From the Principal

Welcome back to a new term and another ten weeks of working together to enhance the learning outcomes of the students at Chatswood Hills State School. I trust that families have had a good break from the routine of getting up each morning for school and hopefully a chance to spend some time with your family. Now that we are back and into the full swing of schooling life it is important to remember that students need to be at school ready to begin their lessons at 8:30am. Students who turn up late to class often miss out on crucial teaching and take valuable time getting settled into the day. Term Two is also a report card term so it is important that students focus on their studies in order to maximise their results.

NAPLAN for Years 3, 5 and 7 will be held this year on Tuesday May 14, Wednesday May 15 and Thursday May 16. Friday May 17 is set aside for a make-up day, any student that is away on the previous three days will need to complete the NAPLAN tests on that day. If you have any questions regarding these tests please see your child’s teacher or contact me in the office.

A new term means that each student begins on Phase One for their behaviour. If they stay on this phase for the next ten weeks then they will receive a Phase One Behaviour award. A student can only lose their Phase One behaviour award if they choose to act in a way that is contrary to the rules and expectations of the school.

I was impressed with how well the Year 4 to 7s looked on Monday’s assembly, with most students in their correct school uniform. As winter approaches I would like to encourage students to attend school in the correct school jumper. If a student is unable to wear correct uniform then they must have a note from home explaining why this is the case. The majority of students and parents support our uniform and I would like to thank families who do.

I had a timely reminder this week about why it is important to maintain the high expectations that we have at Chatswood Hills State School. A student who has just left our school due to the family having to move wrote a letter to Mr Graham and myself and asked me to read the note out on assembly. In the note the student thanks Chatswood Hills State School for making her first school in Australia an unforgettable experience. She also highlighted the wonderful teachers and the many friends that she had made at the school.

I look forward to working with students and families throughout Term Two.

Disco

The first disco for the year is on Friday April 26. The Student Council and Years Prep to 3 run the Junior Disco for Prep to Year 3 students, it starts at 4:30 and ends at 6pm. Prep parents are required to stay for the duration of the disco. The Senior disco is run by Year 4 to 7 and the Student Council for Year 4 to 7 students and starts at 6:30 and finishes at 8:30pm. Could parents please be prompt with picking up your child.
up their children at the end of each disco.

The entry is $5 with drinks, chips and glow products available for sale. There will also be a sausage sizzle put on by the P and C during the Junior Disco. The money raised by the discos will go towards the Student Council and each year level to be spent on our students!

An area will be cordoned off outside the hall for eating. Students will either be inside dancing or in the designated area eating. I would appreciate students and parents supporting this in the interests of everyone's safety.

More information can be found further on in the newsletter.

SEAT

The Spinal Education Awareness Team (SEAT) will be visiting the school on Wednesday May 1. SEATS have been to our school before to talk about making wise decisions and personal safety to avoid spinal damage. This program is provided free to all of our students.

UNSW Competition

It is that time of the year again for the UNSW competitions. These assessments are open to anyone who would like to participate. Please be aware that there is a cost associated with the tests. Students from around Australia and the Asia Pacific participate. Over recent years the school has performed well in these assessments and I would like to encourage our students to be involved.

The dates for the UNSW tests are as follows:

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ANZAC DAY Parade

Our school Anzac parade will be held at 1:45 to 2:30 on Monday April 22 in the school hall.

Have a great weekend.

Stephen Josey
A/Principal

From the Deputy

Whatever you’ve been doing, keep doing it! These were the words that sprang to mind as I reflected on my short stay here as Deputy Principal at Chatswood Hills. Having only recently transferred to this happy hideaway, the role of Deputy has provided me with a perfect opportunity to explore the entire school in operation.

Over 25 years in the profession, I’d like to reaffirm probably what most of you already know, Chatswood Hills has a motivated and high performing teaching team, supported by a dedicated and efficient administration. In addition, our grounds and rooms are maintained by an exceptional group of friendly personnel. Behind the scenes you have the P&C volunteers working relentlessly on your behalf to promote a better learning environment, not just for their own children but every student in the school. Lastly, but certainly not least of all, a quick pat on the back for all our parents, who continue to encourage their children to respect. Respect the teachers and their right to teach, respect learners and their right to learn and respect the right for everyone to remain safe. This concludes my observations for the week, so until my next trip to the top deck, I bid you all a farewell.

Kind Regards

Steve Musch

From the Guidance Officer

I will run a “1 2 3” Its Magic and Emotion Course this term on a Tuesday morning from 9am – 11am over 3 weeks if there is enough interest at the school. This Parent Course aims to help parents learn to manage difficult behaviour in children 2-12 years. The cost of the course will be minimal to cover the cost of a workbook to keep
And materials ($10). Register your interest now with Lea or Jenny in the office. Please give me a ring on Mondays, Tuesdays or 2nd Thursdays on 3489 2222 for more information.

Jenny Hickey
Guidance Officer

Chappies at Chats

meets every Thursday at 10:45 am during the lunch break. All children in Years 4 to 7 who are interested in learning about God and The Bible are welcome to attend but must have parental permission. The necessary form can be obtained from the office or from Chappy Karen.

Chappy Karen

Rugby League Clinic
For the next 3 weeks Wednesday PE classes will be involved in a Backyard League Program run by the National Rugby League Development Squad. The coaches took students through the skills of scoring a try, dummy passing, chip kicks and the grubber kick.

Students from Prep to Year 3 enjoyed their introductory lesson and look forward to learning more league skills.

Fun Run

All money has now been collected and prizes for the school tallied. This information has been forwarded to the Australian Fundraising Group who will then send us the many prizes our children selected. Who will win the highest fundraiser medal? Which family can pack their bags for the SeaWorld Nara Resort?

District Crosscountry

On Friday 23 Chatswood Hills runners will compete in the Logan District Crosscountry at JPC. The first 10 runners in each age category will be invited to compete at the Metropolitan East Crosscountry at Capalaba. Good Luck!

Jane Taylor
HPE Teacher

Student Achievements

Congratulations to Jack G, Gianluca O and Kenneth W for making the Logan District Soccer Team.

Sharni and Alarni K competed at the QLD Little Athletics IGA State Championships on 22nd-24th March 2013.

Sharni K U12G
Placed
4th in Javelin with 26.07m
5th in Discus with 29.85m and
6th in shot put with 10.70m

Alarni K U9G
Placed
1st in Shotput with 8.23m (2cm off breaking the state record)
1st in Discus with 26.70m
8th in Long Jump with 3.38m

Juniorl Disco (Prep- Grade 3)

Where: Hall
When: Friday 26th April
Time: 4.30pm- 6.00pm
Cost: $5
Prep parents must stay with their child.

P&C are putting on a BBQ- sausage sizzle –
Sausages $2.50 each & drinks $2.

Senior Disco Years 4-7 (Stage 2&3)

There will be a senior disco held on Friday 26th April from 6.30pm-8.30pm. There will be drinks on sale for $1 and glo products ranging from $1- $4.

Entry fee is $5.

Only children from Chatswood Hills State School are eligible to attend.

P & C News

Email: pandc@chathillss.eq.edu.au

P&C Newsletter out tomorrow please read it to get all the latest info.

Picture Plates

Order forms going home tomorrow. Orders due back by NEXT FRIDAY. Money to be paid to the tuckshop. Cost is $25.

Fete Meeting

Wednesday 24 April 1.45pm in the school hall. All welcome.

School Banking

"Family Adventure Competition starts 15th April to 5th July 2013. All you have to do to enter is make 3 or more deposits through your school banking during Term 2.

1st prize $5000.00 Adventure Holiday in Australia plus $500 spending money. $500.00 for the winning school to do as they wish. 25 runners up Kids Adventure Packs worth over $700.00 each to be won.

Main flyer on the notice board near Administration window other flyers on all class room doors or windows additional flyers will be sent home to our school banking students’

Terry Hodges
School Bank-Co-ord

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P&C Newsletter out tomorrow please read it to get all the latest info.