

21<sup>st</sup> May, 2015

### **CHATTY'S DATE CLAIMERS**

May 22	School Discos
Jun 8	Queen's Birthday Holiday
Jun 10	Sports Day Years 4-6
Jun 26	Last Day Term 2
July 13	Term 3 commences

**STUDENT ABSENT LINE 3489 2260**

### **From the Acting Principal**

We are so very proud of our Year 3 and 5 students for the way they tried their very best in the NAPLAN testing this week. Congratulations students on your hard work, your perseverance and your positive attitudes! Congratulations to all our wonderful teachers and teacher aides on the work they have done in preparing our students for these tests. It is expected that we will receive school and individual students' test results by August.

### **Children arriving late to school**

At Chatswood Hills SS, school starts promptly at 8.30am and finishes at 2.30pm. Lately we have had an increasing number of children arriving to school after the 8.30am bell. In these situations your child is missing out on valuable learning time and the part of the day where routines and the daily program begins.

Our classroom teachers will begin online roll marking on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> May. This will mean that all students who arrive at school after 8.45am will need to collect a late slip from the school office prior to moving to class.

Children who make their way directly to class after 8.45am will be redirected to the school office to collect a late slip, which they will be required to give to their classroom teacher.

Students, who need to be collected during the day or

picked up earlier than the 2.30pm finish time, will still need to be signed out at the school office.

### **Behaviour expectations**

I have been working with the school leadership team to identify minor and major acceptable and unacceptable behaviours in our school. Some unacceptable behaviour will result in parents being contacted by a member of the leadership team and may also result in planned disciplinary action.

Major unacceptable behaviours include:

- Swearing at school staff
- Using threatening or intimidating words or actions
- Deliberate physical aggression

At Chatswood Hills State School there is a responsible behaviour policy available on our school website.

The behaviour management policy is founded on four basic notions for effective student behaviour management. They are:

- Students learn best in learning environments that are success oriented (belonging and relevance).
- Students undergo an "apprenticeship in democracy" while at school. (rights and responsibilities).
- Managing students is most effective when done in partnership with parents and with all school adults. (partnership).
- Managing students' irresponsible behaviour must include planned disciplinary actions that increase every student's opportunity to succeed and maintain a safe, orderly learning environment. (planned discipline).

### **Walk Safely to School Day — 22 May**

This Friday students are encouraged to take part in [Walk Safely to School Day](#). Walking or taking public transport to school promotes a healthy lifestyle and responsible behaviour around our streets, while also reducing traffic around our school. It would be great to see parents joining in as well.

Kind Regards

Fiona Graham

Acting Principal

## **From the Acting Deputy**

Two weeks ago we had our new Sound System installed in the hall. Through fundraising and your support our P&C have been able to organise this for the school. The sound quality and the system will allow us to have clearer performances and visual aids when presenting at our assemblies and at other special school events. We are still waiting for some final work to be done to enable us to use the projector and screen, but we are looking forward to being able to incorporate visual aids during our fortnightly assemblies in the near future.

Over the past few weeks at school assemblies and in class the students have been reminded of the expectations of them before school. Our school policy is that if students arrive at school prior to 8:15am they are to wait quietly at the tuckshop area. When the 8:15am bell rings students are able to move to their classrooms to put their bags away and wait for class to start. Can I ask all parents to ensure their students are in the correct area? We have told the students that even if they are sitting with Mum or Dad and they are at school prior to the 8:15am bell they are to be in the tuckshop area, your assistance with this is much appreciated.

This week we have had a number of students represent our school at challenges, these events have been open to the Year 5 and 6 students. I would like to thank Mrs Hingst for assisting the students at the Springwood Storm Cup on Tuesday, where one of our teams won two categories and Chappy Karen for assisting our students at the Mabel Park Brain Day today. The students involved represented our school well and should be commended on their efforts, all members of the teams gave their very best in every challenge.

Today we also celebrated Pink Stumps Day, the students were encouraged to dress in as many pink items as possible to raise awareness of the McGrath Foundation. Thank you to the students for your efforts, it is fabulous to see you get behind such a worthy cause and even the boys enjoyed wearing pink for the day! Ms Taylor also did a terrific job of organising lunch time cricket matches for the students and staff.

Friday night is our Disco night for this term. As mentioned last time the P – 2 Disco is from 4:30– 6:00pm and the Yr 3 – 6 Disco is from 6:15 – 7:45pm. The P&C will be continuing the sausage sizzle for the senior disco, this will give the students

the opportunity to buy dinner at the disco. As usual we will have glow products, poppers and chips available for purchase. The cost is \$5 per student.

## **Springwood Storm Cup**

Twelve Year 5 students, working in teams of 4, participated in the Springwood Storm Cup on Tuesday at Springwood High School. Not only were they immersed in high school life BUT they also got challenged in math, science and humanities. Teams were given nearly an hour to work on the different challenges which included research about nursery rhymes, writing and performing their own rhyme, problem solving in math, and a very hands on titration challenge in science. Titration was definitely everyone's favourite part of the day. The students did extremely well with one of our teams winning 2 prizes against 3 other schools. Chatswood Hills Team 2 won the overall Math Award and the overall Science Award! Well done to all the students. I was extremely proud of their attitude, team work and excellent behaviour. They represented Chatswood Hills well! Thank you also to the parents who willingly dropped off and picked up the students. Congratulations: Olivia, Ella, Austin, Jayden, Cooper, Cuba, Bella, Kassidy, Sarah, Mia, Jared and Jack.

Lisa Hingst - Numeracy Coach





### University of NSW Testing

The UNSW Competition and Assessment for Schools is once again opened to anyone who would like to participate. These assessments are an independent assessment of student strengths, you are able to nominate your child to sit one or all of the assessments that are offered. Please be aware that there is a cost associated with these tests. Students around Australia and the Asia Pacific participate. Once the assessments have been sent in and marked the students receive a certificate acknowledging their level of achievement and an individual diagnostic report highlighting their strengths and weaknesses. 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 and the closing dates for payment are as follows:

COMPETITION	SITTING DATE	CLOSING DATE FOR PAYMENT	COST
Science	Wednesday 3 June	closed	\$8
Writing	Monday 15 June	closed	\$17
Spelling	Tuesday 16 June	closed	\$11
English	Tuesday 28 July	Thursday 25 June	\$8
Mathematics	Tuesday 11 August	Thursday 25 June	\$8

If you have any questions about these tests please contact me.

Regards

Trina Wilhelmsen

Acting Deputy Principal

### Principal Awards

Congratulations to the following students who received awards on assembly:

**Kai H** for working hard towards achieving your goals in English.

**David S** for having an outstanding learning attitude that is helping you achieve your goals.

**Aneska M** for working well on your ‘In the book-right have’ questions during reading groups.

**Corbin P** for excellent drawings and Art work shown in class.

**Jazmin B** for trying hard with all your work and for improved reading and writing.

**Michael A** for excellent journal writing.

**Hadi A** for always trying your best in class.

**Joel B** for trying really hard with our work on ‘Super Sentences’

**Zane B** for always putting in a great effort.

**E.J. T** for great work counting and understanding more and less.

**Luka R** for trying so hard in writing groups.

**Jaxon S** for an excellent retell and opinion of the “Buillbree” Dreamtime story.

**Jack R** for great behaviour and trying your best on every NAPLAN activity.

**Georgia B** for an amazing effort with Athletics this term.

**Tua K** for working really hard in Maths!

**Dylan B** for making big efforts to improve classroom behaviour.

**Zoe K** for always working to the best of your abilities in all learning areas.

**Alex H** for showing 50 seconds off your best time in number facts.

**Tamara J** for being a conscientious and considerate student.

**Dre K** for a huge improvement in the presentation of your work.

**Dane M** for trying hard to learn your spelling words.

**Ryan W** for outstanding classroom effort.

**Andrew B** for excellent work in Science.

## **Library Award**

**Geckoes** for an excellent effort with book borrowing and always using Library manners.

**Russell** for outstanding listening/viewing comprehension and excellent library manners.

## **Citizenship Award**

Timothy S	Karragarra
Baxter G	Burleigh
Taylor K	Stradbroke
Olivia J	Coolum
Sebastian P	Rainbow
Jack C	Russell
Dilana H	Currumbin
Thomas B	Currumbin
Abbie S	Noosa
Vallee E	Tallebudgera
Ellijah B	Moreton
Tehlia W	Karragarra
Kaiden B	Macleay

## **From the Guidance Officer**

I am hoping to run another “1,2,3 It’s Magic and Emotion Coaching” Parent Course if we have enough interested parents. This is a three week course of 2 ½ hours each week. You receive a book to keep and refer to with the training. The course helps parents to develop clear expectations, engage children’s cooperation, develop some simple strategies to practice being a calm parent etc. It aims to train parents in learning to manage difficult behaviour in children 2-12 years. The course costs \$10 and this is the price of the book to keep.

I could offer the course on 3 Mondays or Tuesdays from 9.00 to 11.30 or 3 Mondays or Tuesdays from 12.00 to 2.30. If you are interested could you leave your name, phone contact and days/times that suits you with the lovely ladies in the Office please. I will then see where there is interest. If you would like to know more about this program please give me a ring on PH: 34892222 on Mondays or Tuesdays.

Jenny Hickey- Guidance Officer

## **Chappy at Chats**

### **Parent Connect**

Parent Connect is a time for parents to connect with other parents. Our next meeting is on Monday the 1st of June at 8:45 am until 9:45 am in the Library. Jenny Hickey, our Guidance Officer will be talking about Anxiety in Children.

### **Trash and Treasure**

Thank you to the parents and children who have already donated items.

### **Brain Day**

Today I had the privilege of attending the Brain Day at Mabel Park High School with 14 of our Year 5 and 6 students who completed four hands on science challenges whilst competing strongly against four other schools in Logan.

Chappy Karen

## **Sensei Says ...**

Did you know that ‘irasshaimase’ means ‘welcome’ – you have probably heard it shouted at you when entering Japanese restaurants like Sushi train etc. Speaking of welcoming, I would like to let our Chatswood Hills Community know that we will have a group of Japanese students visiting our school from the 12<sup>th</sup> to the 19<sup>th</sup> of August. The Japanese students will range in age between 10 and 15 years old and we are looking for families from our school community who would be willing to host 2 students in their home for 7 nights. The students require their own bed but can share rooms with your own children (same gender) and host families do receive a payment for hosting the students. They come to school with your student/s each day and attend English lessons and participate in exchange lessons with our students. If you are interested in becoming a host family please see the advertisement below, application forms can be collected from the office or myself. Please contact me at school if you have any questions about hosting a student or via email (kbull6@eq.edu.au). This is a fantastic opportunity for our student’s to meet some Japanese students and try out their Japanese language skills and also exchange ideas and

information. The students are already excited about meeting the students from Japan and we look forward to welcoming them to our school.

Sayounara  
Bullen Sensei



**URGENTLY REQUIRED**

## **HOST FAMILIES**

**FOR  
JAPANESE STUDENTS**  
from  
**ACOSTA Primary group (10-14 years old)**

Arrival: Wednesday 12 Aug  
Departure: Wednesday 19 Aug

**\*\*\*2 students per family\*\*\***

Attending **Chatswood Hills State School** on weekdays  
Free to spend the weekend and afternoons with the family

### Host Family Requirements:

- No other Japanese person is staying with the family
- 3 meals per day
- Own bed, but can share a room
- Over 18's hold Blue Card or willing to apply through us
- Safe travel to and from school

**\$465 will be paid to Host Families to cover the cost**  
**Friendly Bilingual Support Available (24h/7d)**

Please contact your school or the organising company for further information,

AUSTRALIA JAPAN STUDY PROGRAMME (AJSP)

Email: [ajspmari@gmail.com](mailto:ajspmari@gmail.com)

Phone: 0432 219 811 (Mari)

[www.ajsp.net.au](http://www.ajsp.net.au)

### **From the Library**

CHSS has registered to participate in the Premier's Reading Challenge. The challenge aims to improve literacy and encourage children to read widely for pleasure and learning. P-2 students will experience at least 20 books in Library lessons. Years 3-4 will read 20 books and Years 5-6 will read 15 books. Years 3-6 will keep a record of the books they read. The reading period is from May 19 – August 28 this year. Please encourage and support their efforts.

Lyndell Roberts  
Teacher Librarian

### **String News**

Hi Everyone – the semester is coming to an end. Here with the latest news.

- The Beginner String ensemble has started – we meet at 1<sup>st</sup> break on a Wednesday. The students bring up their morning tea and then we start. The rehearsal is going well and we are preparing for concert in Term 3. This group is encouraged each year to invent their own name – this year we are known as Juuroku Strings (Japanese translation for “16 Strings”).
- If there are any students (yr 3 – 6) interested in starting a string instrument please make contact with the school office and a message will be left for me. Lessons will be on a Wednesday during school time so please know that students will miss school content and it is their responsibility for them to catch up. We have a few violins available and one cello.
- Andrew B (Miami) has mislaid his All For String text. We have checked within the group to see if someone has picked it up by mistake but can you please check at home for this book. It must be a situation whereby books have been swapped. We can rectify this at rehearsal at 1<sup>st</sup> break.

Thanks to all.

Penny Williams – (string instructor).

### **Instrumental Music Program**

All invoices for this program have now been sent home. Please make payment as soon as possible. Payment must be finalised before the end of term. Reminder statements have been sent out this week.

### **Student Resource Scheme Prep- Year 3**

If you are paying the Student Resource Scheme in instalments the Term 2 payment is now due. If you have not paid any of your resources as yet please do so as soon as possible. Statements have been sent out this week. Your child/ren will be unable to attend any excursions if the resources are not up to date.

### **Internet Payments**

If you are paying for excursions by the internet please make sure the payment is made **no later than 2 days prior** to the due date of payment. This is to ensure that we receive the payment on time so your child does not miss out on going on the excursion.

The following payment was deposited into our account via the internet and we are unable to trace the student whose payment it is.

23<sup>rd</sup> April \$50 Camp Deposit (Name on deposit HAARKPTY)

Please contact the office with proof of payment as soon as possible so we can amend our records.

### Lost Property

We have had a asthma puffer, a child's reading glasses, a pair of sunglasses and a watch handed into the office. Please collect if you have misplaced any of these.

### Student Achievement

Qld oztag hosted the annual Qld v NSW State of Origin last weekend up on the Sunshine Coast Chatswood Hills SS was proudly represented by Jacob H as he did the state team and the school proud in the 10 years boys QLD team. Congratulations - a fantastic effort to play for QLD



### P & C News

Email: [pandc@chathillss.eq.edu.au](mailto:pandc@chathillss.eq.edu.au)

### School Banking

What a great Intergalactic Banking Term 2 we are having. Last week 65 students received their Bronze Certificate for ten weeks continuous School Banking. 108 rewards have been redeemed by our school banking students. Our Classroom Achievement Certificates for the most students who participate in the School Banking Program, 1st Lorikeets, 2nd Miami and 3rd Currumbin.

I have sent notes home to students who have 10 or more tokens if they wish to redeem them for great Intergalactic rewards. Reminders have also gone out to a lot of our long term School Bankers to re-ignite their Banking journey, to redeem their rewards and that we miss them and want them to have the opportunity to have their chance in winning a family trip to Disneyland with spending money and the School Principal's prize.

By participating in the School banking program you help our School. Last month nearly \$900.00 went back into Chatswood Hills School to help fund educational programs.

Changes to the way our students redeem their school banking awards has changed, If your child has 9 tokens they can pre order their chosen award. (This has already been done for some students) , If you miss a school banking day then their will be a delay. This process will ensure our students do not miss out on their chosen award. So have your child keep a count on their rewards Tokens. The system will also notify me when our Students will receive their School Banking Certificate (Bronze, Silver, Gold and Achievement). However I will continue to maintain records in case of any mishaps.

For all parents who attend Monday School Assembly on the 25<sup>th</sup> May Chatswood Hills State School will be presented with a Cheque from the CommBank

School Banking Program and there may be a special visitor for the students. Don't forget to look at the CommBank web site for new Activity sheets and materials such as Drawing Savings Goals, Crossword Puzzles, Colour in sheets and " The Bean Stalk Activity Centre" in teaching our students on how to save.

So come on, lets get more of us into our Intergalactic Banking Journey.

Terry Hodges  
School Banking Co-Ordinator

### **School Fete**

On **Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> September 2015 (3pm-7.30pm)** Chatswood Hills State School opens its doors to the community with our Bi-annual Fete. While the Fete is a day to showcase what makes our school one of the most popular schools in our area, it is also an important opportunity for our P&C to raise vital funds to support upgrades and improvements to our children's educational environment. The 2013 Fete successfully raised over \$17,000. This success is attributed to the families within the school who contributed with class donations and their time on the day. This year the P&C again asks the school community to assist us in making this Fete bigger and better than the last.

### **LOCAL BUSINESS SPONSORSHIP**

If you own or work for a local business or know of any businesses within the local area that would like to be involved please contact the P&C on our email address (pandc@chathillss.eq.edu.au) with their details. Our sponsorship co-ordinator will then contact each business to discuss options. Sponsorships can vary from monetary donations, providing equipment and goods, volunteering and discounts on available products.

### **HAMPER DONATIONS**

We will be organising a raffle at the fete, consisting of themed hampers. Each class will be asked to donate goods to a particular theme. More details of this will be sent home from your teacher shortly. If required, please ensure all perishable/food items have an expiry date of at least 2016.

### **COLLECTION ITEMS**

To make the fete as successful as possible, we will be asking for donations to assist. A list will be provided to your class teacher, and further information will be sent home soon. These collection items will help with stalls and the overall running of the fete, such as prizes and equipment for stalls.

### **TRASH AND TREASURE**

There will be a trash and treasure stall on the day. We ask that you donate saleable items such as good quality children's clothes, books and toys (in good working order with all parts attached). Please no Kids Meal toys from fast food restaurants.

### **CAKE STALL**

Donations of cakes, slices, biscuits or any sweet treat for our cake stall will be appreciated. Homemade items always sell first! Donations will be collected on the Friday before the Fete. Further information and distribution of containers will be given closer to the fete.

### **CLASS STALL HELPERS**

To run class stalls we need helpers!!! A helper can be a child's parent, guardian, uncle, aunty, grandparent or family friend. We ask helpers to volunteer for ½ hour, an hour or more on the day. Any time you can give will be appreciated. Coordination of volunteering for these stalls will be done through classes in term 3.

### **FETE DAY SET UP AND PACK UP**

As this is such a big event for the school community, we would appreciate some assistance with set up and/or clean up on the day, leading up to the event, and in the week after. If you can spare any time to help please contact Danielle Atkins on 0402 288 597. Co-ordination of these volunteers will be done by Danielle at the beginning of Term 3.

Looking forward to a successful and awesome fete!  
The Fete Committee

**Chatswood Hills  
Term 2 Disco**

**Date:** 22<sup>nd</sup> May,  
2015

**Where:** School  
Hall

**Time:** Prep –

**Year 2** 4:30 –

**6:00pm**

(Prep Students must be  
accompanied by an adult)

**Year 3 – 6** 6:15

**– 7:45pm**

(only students enrolled at  
Chatswood Hills can attend)

**Cost:** \$5 per child

**Extras:** glow  
products, drinks  
and potato chips  
available to  
purchase.

**Sausage sizzle  
for  
both discos.**