22nd Nov, 2012

**CHATTY’S DATE CLAIMER**

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**STUDENT ABSENT LINE 3489 2260**

**From the Principal**

The end of the school year is fast approaching and the school has a very ‘busy’ feel to it as students and teachers finish off the year’s programs. Many students are already talking about their holiday break and the year 7s are sharing their nervous excitement as they prepare to move into high school and a new phase of their educational journey. I would like to remind all students that school rules and expectations are in place right up until the final day of school. The last few weeks of school are not a time to behave or act differently, this ensures that all staff and students can continue to learn and work unhindered.

I would like to also remind students and parents that skateboards are not to be brought to school. Students can ride bikes to school providing they wear a helmet as per Queensland law and lock their bikes in the bike racks. Skateboards cannot be locked up and can cause a potential hazard if they are carried or ridden around the school, or left lying on the classroom floor.

Classes for next year are being finalised and should be released on the last Thursday of term. We plan that on this day all students will ‘shuffle up’ to their new class and meet their new class mates and teacher. Many factors contribute to creating class lists and I would like to thank parents and teachers who have discussed individual educational considerations with me. (As always changes may occur after day 8 next year when our year’s staffing and student numbers are finalised.)

The School Captain election process for 2013 is underway with 13 quality candidates giving their first speech tomorrow afternoon. Successful candidates will then be invited to give a full speech to years 4 to 7 on a special assembly during week 9. After the assembly staff and students will undertake a voting process to identify our finalists from this group who will then be interviewed by a panel of school staff. Our 2013 School Captains will be announced on our Academic Awards parade held on the last Thursday of school and all school leaders will be formally inducted at a ceremony early next year.

**Resource Scheme**

Our Resources Scheme is offered to P-3 parents to assist in purchasing their child’s personal school resources. This scheme offers parents the chance to take advantage of the school bulk purchasing power and allows the school to purchase student equipment at generally cheaper rates. It also enables the teachers to buy exactly what they need and ensure all students have the same equipment. The price of this scheme does not include any profit for the school. All monies are passed on to the class teachers to be spent on resources for the particular children in their classes. Parents who choose not to take part in the scheme can ask at the office for a list of resource requirements to purchase for themselves. Years 4 - 7 students have now received a book list outlining the personal equipment they will need for 2013. A Resource Scheme will not operate for these year levels. Information regarding the resource scheme and booklists will go home with each individual child with their report cards.

**Dates to Note**

- **Friday 7 December** – Xmas Carols Night
- **Wednesday 12 December** – Year 7 Graduation evening
- **Thursday 13 December** - Academic Award Parade 8:45am and 2013 School Captains announced. Class lists and “Shuffle Up” session to meet 2013 class teacher in new room. Report cards issued.
- **Friday 14 December** - Children will be assisting with the final preparation of rooms for next year followed by pen/pencil and paper work under the supervision of teachers. (It may not necessarily be their own teacher as some of the teachers will have been reassigned other duties in preparation for 2013. Those children in attendance will be grouped appropriately, under full supervision.)

Thank you

Keith GRAHAM
Principal
From the Deputy

The next three weeks are to be very busy, I am sure that everyone’s calendar is filling up fast. Trying to find a spare date in the diary is becoming more complicated as each day goes by.

It is important that students continue to focus on their behaviour and learning right up until the end of the school year. I have recently had to deal with some students who have made the wrong choices. Our high expectations on behaviour at this school are a reason why many new families have chosen Chatswood Hills State School as their preferred school.

Kids in Care Christmas Appeal

The Kids in Care Christmas Appeal will be our school’s last fund raiser for the year. The appeal aims to bring a smile to more than 8000 children this Christmas who live away from home in order to keep them safe.

Our school will have a collection day on Friday November 30. On this day we are asking students to bring in a $1 coin. The money raised will go towards buying a present for each class that will then be donated to the Kids in Care Appeal for these children to receive this Christmas.

By working together we could donate up to 26 presents from our school to the appeal as each present needs to be around the $20 to $25 dollar mark.

Have a great holiday.

Stephen Josey
Deputy Principal

Chappies at Chats
Chappy Karen and Chappy Alexa

Praising children is most effective when we are specific and focus on the child’s efforts and achievements. If we can label the behaviours that we want to see, our praise will be more effective. Thank you for packing your toys away neatly.

101 Ways to Praise a Child Part 2 (Author Unknown)

| You’re important! | Nominal! | You’re sensational! |
| Super work! | Creative job! | Super job! |
| Exceptional performance! | You’re a real trooper! | You are responsible! |
| You are exciting! | You learned it right! | What an imagination! |
| What a good listener! | You are fun! | You’re growing up! |
| You tried hard! | You care! | Beautiful sharing! |
| Outstanding performance! | You’re a good friend. | I trust you. |
| You are important! | You mean a lot! | You make me happy! |
| You belong! | You got a friend! | You make me laugh! |
| You brighten my day! | I respect you. | You mean the world to me! |
| That’s correct! | You’re a joy! | You’re a treasure! |
| You’re wonderful! | You’re just about perfect! | Awesome! | A+ job! | You’re A – OK! |

Meet the Chappies Morning Tea

Come and have a cuppa and meet Chappy Alexa and Chappy Karen

Stay for 5 minutes or stay for longer.
All welcome
Tuesday 4th December
8:30 am – 9:30 am
R.S.V.P. Friday 30th November to office

Principal Awards

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

Zoe K for excellent reading and for always doing her best with all her work.
Ziad A for writing a wonderful, descriptive retell of Goldilocks and The Three Bears.
Caaleraah R for always listening and working hard on learning her sight words.
Indiannah P for a very pleasing improvement in reading and working hard with her writing.
Nikki D for excellent effort in reading and writing and always trying her best.
Brenna G for trying her best to use her reading and writing strategies.
Hamish O for always trying hard and excellent classroom behaviour at all times.
Chloe A for always trying your best in all tasks.
Aidan W for an educational explanation of the eclipse complete with diagrams.
Shae M for making a huge effort to do her best work.
Danny K for excellent book work and always doing your best.
Jayden B for knowing his number facts very well.
Dontae S for a great improvement in reading this semester.
Sunny F for always being ready to help in class and for being a caring class member.
Hayden J for a great performance of your poem in Library.

Library Award

Lorikeets for fantastic listening and browsing in the Library.

From the Library

Congratulations to our Readers’ Cup FIVE! team who placed 2nd out of 18 schools in the Brisbane South Competition. Well done to Nikhat, Grace, Emily and Thalisha who read 5 books and answered questions about them. Thank you to Mrs Nolan for transporting the girls.

The girls with author Michael Gerard Bauer

Lyndell Roberts
Teacher Librarian

Around the Classes (Cassowaries Science Centre Excursion)
I learnt that power from a machine makes a tank full of water into a tornado. I enjoyed mostly the water tornado because it entertained me and because of the demonstration.

By Paige

What I learnt was the brain has many memory slots. What I enjoyed most was the vertical loading game. You needed to load everything into the car.

By Alexandra S

Something I learnt was sea turtle eggs get hot under the sand. The game I enjoyed most was the racing game.

By Ema-Lamei

I learnt that it hurts more when you lay down and pedal that when you sit up. I liked the science centre the best. There were about 1000 things I liked.

By Jade

The thing that I really loved was the two metal poles that conduct electricity and when it gets conducted it will rise up the poles and crackle. I learnt that electricity at a low voltage does not always kill you.

By Robert

I learnt that you have to protect all of your bones in your body. The thing I enjoyed most was riding the bikes in the slow zone.

By Nathan

I enjoyed all the illusions because one of them in the science centre looked like you were moving but the illusion bit was really moving.

By Jared

Something I learnt was that when you put your arms in when you are spinning you go faster. I most enjoyed the room that made you feel like you were spinning.

By Melody

Something I learnt was you have to keep the luggage even in the plane. The thing I enjoyed most was looking through the museum.

By Daniel

I learnt at the science centre that they have so many activities and on the spinning chair when you crunch up you go fast and when you spread out you go slow. My favourite part was the spinning chair.

By Tom

Queensland Health Information

Recently there has been a confirmed case of whooping cough (pertussis) in a person attending our school. Children in that year level have had a letter sent home. If you would like a fact sheet regarding this please see the office.

Ice Cream Day

Baskin Robbins and the P&C are running an ice cream day. Options include dairy free, egg free and gluten free so everyone can have an ice-cream. Next Friday 30 Nov for 2nd break. Forms home today. $3 per scoop. (rrp$3.90). Please return forms and money ASAP to the Tuckshop by Tuesday next week.

Christmas Carols

Friday 7 December BBQ and Christmas photo's available from 5.30pm. Come and sing along to the carols starting at 6.30pm. Performances by Logan City Brass Band, plus our school choirs, band, string ensembles and solo performers too. Come enjoy this great family night out.

Concrete Quote

The P&C would like to get a quote for concrete to be laid near the hall for a picnic table area. 3.95m x 8m If any parents of the school work in this industry are interested in helping us out, please contact Kirsty 0413 202 325 Or email the P&C. Your help would be appreciated. Thank you.

School Banking

Last school banking day is 5th December.
School banking will resume 1st week in February 2013. Did you know if you have a School Banking Youth Saver Account you can automatically enter to win an iPAd Mini. That's right from the 19th November to the 14th December 2012 all you have to do is make a minimum of one deposit into your Youth Saver Account Banking program through School Banking (deposits must be made at school) terms and conditions will be placed on the notice board near the Office and School Hall.

Terry Hodges (School Bank Co-Ord)

UNIFORM SHOP NEWS

Pre-orders have now closed - Thank-you to all families who placed an order it makes my job a lot easier & I am able to guarantee those with pre-orders stock availability.

Pick up times/dates for the pre-orders in 2013 are :-

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*Eftpos/credit card facilities will be available *

There are still Boys Shorts on sale $$ & School Sports Shirts on sale $$ come in & grab a bargain before school finishes for the year.Last day uniform shop is open for 2012 is Dec 4th !!!

email: PandCUniformshop@chathills.eq.edu.au for any uniform enquiries.

P & C News

Email: pandc@chathills.eq.edu.au