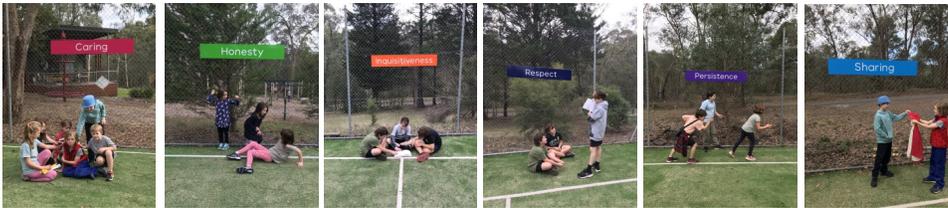


Term One - 14th May 2021



Message from Jacqui

What a wonderful fortnight we have had at CHPS. As part of our School Wide Positive Behaviour Support Program we regularly review the school values with the students. This is an important process which ensures the values of Caring, Honesty, Inquisitiveness, Respect and Persistence are understood and embedded in all aspects of our school. Over the past fortnight I have been particularly proud of the Inquisitiveness shown by our students. Their ability to ask questions and lead their own research into topics of interest is amazing and a life skill which will support them all to thrive as life-long learners. Here are just a few examples from our last fortnight of how our students have shown that they are Inquisitive.



When visiting Tread Sculptures the students asked Tim a range of questions regarding his art. These questions included topics of; materials used, to the process of metals rusting and the tools used to create his master pieces.



Our Bush School topic is Fungi and students have been asking amazing questions types of fungi, the growing process as well as discovering more about the symbiotic relationship between fungi and other plants.



In writing students have been showing their inquisitiveness by focusing on word choice and experimenting with new words to improve the engagement, or persuasiveness of their writing pieces.

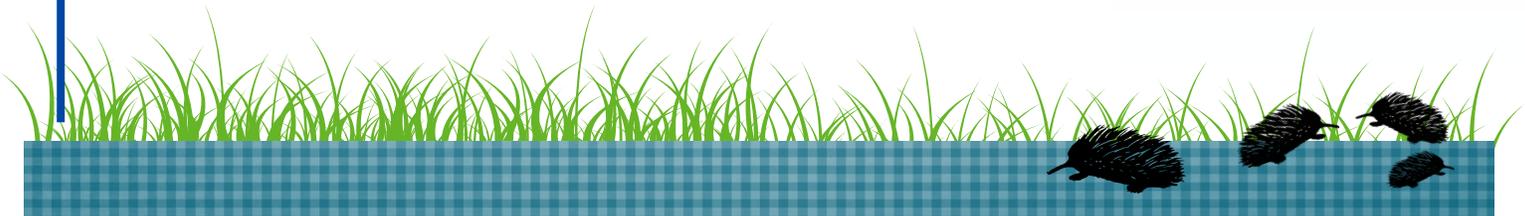
Important Dates for 2021

Important Dates for Term 2

- May 14th - Community Celebration Dinner
- May 21st - Curriculum Day
- May 25th - Community Breakfast and Maths Morning
- June 25th - Last day of Term
- Interschool Sports— April 30th
- May - 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th
- June - 4th, 11th, 18th, 25th
- May -11th - 13th NAPLAN
- May 27th—Science Works Excursion
- June 14th—Curriculum Day
- June 25th—Last day of term

2021 Term Dates

- Term 1- 28th January-1st April
- Term 2- 19th April-25th June
- Term 3 -12th July-17th September
- Term 4 - 4th October - 17th December



In Maths students have been curious to find examples of graphs being used in the real world.

Inquisitiveness is a wonderful attribute of life-long learners, well done to everyone in our community for helping to encourage our students to be inquisitive about the world around them.

Many of you will have noticed that a number of schools are promoting open days at the moment as these often co-inside with Education week which is 23-29 May this year. Just a reminder that every day is an Open Day at Christmas Hills with individual tours available at any time. So if you know someone who is interested in seeing how we support and nurture students to thrive please ask them to contact us by calling 9730 1238. We will be hosting a Making Maths Memories Morning on Tuesday 25th May. We invite families and friends to join us from 8:30-11:00 with a community breakfast before a morning of maths with the children in their classrooms.

Written By Our Students

Last Thursday we were lucky enough to spend a glorious sunny afternoon at Tread Sculpture Gallery. It was really cool. Tim, the artist made all these sculptures out of his bare hands!

Tim Read makes his art out of metal that he gets from scrap yards. It is trash and then Tim says 'I'll take that thank you!' and he makes it into artwork.

Tim likes to know the stories of where all the metal came from. For example someone's Dad passed away and they got Tim to make art from their Dad's old workbench.

The sculptures are on a path that winds through the bush along the river. There were hideouts on the path that were cool. We got to sit in them.

Some of our favourite sculptures were; the deer head, the ocean waves made from glass, the giant bee, the praying mantis, seeing the river, the cube, the old broken water tank and the piranha and the owl.

We thought Tim has a really good sense of taste.

We would recommend making an appointment to go visit Tim in the Bend of Isles.

By CHPS



Cyphers Cave

By Flynn

"3! 2! 1! GO! With Jack in the lead on his 250, he has great acceleration- Oh wait, Lachlan's catching up! WOW! He passed Jack and is still speeding up! We have Xavier in last place but he is catching up to Cypher!" Blurts out the commentator.

VROOOOMMMMMMMMMMMMM! Screamed the bikes.

"Everyone is here! There's Jack, Lachlan, Amy, Cypher and Sarah! All the big names folks- WAIT! DID YOU SEE THAT?! XAVIER JUST JUMPED RIGHT OVER CYPHER! What is Xav doing? He just went down a hidden track and... and Cypher followed! Is that even legal? Hold on, let me check with the judges."

The crowd hear muffled whispers coming from the commentator's box.

"IT'S ALLOWED! THE JUDGES SAID ANY PATH ON THE RACE TRACK IS OPEN TO USE!" Bellowed commentator Mike.

Cypher was trying hard to catch up to Xavier but his Yamaha KTM 250 stood no chance to Xav's 450. He turned a corner and he couldn't see Xavier anywhere so he kept on riding but came to an interception! Just my luck, he thought. "I guess I'll go right, I mean right's always right. Isn't it?" Cypher turned on the burn at the last second but he instantly knew he choose wrong.

He was sent plummeting into a cave with too much momentum to stop! He soared down readying himself for the impact but to his much surprise he landed on what is seemed like a... BMX TRACK! He kept on riding with no intention to stop. He went over countless burns and over many jumps all the way being led by glowing fungi!

"Is that light?" He said allowed, "IT IS! OH, THANK THE LORD!"

"Welcome back folks! This is an intense match! The finals are always tense but we've never had one like this! The race is almost over and there's still no sign of Cypher but Xavier is back and he's in second and still gaining on Amy! This is going to be a close one fol- WHAT IN THE NAME OF... IS THAT CYPHER??!!!" Mike was so flabbergasted that he could barely let the words escape his mouth!

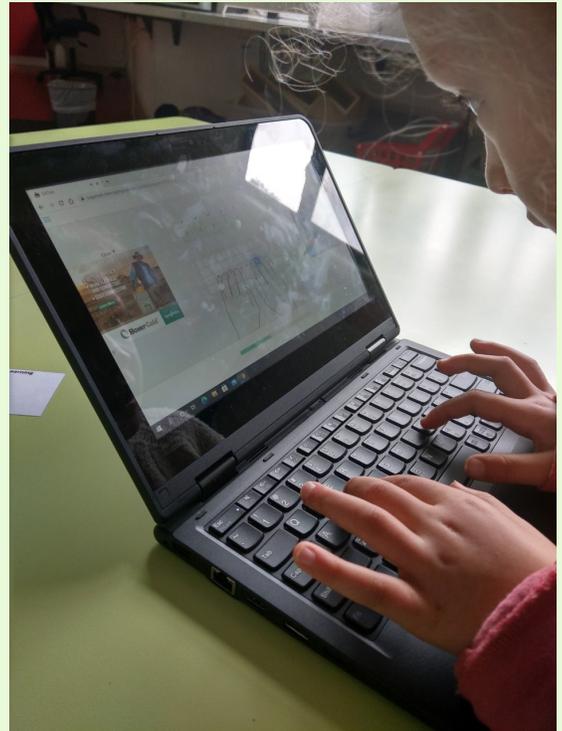
Cypher flew out of the cave and had a smooth, fox suspension landing on a soft hill. He skidded through the finish line in first place! "WITH CYPHER IN FIRST, XAVIER MANAGED TO TAKE SECOND AND AMY IN THIRD! YOU HEARD IT HERE FIRST FOLKS!" Cypher had just enough time to get off his bike and get his helmet off before he got flooded with exited news reporters.





Into the 3rd week and it's full steam ahead. We looked at touch typing this week and our focus is on getting those typing habits down to a fine art. The older students had a think about why touch typing might be important and how that might affect real world outcomes. They also collected some data on how fast they are at typing at the moment so they can see if there's an improvement later on. The younger students had a go at navigating google with their new skills and turns out they're exceptionally good at typing as well! If you want to practice these skills at home you can do so using this

link: <https://sugarloaf-stem.typingclub.com/> The username is simply your child's name and there is no password. A lot of the students found it frustrating and we chatted about how new skills take time and that doing these skills properly will help make you a lot faster in the future.



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Better Health in the Valley



By Zoom MAY - JUNE 2021

Healthy Relationships - Get the best out of your relationships with communication, solving conflict and boundaries with Dom Alfred from Relationships Australia. Monday May 27th 7 - 8pm
Register at <https://bit.ly/2Sm9XwF>



New Parents Night In - A supportive session for new parents about the highs and lows of parenting with Emma and Rob from our Child & Family Team. Monday June 7th, 7.30 - 8.30pm.
Register at <https://bit.ly/2PpbYqG>

Food and your Mood - Improve your understanding of how what you eat makes you feel with Stacey and Lisa from dietetics and counselling. Thursday 27th May 12-1 pm.
Register at <https://bit.ly/2QycoeY>



Feeling lonely? You can do something about it. If you are feeling lonely and would like to find ways to enjoy more connection this session is for you. Brought to you in partnership with neighbourhood houses from our community. Wednesday June 16th, 7 - 8pm. **Register at <https://bit.ly/3nmSY8I>**

Healthy Ageing in the Valley- What support is available? My Aged Care and more with Nellie and Christine from Community Health. Tuesday 8th June, 12.30 - 1.30pm.
Register at <https://bit.ly/3dWmkYK>



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