FROM THE PRINCIPAL

SCHOOL FAIR

Considering the weather broke for the first time leading up to the fair we could not have asked for a better day – the sun was certainly shining for Chatham and what a wonderful day it turned out to be. The stream of people was constant, and at times it was hard to find a vacant spot in the school grounds as people moved around and enjoyed everything that we had on offer. There was a great buzz of excitement as it reached 1:00pm and the fair officially commenced. It turned out to be another great Chatham Fair, with a constant flow of people walking through our gates all day. Everyone had a very enjoyable time that flowed on into the night as we welcomed past and current families and those of the wider community into our great school.

I feel very proud as Principal of Chatham to see the school community working together on a common focus. The response from everyone was outstanding, whether it be the baking of cakes, donations of goods for the many stalls, assisting on a stall or helping to set up and clean up afterwards, the response from so many was very pleasing to see. Thank you to everyone for all of your efforts over so many weeks. With such a great community effort I am reluctant to highlight individuals but feel that the following people need a special mention.

- Sue Tressider and Linda Marcun have been our Fair Coordinators for the past 18 months and worked tirelessly over this time. They have remained calm and focussed at all times and their attention to detail and communication/people skills have ensured that everything ran smoothly. They are both exhausted but thrilled with the whole day. Thank you two for all your work and for bringing this big event together for us all to enjoy.
- Mary-Anne Ireland as our Food Manager worked tirelessly through the canteen to ensure that all food requirements, equipment and procedures were in place.
- All the money collectors, counters and those who helped with the banking and security. Some of these people were locked up in the school taking and counting the money for hours. A special thank you to the Parents’ Club Treasurer, Mick Burnett, who was locked away in my office all day counting money.
- Sue and Bev in the office who not only helped count the money but have worked tirelessly for the past few weeks in assisting everybody to bring the day together.
- Stall Coordinators in working so hard to gather their helpers and producing such a fantastic array of stalls, goods, foods and activities for us all.
- A big thank you to all those who managed to get out of bed on Sunday morning to help get the school back to some normality before the students returned on Monday. The school looked great!
- Andrea Barker for coordinating our student entertainment. With so many acts to rehearse and manage she has been so supportive and encouraging of all our performers.
- Our wonderful students – for entertaining us with their songs, dancing, instrument playing and even circus tricks and Michael Jackson impersonations. The audience really appreciated the great array of wonderful student talent with have at our school. Thank you also to all of our students for the way you conducted yourself, how you behaved and for enjoying yourself so much over the day.
- The school staff – for running a stall and assisting in many areas.

In thanking these people I also certainly acknowledge the efforts of so many other people. There are far too many to name and we understand that you all give as much as you can in your own way to make sure that our school is a great school in so many ways. This day was such a great success thanks to you all.

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

School Fair cont...We still have a little money to come in and go out but we expect to have a more accurate final figure for the day shortly. At the moment, our figures are showing a profit as being somewhere between $45,000 and $50,000, which makes it the best result we have ever had. This is an unbelievable effort. This result is certainly due to the efforts of the whole community working together for a common goal...to provide all of our students with the best learning environment possible.

This is our major fundraising effort for the year with the majority of this amount going towards our commitment to service the Cooperative loan for our past major building works.

This event brought the whole school community together with everyone - students, teachers, parents and local businesses - working harmoniously to ensure the success of the day. Once again thank you to everyone for all your efforts in making this day such a great success for us all. There are still a number of items to be collected from the school including containers, plates and trays. They can be found outside the canteen or in the music room. Please try to collect all items as soon as possible. We are still waiting on the last of the invoices and payments but all indications are that we will do much better in our fundraising amounts than any previous fairs. Well done everyone.

PARENTS’ CLUB ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The AGM for our school Parents’ Club is scheduled for this coming Tuesday 12th March. At this meeting all positions will be declared open as we look for a President, Vice President, Treasurer and Secretary to lead this very important group in our school. Please attend this meeting and support this very important group in our school.

This association is certainly an integral part of our school community – co-ordinating our fundraising and social activities across the year. The school has a commitment of $27,500 each year as repayment for the Cooperative Loan that we took out as part of our Stage 2 Building Works. The $200,000 borrowed by this school Cooperative provided us all with the wooden floor in the hall, the entrance foyer and toilets, store rooms, trestle tables & chairs, audio visual equipment and the extensive landscaping works out the front including the plants, large sandpit and playground equipment. As well as organising many social events, liaising with parents, assisting with school functions, they also have a significant role in raising the necessary funds each year to service this loan. Please support this group in any way that you can.

EXCURSION LEVY

The excursion levy notice for each grade will be sent home soon. This notice outlines the planned excursions and activities for your child’s grade for the year. These activities are related closely to the concepts that will be covered in the year’s work for your child. Entrance fees and transport costs are always rising but we attempt to limit the costs of these events wherever possible.

To minimise the handling and administrative work carried out by the school office we would encourage all parents to consider paying the one off levy that covers the cost for these events for the year. The alternative is that parents pay for each individual excursion as it happens. Please contact the school office to discuss alternative arrangements if you have difficulty meeting these costs. We would like these levies to be returned by Friday, 22nd March. If you choose not to pay the levy in full then you will need to pay per individual excursion or incursion activity that your child participates in throughout the year.

SCHOOL UNIFORM

In line with the move to an outside supplier of our school uniform we are also focussing our expectations on what is worn by our students to school. The only uniform to be worn to Chatham are those items of clothing that appear on the Surrey Hills Clothing order form. In line with our Transition Policy we have allowed a phase out period of any old stock or pieces of uniform that no longer appear on this list. This phase out list and cessation date can be found on the school’s website. Students should not be wearing any other form of uniform or ‘normal’ clothing to school. Students will be issued with a notice if they are found to be wearing any items of clothing not on the official uniform list. We are keen for our students to take a stronger pride in our school and wearing the correct uniform and wearing it proudly demonstrates this pride for our school.

The Year 6 students were issued with their new rugby tops just in time for the class photos on Wednesday. They all look wonderful and set our senior students apart from the rest of the school. These tops are special for this year group and we would appreciate that students in younger grades do not wear this piece of uniform that may have been worn in previous years from older brothers or sisters. A big thank you to Amy Steventon for organising the tops this year.

LABOUR DAY HOLIDAY

Next Monday, 11th March is the Labour Day holiday and students are not expected at school on this day.
PREP WORKING BEE
The next working bee is for all Prep families is on Saturday 23rd March. Please meet at the roller doors behind the Music Room at 9:00am.

STUDENT WELFARE
Chelsea and Charlie are our 2 school mascots. These 2 dolls are dressed in Chatham uniforms and are used to reinforce our school values of Learning, Respect, Honesty, Responsibility, Partnership and Resilience. If teachers observe students exhibiting behaviour related to one of our school values their names are written on a ticket which is then placed in a box near the school office. The students whose names are drawn out at our Monday morning assemblies can choose to look after Chelsea or Charlie for the week. They are also expected to present some piece of work that depicts their week with Charlie or Chelsea in relation to their school value.

AROUND THE SCHOOL – SICK BAY & FIRST AID
The majority of our staff have some form of first aid qualifications, either Level 1 or 2 and we also have a number of our staff who maintain their training in CPR each year. At the start of each school year the staff undertake training around allergic reactions including the use of epipens, asthma management, epilepsy, diabetes and the use of a mobile heart defibrillator. We have a number of students whose faces appear on an alert sheet that is placed in each classroom. Staff are all aware of the specific needs of all of these high risk students. Each classroom has a basic supply of first aid supplies and if children are injured or sick outside at playtimes then they are sent to the sick bay for care and attention. The teacher on yard duty carries with them a red bag containing basic supplies that can be used for minor cuts and abrasions. Staff are very limited in the amount and type of first aid treatment they can administer and generally can only clean and dress a wound or provide an ice pack for any bumps. A staff member is on duty in the sick bay each lunch time. If it is a minor injury we tend to treat it and send the child back to their classroom. Anything that requires more treatment will be entered into a record book and a white copy of the first aid form sent home to parents. Any areas that we may be concerned about, eg a knock on the head, will be followed up with parents via a phone call. We will also contact you if we believe that your child is unwell or distressed and would be better off at home. Please do not send your child to school if they are unwell as a classroom full of students can certainly be a good breeding ground for germs and colds, etc. We do not have any whole-school accident insurance in place. Parents/guardians are responsible for paying the costs of medical treatment for injured students, including transport costs if needed. Schools are a workplace and at all times we try to minimise any injuries and accidents. Staff have a duty of care and will always attempt to make the best judgements and provide the best care possible for your child.

GASTRO TROUBLE
Over the last 3 weeks we have had a number of students and teachers away or being sent home because of gastro troubles. Please monitor your child and if there are any signs of illness please keep them at home. We are stressing with the children the need to wash hands thoroughly at all times but especially before eating.

CAR PARKING
I have had a complaint from one of our neighbours about cars being parked across their driveway. Please obey all parking signs around the school. There are designated drop off and pick up zone that have limited stays whilst you sit in your car. You should not be parking in these areas and coming into the school to collect your child. Please consider all our neighbours when parking that will allow them easy access into their own properties. When using Banool Road please remember to travel right through to Whitehorse Road without doing a u-turn or driving into other people’s driveways before driving back into the oncoming traffic – this just causes traffic jams. Parking Inspectors do visit schools during their busy times and obeying parking signs and road rules will make our school footpaths and roads safer for our children.

MORNING SUPERVISION
This is a reminder that students should not be arriving at school before 8:45 in the morning as this is the time that we officially have teachers on duty out in the yard. If you need to drop your children off at school much earlier than this then they should be booked into Before School Care.

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT
Congratulations to Ingo Dammer-Smith who came 2nd in his backstroke event at last week’s Division Swimming Championships. He now heads off to the Regional event tomorrow along with Callum Quinn who is competing by invitation. Good luck Ingo and Callum.

STEPHEN ROTHWELL—PRINCIPAL
**Dates for the Diary**

**Friday 8th March**
Year 6 Interschool Sport - Canterbury 9.00am
Hot cross bun forms due back to school

**Monday 11th March**
Labour Day Holiday - No School

**Tuesday 12th March**
Parents Club AGM Meeting—Library 9.15am

**Wednesday 13th March**
Year 4 Excursion to Ceres — All Day

**Thursday 14th March**
Year 3 Excursion to Ceres — All Day

**Friday 15th March**
Year 6 Interschool Sport — Auburn South 9.00am
Year 1 and 2 Excursion to Ricketts Point
9am Year 1 and 2JB—11.30am 2KM and 2FH

**Sunday 17th March**
Buddy Picnic — Year 5 and Prep 4pm - 6pm
on the school oval

**Monday 18th March**
Responsible Pet Ownership 9.30am—Preps

**Wednesday 20th March**
Education Committee Meeting—3.45pm Library
Post Fair Stall Meeting—7.30pm Staff Room

**Friday 22nd March**
Year 6 Interschool Sport — Deepdene PS
CRE Service — times tba
Ride2School Day

**Saturday 23rd March**
Prep Working Bee — 9.00am
Progressive Dinner

**Tuesday 26th March**
Parents Helpers Course —
Library 9.15am to 10.15am

**Thursday 28th March**
Last Day of Term — School ends at 2.30pm

**Monday 15th April**
Term 2 commences

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**Kids BBQ**
A huge thank you to Linda, Sue and Maryanne and the Fair Committee and everyone who worked on the Kids BBQ. We had a massive day.
Thank you to Cameron Hardiman, John Doyle, Trish & John McCormick and Cathy & Paul Townsend who all worked double shifts.
Also thank you to Amy Steventon, Kelli Simmons, Marcus Bourne, Fiona & Leanne and the lovely Year 8 volunteers from Carey Grammar for helping out throughout the day.
Justine & Alan Mitchell

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**Come & Join...**

**KEW JUNIOR HOCKEY CLUB**

**HOOK IN 2 HOCKEY**

**WHEN:** Sundays in March & April 2013
(except Long Weekend and Easter)
10.00am – 11.00am

**DATES:**
March 3rd, 17th, 24th, April 7th, 14th, 21st

**WHERE:** Elgar Park - Elgar Road, Box Hill (47 B3)

Cost: $50.00, and includes:
- All skills sessions
- Your own stick, ball and shinpads to keep
- Bring your own Mouthguard

**Contact:**
Joe Hassall – 0401 560 262
www.kewhockey.com

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A BIG thank you to all the students and families who supported CHATHAM’S GOT TALENT at the fair last Saturday. The day ran very smoothly and the items were well prepared and of an excellent standard. It has once again been a pleasure to work with the wonderful students of Chatham Primary.
Andrea Barker
Prep and Year 5 Families save the date!!

Buddies’ Picnic on the school oval on Sunday 17th March from 4 until 6pm.

Come and meet your child’s buddy and their family at a BYO picnic.

More details to follow.

1SN MORNING TEA
We thought it is about time that we have our first 1SN morning tea catchup!!
When: Friday 15th March at 9.30am (after drop off)
Where: Red Brick Cafe, Mont Albert Rd, Surrey Hills

Please email us back if you are able to attend, so that I can book a table and make sure that day/time suits the majority.

Looking forward to seeing you all there.

Warm regards,

Dea, Melody and Andrea
(1SN class reps)

Prep MB Coffee Morning
Please come and have some coffee, morning tea and a play (small people are more than welcome).

Where: 46 Croydon Road, Surrey Hills
When: Wednesday March 13
Time: about 9.30am
From: Cath Horskins (Mum of Ben and Mia)

Prep MO Parents and Pre Schoolers
Please join us for coffee at the Maling Room, 206 Canterbury Road on Monday 18th March after school drop off. Looking forward to seeing you all.

Your Class reps
Lyndal (Matilda’s Mum)
Rata (James Pawson’s Mum)
Natalie (Emily’s Mum)

1LM Parent Get Together
Thursday 7th March
8pm
Please BYO drinks & a small plate of nibbles
Address: 17 Thornton Ave, Surrey Hills
(Bianca & Matt’s House)

Attention All Year 6 Parents
SAVE THE DATE
Year 6 Parents Drinks and Nibblyes
Evening April 27th 7.30PM
At Ange and Rob House premises
2 David Street
Surrey Hills
MORE DETAILS WILL FOLLOW IN A FEW WEEKS.

2JB Get Together - Thursday March 14
Now with the Chatham Fair all done and dusted, and most of us have slowed to walking pace, it’s time to get to know our fellow class parents. Would love you all to come along and have a coffee (they do yummy breakfast too) next Thursday (March 14) after school drop-off at Watts Cooking (147 Union Road). Have booked a table or two out the back, hope to see you there.

Cheers for now
Lisa, Susy and Lauren

Lollies, Fairy Floss Snow, Cones Stall Helpers
Thank you to all the people who contributed to making the lollies, fairy floss and snow cones stall a great success.

We had a wonderful array of homemade treats and beautifully presented lolly mixes. Snow Cones and Fairy Floss are always popular and extra thanks is needed for the dedicated purveyors of spun sugar who sacrificed their hairstyle and clothes for the cause (never again some might say!).

A particular thank you is also needed to my right hand people who baked, bagged, set up, cleaned up and stayed on the stall for hours...

Thank you everyone!
CHATHAM PRIMARY SCHOOL RAFFLE 2013—winners

1st Prize—ticket no: 4544 Janet Weir
3rd Prize—ticket no: 1397 Fiona Flanigan

2nd Prize—ticket no: 2053 Mandy Spencer
4th Prize—ticket no: 4032 Simon Williams

Scholastic Bookclub

Brochures for Issue 2 were sent home this week and are due back by Friday 15th March.

If you are ordering from multiple brochures, please feel free to total your orders and include just the one Payment, i.e. One cheque or one credit card payment.

It’s also helpful if you can write the payment method on the front of your bookclub envelope. Cheques should be made payable to Scholastic Books NOT Chatham Primary.

Any questions, please call Karen on 0400 833 975

Happy reading!

Karen Winch & Kathy Magoutis
Bookclub coordinators

FOUND
NEAR THE CANTHE LAST WEEK—A SAMSUNG PHONE—SEE THE OFFICE IF YOU HAVE LOST ONE.

NEEDED PLEASE
NEWSPAPERS FOR THE ART ROOM URGENTLY REQUIRED—PLEASE LEAVE AT THE ART ROOM OR OFFICE.
LEMONS—TO MAKE MORE OF OUR CORDIAL TO RAISE FUNDS FOR THE JAPANESE GARDEN

ASHBURTON PRIMARY SCHOOL GRAND FAIR 2013
24th March 2013
10am-4pm

Come clown around with us

Come Clown around with us and find great adventures with exciting rides and activities—The Cyclone, Giant Super Slide, Chair-O-Plane, Circus Train inflatable obstacle, Cup and Saurer, GI Jane Eliminator and the Octopus ride.

It is the place to be as we have a huge second-hand goods stall with used toys and clothing, books, sporting goods.

Check out our fantastic silent auction, great food and drink, music and free entertainment.

There are many market stores and kids activities to explore.

Contact 9885 2559 or visit www.ashburtonps.vic.edu.au.
Are you interested in taking a more active role in the school? Do you have an interest in finding out more about the curriculum and programs on offer at Chatham? Are you interested in the Health and Well-Being of your children and/or have expertise in this field? Then joining the Education and Policy Committee may be the perfect solution and a great way to contribute to the school community.

Now that I’ve caught your interest here’s a little bit about what we do, when we meet and the future agendas. Several years ago we created Terms of Reference for the Education Committee which are:

1. To keep abreast of curriculum and government initiatives, and disseminate information back to the school community on areas relating to curriculum.
2. To develop and regularly review school policies to ensure practices and protocols are relevant to changing needs, and submit them to School Council for approval. We currently have, on most policies, a three-year cycle of review. Policies include Student Anti-Bullying Policy, Transition Policies, Homework Policy and the list goes on. We do not have subject polices as what we ‘teach’ is determined by the Victorian Essential Learning Standards.

This year we are also starting our accreditation journey to become a Health Promoting School. There are several great reasons for us to participate in this program:
- Healthy children learn better
- To integrate existing programs and initiatives into a comprehensive health and wellbeing strategy for school improvement
- To promote the health of the whole school – children, young people, families and staff
- To receive guidelines, tools and support
- To work in partnership with other schools and services
- To select priorities that best suit the school
- To be recognised for our achievements!

Last year we met on the Wednesday afternoon the week before School Council. Meetings are from 3:45pm to 4:30pm, in the School Library. Children can be accommodated and afternoon tea provided. Please come along if you are interested or if you have any questions feel free to contact me.

Our first meeting for the year is on **Wednesday 20th March**

The focus will be: Designing a ‘policy’ for Out of School Hours Chatham events organised and run by Parents’ Club and; Creating a Health and Wellbeing Team

Bronwyn Orr Curriculum Co-ordinator
This course is designed to support parents who assist in the classroom.

On Tuesday 26th March in the School Library, from 9.15am – 10.15am there will be a literacy course for parents called ‘Classroom Helpers’.

This course is designed to support parents who assist in the classroom and is linked to the classroom literacy program.

The course will:

- Develop in participants an increased understanding of the development of literacy skills.
- Demonstrate various learning situations to participants so they can act as role models for students in classrooms.
- Train participants in how to provide support for small groups of students.

If you have participated in a previous Classroom Helpers Course it is not necessary to attend again.

It is necessary to attend the course before you offer to help in any of the classrooms. If you can’t attend the course but wish to participate in the classroom, please speak to your classroom teacher.

Please complete the form below if you wish to attend the course and return to the school office by Tuesday 19th March, 2013.

Looking forward to seeing you all there.

AMANDA HUME - 1H/M CLASS TEACHER

Please complete and return to the school office by Tuesday 19th March.

CLASSROOM HELPERS

I, ______________________________ would like to attend the Classroom Helpers Course in the School Library on Tuesday 26th March, 2013.

Signed: ______________________________ Date: ______________________________

Child/ren at school: ____________________________________________________________________________________________
CHATHAM PARENTS CLUB
ANNUAL HOT CROSS BUN FUNDRAISER

Delicious Hot Cross Buns available to Order and Enjoy!

Cost: $7.00 per half dozen (6) Hot Cross Buns

Orders:
• Place order form (with cash or cheque) in an envelope marked “Hot Cross Buns”
• Make cheques payable to “CPSC Parents Club Fundraising”
• Orders due Friday 8th March
• School limited to 1,000 buns – so orders will be filled on first-in basis.
• Large orders may only be partially filled depending on demand
• Any unfilled orders will be refunded.

Pick Up: At School 3:00pm, Thursday 21st March under the music room verandah

Hot Cross Buns are kindly baked and donated by:

BreadStreet

22 Hamilton Street, Mont Albert. Phone: 9890 0066

All proceeds of this fundraiser will benefit Chatham Primary School

Please complete and return to the school office by Friday 8th March in a sealed envelope clearly marked Hot Cross Bun order
HOT CROSS BUNS ORDER FORM (Due March)

Family Name: ________________________ Phone Number: ________________________

Person Collecting: ________________________

Quantity (Please circle the number of Buns required):

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EASTER KIDS ENTERTAINMENT
AT MALING ROAD
EASTER SATURDAY
30 March 2013
1PM - 3PM
ROVING ENTERTAINMENT EVERY SATURDAY FROM 1-3PM
FREE KIDS EASTER CRAFT ACTIVITIES

North Balwyn Baseball Club
Junior Come and Try Days
Saturday 16 March & Saturday 23 March 2013
10:00am - 12:00 noon
Myrtle Park, Gidson Street, North Balwyn (MacLeay Park precinct) Mel Ref: 66 B4

Boys and Girls aged 8 to 17 are invited to come and try Baseball.
Coaching sessions + opportunities to bat and field. No experience or equipment necessary.
The club has male and female junior players aged 8 to 17 across all levels with junior and senior teams playing each week.

For more information Go To:
www.northbalwyn.baseball.com.au
www.northbalwynbaseball.com.au E: northbalwynbc@yahoo.com

SOCAR FOR JUNIORS
Our Soccer for Jumiors program is specifically designed for boys and girls aged 3 to 18 trying the sport for the first time. Learn basic skills from experienced coaches using modified equipment.

Term 2, Registrations are now open!
Where
Camberwell High School Gym, Prospect Hill Road, Camberwell
Starts
Sunday 21st of April
3 year olds - 9.00am to 9.45am
4 year olds - 9.45am to 10.30am
5 and 6 year olds - 10.30am to 11.15am
7 and 8 year olds - 11.15am to 12.00pm
Cost
$80 per 6 weekly sessions and a soccer ball for you to keep!

To secure your place, you MUST register by one of the following methods:
- Email - rego@getactivesports.com.au
- Phone - 1300 772 106
- Fax - 1300 672 823

For more information or other sports and locations visit www.getactivesports.com.au

Camberwell Soccer for Juniors Consent Form - Term 2, 2013

Name: ___________________________ Date: ___________ DOB: ______/_____/______
Sex: Male / Female
School/Year: ___________________________ Email: ___________________________

Parent/Guardian Name: ___________________________ Parent/Guardian Signature: ___________________________

Any relevant medical conditions or medications taken: ___________________________

I acknowledge the program is designed for children to participate at their own pace and for the enjoyment of the children. I further acknowledge that the club will not be held responsible for any injuries to either the player or other participants.

Cheque/Credit Card/Cash: ___________________________ Payment Method: ___________________________

Title: ___________________________ Issue Date: ___________ Expiry Date: ___________

Credit Card Details: ___________________________ Amount $ ___________________________

I agree to the following terms and conditions

Parent/Guardian Name: ___________________________ Parent/Guardian Signature: ___________________________

Please have correct money, make your cheque payable to Get Active Sports or complete card details above.