FROM THE ACTING PRINCIPAL

PRINCIPAL NEWS

It is great news to be able to share with the Chatham community that Stephen will be returning to work next week after recuperating from an Achilles injury. I would like to recognise the extra responsibilities that our Leading Teachers, Glenda Kelly, Georgie Kirwan and Cathie Braford, have taken on during this period.

EDUCATION WEEK

Earlier this year I was asked to write an article for the Surrey Hills Neighbourhood News as it celebrated its 200th birthday. I thought I would include it with this week’s newsletter as we celebrate Education Week next week across the state.

Chatham Primary is nestled in the suburb of Surrey Hills. A school moderate in size, with a current enrolment of 420, we take pride in being part of our neighbouring communities.

Our school has a rich history with a strong connectedness to its past and the community. We pride ourselves on our community feel and community spirit and the care that we provide all of our families. But although we recognise our past, we also have a vision - to develop and prepare our students as global citizens whilst building optimism for a sustainable future.

Chatham prides itself on the Partnership that exists between students, parents, teachers and the wider community to achieve common and shared goals. Currently as a school community we are designing our new Strategic Plan – a four year plan that encompasses the direction and priorities we hope to achieve in that time.

As a society, we are entering a new revolution in education – one where the future prospects for our students have not even been realised. The question of how to best prepare our students for this world is to forge relationships and connect them with others. A community is no longer defined by an immediate, insular environment. With digital technologies our students can truly become a part of wider learning community connecting with students and experts anywhere in the world.

While the role of education in the 21st century is still to develop life-long learners, it is equally about developing learners who are creative, critical thinkers and problem solvers. Schools are no longer just institutions for the consumption of facts and figures. Schools are places of inquiry and self-discovery. In our Junior School in Prep and Year 1, we operate a play-based Investigations program that is child centred and child directed four mornings a week. While the remainder of the school, is beginning a journey to design more authentic, engaging opportunities for deeper learning. This more powerful learning model allows for the development and transference of skills; the wisdom to embrace and learn from mistakes and a determination to persevere and develop resilience.

The future of education at Chatham is to continue to extend our student’s learning and experiences further than the four walls of the classroom. To work on projects in the community that are related to the real world, as well as students’ lives. It is an exciting time in education and at Chatham Primary.

NEW ENROLMENTS

During Education Week we also take the opportunity to conduct School Tours for prospective 2017 Prep parents and other families interested in our school. If you know of any new families who live nearby, or if you have relatives, friends or neighbours who would like information about the school, then encourage them to contact the school to arrange a personal tour or to attend our Open Day Tours. If you are a current family and have a child starting in Prep next year you do need to complete an enrolment form which is available from the office. The school Open Day Tours are:

- Monday 16th May – 9:30am
- Wednesday 18th May – 9:30am
- Saturday 21st May – 9:30am

Next week our Year 5s will ALSO be showcasing their Day of the Notables Projects to coincide with Education Week. The students have been busy researching and preparing a project on a chosen notable person over many weeks, in readiness for the final presentation.

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GRANDPARENTS AND SPECIAL FRIENDS

Next Tuesday 17th May, promises to be another well attended Grandparents and Special Friends Open Morning if the number of RSVPs are anything to go by. It has been lovely to see the personal ’snail’ mail arriving in the Chatham letterbox, addressed to students throughout the school from Grandparents and Friends.

Grandparents and Special friends are invited to visit the school and spend some time with their granddaughter/son in their classrooms or in their specialist programs. This will be followed by morning tea in the hall at 10:30am. We are making this time for Grandparents or Special Friends as a way of opening up the school to members of the family who do not usually have the opportunity to get involved in the school.

We understand that some of the older and less mobile grandparents or special friends may need some assistance, but, if possible, we would prefer that parents not attend this session as we already anticipate large numbers in each classroom. Parking in the neighbouring streets also becomes an issue. Please remind your visitors that they must park appropriately and consider our neighbours and parking signs. Last year we had issues with blocked streets, irate neighbours and council parking inspectors to attend with.

YEAR 4 CAMP

The Year 4s set off for their first school camp only yesterday. And from all reports the weather has been good and they have been able to complete all activity rotations so far. Last night they enjoyed a delicious dinner followed by an evening of bush dancing! I am sure they will return to school (and home!) tomorrow with many exciting anecdotes to share with their family over the weekend, albeit a little tired. Of course we also acknowledge the wonderful staff who have left their own families to attend camp with these students.

WORKING BEE

The next Working Bee is scheduled for families of Year 1 students and will be held this coming Saturday 14th May. We have a number of major projects to complete as well as cleaning up the school in readiness for the School Tours during Education Week. Please find some time to come along and help out for the morning.

MOTHER’S DAY STALL

Thank you to Andrea Briffa, Emma Ellis and Amanda Bolch and their band of helpers for organising the Mother’s Day Stall this year, which again was a huge success. We hope all the mothers, grandmothers and special friends in the school community enjoyed their day on Sunday and their hand picked gifts from the stall.

WALK SAFELY TO SCHOOL DAY

Next Friday 20th May is National Walk Safely to School Day. The main objective of days like these is to encourage active travel for the health and well-being of our community while promoting safe pedestrian behaviours. Younger children are encouraged to walk or scoot with or alongside their parents and carers, while older children may walk or ride on their own, when their parents decide it’s safe.

I know I have promoted a lot about safe travel in recent weeks, but days like these give everyone in the community the opportunity to highlight and practice safe behaviours and reinforce arranged routes for travelling to and from school.

STUDENT TOILETS

Just a reminder to all families in the school community that we prefer all adults in the community to use staff toilets rather than student toilets when they are in the school grounds during school hours. Thank you

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CHATHAM MOVIE NIGHT

MINIONS
Rated PG

SATURDAY 21st MAY 5:30pm to 7:30pm
In the School Hall

$5 PER CHILD
Including 2 slices of pizza
POPcorn and LOLly BAGS
Available on the night for $1 each
GET COMFY!
Don’t forget your bean bag, pillows & blankets
Remember to bring a drink too!

Pizza will be served after the movie.
Can parents please arrive by 7:20pm to help organise their children & collect their pizza.

TIckets available via QKR or by completing the order form (on school website) and returning with payment

ALL CHATHAM STUDENTS, FRIENDS AND NEIGHBOURS WELCOME!
CANTEEN ROSTER
Friday 13th May
AM: Katrina, Ruth, Jody and Sarah
PM: Bec, Lorin and Tina

Wednesday 18th May
AM: Natalie
PM: Amanda

Thanks
Steph Reid – Canteen Manager

SAVE THE DATE
Year 5 parents please save Saturday 4th of June from 7pm for a midyear function. Details will follow later this week by email via class reps.

THANK YOU
Thank you to everyone who attended this year’s Mother’s Day Breakfast.
We were so excited by the fabulous attendance!

A special thank you to our amazing team of helpers....Simon Nunan, Simon Mann, Cam Har-dimann, Belinda Dalton, Louise Weine, Mary Mir-idakis, Bianca Hunt, Yvette Anderson, Jodie Douglas, Amanda Zapf, Leda and Tina Casey. We couldn’t have done it without you all.

Special mention to the fabulous Grade 5 students who set up the hall with us on Wednesday.

Thanks again, Sarah, Ruth and Mary-Anne.

Shoeboxes
The Year 5s require at least 20 shoeboxes for their science investigations next term.
If you have any shoeboxes lying around at home we would truly appreciate your donation of the empty shoeboxes. You can drop your shoeboxes either to Sue and Bev in the office, or bring them to any Year 5 classroom.

Thanks!

JAM AND PRESERVES
Have you always wanted to learn how to make jam and chutney? Fancy a lovely Saturday afternoon doing just that?
On Saturday May 28 we will be hosting a jam class in the school canteen. This is a great opportunity to learn new tips and tricks whilst helping our school, as we stock up for the jars and preserves stall for next year’s school fair.
We will be making raspberry jam, cumquat marmalade and a chutney and you will leave with a jar of your favourite and copy of our recipes.
Come along and learn from expert jam and preserve makers, Chatham grandmother, Marilyn McIlvenna and Chatham great-grandmother, Joy Crampton!
Please RSVP as limited places are available for this free class. Hope to see you there for a fun afternoon!

Date: Saturday May 28
Time: 11 am to 3 pm
RSVP: Katie Barnett 0408 009 072 or Nicole Lampe 0409 782 879

JAM AND PRESERVES – JARS NEEDED
The Jam and Preserves team is under-way preparing for the 2017 Chatham School Fair!
Please save your small and medium clean jam jars (275g-500g capacity) particularly Bonne Maman and Meredith Goats Cheese/Salsa jars.
We would also love some donations of unopened bags of white sugar.
Interested in joining the jam-making team? Contact Katie Barnett (0408 009 072) or Nicole Lampe (0409 782 879).
Free to be Me Dance Program - Pilot Program

Dance Fitness Victoria is commencing a program to be run for students with needs that would require additional consideration for their participation in a dance class. i.e physical, emotional, developmental etc.

Saturday Afternoons 1:15pm - 2:15pm running on
Saturday 23rd July
Saturday 30th July
Saturday 6th August
Saturday 13th August
Venue: Dance Fitness Victoria Vermont Studio (2 Nurlendi Road, Vermont 3133)

We are asking for 5 primary school aged students that can participate in this program at a reduced rate of $10 per lesson as this is a pilot program.
Before the program kicks off on Saturday 23rd July DFV will consult with parents regarding their child’s needs, behavioural specialists and teachers to create a program that will best allow students to enjoy dance and all the benefits that come with being able to express yourself to music!

If you are available for these dates and would like to participate - please email ashley@dancefitnessvictoria.com.au a completed registration form (attached) and you will be contacted by 10th June to confirm if you have a place in the program or if we can register your interest for any future programs we run.

Please remember there are only 5 places available for this pilot program so please get in contact after you are able to confirm all above dates.

We are so incredibly excited to be commencing this program, it is very special to us. As always we appreciate all your support.

Thank you everyone!

Ella & Ash
Dance Fitness Victoria
www.dancefitnessvictoria.com.au

ANTIKES, RETRO & COLLECTABLES FAIR

Saturday 28th & Sunday 29th May 2016 10am - 4pm daily

Mont Albert Primary School
Baroona Rd Mont Albert Mel Ref 46 J8

Over 30 dealers: a wide range of retro, antiques & collectables available to view and purchase.

Market appraisals of your treasures available by: David Freeman
Saturday 28th 11am to 2pm
$5 per item or 5 items for $20.
Enquiries: 0411 557 338
Admission $5
(accompanying children free) Refreshments available

WALK SAFELY TO SCHOOL DAY

The Walk Safely to School organisation would appreciate your support by completing a survey to help them build insights into how children are currently getting to school and how they would actually like to get to school. This is a national survey and they are looking for as many responses as possible so they can get solid data that will give insights to governments of all levels.

Link to survey: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/WSTSD2016
It only takes about two minutes to complete.
Thanks again for your support and all the best for National Walk Safely to School Day 2016!
Hi Chatham,

We hope all the Mum’s at Chatham had a wonderful Mother’s Day. We hope you were spoilt and had a thoroughly enjoyable day. Last week we had many activities on the go for Mothers’ Day. We had a mini bake off and made chocolate balls for our Mum’s (pic. at right), students had the opportunity to make cards for their Mum’s and some jewellery as well. Last week we also made juggling balls! Not many students knew how to juggle at the beginning so it was a new skill to most of them.

This term we are continuing our Buddy Bear program at the OSHC house. ‘Buddy Bear’ is our exclusive program that comes from The Alannah and Madeline Foundation. The foundation promotes a safe, welcoming and inclusive environment for all children when they come to OSHC. We will be doing many activities based on this exclusive program.

Our Buddy Bear Leader for this week is Jake Marks! Jake is inclusive of the younger students and is our go to ideas person!

This week our theme is Minecraft. So many students have suggested it!

Important – If one of the OSHC Leaders has not sighted your child’s Health Record, could you please bring it to the OSHC House so one of the team can sight it. Please return any enrolment forms to the OSHC team.

From the OSHC team! Hannah, Sarah, Dimple and Katie.

HOW TO GET STARTED

Before using our programs register online for an account. This enables you to make bookings, view your statements and manage your details anytime of the day. Registering is quick and easy. Visit www.campaustralia.com.au/newparents

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Japan Festival
45th Anniversary
Whitehorse-Matsudo
Sister Cities

In Support of
Japan Tsunami Appeal

Sunday 15th May
10:00am - 5:00pm

Box Hill Town Hall & Box Hill TAFE
1000-1022 Whitehorse Road, Box Hill (MEL 47 D9)

MAIN ATTRACTIONS

- Maid Café
- Try on Samurai Armour
- Many performances & demonstrations
- Japanese cultural exhibitions
- Japanese food & goods stalls

RAFFLE PRIZES

1st Prize - Airtickets for two to
Japan flying Japan Airlines with
support from Rydges Hotel.
Conditions apply.

Kimono / Cosplay &
Karaoke Contest

FREE ENTRY:
Children up to Grade 6 / Disabled Persons (+1 attendant) / Pensioners &
Seniors Card Holders / Persons in Kimono, Yukata or full cosplay

ENTRY FEE: $5.00

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Night Market
at Chatham Primary

FUNDRAISER

Parents Club is running a fabulous Pre-Christmas
Night Market in November.

We are looking for people interested in having a stall
to sell their creative wares or promote their small
business or local service.

Stall examples might be: Great Xmas Gifts, Home Craft, Cards & Stationery,
Kids Stuff, Jewellery, Clothing, Art, Beauty Products, Gourmet Food,
Parents with small business/service they would like to promote.

DATE: Thursday 10th November 2016, from 5.30pm - 9pm

WHERE: Chatham Primary School Hall
Gourmet BBQ, Sausage Sizzle, Dutch Pancakes, Cake Stall
All proceeds to fund new parent club projects around school!

COST: $60 per stall, $50 student stall (prize for best dressed stall)

CONTACT: Email Belinda at belindadalton@me.com to find out more.
Stall applications open in August 2016.
We make food the way it should be made, with natural ingredients and the highest quality, free-range produce.

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For bookings type asc.camp/bookings into your web browser or call 1300 914 388 or admin@australianSportscamps.com.au

MELBOURNE, VICTORIA

BASKETBALL
27, 28 & 29 June
Brighton Grammar, Brighton
29, 30 June & 1 July
Boroondara Sports Complex, North Balwyn
4, 5 & 6 July
Trinity Grammar School, Kew
4, 5 & 6 July
The Knox School, Wantima South
6, 7 & 8 July
Kilor Basketball Netball Stadium, Kilor Park

FOOTBALL (AFL)
27, 28 & 29 June
Brighton Grammar, Brighton
29, 30 June & 1 July
Trinity Grammar Playing Fields, Bulleen
4, 5 & 6 July
The Knox School, Wantima South
6, 7 & 8 July
Western Oval, Parkville
6, 7 & 8 July
Macleay Park, North Balwyn

HOCKEY
29, 30 June & 1 July
Hawthorn Hockey Centre, Hawthorn
4, 5 & 6 July
Essendon Hockey Club, Essendon

NETBALL
28, 29 & 30 June
Sandringham Youth Club, Hampton
29, 30 June & 1 July
Boroondara Sports Complex, North Balwyn
6, 5 & 6 July
State Netball & Hockey Centre, Parkville
4, 5 & 6 July
The Knox School, Wantima South
6, 7 & 8 July
Boroondara Sports Complex, North Balwyn

RUGBY UNION
29, 30 June & 1 July
Trinity Grammar Playing Fields, Bulleen

SOCCER
28, 29 & 30 June
Sandringham Youth Club, Hampton
29, 30 June & 1 July
Trinity Grammar Playing Fields, Bulleen
6, 7 & 8 July
Western Oval, Parkville
6, 7 & 8 July
Macleay Park, North Balwyn

SPECIAL OFFER
ASC are currently offering a 30% early booking discount which is available to all participants who book by Sunday 5 June 2016. After 5 June, siblings always receive a 20% discount and other discounts are available for groups depending on the number of participants. Further information can be found on our website https://australianSportscamps.com.au