16th Aug, 2012

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STUDENT ABSENT LINE 3489 2260

From the Principal

I hope you enjoyed your Ekka holiday and long weekend this week. Many students have been telling me of their exciting time at the Ekka and their enjoyable day off. The Logan show holiday has certainly made for a short week and this week also marks the mid-point of the term. We now have five full weeks of school remaining until the September holidays and this will be a busy time for class work.

Parent interviews will be offered at the end of this term, notes will go home shortly with specific times for each teacher. Please take advantage of this opportunity to find out about your child’s term progress.

Our busy time of the term will continue next week with our Book Week Parade (Monday morning), door displays and author visits. The theme this year is Champions Read and I am looking forward to seeing all the wonderful costumes from students and staff.

One of the great things about State Education is the extra-curricular extension programs offered to students across all schools throughout the year. This week I have the privilege of attending the State U/12 Touch Championships to help select the Queensland team for 2012. This carnival includes 144 of the best touch players from all corners of the state competing over four days to win the competition and hopefully gain the honour of representing their state at the National Carnival held in late October. It is wonderful to be part of state school programs which extend the talents of all students no matter what their talents are.

Parents, please be aware that school starts each day promptly at 8:30am and students should be ready to begin the day at this time. Some students have been arriving at school consistently late and missing out on vital learning time. Additionally we have had students missing school days regularly each week or away for extended absences. Every day at school is so important for student learning and compulsory full school attendance is a parent responsibility under the Education Act. Please help us support your students by ensuring their full and regular attendance so that we can give our maximum effort to every student in every lesson, every day.

Date to note

- Prep enrolments and Open Day – Wednesday 29 August, over two sessions: 9:00 – 10:00am in the school hall and 6:00 – 7:00 pm in the school library. Students eligible for Prep in 2013 must be born between 1 July 2007 and 30 June 2008.

Thank you

Keith GRAHAM
Principal
From the Deputy

One of the highlights of my work here at Chatswood Hills State School is working with the Preps and watching them grow and develop throughout the year. This week I was in one of our Prep classes listening to a student read. Before we know it they will be getting ready to take on Year One!

No doubt families with Prep age children for next year are busy looking at schools and preparing for information nights. These children will start school with a wealth of experience already from their short five or so years of life. The importance of this experience is not to be underestimated. Children use this knowledge when engaging with text, socialising with other children and engaging in class discussions. This experience and knowledge is called Cultural Capital.

How much “Cultural Capital” a student brings to school is largely determined by the opportunities we provide for our children. Trips to the museum, family picnics, reading together as a family, kicking a ball around after school, all work towards building a child’s Cultural Capital and sets them up for greater success at school.

READY READER VOLUNTEER TRAINING PROGRAM

Chatswood Hill State School
Friday 14th September 2012 9:15am to 2:15pm

The Ready Reader Volunteer Training Program trains parents and community volunteers to support young readers in the classroom.

The trained volunteers assist individual children in grades Prep to Year 3. They engage with children, building their reading confidence so that they enjoy books and the art of reading.

Trained volunteers already working with students have said that it is amazing the progress that the children make with their reading in a very short time.

Parents and community members are invited to become Ready Reader Volunteers and make a difference in a young reader’s life.

Would you like to hear more about the program? Do you think you would like to be involved? Can you commit to a minimum of 1 hour per week for one term to assist four students? Would you like to do the training to assist your own children at home?

Registration is essential as sessions will be cancelled for a lack of response.

To register please contact:
Chatswood Hill State School on 3489 2222

UNSW Competition

With the 25 students sitting the Maths competition on Tuesday the UNSW testing season is once again over. I am looking forward to seeing what great results we get for the remainder of the tests considering the great results from the Science competition.

Thank you to all parents and students who participated this year. A big thank you also to Mrs Trevena for all of the administrative work that she does behind the scenes. A special mention also needs to go to Mrs Wells for assisting in the delivery of the program.

Operation Christmas Child

Ms Cargill is once again coordinating Operation Christmas Child. Families are encouraged to make up a shoe box (A4 size) of new toys, clothes or other items appropriate for young children to be sent overseas to children as a Christmas gift. In most cases the shoebox is the only new present that these children ever receive. Shoeboxes and or loose items can be handed into Ms Cargill or Mr Josey. Final Collection for Operation Christmas Child will be announced later on.

You can check out the website for more information and to get labels for your box.

Have a great weekend.

Stephen Josey
Deputy Principal

From The Library

BOOK WEEK commences next Monday with the Book Character Parade in the hall at 8.45am. Children come to school dressed in their costume which they may wear all day unless comfort prevents them from doing so.

BOOKFAIR begins in the Library on Tuesday and children will view this on Tuesday or Wednesday. It will operates from 8.15am until 3pm daily. Profits benefit the school.

AUTHORS VISITS must be paid for by next Tuesday. $5 per child. These authors have books for sale. This is
separate from Bookfair. It is an opportunity to have a book personally signed by an author. Money goes directly to the author.

Lisa Hollier and Tracey Roper’s *Hullabazoo!* is $25.
Phil Kettle’s *Toocool, Marcy and Get Real* are $12 each and Our Australia Series books are $15 each.
Tristan Banck’s books range from $12.95-$16.95
Google these authors to see Book Trailers and information about their books.
Parents are welcome to attend Book Week celebrations. Thank you for participating in Book Week.

Lyndell Roberts
Teacher Librarian.

**Sports Results**

**AFL Senior Boys- BYE**

Junior Boys v Marsden Senior Girls won 54-0
Player of the Match: Riley B

Girls Team v Springwood Rd won 91-0
Player of the Match: Sophie B

**Student Achievements**

Well done to Damian C for his selection in the Logan District Cricket Team.

**Thank You**

A big thank you to Lily’s grandma who has been sending in Woolies stickers by mail to us. Every bit helps.

**Lost Property**

All lost property at the office will be sent to Vinnies this week. Please check the bin for any missing clothing.

**P & C News**

Email: pandc@chathillss.eq.edu.au

Helpers, Helpers, Helpers PLEASE!!!

We are after some help for 2 of our upcoming events. If you could offer 1 hour or more of your time, it would be greatly appreciated.

**Book Fair** - in library. ALL day from Tuesday 21st Aug to Monday 27th Aug. Helpers are needed for lunchtimes on each day please, 10am-11am and 1pm-2pm. Help throughout the day would also be wonderful while each class comes to the book fair. Please SMS or call Lisa if you can help 0417 194 580

**Tuckshop**

Too many children are writing their tuckshop orders at the counter after the bell has gone each morning. Please write your order on an envelope at home if you do not have any paper bags. Put the money inside envelope and place it in your class tuckshop box. Thank you

**Fathers Day Stall**

Outside hall.

Wednesday 29/8/12 11.10am-2.30pm
Thursday 30/8/12 8.15 – 1.10pm
Please SMS or call Kirsty if you can help 0413 202 325

Look out for the flyer coming home next week. Some great things available for sale this year. Prices start from 50c and nothing over $10. When is daddy's birthday ???
Fill in this question on the flyer and bring it to the fathers day stall as we have some awesome pressies just for YOUR dad. Also some amazing canvas paintings, wild animal placemats and coasters, car wash kits and heaps more..... See you there !!!

**Springwood Suns Cricket Sign on**

Homestead Park, Jodie St Shailer Park
9am to 1pm
Sat: 18th, 25th AUG & 1st Sept
Sun: 19th & 26th Aug

Registration:
In2Cricket (5-8yrs Friday Nights) $70.00
JUNIORS (9-16yrs Sat Morn) $70.00
SENIORS (Saturday A/Noons) $110.00

Boys and Girls welcome. For more info phone Marion on 3209 4208 or 0418 730 205
COME JOIN THE SPRINGWOOD SUNS CRICKET CLUB!!!!