FROM THE PRINCIPAL

SCHOOL CONCERT
The feedback from everyone was that this year’s concert was one of the very best. Thank you once again to every-one involved and a special well done goes out to our wonderful students. They worked really hard to bring you their very best performances on the big night. They all get very excited and full of awe when performing in front of such a large audience and in such an impressive auditorium. It is hard to steady the nerves and remember all of those words, dance steps and stage movements and then remain focused after their act in readiness for the whole school song at the end of the night. Like the school fair this is a community event that involves so many members of our school community. Once again I would like to make a special mention to certain people. The costume committee have been working tirelessly for many months to put together all the wonderful costumes that our students wore on the night. They have been magnificent in recycling old costumes and turning old curtains, bed covers and sheets into sailor’s uniforms, Hawaiian shirts, Abba costumes and elaborate Indian saris. A big thank you goes to Rosie Collane, Lisa Boyle, Susie Montagner and Sarah Hobson for all their hard work over many months. A special thank you goes to Rosie who has worked on the costume committee for so many years it is hard to remember when it all started. Only Rosie and her family knows how many hours she has worked over the last few months to complete all the costumes on time for the big night. Rosie has also been very active with our Music program and in helping to produce our wonderful Vocal Ensemble uniforms. After many years this was Rosie’s last concert at Chatham. We would all like to say thank you Rosie.

Thank you also goes to the wonderful staff at Chatham. They have also worked tirelessly in rehearsing all the students for their big performance. A special mention to Mandy Hume, who as our concert coordinator, manages all logistics, providing us with running sheets and timetables that keep us all on track. Tim Clarke put all the music together and worked up in the control room the night of the concert assisting with the projection and audio. Lisa Gilbert helped co-ordinate the Year 5 & 6 play – “A Modern Vindaloo.” She wrote the whole play and directed the cast of this very entertaining take on Bollywood. Gemma Belfrage put all the musical items together, oversaw the choreography and musical items. I think everyone would agree that the performance from our school Orchestra and Vocal Ensemble was the highlight of the evening. They sounded terrific.

A big thank you also goes to the students who assisted with the prop and scenery making and those who worked with the Preps to Year 4s as choreographers as well as to all our actors, singers and speakers. It is a great effort to be able to get over 430 students up on stage performing across the night. Many schools do not even attempt this, leaving it to the senior grades or selected students to perform. We are proud of our whole school concert and the way that all students are provided with the opportunity to perform. As teachers, it is wonderful to see students ‘stepping up’, taking risks and challenging themselves even though this may be all new to them. Many students “shine” in this situation and grow in confidence thanks to the opportunities and experiences that are provided them as part of this concert. Well done to everyone...it was a great night and certainly a highlight of the year.

YEAR 2 WORKING BEE
The next working bee is scheduled for Year 2 families this coming Saturday 10th November. Please make some time during the morning to come along and help us complete some of the many tasks that we have planned.

STAFFING
Each year I am provided with a Global Budget from the Education Department which is based on our projected student enrolments. This Global Budget determines the number of staff I can employ. The staffing profile of these teachers and support staff then determines the class structure that I can put into place each year. With our current numbers at Chatham, we are extremely lucky with our mix of staff in that our profile of teachers range from graduates through to more experienced staff members.

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STAFFING Cont.....
We are also fortunate to have a good mix of male and female staff, as well as Leading Teachers at the top of the scale, dedicated part-time staff, quality specialist programs and a full time Assistant Principal role. This mix includes the majority of teachers on permanent ongoing rights and some employed on a contractual basis for short and long terms. These arrangements allow for some flexibility as well as taking in future enrolment predictions and work force planning.
In line with this, throughout the year, we have teachers who retire, take leave, seek promotion or move to other locations for personal or professional reasons.
We are currently in the middle of the process of finalising our staffing profile for 2013 and beyond. Each year, I also like to make some changes with our staffing, moving teachers into different levels across the school as well as attempting to maintain the exemplary specialist programs that we currently offer at Chatham.
I will keep the school community informed on these appointments and changes as they occur over the next few weeks.

PREP ORIENTATION DAYS
We currently have enrolments for 55 Preps for 2013 enabling us to once again have 3 Prep classes next year, albeit with much smaller class sizes.
We will be holding our first orientation day for our new Preps next Wednesday 14th November. The program is designed to give these students and their families a smooth and positive transition into their new life at school.

Wednesday 14th November 9:15 am to 10:30 am
Parents are welcome to stay for morning tea from 9:15.

Wednesday 21st November 9:15 am to 11:00 am
Children will meet their buddies and share morning tea of fruit juice and honey joys with them.

Wednesday 28th November 9:15 am to 12:30 pm
On this day the students will visit some specialist rooms such as the library, PE, music and the art room.

Wednesday 28th November 7:30pm
Information session for Prep parents in the school hall.

STEPHEN ROTHWELL
PRINCIPAL

YEAR 6 LEADERSHIP, VOCAL ENSEMBLE, BAND and WHOLE SCHOOL PHOTOS AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE $13.00 EACH

Photos are displayed near the office.

If you would like to order a photo please collect a form from the office.
MATHEMATICAL OLYMPIAD.
Congratulations to all our Maths Olympiads who have worked hard to develop their problem solving skills. Together they have been awarded a Certificate of High Team Achievement for finishing in the top 25% of all participants. Individual certificates and awards will be presented at assembly on Friday 16th November.
Miranda Milaszewicz

LIBRARY NEWS
On Sunday November 11th The Age is publishing a special lift-out including the names of all the students who successfully completed the Victorian Premiers’ Reading Challenge. It will also include statistics about the number of books read and most popular books. Individual certificates will be awarded to every student that completed the challenge, although the school has not received them as yet. We expect them to arrive during November.

A special thank you to Olga Tsara for her invaluable support in verifying all the books that children read for the PRC.

Miranda Milaszewicz

GARDEN FAIRIES
The next Garden Fairies working bee is Thursday 15th November. There is much to do thanks to some spring sun and a bit of rain. Meet at the rotunda with hat and weeder. Enquiries to Suzette 0435 358 162

MIRANDA MILASZEWICZ

HAY/STRAW BALES
If anyone has any spare Hay Bales sitting around (as you do!) we would love them for the Chooks /Vegie garden—we can arrange pick up. Please contact Sue in the office.

CANTEEN ROSTER
NOVEMBER
Friday 9th
AM: Sarah, Sarah and Amanda
PM: Steph, Judith and Maddie
Wednesday 14th
AM and PM: Steph and Maria
Friday 16th
AM: Karen, Janina and Susy
PM: Annie, Sarah and Melody

I have no canteen helps for Wednesday 28th November from 11.30am to 2.00pm. If you can help please contact me.
Sarah Andrews  Canteen Manager (0403 866 156)

DATES FOR THE DIARY
SATURDAY 10TH NOVEMBER
YEAR 2 WORKING BEE

TUESDAY 13TH NOVEMBER
PARENTS CLUB MEETING IN LIBRARY—9.15AM
REGIONAL BASKETBALL FINALS
MILO KANGA CRICKET—YEAR 6

WEDNESDAY 14TH NOVEMBER
PREP TRANSITION—9.15—10.30AM
EDUCATION COMMITTEE MEETING 3.40PM IN LIBRARY
CANTEEN MEETING—3PM

THURSDAY 15TH NOVEMBER
YEAR 6 TRANSITION CONFERENCE

MONDAY 19TH NOVEMBER
SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING

TUESDAY 20TH NOVEMBER
LEVEL 3 EXCURSION TO HEALESVILLE SANCTUARY

WEDNESDAY 21ST NOVEMBER
PREP TRANSITION—9.15—11.00AM

THURSDAY 22ND NOVEMBER
KOORI GARDEN LAUNCH—2.30PM

MONDAY 26TH NOVEMBER
SPEAKING WITH CONFIDENCE 6.30PM—5J

TUESDAY 27TH NOVEMBER
YEAR 5 EXCURSION TO THE IMMIGRATION MUSEUM
SENIOR HOOTIME GRANDFINAL

WEDNESDAY 28TH NOVEMBER
PREP TRANSITION—9.15AM TO 12.30PM
PREP 2013 PARENT INFORMATION NIGHT 7.30PM

THURSDAY 29TH NOVEMBER
YEAR 6 CITY EXCURSION
SPEAKING WITH CONFIDENCE 6.30PM—5N

MONDAY 3RD DECEMBER
SPEAKING WITH CONFIDENCE 6.30PM—5Y
FAIR MEETING STAFF ROOM—7.30PM

THURSDAY 6TH DECEMBER
GINGERBREAD HOUSE MAKING IN THE HALL FROM 4.30PM

FRIDAY 7TH DECEMBER
CRE SERVICE
SENIORS 9.10/9.55AM, JUNIORS 10.05/10.45AM

TUESDAY 11TH DECEMBER
YEAR 6 TRANSITION TO YEAR 7 DAY
PARENTS CLUB MEETING IN THE LIBRARY AT 9.15AM

MONDAY 17TH DECEMBER
SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING 7PM

TUESDAY 18TH DECEMBER
CLASS PARTIES
YEAR 6 BIG DAY OUT

THURSDAY 20TH DECEMBER
YEAR 6 GRADUATION

FRIDAY 21ST DECEMBER—LAST DAY OF TERM
' SAVE THE DATE '

YEAR 4 DRINKS PARTY
FRIDAY 23RD NOVEMBER
DETAILS TO FOLLOW....

LEMONS
IF YOU HAVE ANY LEMONS LEFT ON YOUR TREE (OR YOUR NEIGHBOURS TREE) WE WOULD LOVE SOME TO FREEZE FOR THE FAIR AND TO MAKE MORE CORDIAL. PLEASE BRING THEM TO THE OFFICE.

SURREY HILLS ORCHESTRA
performs 'Schottische' in Three Romances
Saturday 1 December 2012 at 7.30pm
James Tatoulis Auditorium, Methodist Ladies College, Barkers Road, Kew.
CONDUCTOR: Marie-Louise Wright
Brahms: Academic Festival Overture;
Grieg: Concerto for piano and orchestra in A minor
soloist: Tim Gray
Mendelssohn Symphony No 3 in A Minor 'Schottishe'
TICKETS $20 Adult; $15 Concession; $5 under 16
available at Box Office from 7.00pm.
9877 5286 or visit the website
www.surreyhillsorchestra.org.au

FAIR HELP NEEDED
The Café is in need of two to three baristas to run the coffee machine for a two hour shift each. Experience is required as they will be working solo.

If you can help or have any questions please call Susan Wilding on 0423 103 595 or sj_wilding@hotmail.com

Don't forget Trash and Treasure is also seeking donations of......
New and Pre-loved Clothing and accessories for babies, children & adults.
We have had some fabulous children’s clothing donated thus far, brands such as Fred Bare, Country Road & Seed. Women’s bags such as Prada and Louis Vuitton.....Men’s Zenya Ties, Gant shirts etc…
Clothes racks, retail bags and children’s coat hangers are also required for the Trash and Treasure Stall 2013.

Vintage goods such as old luggage, furniture, glassware, frames, records, stamps, buttons, cards, toys are also welcome.
Anything except electrical goods.
Drop off is every Wed 3 - 3.45pm at the T & T portable on Banool Rd.

PLEASE SAVE THE DATE!
THE WORKS (BED BATH N’ TABLE)
275 Burwood Road, Hawthorn
VIP ONE DAY Only SHOPPING EVENT!

TUESDAY 20th NOVEMBER 2012
9AM TO 9PM
The Countdown is on! Only 50 days to Christmas!
Make a List, gather your friends and Let’s go Shopping!
Come along and enjoy a glass (or 2) of Sparkling, Finger Food, Sample from the Cooking Demonstrations and enjoy the Entertainment too!
An Invitation from The Works for this EVENT will be sent home the week prior.
Please present this at The Works and your *transaction will be recorded.
*15% of the value of Full-Priced Products and *10% of Promotional Products will be Donated to Chatham Primary School.
(Ample Parking across the road at Bunnings Warehouse)
ENJOY! (Chatham Primary Parents Club)
To all School Families,

Chatham Primary School is pleased to invite you to the opening and celebration of its Koori Garden.

The Koori Garden has been designed and built by parents, students and staff over 2011 and 2012. It features indigenous plants that were used by the Aboriginal People before white settlement.

This month the garden has been completed and we would be delighted if you would join us for the official opening.

Thursday 22\textsuperscript{nd} November

2.30pm – 3pm

Chatham Primary School, Weybridge St Surrey Hills.

RSVP 19th November to Chatham PS office 9830 1933

The celebrations will include a traditional Welcome to Country and Smoking Ceremony as performed by the Wurundjeri Elders.

Best regards,

Stephen Rothwell

Principal
St Bridget’s Primary School Food & Fun Fair - Saturday 24th November

St Bridget’s Primary School (36 Sweyn St, Balwyn North), is holding its biennial Fair. Delicious food and entertainment, fantastic amusement rides, a great range of stalls, coffee and cakes, jams, craft, great silent and live auction prizes and excellent activities - fun for all ages!

We would like to offer the families at your school the opportunity to pre-purchase the wristbands at a discounted price.

The wristband will give you unlimited access to the following Amusement Rides: Cyclone, Giant Inflatable Slide, Jumbo Jumping Castle, Chair-o-Plane, Mini Golf and Inflatable Panda Playground.

Early Bird Price $25 for 1 wristband

Purchase your wristband:
2. Enter ‘St Bridget’s Food & Fair’ into the search field
3. Scroll to the bottom of the page to the advanced search enter keyword ‘fair’ and date ’24/11/12’
Select St Bridget’s Food & Fair and continue your booking

Please note: Wristbands purchased on the day of the fair will cost $30 each. Tickets for other activities (eg: face painting, craft activities and Pasta Master Class

Early Bird Price

$25 for 1 wristband
Chatham Families & Friends are invited to the

2012 Chatham Cup

at
Box Hill Golf Club, 202 Station Street
Box Hill, Victoria

on
Friday, 30th November, 2012

Registration 7:00am - 7:30am sharp
Briefing 7:40am
Tee-off Time: 8:00am sharp - shotgun start
Format: Team Ambrose
(Caters for all levels of golfer)
Competitions: Chatham Cup (18 Holes), or the 9 Hole Event
BBQ and Drinks: From 12.30pm

Great prizes and lots of fun.
Join us for a relaxed BBQ & drinks afterwards to see who wins this year’s Chatham Cup!

Registration form attached
Enter yourself or a 4 person team, bring a friend, grandparent, work colleague.

Any queries please contact Mick Burnett on 0403 580 451 or mburnett@transurban.com
Registration Form – Chatham Cup

Entry
An a fun and relaxed way to participate and play in a corporate type golf event.
Includes
• Full (or half) round of Golf on the magnificent Box Hill 18 hole course
• BBQ Lunch after the game
• Prizes on the day

Format of the Event
• Team Ambrose (All 4 in the team hit and you pick the best ball and
then all hit again from there). More Details on the day.
• Individual Prizes for Longest/Straightest Drive, Nearest the Pin, etc.
• Normal Private Golf Club dress regulations will apply.
• Handicaps on the day will be AGU, or failing that whatever you think is a fair
thing subject to scrutiny on the day!, maximum 27 men, and 36 for ladies.

Note: Chatham Cup for 18 hole comp only, separate prizes for teams only playing 9 holes.

Please return this page to the school office together with payment before 16th Nov 2012

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Payment Options (Please Tick):

- Cash payment to School Office
- EFT payment at School Office
- Cheque payable to CPSC Parents Club Fundraising
- Direct deposit to CPSC Parents Club Fundraising account (BSB 063-105 Account 10202503)

Please include “golfday” and your name in the reference when completing the transfer.

Any queries please contact Mick Burnett on 0403 580 451 or mburnett@transurban.com