or instruction, or if you've
missed a morning that was of inert-
est to you, come and do it today.

16th Dec: Bring a plate to share to
celebrate the end of year craft
group and make some Christmas
decorations: angels, hearts etc

Buses:

We now have bus monitors on
both the kindy bus and the
connecting bus on most days.
Please remind your children
about safe bus behaviour, in
particular to talk in a quiet
voice. *Could current bus moni-
tors please confirm their par-
ticipation for this term, with
Steve at the School office.*

Occasional travel to Bellingen.

Students must have a bus pass
to travel on Baldwin's buses.

Occasional students must pur-
chase a \$1 ticket from the
office prior to travel. Students
from Class 6, 7, or 8 traveling
to Bellingen from school with a
'ticket' purchased from the
office should travel on the Snr
Express.

All other 'ticket' holders
should travel on the Kindy bus.
Only students issued with a
blue bus pass will be permitted
to travel on the Junior Express.

This is necessary due to the
large number of students trav-
eling on the Junior Express.

Rubbish, recycling, & compost.

Chrysalis is making a deter-
mined effort to reduce its
carbon footprint. We aim to
reduce the amount of rubbish
going into landfill by at least
50%. All classrooms now have
stainless steel buckets for
composting matter. In addition
there are composting bins on
each level at the school. The
compost produced will be used
in the gardens and vege beds.

It would be wonderful to re-
duce the amount of rubbish
that gets taken to the tip,
please send lunches with a mini-
mum of packaging.

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