6th Sept, 2012

**CHATTY’S DATE CLAIMER**

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**From the Principal**

Parent teacher interviews begin next week for years 1-7. I hope most families are able to take advantage of these interviews to find out about student progress this term. If you still wish to have an interview and have not yet replied, please see the specific teacher(s) as soon as possible as interview times are filling up fast. If for any reason you are unable to make your agreed time, please phone the school to let the teacher know as soon as possible so that they are not waiting around for an interview which won’t happen and can re-allocate the time slot. If you wish to meet with a specialist or support teacher, please contact the school and this teacher will contact you to arrange a mutually convenient time.

Thank you to all the families who collected the Woolworths or Coles tokens for our school. These promotions have now finished and we have sent our tokens off to both organisations to be counted. The Coles promotion provides sports equipment for the school, while the Woolworths tokens allow teachers to buy numeracy and literacy resources for their classes. Any opportunity to get extra resources for our school is always well received and through the efforts of the community we have collected a large number of tokens and will receive an excellent resource boost. To everyone who helped collect the tokens, your efforts were very much appreciated.

Our staff will be undertaking a professional development evening next Wednesday, part of which will be looking at the new components of the National Curriculum for next year. As part of the continued roll out of this curriculum, History will be introduced as national subject in 2013 to join English, Maths and Science. To help plan programs for next year teachers will be looking at the national expectations and standards related to History and begin planning the 2013 program during our PD evening. Our school will also continue to maintain a self-funded Head of Curriculum position for next year and beyond to help support teachers and the school through this time of curriculum transition.

Yesterday our third group of school campers returned to school from their year camp, tired and full of smiles. Our final camp for the year will occur in Term Four. Our camping program runs every two years for years 4 – 7 and is a valuable opportunity for children and teachers to experience activities and an environment away from school and to develop or grow different skills. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the teachers who attend our camps and undertake additional 24hr duties while away and also thank the teachers who remain behind at school and look after the children who don’t go on camp and also fill in and do additional playground duties etc to ensure that the school operations continue. Without teachers volunteering to do these extra roles our camp program could not happen so their support is very much appreciated.

The school fielded several calls this week regarding teacher industrial action. At this stage no such action is planned by Queensland state schools although a ballot is being conducted among union members. Yesterday teachers in Victoria undertook industrial action and today some Catholic schools in Queensland are affected. The Queensland Teachers Union is continuing discussions with the State Government in regards to the state teachers’ new enterprise bargaining agreement. I will keep you informed of any issues arising from these discussions and any impact it may have on our school.

**Enrolment Reminder**

If you are an existing parent of our school with another child starting prep in 2013 you still must book in for an enrolment interview to confirm the placement. Please contact the office to arrange your interview time and a prep orientation day for your child.

**Events to note**

- Stage 1 Sports Day Tuesday 11 September – 8:30 to 1:10pm.
- Music Concert Friday 14 September – commencing at 6:00pm.

Keith GRAHAM
Principal
Earlier this year 17 parents joined me one morning for the Ready Reader Training program. It was a very productive morning. Although most parents didn’t go on to volunteer, the overwhelming response from attendees was that the information and activities provided helped them help their children at home. The training gave them the confidence to support their children with literacy at home.

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.

Next week we will be holding the training again at Chatswood Hills State School. A specially trained presenter will be there on the day. Currently we have four people on the books, if you would like to attend please contact the school office.

READY READER VOLUNTEER TRAINING PROGRAM
Chatswood Hill State School
Friday 14th September 2012 9:15am to 2:15pm
Registration is essential as sessions will be cancelled for a lack of response.
To register please contact: Chatswood Hill State School on 3489 2222

Year 3 and 4 Cluster Sports Day
On Wednesday September 19 our Year 3 and 4 students will be participating in a sports cluster day. This year it will be held at Underwood Park and there will be two sessions- one for Year 3 and one for Year 4.

The Year 3 session will be conducted from 9.15am – 11.15 with the children having morning tea in the park.

The Year 4 session will be held from 12.00 – 2.00pm returning to school by 2:30pm. The year 4’s will eat their lunch before they go.

Children will be travelling by bus to and from the venue. We will be combining with Springwood Central State School and Springwood Road State School. Permission forms will go out soon and there will be a small cost to cover the bus.

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. http://www.operationchristmaschild.org.au/

Have a great weekend.
Stephen Josey
Deputy Principal

Congratulations to the following students who received awards on assembly on Monday:

Liannah W for being a courteous and conscientious student at all times.
Connor E for improved effort in story writing.
Danika S for consistently working to the best of your ability.
Kathryne C for thinking of creative ideas for your traditional stories and writing imaginatively.
Hayley M for an improved attitude to class work.
Tuks A for an outstanding news article on the Olympics and for always putting effort into his work.
Jordan Z for being a wonderful role model and always showing care for others.
Charlotte C for consistent hard work and effort on the Reading Express program.
Amy A for her impressive attitude at camp.

Library Award
Russell for always focusing on library tasks and stories.

Gotcha Awards
Congratulations to the following students who received gotchas on assembly for obeying the 4C’s in the playground: Kane H, Ashley H, Kahleb S.

Run Around World Day
Thank you to all our students who participated in running/walking 1km around the school oval yesterday to help set a new Australian record for the most number of students completing 1km on the same day.

Jane Taylor
HPE Teacher

From The Library
Reading for the Premier’s Reading Challenge finishes this Friday. Forms are to be completed and given to the classroom teacher or me by the following Friday 14 September.

We have a keen group of Year 5 students who are eagerly reading for the Readers’ Cup FIVE! which will be held in November. Happy reading!

Lyndell Roberts
Teacher Librarian.

Music News
The school community is invited to attend our annual Music Evening on Friday, 14th September starting at 6pm. The groups performing will be all Instrumental Music Groups (strings and band), all Choirs, Ribbon Dance, Folk Dance and various solo acts. All musicians are asked to be at school by 5:45pm. The concert will be held in the school hall. The dress is full school uniform for Instrumental and Choir students. Dance students will be advised of their required outfit.

Family and friends are welcome to attend.

Looking forward to seeing everyone then.
Music Staff.

P & C News
Email: pandc@chathillss.eq.edu.au
* UNIFORM SHOP SPECIALS *

* Boys school shorts sizes 8,10,12,14 & 16 all $12
  (gaberdine material)
* Polo Shirts sizes 14 to 22 all $ 22 !!!
  (these Polo shirts will still be a part of the school uniform in 2012)

School Banking

What's better than Spen? A free Spen!
That's right....when a student orders a Dollarmites moneybox in August they will receive the Spen moneybox free! Why not take this opportunity to build up their moneybox collection!
When 10 tokens are used to order a Dollarmites moneybox (Pat, Addy, Pru or Cred) the child will receive the Spen moneybox free!

Be a dollarmite competition was won by Taya from South Australia and will be featured in coiland. To see Taya go to www.coinland.com.au. Cleveland and Mansfield State School were 2 of 50 runnerup prizes. All the students who participated in the on-line competition would have received their exclusive dollarmite figurine set.
There will be changes to the rewards program for 2013 with the introduction of Knuckle Bone style Jacks (game), Personal Calculator, over ear headphones, torch with removable lenses.

Thanks,
Terry Hodges
Bank Co-ord.

Thanks

A HUGE thank you to all our willing helpers over the last few weeks for your help, support and time. Without volunteers these events don't happen.

Tupperware Fundraiser - thanks to Mrs McKee for organizing this. From sales we were given some great Tupperware items to use in raffles etc. Look out for these great prizes in the Christmas raffle.

Book Fair - Thanks to Mrs Filkins and Mrs Lancaster, and all the ladies who helped during the week.

Fathers Day - thanks to all the ladies and 1 Gentleman who helped Mrs Evans in the organizing, set up and sales on the stall. Your help was invaluable and truly appreciated.
Volunteers are a valuable asset to any school, club or sporting organization. Many people assume that heaps of people turn up to help, but this is often NOT the case. If you can spare an hour or 2 when the call for volunteers goes out..... Please answer the call, your help will be appreciated !!!!!

P & C Meeting

Monday 10 September, 6.30pm in the admin building. All welcome. Usually all finished by 5pm, so come for a cuppa and see what is happening at the school.

Fathers Day Raffle

Thanks to everyone for your support, the winners are:
1st Kylie Horne
2nd Rama Wall
3rd Julie Ronque

Paul's Milk Lids

September is "double value month". All the lids are worth 20c during September (instead of usual 10c). Please send in any caps you have at home (please wash them first) so we can gain extra money for our caps during this month of SEPTEMBER !!!!! We must send them off before the end of this month, so send them in.... Don't delay!!

Community News

Health Screening Tests- School Nurse

Each year Queensland Health conducts vision and hearing screening tests for children at school entry level. This is a free service to assist in identifying any problems that may affect a student’s ability to progress at school.
Your school health nurse will be at the school soon and will need your written permission to see your child. The consent form will be sent home with your child, so please check your child’s school bag.
Parents of students in other year levels who have health concerns and would like their child seen by the school nurse may obtain a consent form from the office.
Your school nurse this year is Anna Barron. She can be contacted at Logan Central Community Health:
phone 3290 8900

Dental Van

The staff from the Oral Health Program are due to leave this school in the next few weeks. It is important that students keep their upcoming appointments, or they may need to be rescheduled at the next location, which will be Rochedale South State School. For further information please contact dental staff on 0412 096 692.

Foster and Kinship Care

Do you enjoy interacting with children and can give a child or young person a nuturing home.
Foster care can be for a few nights, a few weeks or sometimes until a child reaches independence.
We support our foster and kinship carers with dedicated foster care workers, after-hours on-call support, carer gatherings and information and training.
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