

15th August 2013

CHATTY'S DATE CLAIMER

19th August Book Character Parade

29th -30th Aug Fathers Day Stall
From 8.30am

STUDENT ABSENT LINE 3489 2260

From the Principal

I hope you enjoyed your Ekka holiday and long weekend. 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.

Next week is Book Week and we will be having many interesting activities. Our character parade will be held Monday morning in the hall; the theme this year is Read Across the Universe and I am looking forward to seeing all the wonderful costumes from students and staff. The week will continue with classroom door displays and an author visit paid for by our P&C so that all children can attend. Please see your child's teacher if you require more specific information.

Unfortunately the painting contractor became ill over the weekend and was unable to paint our front fence as scheduled. We are waiting for an updated time for this work to be completed. Once painted, the school badge and name will be affixed to the wall. Work on the Prep

shade areas should begin this weekend giving the Preps two new solid shade structures, replacing the old shade cloths. Construction may cause the existing areas to be roped off for a few days and restrict access to this seating area. Again, I appreciate everyone's understanding while this work is undertaken.

The new koala walkway is nearing completion and is looking great. New eucalyptus trees were planted this week along with other native plants designed to attract wildlife. I would like to give a big thank you to our groundsman, Mr Adam Lee for his many hours of work and effort in preparing this area. Our first koala for the season was spotted in the trees last week and seemed to like his new home. We are awaiting some information signs to be installed and will official open this area at our 30th anniversary fete on September 7th.

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.

Stephen Josey and I will be out of the school today and tomorrow at a leadership conference on the Gold Coast. In our absence our Head of Curriculum Ms Olivia Wells will be the Acting Deputy Principal.

Date to note

- Prep enrolments and Open Day – Wednesday 28 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 2014 **must be born between 1 July 2008 and 30 June 2009**. The implications of our Enrolment Management Plan on new

- enrolments will be discussed at these sessions.

Thank you

Keith GRAHAM
Principal

From the Deputy

The Koala Walkway is coming along in leaps and bounds. The interpretive signs have been sent in to be made, gum trees donated by Wallum Nursery have been planted and so to have Grevillias and Bottle Brush donated by Bunnings.

I would like to thank our groundsman, Mr Adam Lee, for all of his hard work in preparing the ground and organising the planting of the trees.

Next Monday is one of the great events on the Chatswood Hills calendar, the book week parade. I always look forward to seeing what everyone wears on the day. Mrs Roberts has planned a plethora of events throughout the week and I am sure it will be a rewarding time for the community.

Springwood Space Day

Ten of our best Year 6 and 7 science students have been selected to participate in the inaugural Space Day to be held at Springwood Road State School on Thursday September 5. Students will participate in the designing and making of their very own rocket under the supervision of staff from Springwood High School. Notes will go out to students in the next few weeks.

UNSW Competition

The final UNSW competition was held on Tuesday. Twenty One students from Years 3 to 7 participated. I would like to thank all of the students and their families who participated this year. Notable results for the assessments will be published as they come to hand. The Science results from last week were:

Jade	Year 4	Distinction
Mathilda	Year 4	Distinction
Sohini	Year 5	Distinction
Ryan	Year 4	Credit
Melody	Year 4	Credit
Clancy	Year 5	Credit
Charlie	Year 5	Credit
Nikat	Year 6	Credit

Operation Christmas Child

Chappy Karen is coordinating Operation Christmas Child this year with the help of Ms Cargill. Families and children 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. More information can be found in Chappy Karen's section of the newsletter.

Have a great weekend.

Stephen Josey
Deputy Principal

Chappy at Chatty

Operation Christmas Child - Boxes given to children living in poverty, impacted by war, diseases, famine or natural disasters.

Do you want to contribute items for a box to be given to a child? This week we will be collecting **something special like a carry bag, sunglasses, bangles, necklaces, craft kits, a personal note or a photo.**

If packing your own shoebox, please collect an information sheet from the office which will detail the items to be included and items not to be included. Thank you to all who have contributed items or packed a whole box. Please send in completed boxes by the 2nd of September.

Thank you to Argerys Butcher at Centro Springwood for the generous discount on the sausages for the Bunnings BBQ.

Chappy Karen

Principal Awards

No awards due to long weekend.

From the Library

Next week CHSS celebrates Book Week. On Monday children are invited to come to school dressed as their favourite book character. It is a very popular event in our school calendar. They will visit other classes to see their Doorways display where children focus on a particular book.

From Tuesday 20 August – Monday 26 August our wonderful parent volunteers will be in the Library hosting

Bookfair. It will operate from 8.15am – 3pm daily. Classes will visit Bookfair in a set time on Tuesday or Wednesday. Parents are welcome to visit before and after school.

On Wednesday cartoonist Brian Doyle will show the children how he creates his cartoons. Thank you to the P&C for sponsoring this event so all children are able to attend.

Thank you for supporting these events.

Music News

Our annual Music Concert will be held on Friday, 13th September. The evening will start at 6pm - in the school hall. We are needing all students to be at school by 5:30pm for tuning and setup. Groups involved will be all choirs, bands and string groups as well as dance and recorder groups. The concert dress for all performers will be full school uniform except dance and Beginner Strings. Beginner Strings will wear free dress and the dance students will wear dance costumes. The evening will conclude by 7:15pm. All friends and family are encouraged to attend. We look forward to seeing you there. The students are looking forward to performing to an appreciative audience and show the hard work that they have been doing all year. All students have been given a note detailing arrangements. Please see Ms Liu if you are needing a note.

Thank you,
Music Staff

P & C News

Email: pandc@chathillss.eq.edu.au

Wed 28th August
BULK LOLLIES & Tattoos (Lollies 1 & 2kg containers can be purchased from Big W or lollypops are needed too)

Wed 4th Sept
Coloured Hair spray / 2nd hand books / Salt (for hot chips)

FRIDAY 6th Sept
CAKE DONATION - for the cake stall. No cream as no refrigeration available, all donations to be taken to the hall foyer from 8am.
Where possible please label ingredients used in your baking.

Stall Volunteers Still Needed

Many classes I visited on Wednesday STILL have NO volunteers on their class roster. Please place your name on your roster for ½ hr. or 1 hr. to help your class stall run smoothly. You don't have to be talented or an expert at any stalls – just have a go and help your child's class. The P&C cannot be at every stall on the day. This is why we need your help. Please volunteer, your help will be appreciated, Thank you Kirsty Evans (fete co-ordinator)

FETE setup / pack up

Don't forget to let your teacher or the P&C know if you can help with the fete set up from 8am onwards or the pack up from 7.30pm onwards. Many hands make light work.

Fathers Day Stall

The annual stall will be held on Thursday the 29th and Friday the 30th of August from 8.30am outside the school hall. There will be lots of great gifts for Dads, Granddads etc available and prices will range between \$1 and \$12. Each class will have the opportunity to visit the stall and we will be open during break times as well.

We know there is a lot going on at the moment with bookfair and the 30th anniversary fete just a week later but if you can spare some time to volunteer at the stall it would be very much appreciated.

As always, donations are gratefully accepted and if anyone has some time available in the next week or so to help prepare the items for the stall that would be great.

For more information or to volunteer please phone Marie on 0432541896, Cathy on 0437437241 or you can leave your details at the office and we will contact you.

Found

A pair of white joggers have been handed in to the office. Please collect from the office if they are yours.

CRICKET SIGN ON HOMESTEAD PARK, JODIE STREET, SHAILER PARK.

9.00 AM to 1.00 PM

**SATURDAY: 17th 24th & 31st AUGUST
SUNDAY; 18th & 25th AUGUST.**

**REGISTRATION FEES;--
Govt. Sports Subsidy Vouchers**

In2Cricket	(5-8yrs Friday Nights)	\$75.00
Juniors	(9-16yrs Saturday Morn.)	\$75.00
Seniors	(Saturday A/noons)	\$130.00

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