

The Principal's Perspective



We have had a great start to this lengthy eleven week term with students returning from the Easter holiday break firmly focused on their learning. It is my expectation that all students have at least a literacy and numeracy goal in our school. Other individual goals may also be negotiated by the classroom teacher with the student. Principal's morning tea rewards those students who have worked hard to progress their goals and on the last day of last term was our biggest yet with so many family members celebrating learning success with these children. Goal setting is central to improved student outcomes and as a school we have been progressing this concept for quite some time now. The focus of my classroom visits this term will be to feedback to the classroom teachers what selected students tell me in relation to their learning, their goals, and the personalised feedback they receive and how it is used. Students are the most important people in the school and in this way their voice will be heard.

At our P&C meeting earlier this week I shared our school vision that staff here at Chatty have been collectively working on since the beginning of the year. It is important that all in our school community are aware of the vision we have for teaching and learning as this is the purpose of what we are trying to achieve here in our great school. This is our vision, **'We commit to educational excellence that meets the needs, abilities and interests of each student by creating and maintaining a supportive, inclusive, engaging environment, that values**

participation and teamwork so that all students may develop the skills, attitudes and values to experience success now, and in the future.' Keep this statement in mind next time you are in our school as we are now working to embed this in all that we do.

Teaching students to read is the single most important thing we can do as reading underpins all other learning. I am very proud of the emphasis our staff place on teaching this skill, and following last year's Premier's Reading Challenge we recently received recognition via a poster naming specific staff who inspired a love of reading in some of our children. I thanked those teachers personally and you can view this poster in our office foyer. I could've easily thanked any of our staff as they all do a wonderful job with reading, but students could nominate their teacher via a special website and some children chose to do this. This week we started yet another initiative to promote reading. We now have a reading club that operates before school out of the courtyard adjacent to the undercover tuckshop area. At present we are concentrating on Prep to Year 2 children and this provides another avenue for our children to read or be read to if some parents or carers can't find the time to do this at home. Our OHSC provider, Helping Hands, has also started their own reading club of an afternoon and I appreciate their support in this venture. We ran a parent information session on supporting your child with reading at home towards the end of last term, and there will be another opportunity to take part in this in the near future if you were unable to attend. Our literacy coach Rachael Thompson will advertise a date for this before too long so keep an eye out for this.

With so many exciting things always happening in our school we have been given an opportunity to promote this by means of a visit from Channel 10 during their news bulletin. They will visit our school on Monday 9 May and there will be two live crosses during the hour at about 4.35 and 5.55 pm. We will release more details as the date draws closer but we would love to have lots of people turn up to be part of this live television broadcast. We have so many terrific things to be proud of here at Chatty that it is difficult to decide what we should showcase. What a great situation to be in!

Yours in education,

David Teale

Principal

From The Deputy Principal



I would like to thank the school community for their support with our ANZAC Service yesterday, we had a large number of parents and community members attend. Our students were remarkable and our teaching staff did an amazing job explaining the importance of this day to the students. I would also like to thank our special guests Mr Paul Stanley (SpringwoodTri-Services Branch), Mr Howard Carleton (Ninth Royal Queensland Regiment), Mr Steve Swenson (Councillor for Division 3) and Mrs Stacey Martin (P&C President) for their attendance, as well as Mrs Liu and the choir for their performance.

Today our four School Captains are proudly representing our school at the ANZAC Student Service at ANZAC Square in the CBD with Mrs Roberts. On Monday many of our students will attend our local service which is being organised by the SpringwoodTri-Services RSL Sub Branch. Please remember that if you would like your child to attend and represent our school that they are required to be in full school uniform (preferably their formal uniform if they have one). We will have staff members in attendance to march with our students.

Thank you all for the amazing community support and spirit that you demonstrate daily and during events that are held in conjunction with our school.

Regards

Trina Wilhelmsen

Deputy Principal

Principal Awards

Congratulations to the following students who received awards on assembly:

Joseph B for showing a fantastic improvement in your Maths mental results.

Lincoln C for outstanding progress in using strategies when reading.

Liam C for great work learning your popcorn words.

Manaia T for consistently working to a high standard

Austin B for participating during science discussions.

Takoda G for always giving reading a "red hot go"!

Ethan T for having a great attitude in class.

Casey B for perfect spelling tests results each week of Term 1.

Luke S for an excellent effort with all your work.

Sophie Z for great writing in your journal.

Madi B for great improvement in your writing and always trying your best.

Riley W for always contributing in class and working hard.

Roman K for using reasons to support your persuasive writing.

Bradley S for outstanding results in English and Maths for Term 1.

Nina B for outstanding results in English for Term 1.

Hayden T for working diligently and to a high standard in all subjects.

Evangeline B for making such a great effort in achieving your behaviour goals.

Citizenship Awards

Phe B	Kingfishers
Grace A	Geckoes
Nevaeh S	Wallabies
Tanemi S	Wombats
Joseph G	Platypus
Summer S	Quolls
Zhadae C-T	Kookaburra
Manpriya B	Bandicoots
Shiloh M	Echidnas
Mackenzie H	Koalas
Eadith M	Bilbies
Soloman P	Rainbow
Priya K	Noosa
Jayden C	Tallebudgera
Lewis C	Miami
Rhiannon F	Coolum
Chantell S	Moffat

The following student was accidentally omitted from the last newsletter. We apologise for this mistake.

Zhanna Z-C Wallabies

Student of the Month

Rikki T	Peel
Lilly T-T	Karragarra
Tiana P	Stradbroke
Dilen De S	Macleay
Amina K	Moreton
Zac M-D	Kirra
Isaac T	Noosa
Sam M	Tallebudgera
Georgia M	Burleigh
Jae-Leigh T	Miami
Summer W	Currumbin
Mia F	Coolum
Shreya K	Rainbow

Hazel J	Moffat
Jessie G	Kingfishers
Zak B	Kookaburras
Oliver O	Bilbies
Luke A	Echidnas
Neemia C	Quolls
Caitlin D	Wallabies
Tia L	Wombats
Payton C	Geckoes
Lylee S	Koalas
Lewis S	Bandicoots
Flynn N	Platypus

School News

Student Resource Scheme Payment

If you are paying the resource payment by instalments the Term 2 payment is now due. Some of the classes will be going on excursions this term. If the resource scheme payment is not up to date your child will not be able to attend the excursion.

Statements will be sent out shortly.

Instrumental Music Program

Payment for this music program is now overdue. Invoices have been sent home this week for accounts that are still outstanding. Please pay this account as soon as possible.

Special Visitor

On Monday morning we had a visit from an echidna much to the delight of staff, parents and students. He was hiding out in the garden near the staff carpark and then decided to take a walk. It is very unusual to see an echidna as they tend to be nocturnal during the warmer months.





Woolies Earn & Learn Competition

Pictured below are some of the items that the teachers chose with the points the school received from the Woolies Earn and Learn Competition held last year. A big thank you to all the families who brought in the stickers that helped us receive these fabulous items.



FROM THE GUIDANCE OFFICER

Chatswood Hills State School as a school likes to encourage parents to be as interested in and as actively involved in the school as much as possible. To this end we are looking at providing some information sessions to parents on a range of topics if there is enough interest. The session/s could be organized for an afternoon session from 1.45 to 2.30 before school finishes for the day. An evening session could be more suitable. As well, there may be an opportunity for a speaker to be invited to deliver on a special topic of interest. Parents, we are seeking your responses to gauge what topics are of most interest.

Some suggested topics are-

- Cybersafety and my child/ren
- How to encourage my child's social skills
- Anxiety in children and how to help
- Tips for surviving teens
- How to encourage a growth mindset in children

Could you indicate any interest by completing the following slip and leaving it at the Office or with your child's teacher? If you would like to suggest other topics you would to hear about please indicate.

I am interested in attending an information session at the school on

I would like to suggestas a topic of interest.

NAME OF PARENT

CONTACT PHONE NUMBER.....

Crosscountry Results

Congratulations to our winning Sports House for 2016

1st - Venus 175 pts

2nd - Pluto 174 pts

3rd - Mars 166 pts

4th - Mercury 162 pts

Congratulations also to the following Age Champions for 2016

6yr- Luca R and Tia L

7yr- Caleb K and Karma D

8yr- Connor K and Phoenix B

9yr- Jesse M and Liliana E

10yr -Danny K and Nicole K

11yr- Ashton B, Maxim K and Ella N

12yr- Jackson H and Annika M

The top 5 placegetters in 10 yr, 11 yr and 12 yr are now in the Chatswood Crosscountry Team .

Permission notes were sent home last week.

Jane Taylor

HPE Teacher

Student Achievements

Congratulations to Maika P who has been selected in the 12yr Boy Basketball Met East Team to compete in the State Championships in Mackay from 1st-5th May.



Students in Prep – Year 2 are invited to attend the....

Chatty's Readers Club

When: Monday - Friday

Time: 8:00 – 8:25 am

Where: Courtyard area

(opposite the toilet block)

Feel free to bring along your favourite book or your school home readers. We also have a large selection of books you may like to read.

Students who come along will receive an attendance passport. After each session attended, passports will be stamped. Students with regular attendance will receive a reward from the tuckshop.

CHSS Calendar of Events- Term 2, 2016

Chappy at Chats

Parent Connect – Celebrating Women

Parent Connect is meeting on Thursday the 5th May from 2:00 to 2:30 pm in the Library to celebrate Mothers. All parents are welcome to attend this group which is an opportunity for parents to meet other parents in the school community. Light refreshments will be served.

Lucky door Prize

Community Parenting Workshop

Last year, Peter Janetski spoke at our school on Building Resilience and approximately 40 parents attended. Three local churches are hosting a Parenting Seminar on Growing Healthy Homes on the 28th May from 9 am to 3 pm at Calvary Family Church. See attached flyer.



Chappy Karen

P & C News

P and C is looking for a new Secretary - can you help?

The P and C would like to publicly acknowledge and thank Judi McKee for her significant contribution to the P and C over the past five years. Judi has been an amazing secretary and also helped out in a variety of ways including BBQ Queen, Fete Stall Coordinator and Tuckshop. It is safe to say that we will miss her.

Unfortunately, Judi is no longer able to assist with the Secretary role for the P and C and we are looking for someone to fill this role. If you are an organised person, able to take minutes and prepare correspondence as well as attend monthly meetings, please let the P and C know. The Secretary is an Executive Member of the P and C and has a vital role to play in

communications. If this sounds like you, please email the P and C at email: pandc@chathillss.eq.edu.au or contact Stacey Martin on 0428 209 672 if you have any questions or to discuss further. We are looking forward to having you as part of the team.

Stacey Martin

P & C President

School Banking

Welcome back Chatswood Hills State School, all ready for Term 2.

Don't forget our V.I.P Grand Prize tour at Australia Zoo meeting Robert and Bindi Irwin with accommodation, hire car and spending money. To go into the draw you need to bank 15 times or more by Term 3 to be entered automatically.

Rewards available in Term 2 from 2014- Dollarmites Money Box, 2015- E.T DVD movie, Galaxy Glider, Intergalactic Rocket, Outer Space Savers Money Box, 2016- from your rewards card- Flying Snake Tail, Wild Life Writer set, Mud Splat Handball and Outback Pet Bag Tag.

Rewards from 2014 and 2015 simply place a note in your school deposit book with your ten tokens, your name, class name and student identification number.

For our Parents/ Carers and School Educators

Start Smart Primary is a workshop and interactive teacher resource for primary school students in years 1 to 6.

The program changes the way young people learn about money. It's a series of Free workshops and online resources, students are equipped with confidence and competence to make smart decisions about money.

Start Smart workshops and teacher resources online make the learning experience accessible, motivating and inspiring. So why not check it out at <http://www.startsmart.com.au>

Terry Hodges
School Banking Coordinator

Community News

SpringwoodTri-Services RSL Sub Branch

ANZAC Day 2016

Dawn Service

5.30am

Diggers Services Club

42-48 Blackwood Rd

Woodridge

Date Claimers

ANZAC Day March

7.15am form up

Logan East Community Neighbourhood Centre

Cnr Cinderella Drive & Vanessa Blvd
Springwood

7.45am step off

ANZAC Day Service

8.00am

Springwood Park

Cinderella Drive Springwood

Followed by fellowship at the Springwood Bowls Club

NOTE: Road closures on Cinderella Drive from 7.00am

Marsden State High School

Excellence Program
Year 6 Trial Day
Friday 2 June 2016

Register now

For further information please contact our Enrolment Officer on 3299 0555 or www.marsdenshs.eq.edu.au

Sports Excellence Selection Day (Rugby League, Basketball, Girls Touch, Football and Volleyball)
Exceptional Learners Program ELP Selection Day

Please collect a Registration pack from our Administration Office or email enquiries@marsden.eq.edu.au

Mon 25th April	Anzac Day Public Holiday
Fri 29th April	Logan District Crosscountry
Mon 2nd May	Labour Day Public Holiday
Wed 4th May	Yr 3 Smart Money Incursion
Wed 11th May	Springwood High Excel Cup
Tues 10th May-	Naplan Testing
Thurs 12th May	
Fri 13th May	School Discos
P-2	2.45pm - 4.15pm
3-6	4.30pm- 6.00pm
Fri 20th May	Principal's Morning Tea
Tues 31st May	ICAS Science Testing
7.45am	Library
Fri 10th June	Interschool Sport finishes
Thurs 16th June	Sports Day Year 3-6
Tues 21st - Thurs 23rd June	
	Cherry Blossom Picnic (LOTE classes)
Thurs 23rd June	Principal's Morning Tea
Fri 24th June	
	Whole school assembly (Academic Awards)
	End of Term 2