

16th July, 2015

CHATTY'S DATE CLAIMERS

7 th Aug	Interschool Sport begins
10 th Aug	Logan Show Holiday
12 th Aug	Japanese Tour arrives
20 th -21 st Aug	Science Activities
24 th -28 th Aug	Book Week
24 th Aug	Book Character Parade

STUDENT ABSENT LINE 3489 2260

From the Principal

The Principal's Perspective

Hi everyone and a big welcome back to term 3 here at Chatswood Hills. I have been overwhelmed with the greetings I have received this week after returning from my long service leave during last term. Perhaps the old saying, "Absence makes the heart grow fonder," really is true! My wife and I had an amazing experience overseas and both of my daughter's weddings, although vastly different, were spectacular and I couldn't have been prouder as a father. I'd like to thank Mrs Fiona Graham for filling in for me as principal during my time away, and also especially thank Mrs Wilhelmsen for all the extras that she had to do during my absence. I know in the very last newsletter I wrote that, "I know my senior leadership team are fully committed to the direction Chatswood Hills is heading. I am extremely confident that the highest quality teaching and learning will continue to occur until I return for second semester." I am extremely happy and proud to say that after meeting with staff and visiting classrooms this week, I know that this was the case. I lead a very dedicated and passionate group of teachers and staff that make Chatswood Hills the envy of all other schools in Logan.

Hopefully during the school holidays students not only spent quality time with their family and friends, but also took the time to reflect on their report card ratings and comments. My expectation is that all students will collectively set 'SMART' goals with their classroom teacher based on their current level of performance. Improving student literacy and numeracy is the core business of schools so your child will have a goal in at least these two areas. In the coming week or so please check in with your child or children to find out what their individualised learning goals are. Perhaps even more importantly, find out what strategies or plans they are going to put into action in order to reach their goals. It is vital that parents and carers play an active role in the educational process with their child if they are to be successful. Discover what their present goals are and how you can help them to reach them!

Every school term is busy and has its various highlights. I was sad that I missed our school sports day last term as it is always one of my personal favourites. However, this term we have our school fete to look forward to as well as many other events including hosting some visiting Japanese students; Book Week which includes our book character parade and author visits; Real Men Read & Girls Are Great celebrations to name just a few. I am looking forward to catching up with our hard working P&C at next Monday evening's meeting to hear how their plans unfolded during term 2 and what else they have in store for the rest of the year. I want to ensure that our school is the central hub of our community and to this end it is absolutely vital that we have parent and family volunteers assisting with activities and fundraising wherever possible. It would be fantastic to see new faces at our P&C meetings but it is not essential that you attend these. By simply supporting their initiatives in any way you can, you prove to your child that you value school life and what they are learning here at Chatswood Hills. I am always happy to meet with parents to discuss any aspects of our school that you feel can be enhanced so come on in for a friendly chat or discussion. It is great to be back!

Yours in education,
David Teale
Principal

From the Acting Deputy

After a lovely break with family and friends many of the students that I have spoken to this week were excited to be back at school. It seems that our students do a lot of different things over the holiday and it is lovely to hear their stories.

After only a few days back at school many of us start to feel like we didn't have a break at all. To the credit of our staff and students we were all back in the swing of things on Monday and eager to get the term underway. The students are starting new units of work in all subject areas so please ask your children about the topics they are learning about and what new things they have learnt already.

Over the next couple of weeks the students across our school will also be focusing on one of our 4Cs. The focus for the fortnight is cooperation. In class students will be discussing what cooperation means and how to be a cooperative member of our school. Teachers also have some fun and exciting games to play with the students to teach them how to cooperate. During lunch breaks our teachers will be giving out Gotchas in the playground and it will be interesting to see how many of these are given to the students for being cooperative. I will let the students know this information on junior and senior parades before we draw the gotchas for the fortnight.

This Friday we will celebrate NAIDOC Week, as mentioned in our last newsletter. The students in all year levels will participate in activities to celebrate Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures, activities include drawing, painting, listening to traditional stories and traditional games. Many of our staff members have contributed to organising this event but I would like to say a very special thank you to Mrs Robyn Waters, Mrs Danyell Burgess and Mrs Desley Rankin for the time and effort they have put into this event.

With the cold weather this week, it was great to see that most of our students were in full school uniform. Please ensure that your child wears the correct uniform including jumpers and black shoes to school each day. We have a number of jumpers in our lost property at the moment and unfortunately they are all unnamed. Please make sure that items are clearly

marked as we do return them to the appropriate class where possible.

Regards
Trina Wilhelmsen
Acting Deputy Principal

Family and Child Connect

Sometimes times can be very tough and difficult for families. For your information a new Government service exists called Family and Child Connect. You may have seen the Stronger Families advertisement on TV. Family and Child Connect gives families a hand to get back on track by connecting them to the services they need. Anyone can call Family and Child Connect for advice and information. If your family or someone you know needs help, call 13FAMILY or 13 32 64, visit your nearest F.A.C.C office or call 3441 3030- Logan.

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 and chat together. The first one for this Term will be held in Week 5 on Thursday the 13th of August at 2pm in the Library. Come and meet with other parents in the school and our school Behaviour Specialist Doreen Percy will be sharing Tips as Your Child Approaches Adolescence.

Trash and Treasure

With the assistance of the P and C, I am collecting items for the Trash and Treasure stall which will be held at the School Fete. So why wait for spring, if you have items that you no longer use, please donate them to the school to sell at The Trash and Treasure Stall.

The items we are collecting are children's books, toys, clothes, books and Bric a brac. We are looking for clean, undamaged items that we will be able to sell. Please no junk.

Queensland Father of The Year

Fathers are people who often have a positive profound impact on their children. Do you know a father whose sacrifices go unnoticed? You can honour him today by nominating him for The Father of the Year. He could win a five night family holiday at Sea World Resort and Water Park and the Gold Coast's Favourite Theme Parks.

For information or to nominate a spectacular Father, go to qldfatheroftheyear.org.au.

Nominations close on the 17th of July. Last days!

I hope that the holidays were a great time to spend quality time with your children. I was reminded recently of how quickly this journey of parenting children passes and children become young adults who are independent. Take time to enjoy the journey and make the most of this opportunity.

Chappy Karen (Email - karenk@chappy.org.au)

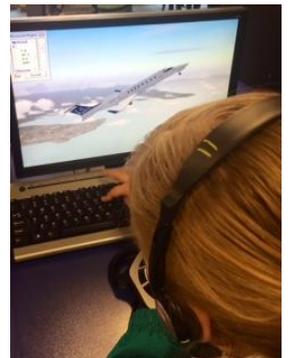
Space Day

9 students from Years 4 to 6 attended Space Day on Monday. This was a joint initiative hosted by Springwood Road State School and Springwood State High School. Springwood High is an Aerospace project school offering Aerospace Studies for Years 10-12 students. We were lucky enough to start the day with one of their talented teachers and some of her very keen year 10 students. Unfortunately due to the rain, we could not build rockets and fire them into the sky, an activity the school has a licence to facilitate. Instead we got to play with the flight simulators and fly anything from a large Boeing to something only the Wright Brothers could have built. The students worked through flying lessons before they took to the skies! Luckily the crash button was OFF because not many of our budding pilots would have successfully got the wheels off the ground. One of our students put his flight path into the simulator so he could fly from Brisbane to Canada. He landed in China! It was unanimous though that the group loved every moment of the experience.

The afternoon saw us walking to Springwood Road for a sausage sizzle and then robot challenges. A very lucky teacher won a Science Prize last year and used the money to spend time at the Space Camp in the USA. Now she is a passionate advocate for all things space! Working with the robots took very different skills as patience is needed to program the robots to go exactly where you want them to go. There was a lot of trial and error but none of the students ever gave up on any of the challenges. Springwood Road is lucky to have the Robot sets. They are worth a few thousand dollars but the learning experiences and scope for extension is worth much more.

I would like to congratulate the group of students on their brilliant attitudes and behaviour on the day. They were exceptional representatives of our school.

Mrs Hingst





of paper and hung them outside the Japanese room on bamboo branches with other decorations. Please feel free to come and have a look at the Tanabata display and read some of the lovely the wishes.

Sayounara
Bullen Sensei



From The Library

CHSS Annual Book Week is being held during Week 7 beginning 24 August this term. Events include Book Character Parade, Bookfair, visits by authors Brian Falkner and Andrew King, *Real Men Read* and *Girls Are Great* celebrations. Talk to your children about their book character costume and books currently being read in the library. The Premier's Reading Challenge concludes on Friday of Book Week. Please encourage your children to read.

Lyndell Roberts
Teacher Librarian



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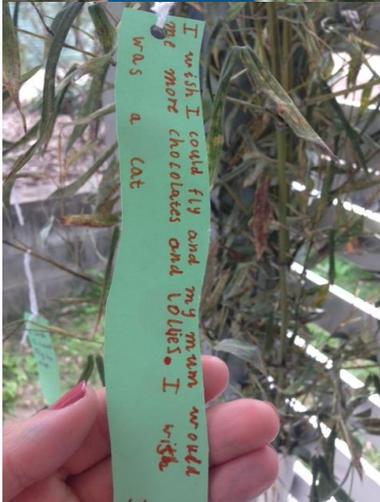
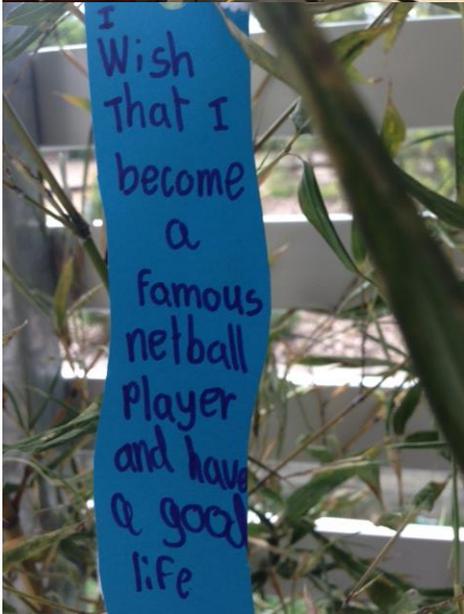
Sensei Says ...

Did you know that last week was 'Tanabata' in Japan? Tanabata is the star festival. To celebrate we write a wish on a strip of paper and tie it to a bamboo branch, there is also a story about Tanabata.

The **Tanabata** story is a love story between **Orihime** a weaving princess (the star vega) and **Hikoboshi** a cowherd (the star altair), who are separated by the milky way, and only allowed to meet once a year on this day.

Students from Prep to Year 6 have celebrated Tanabata this week and written their wishes on strips





Sayounara
Bullen Sensei

Athletics Results

Ball Games Shield

1 st	Pluto	111
2 nd	Mercury	106
3 rd	Venus	104
4 th	Mars	79

Overall Winning House

1 st	Pluto	913
2 nd	Venus	782
3 rd	Mercury	767
4 th	Mars	745

Age Champions

10yr	Isabella H	Thomas C-S
11yr	Jade A	Taizy H
12yr	Alarni K	Seth H Levi H

Broken Records

Melody F-C	100m & 200m	11yr
Taizy H	100m	11yr

Alarni K

Shotput

12yr

Banking Account and haven't done any banking for a while then lets get banking.

Student Resource Scheme Prep- Year 3

The Student Resource Scheme final payment is due by Thursday 30th July. If your child is going on an excursion before this date the resource scheme must be paid in full before they can attend.

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.

Lost Property

We have had a asthma puffer, a child's reading glasses, a pair of sunglasses, a packet of rubber bands, 2 watches and 2 sets of keys have been handed into the office. Please collect if you have misplaced any of these.

Rugby League Raffle

Congratulations to the winners of this raffle:

1st prize Carla R
2nd prize Eddie P

P & C News

Email: pandc@chathillss.eq.edu.au

School Banking

Welcome back Chatswood Hills State School and a beginning of a great Term 3. We have some exciting news and rewards. Near the Admin Window and the School Uniform shop, you will see the advertisements for Term 3 Competition, besides the Disney Family Competition. Flyers went out at the end of Term 2, though I will be sending out more in the next couple of weeks.

For the Term 3 Competition, all you have to do is bank three or more times during Term 3. To boost your chances go to CommBank.com.au/prizeportal. Prizes consist of iPads, Music beats of Dr Dre and Booktopia Gift certificate's. So if you have a School

Some of our Intergalactic savvy bankers have reached 20 continuous savings and only have a few more to go into the draw for the Family Disneyland Competition . To enter you must bank at least 25 times or more. However you do not need to stop at 25 times, as being part of the School Banking Program you help your school to raise funds that go back into your educational needs.

If you have missed previous rewards and still want them these items are still available. If they are not on the current rewards card just get Mum/ Dad/ Carer to write your name, class and student I.D number and place it in your deposit book.

Still available- Blue Wallet, Cosmic Light Beam (term3), Dollarmites money box, E.T DVD, Glow in the Dark Solar System (Term 3) Head Phones, Intergalactic Rocket (Term2), Invisible Pens (back order), Projector Cup, Scented Pencils, Shark key Ring and swim Bag.

Just a reminder no international coins. I supply new deposit books and covers, and please have your deposit books filled out. If you have any questions just leave a note at the office.

Terry Hodges
School Banking Coordinator

Plant Pots

If you have any empty plant pots you don't need anymore that would be great for repotting for the fete could you please bring them to the office.

The P&C Committee would like to thank Helping Hands Outside School Hours Care for their kind donation of our Fundraising Noticeboard, located outside the office. You will find details about all of our fundraising efforts and goals here, including our current fundraising offer. Thanks to Danielle Atkins for putting this together and keeping it up-to-date.

Chatswood Hills State School Fete 12th September 2015 – 3pm-7.30pm

The planning for this fantastic event is well under way! If you would like to be involved please let us know – all help big or small is greatly appreciated. This week you will find out which stall your child's class will be running at the fete. While the P&C has done all the organising we do rely on volunteers to run the stalls for the fete. Please sign up for a time that suits you best.

Each class is also being asked to donate items for our hamper raffle; this will also be announced this week if it hasn't already. Items can be brought in for collection from the classroom NO LATER THAN 13th August.

Our collections list is continuing as well. A class party will be held for the class that earns the most points from collections – one for Prep-Year 2 classes and one for Year 3-6 classes. Our top classes at the moment are – Koalas, Geckoes, Quolls, Tallebudgera, Karragarra & Burleigh. Good Luck! Thank you to everyone who has brought in collection items so far – it has been a fantastic response! If you miss one week you can bring your collections in the following week.

Trash n Treasure donations are still being gratefully accepted as well. If you have any children's clothes, toys, bric-a-brac and books you would like to donate bring them along! Thursday, 23rd July and Thursday, 6th August.

Please bring the following items to your child's class for collection. Each item earns points for the class –

Thursday, 16th July – Water, 600ml bottles. Full, unopened bottles please. Individual bottles or packs of 6, 12 or 24 gratefully accepted.

Thursday, 23rd July – Chocolate bars, blocks and share packs. All unopened please. This can be individual bars (kit kats, cherry ripers etc), blocks (Cadbury dairy milk, caramello etc) or share packs (12-18 pack milky ways etc).

Thursday, 30th July – Poppers. All varieties accepted in 6, 8, 12 or 24 packs.

All Fundraising efforts in 2015 will contribute towards finishing the hall with Audio Visual and Lighting components. Please help us get this long term project finalised!

P&C Meeting

Our next meeting is to be held on Monday, 20th July, 6.30pm in the school administration block. Everyone is welcome to attend! If you are unable to make it and have something you would like discussed, please email the P&C (pandc@chathillss@eq.edu.au) The P&C always welcomes new members/helpers and suggestions. If you would like to be involved please email your details to us.

Tuckshop Orders

There have been a few changes to our Tuckshop menu. A new menu will be sent home with the youngest sibling this week. Please also be aware ice blocks/ice creams CAN'T be ordered for first break. These are available over the counter at second break only.

Woolworths Earn and Learn

This amazing program is running again this year. Every time you shop at Woolworths between 15th July and 8th September you can earn stickers – 1 for every \$10 spent. Place these onto an official Sticker Sheet – PLEASE ONLY ONE STICKER PER SQUARE or they don't count any of them – and drop into the school's box at Woolworths or in the box outside the office at school. The school can then redeem these stickers for educational resources, across all curriculum areas, including Maths, English, Science, Art and Craft, Digital Technologies, Sports and more. Further details are at www.woolworths.com.au/earnandlearn.

Uniform Shop



The uniform shop will be open every **Thursday** morning inside the hall, 8.00am – 8.45am. If you can't make it to the shop, email orders (and enquiries) to pandcuniformshop@chathillss.eq.edu.au with your order (including size), payment details and your child's name and class and orders will be delivered to the classroom.

*If you have a pool or spa and need to get a **POOL SAFETY INSPECTION** done before November 2015:*

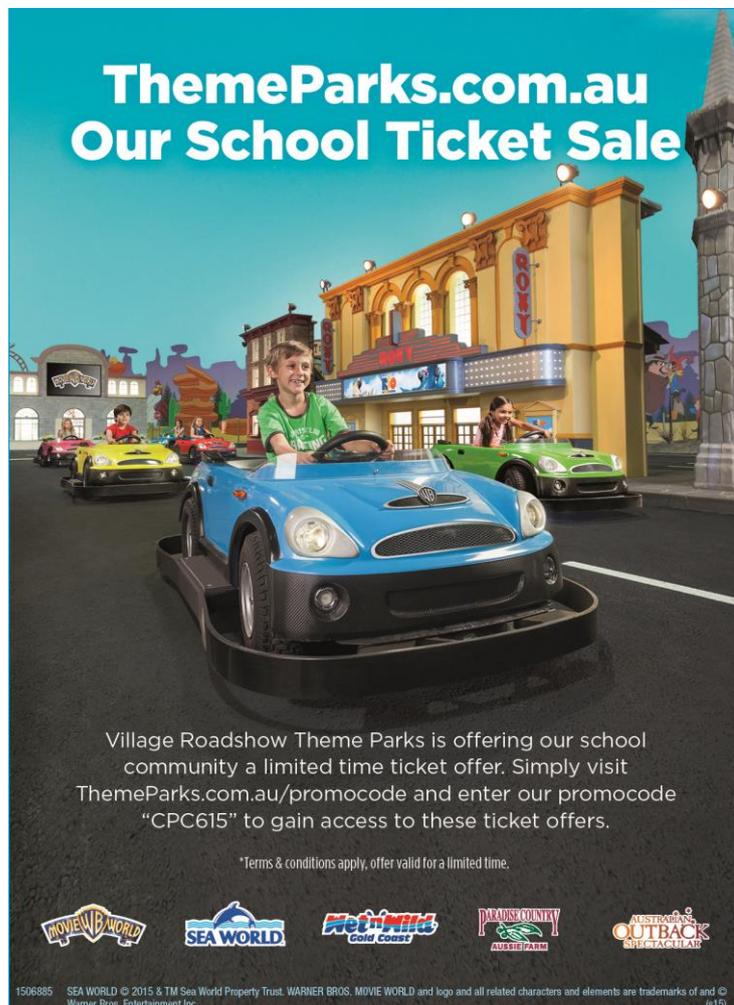
You can do this whilst helping our school.

*Please contact Ashley Duff at **ARROW POOL SAFETY INSPECTIONS** on 0477 868 877,*

Tell Ashley you are from Chatswood Hills State School, let the P and C know and Arrow Pool Safety Inspections will donate \$10.00 to the school upon the completion of your inspection.

Ashley has family at Chatswood Hills State School and has made this offer as a fund-raiser for the P and C.

If you would like to make a similar offer, please contact the P and C on email pandc@chathillss.eq.edu.au



ThemeParks.com.au
Our School Ticket Sale

Village Roadshow Theme Parks is offering our school community a limited time ticket offer. Simply visit ThemeParks.com.au/promocode and enter our promocode "CPC615" to gain access to these ticket offers.

*Terms & conditions apply, offer valid for a limited time.

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