Thank you to everyone who came along on Friday evening to celebrate our 40th birthday! It was a fun and fabulous night with the glorious 70s well and truly represented through clothing, flowers, food, memorabilia and music.

Our multicultural community was also celebrated with a delicious variety of cuisine. What a talented community we are with the beautiful Samoan dancers, the amazing Bart and Juliet duo, the fabulous band and Jayson’s wonderful disco crew all having connections to our school. We were well entertained!

The whole evening was captured on camera by our artist/photographer in school, Sean Davey who volunteered enthusiastically to join us and even snapped some family portraits on the night.

The 2 youngest and 2 eldest students in the school who were present on the night cut the 40th birthday cake.

We hope you will be able to join us for our end of year concert on Thursday 10th December at 6pm in the hall. We have had a change of date for this event so please make sure you amend your diaries to reflect the new date. Katharine Finlayson, our music teacher has been working with all the classes to select and perform songs to delight you. We look forward to seeing you all there!
Preschool, Kinder and IEC Information sessions

Yesterday we had 2 very successful preschool information sessions for families of children going to preschool in either the 3 or 4 year old classes in 2016. Next week we will hold our Kindergarten information sessions and IEC information sessions. The IEC information sessions are at 2-4pm on Wednesday 18\textsuperscript{th} November and the Kinder information sessions are on at 9.00am and 6.00pm on Wednesday 18\textsuperscript{th} November.

Food for Thought Parent Workshop:

A Bite Sized Look at Childhood Anxiety -
Thursday 19\textsuperscript{th} at 9.30 am in the ABC Café

Everyone is welcome to attend a session presented by Child and Family Workers from West Belconnen Child and Family Centre on Thursday 19\textsuperscript{th} November at 9.30am in the ABC Café.

This session will include:

- What is childhood anxiety?
- Types of anxiety
- Common fears and worries
- What contributes to anxiety and when does anxiety become a problem?
- Ways to support your child dealing with fears and worries?
- Where to go for further support?

Christian Education in Schools

Following a parent request, we have booked Christian Education in Schools to present a 1 hour lesson on ‘Christmas Celebrations’ on Monday 14\textsuperscript{th} December. The time is yet to be confirmed but it will be during normal school hours. If you would like your child to attend please contact the front office on 62057322 or via email info@charnwoodps.act.edu.au and we will send home the required consent forms and information.

Parents are able to request religious lessons in any religion and organise for the appropriate organisation to present similar lessons at the school.
Reading Corner

New Library Layout

I am so excited to share this photo of the new library layout. A very significant amount of time and money has been spent on updating the library this year. We have beautiful new shelving for the chapter books, new book stands, a new four piece donut seating arrangement and many many new books! If you have a chance come and have a look. We really want everyone in the school community to respect the library and all the books so everyone can enjoy the space and the resources now and in the future. So PLEASE encourage your children to find any OVERDUES BOOKS and return them. Those with family accounts please ensure your overdue books are also returned.

BORROWING WILL FINISH AT THE END OF WEEK 7 (27/11/15)

Children who have returned all their library books by the end of week 9 will receive a ticket in the end of year library prize draw. There will be a prize for each year level given out in the last week.

If your child is leaving before the end of term please make sure they have returned their library books.

If you can’t find library books or you think they have already been returned please let me or the classroom teacher know. I am happy for you to contact me via email. 
Bridgette.manley@ed.act.edu.au

Happy Reading!
Bridgette Manley – Teacher Librarian
Maths Award

On October 20th, Sebastian Wetherall received a “Best in School” award for his results in the Australian Maths Competition.

Here, Seb is pictured with his dad, who coincidentally is a problem writer for the competition!

Community News

CHARNWOOD AFTER SCHOOL CARE

Where: Charnwood Dunlop School Hall
When: Monday to Friday
Time: 3:00pm-6:00pm
Cost: $29 per day (CRN/CCB’s available) $31.50 (casual care)

The Program provides an afternoon snack, inside/outside play and programmed activities. Water bottles and sunscreen are also provided.

2016 ENROLMENTS ARE NOW OPEN!!!!!
Parent Requests for Classes in 2016

We are currently looking at forming classes for 2016. If you have any requests for friends that you would like your child/children to be with next year you can leave written requests with the front office or email them to info@charnwoodps.act.edu.au. Please make sure you submit these by Friday November 27th and we will do our best to accommodate your requests.

After School Care News

KENNY KOALA VISITS CHASC

Early Term 4 Charnwood After School Care had a special visitor come to the program, not only once but twice in the one week.

We were lucky enough to have Kenny Koala come and speak to us about Safety in the local community and Safety at School.

Conversations consisted of who we can speak to when we don’t feel safe in the community, rules and expectations of children when they are at School, as well as the benefits of knowing family members mobile numbers.

The conversation also included the children’s questions about Kenny Koala and his family, his favourite food and where does he sleep.

The Program was allowed to see Kenny’s car in action with the flashing of the lights and the setting off of the car siren. Some children thought it was funny that Kenny had to sit in a booster seat.

News Flash

Year 6 Graduation Assembly is on Wednesday 16th December at 2pm followed by afternoon tea for the families of Year 6 students.
40th Celebration
Lots of good food, music and activities resulted in everyone having a great time. It wouldn’t have been possible without a lot of support from our wonderful school staff, a number of whom helped out on the night serving.

Thank you also to the P&C members and friends who helped by selling raffle tickets, food and drinks, painting faces, doing craft and cooking. You all did an amazing job. Thank you also to the students who helped with the drinks stall.

Raffle tickets bought at the 40th celebration night have been converted to $2.00 tickets and further tickets will be issued in the names of those who purchased raffle tickets on the night.

Raffle ticket books went out to each family yesterday, there are 10 tickets in a book at $2.00 each. If each family can sell the 10 tickets we will raise between $3000.00 to $4000.00. The money raised will go towards refurbishing the canteen.

Thank you for all your help.

Tile Project
Thanks to everyone who participated in our tile project at our fabulous 40th Anniversary party last Friday!

The mural is shaping up to be a beauty! There are still a few tiles available (to be decorated) so give Rhondda a call to find out how you can make a tile to be included in the mural. If you are a past student, we encourage you to participate and help us celebrate the success of our school. This Friday, at second break, we will try to use up the last of the tiles, so please call Rhondda ASAP for further info.

A fabulous development was Carolyn Holloway and Debbie Martens’ resourceful recruiting of local tiling expert, Damian Booker for the mural installation! He will be putting all the tiles up on the external wall of the school’s hall, facing the basketball courts.

THANK YOU Damian, ‘Concepts in Tiling’ and Rivoland Tiles for their generous donation of materials and time.

Thank you also to ceramic artist and CDS parent, Erin Kocaj for her valuable assistance in the tile project and to parents Manal Jbeili, Jo-Anne Robinson and Troy Taylor for their time and effort. A special mention should be made for Abbie Ai and Ava Van Kampen who were two of the most helpful students. Ava Van Kampen’s drawing of the scar tree was used as the over-all image in one of the murals!

Looking forward to seeing it all together,
Rhondda Bell
(Parent and Visual Artist)
0411594489

P&C meeting:
Fri 20th Nov 3.15pm, Everyone Welcome.
P&C Association Presents

**Carboot Sale**

**BBQ Cake Stall Raffle**

When: Friday November 27 between 5—8pm

**Interested in browsing and supporting a great community initiative?**
Entry is via gold coin donation
Proceeds going to our canteen refurbishment
A barbeque will be available for an easy low cost dinner option and a cake stall to purchase some delicious treats.

**Thinking of selling something?**
* Book your spot now—$20 per spot pre-booked ($25 on the day)
* Bring your own tables / stalls
* Park your car on the school grounds
* Setup from 4.00pm
* School grounds to be cleared by 8.30pm sharp
* All unsold goods are your responsibility - nothing to be left on school grounds

**What can you sell?**
⇒ Do a household clean-up and sell off no-longer needed items like books, clothes, household goods, toys etc
⇒ Bring some produce from your garden - fruit & veg, eggs, flowers
⇒ We encourage items from small home businesses

For bookings: call Jen 0434518949 or email dandjmccruer@bigpond.com
Notes will come home next week—asking you to start baking for the cake stall.
If you can volunteer for this event: call Carolyn 0400887766, or email cazmhholloway@gmail.com
Quest training is looking for parents/carers interested in working flexible hours, within school hours for QuestCare. We are a family owned and operated aged care and disability support agency looking for staff to work with people providing respite, personal care, domestic assistance and outings. No experience is necessary as we can provide all the training (in school hours) free of charge. These are casual positions so parents can work when they want for as long as they want. They can call me or email me:

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