

The Principal's Perspective

Throughout this week we have been conducting our prep enrolment interviews and meeting the new little people and families that will be joining our Chatswood Hills school community in 2016. Initial indications are that these parents have done a terrific job in preparing their children for their schooling journey with the majority of next year's preps keen and enthusiastic about commencing school. We are still currently taking enrolments in the prep area, so if you know of others who haven't decided to enrol in our wonderful school as yet, please pass this information on. It is this stage in term 4 where we begin to construct classes for the following year. In order to have numbers as accurate as possible this is another reminder to also let our office know if your child is leaving and won't be attending CHSS next year.

Now is also your opportunity to let us know, in writing, of any educational considerations you would like us to be aware of when determining your child's placement for 2016. Where possible we will be doing all that we can to ensure that classes are balanced both in number and also educational dynamics. With this in mind you can appreciate that it just isn't possible to request a specific teacher, expect the same teacher who may have taught their sibling in the past, or want all your child's friends in the one class. Sometimes being best friends in the playground doesn't always equate to industrious work habits in the classroom, and often friendship groupings change during the course of the year. Certainly any educational needs that you highlight will be given due consideration, but ultimately the creation of classes for next year is made in consultation with this year's teaching staff. At this stage our teachers do not know what year level they will be on next year and EQ's transfer and staffing process remains active until the last day of the school year, so needless to say that all of this is a work in progress.

Recently I received a letter from Mark Bailey MP who is the Minister for Main Roads, Road

Safety and Ports and Minister for Energy and Water Supply. His letter was to advise that Chatswood Hills State School will be receiving flashing school zone signs on Raleigh Street as part of the 2015-16 flashing school zone sign program. It outlined that the installation of flashing school zone signs at this location will improve visibility of the school zone and serve as an active reminder for motorists to slow down when children are about. We don't have an official installation date as yet but I will advise once this is confirmed. I'm sure that all in our community will see this as a positive move as any way we can make the roads safer for our students should be applauded.

Tomorrow our school will acknowledge and celebrate two very important events. Students are being encouraged to wear something red and make a gold coin donation to the Daniel Morcombe Foundation following a visit from Bruce and Denise Morcombe in term two. Further information about this can be found elsewhere in the newsletter. The second significant event is the recognition for the hard work our teachers do as it is World Teachers' Day. At Chatty we recognise that all staff make significant contributions to the lives of the children who attend our school and we recently held a luncheon at the Springwood Bowls Club to thank all of our staff members for this. World Teachers' Day is held internationally on 5 October. As the day usually falls during school holidays, Queensland celebrates on the last Friday in October each year, so Happy World Teachers' Day for tomorrow!

Yours in education,

David Teale

Principal

From The Acting Deputy Principal

First of all I would like to thank Mrs Leslie Ward for the work she did in my absence. It was lovely to return to work after my extended holiday break and not have to catch up on things that happened while I was away. A few of the students did ask where I had been and why I hadn't been at the recent parades, I was pleased that they had actually noticed that I wasn't at school. Thank you to everyone who asked about my holiday, it was lovely to have a relaxing break and spend time with my family.

This term has already proven to be very busy, as Mr Teale has mentioned we have been conducting interviews for our 2016 Prep students and their families. The Prep teachers and I have thoroughly enjoying the conversations we have had with the families. Both the parents and the children are looking forward to being part of our school community in 2016. Many of the families I have spoken to have said that they attended our School Fete and they were very impressed with the community spirit at Chatswood Hills.

While we are busy this week with interviewing new Prep students we have also been working hard to finalise our arrangements for our Year Six Graduation night. Our senior school and specialist teachers have been busy organising the sequence of events for the night and making preparations to ensure this is a memorable event. Graduation for our Year 6 students will be held at Fitzy's on Wednesday 9th December. If your child has not given you a letter outlining the times and costs of this event please ask them for the letter that was sent home earlier this term.

Amazing work happens across our school each and every day. Over the past couple of weeks I have had the pleasure of visiting a number of classes. It is very exciting when I walk into a classroom and students are keen for me to see the work they have been completing. It is nice to know that our students take such pride in their work and they should be commended for the effort that they put into their learning each and every day.

Regards

Trina Wilhelmsen

Acting Deputy Principal

Principal Awards

Congratulations to the following students who received awards on assembly:

Mia T for creative writing and thinking mathematically.

Misty F for great work using your sounds in your writing.

Angelique S for moving up into a new reading group and level.

Peyton C for trying hard to extend yourself in your writing.

Vittoria M an excellent effort in working towards achieving your writing goals.

Kalei G for excellent work in Maths and a great improvement in your reading.

Krisden F for excellent reading and for excellent work in maths.

Bree A for consistently trying to do your best in all school activities.

Zac B for showing great persistence in solving tricky maths problems

Mackenzie A for using outstanding effort to improve in all subjects.

Citizenship Award

Jacinta B for showing care towards other class members in the playground and classroom.

Fareeha N for being a caring friend.

Javahn P for being courteous and polite and obeying rules in and out of the class.

Zak I for using your common sense to make good choices.

Jack R for using your common sense.

Roman K for showing care and consideration in the class.

Evangeline B for caring for others and helping them solve their problems with friends.

Kahu T for using 4C's and being a kind classmate.

Oliver O for always being kind and considerate to your peers.

Kehan A for always demonstrating a positive co-operative attitude at school.

Eadith M for always using consideration skills when speaking to your friends.

Friday October 30 is also World Teachers' Day. As a way of thanking teachers please support the Teachers Union Health 'Big Thank You' Giveaway. Visit tuh.com.au/bigthankyou and say in 50 words or less how teachers help inspire a love of reading. Prizes include \$1000 Bursaries for schools and \$50 gift vouchers for children. Thank you for participating.

Lyndell Roberts

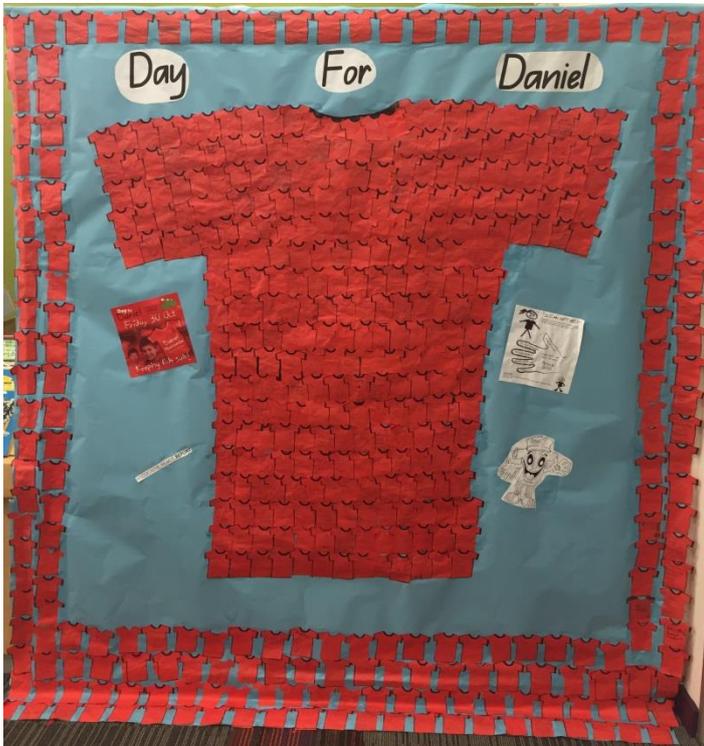
Teacher Librarian

School News

Library News

From The Library

On Friday October 30 children will be given the opportunity to contribute and support the Daniel Morcombe Foundation by bringing a gold coin donation and wearing a red T shirt or red accessory.



Short Note from Speech Language Pathology

Good hearing is crucial for learning, reading, talking and listening. Understanding what is said and being able to get points across is important for children to learn but also for interaction with friends and social well-being. Difficulties hearing can impact on this. Hearing difficulties can exist in different ways and your child's hearing can be checked by a trained nurse, GP or audiologist. Hearing assessment is recommended prior to school entry, so if your child has not had a hearing check recently or you or the school have concerns the following services may be able to help;

1.

The Logan Hospital Audiology Department P. 3299 8975

2.

All Ears In Audiology provide bulk billing with GP referral P. 3841 3147

3.

Logan Central Family Clinic offer bulk billing hearing screening P. 3808 5700

4.

Mediprac Beenleigh offer bulk billing hearing screening P. 3807 4999

5.

Your Local GP may be able to provide you with a referral to an Audiologist

Alyssa McNicol

Speech Language Pathologist

Chatswood Hills State School

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Excursion Payment Deadline Thurs 5th Nov 10am

The following excursions **must** be paid by Thurs 5th Nov. Internet payments need to be made 2 days prior so it will be in our account by Thurs. Please adhere to this deadline.

Swimming Prep-3

Dreamworld (Karragarra, Peel, Russell, Stradbroke)

Year 6 Graduation

The payment window will close for 2015 on Thurs 19th Nov.

Technology Survey

On Monday your child will receive an important survey to take home regarding the BYOiPad pilot program. We would appreciate it if this survey could be completed and returned to the office by FRI 6th NOV.

Woolies Earn and Learn

Our total for the Earn and Learn promotion was 47,100. Resources have now been selected and we look forward to receiving them early next year. Thank you to everyone who collected the stickers for the school.

Sport News

Athletics

Congratulations to Taizy H & AlarniKia who competed recently in Townsville at the QLD Primary Athletics Titles.

Taizy placed 6th in QLD for boys 12yr long jump.

QLD Team Member

Congratulations to Alarni K who is now the best 12yr old girl in QLD for discus, placing 1st.

As a member of the QLD Primary Athletics Team Alarni will now go on to compete in Canberra at the Australian Primary Athletics Championship.

Chappy At Chats

Operation Christmas Child Boxes

Over quite a number of years, our school has been involved in the collection of items or packed boxes for Operation Christmas Child, a venture of Samaritan's Purse. These boxes which have been donated were sent overseas to children impacted by war, poverty, famine or disease.

Thank you to families who have contributed to The Operation Christmas Child Project by sending in items or by packing a box. I hope that your children enjoyed the act of giving to a child less fortunate than themselves. The packed boxes will be delivered to a Collection Centre today and then later checked and packed for transportation overseas.

Building Resilience Parent Seminar

All children face challenges in the journey of growing up and times can be challenging. Do you want to help your child to bounce back from these experiences to reach their full potential? Come along and here Peter Janetzki share practical ideas to help you to foster resilience in your child. Peter is a radio host on 96.5 Talking Life Program, an counsellor, educator and Psychologist.

A movie will be shown for kids from 7 pm in a nearby room.

On The 17th of November, Peter Janetzki will be speaking on how to build resilience in children. Come along at 6:15 pm for a free sausage and then Peter will be speaking from 7 pm. There will also be time for questions relating to the topic. See advertisement in Newsletter for further information.

Please RSVP number of adults and children attending for catering at karenk@chappy.org.au

Schoolzout A camp run by SU in the holidays to celebrate finishing Year 6

Schoolzout is a camp to celebrate the end of Primary School from Monday the 14th of December to Friday the 18th of December at Bornhoffen.

A jam packed week including Team It Up Tuesday Tournament, Graduation Dinner, Dance Party and a trip to Movie World. Amongst the fun be challenged to think about God and life as you move into High School.

For more information go to www.sucamps.org.au

Parenting Seminar Date Claimer - Tuesday 17th of November 6:30 pm for a 7 pm start

Parenting a child or children is such a special gift and yet there are times it can be challenging to know how to best guide our children to reach their potential.

On Tuesday the 17th of November, there will be a parenting seminar on Developing Resilience in children where a guest speaker Peter Janetski will present practical ideas on how to develop resilience in children. Resilience is the ability to cope with change or challenges and be able to bounce back during difficult times.

Peter Janetski is a regular radio presenter on 96.5 Talking Life Program.

A movie will be shown for children in a nearby room and a free Sausage Sizzle will be provided by the Chaplaincy Program from 6:15 pm.

To express interest in attending, please email Chappy Karen (karenk@chappy.org.au) for catering purposes and room set up. In your email, please include names of adults and children attending.

Building RESILIENCE

FREE PARENTING SEMINAR WITH PETER JANETZKI *Parenting can be difficult at the best of times, bringing lots of joy and challenges each day. As parents we want to assist our children to reach their potential. Whilst it is not possible to protect our children from all the ups and downs of life, we can help them to develop strategies that will help them bounce back from adverse situations or experiences.*

Chatswood Hills State School Library

Raleigh St Springwood

Tuesday 17th November 2015

7pm-9pm

PD certificates available for those working with children!

Free Entry

Free sausage sizzle from 6.15pm

Yummy sweets and drinks for sale

Movie for the kids

Operation Christmas Child

40 boxes were filled this year from donations from the school. Thank you to everyone who donated to this cause.

Chappy Karen

P & C News

Tuckshop will close after 1st break on the last day of school. Please ensure your child/ren has a packed lunch for second break.

Christmas Carols will be on Thursday 3rd December. More details will follow soon- lock in the date!

Email: pandc@chathillss.eq.edu.au

2016 Uniform Pick Up Days

Thurs 2016	21st Jan	9.30am-11am
Fri 2016	22nd Jan	9.30am-11am
Sat 2016	23rd Jan	9am-11am

All 2016 orders are to be in by tomorrow Fri 30th Nov 2015.

Ways to order:

Order box in office

Order box in Tuckshop

Leave at Uniform shop on Thurs morn

email

order PandCUniformshop@chathillss.eq.edu.au

School Banking

On Monday the 26th October I had the pleasure of meeting the Queensland Manager for ComBank Youth Saver Program, Regional School Banking Youth Saver Co-ordinators, Brisbane and surrounding areas School Banking Co-ordinators (over 100 of us). We discussed a variety of issues with respect to possible changes into the rewards program for our junior and senior student savers amongst other matters that had been raised by individual parents/ carers throughout the State. In conjunction with other Australian States and Territories.

The Term 3 competition winners have been announced. A lucky student from Birkdale won the iPad Mini, Dr. Dre Headphones was won by-

Mt. Cotton, Birkdale and Rochedale. 20 Book Topia was won by - Ormiston, Greenslopes, Citiponte Christian, St. Anthony's and Gumdale. The 200 booktopia book pack was won by St. Elizabeth's.

On School Assembly this Monday saw some 20 students from perp. to year 3 awarded Bronze, Silver and Gold Certificates for their continuous school saving journey. Due to School Operational requirement's I will be handing out a similar amount to our Senior School Student's who have reached their Milestone in their School Banking Journey at their Classroom's

The Individual Classroom Awards for the most Savvy bankers was Awarded to Quolls and Gecko's being a tie, Lorikeets and Currumbin very well done as to all the other classes.

On the 30th October is world teachers day, I would like to thank all the Teachers at Chatswood Hills State School not only for their valued efforts in teaching our children but supporting the School Banking Youth Saver Program where the Commission from this program goes back into your child's learning requirements.

There will be one additional Award being presented to two junior students (male/female) and two senior student (male/ female) as yet to be advised of the time and date.

During the week I will be sending out reminders of how many tokens your child has earned. I have some students who have ordered rewards but have insufficient tokens. If your child does not wish to make an order their tokens will follow onto next year.

School Banking will conclude on **Thursday the 3rd of December 2015**. Any student who wishes redeem 10 tokens for rewards can do so and the expected delivery date would be the 9th December. **School Banking will commence on February 4th 2016.**

Terry Hodges
School Banking Co-Ordinator

Date Claimers

Mon 16th-Wed 18th Nov	Year 5 Camp
Mon 30th Nov - Wed 9th Dec	Swimming Program (Prep to Year 3)
Thurs 3rd Dec	Christmas Carols
Tues 8th Dec	Dreamworld
Excursion (Year 6 & Year 5 Russell)	
Wed 9th Dec	Year 6 Graduation
Thurs 10th Dec	Academic Parade
Fri 11th Dec	Last day for 2015