FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

Stephen is away on camp with the Year 5s this week and from all reports it has once again been a most successful 4 day program. They will return to school (and home!) tomorrow afternoon.

SCHOOL COUNCIL FOR 2014

Stephen recently called for nominations to take on a role on our School Council for the next 2 years. We have been able to fill all 5 vacant positions. It has been encouraging to see the interest shown by members of the community to take an active part on School Council. Remember too that any parent is welcome to join a School Council Sub-Committee if they want to become more involved. More information will follow in the coming weeks promoting these groups. Parents are also most welcome to attend School Council meetings as observers. The next meeting will be held on Monday 25th March where we will be welcoming our newly elected parents onto School Council.

Congratulations to:
Steve Kynoch  (Georgia 3TC)
Brenda Wilkinson  (Emma 3HM)
John Doyle (James 1LM and Thomas 5NC)
Andrew Stamper  (William 3TC)
Adam McInnes (Alannah 2FH, Kalen 3HM, Reef 6GK)

PARENTS’ CLUB

This week Parents’ Club also held their Annual AGM on Tuesday 11th March. After declaring all positions on the Executive vacant, I am pleased to announce that several positions were filled on this day. Congratulations to the following parents who have accepted the nomination to fill the following positions.

President:  Cathy Elliott and Alison Burrows
Vice President:  unfilled
Secretary: unfilled
Treasurer:  Anthony Collings
Hiring Officer:  Cathy Horskins
New Family welcoming Officer:  Lina Lad

We thank Cathy and Alison for taking on the role of President. Both Cathy and Alison have children in their final year at Chatham so it is imperative that we have a parent or parents take on the role of Vice President/s so there is some continuity into next year with persons that are familiar with what the role of Vice President or President entails. The role of Secretary is also a vital role in the efficient functioning of the Parents’ Club and **cannot** be left vacant. I urge all parents to consider taking on this role. Just like the role of Parent Class Reps which is now more often than not a shared role between two, if not three, people, the Secretary role can be shared. Thank you to the returning parents, Anthony and Cathy in their respective roles, and Lina for taking on her new role this year.

I would like to thank Emma Ellis, Bianca Hunt and Becky Nunan on behalf of the school community for the outstanding job and contribution they have made to the school in the outgoing roles of Co-Presidents and Secretary. As Stephen has mentioned over many weeks, many of the events for this year are already set with co-ordinator’s assigned due to their management over the last year.

The Donations Committee is also looking for parents to help on this Committee with the Fair less than a year away! The Committee has donations for the upcoming Gala Night but would appreciate a few more hands and heads on the Donations Committee.

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EXCURSION LEVY

The excursion levy notice for each grade will be sent home early next week. 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, 4th April. 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 MASCOTS

Chelsea and Charlie are our two 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. But at last week’s assembly a third mascot was officially presented to the school by Grace Harries on behalf of her family.

Grace graduated from Chatham at the end of last year and was the last child in the Harries family to go through Chatham, along with her sisters Jessica and Courtney. After a 16 year association with Chatham the girls wanted to give something back and so decided Charlie and Chelsea needed a pet, aptly named Harry the dog. After presenting Harry the dog with his new collar, our first recipient was Vanessa in 4MO who had displayed the value of Learning on all her classroom work. Lucky Vanessa then chose to take home Chelsea and Harry for the week. We look forward to hearing back from Vanessa at this week’s assembly as she shares with us her time with the school mascots and the School Value for which she was nominated.

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 and Harry 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.

A BUSY COUPLE OF WEEKS

Although this is only a short week of four days we certainly have had a lot on this week including Year 5 camp. Today the Year 3 students have been to Scienceworks and the Preps have had a Responsible Pet Ownership incursion at school. Last week the school had class, individual and family photos, and staff had their photo taken dressing in a Japanese theme to reflect the highly valued Japanese Program we have here at Chatham. The Year 6 students had also been issued with their new rugby tops several weeks ago in readiness for their Year 6 Leadership positions. They looked wonderful wearing their tops in their photos and the jumpers really do 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 Kyla Marston for organising the tops this year. Last week we also had our school captains and members of Junior School Council attending a Leadership Conference in the city.

YEAR 5 WORKING BEE

The next working bee will be for Year 5 families this coming Saturday the 15th of March. These working bees are essential to help maintain our school grounds in a safe and secure condition. Please find some time during the morning to come along and help out.

BRONWYN ORR
ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

THANK YOU TO JACK SHOCKLEY IN 3TC FOR THIS WEEKS’ MASTHEAD.
Teacher Profiles

Take a look at this week’s Teacher Profile which features Glenda Kelly who teaches a Year 2 class, as well as being the school’s Literacy Co-ordinator!

Hi my name is Glenda Kelly. I teach Grade 2KM three days a week sharing the grade with Mrs Miller. On my other two days I work across the school in other classrooms working with teachers and students on reading and writing. I love teaching and working at Chatham Primary School.

At home I enjoy walking my dog Chaya, going to gym, going to the football to watch Geelong play, reading and spending time with my friends and family. I had a wonderful Christmas holiday as my husband, two daughters Alyssa and Micaela and I went to America for a wedding. We also spent three fun days at Disneyland as well as travelling around Arizona, Nevada and California.

Ride2School Day
PART WAY IS OKAY

Last year we had a fantastic number of students who participated in the National Ride2School Day. This year we want even more children riding or walking to school on this day. Remember PART WAY IS OK too! So ask mum or dad to park the car in James/Langford Street, Thornton Avenue or Norris Street and walk on that day. And you never know who you might meet as you ride to school!

BRONWYN ORR

Education Committee Meeting

The first Education Committee Meeting for the year is on Wednesday 19th March at 3:45pm in the library. Any parent is welcome to attend and a small afternoon tea is provided for children. The Education Committee both creates and reviews existing policies that operate mostly on a three year cycle and highlights programs and approaches to curriculum delivery within the school.

As the meeting is being held on Ride2School Day we will be reviewing the Cycling Policy, as well as looking at the Parent Participation Policy. These policies can be found on the school website.

So, if you have an interest in either of these policies, we would love for you to attend and have input. There is no commitment on the day to attend every meeting for the year.

Assistant Principal Bronwyn Orr
## Dates for the Diary

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### Premier’s Reading Challenge

The 2014 Premier’s Reading Challenge has now opened. We will be chatting about the challenge in library classes next week and getting more information to children then. All students from Prep to Year 6 will be encouraged to participate as it would be great to see everyone being recognised for reading. There will be more details to follow in coming weeks.

Melissa Hosking and Di Miller
School Librarians

### Bupa Family Challenge

Dear Parents & Guardians,

I’m happy to inform you all that Chatham Primary was successful in winning $1000 from the Bupa Family Challenge competition in 2013! Life Education partnered up with Bupa to create the Family Challenge, encouraging Australian families to improve fitness, diet and nutrition while spending more time together.

Thank you to all the Chatham families who signed up and participated in this challenge. We’re thrilled to receive this prize and will be spending the money on new sports equipment for the school.

From your Life Education co-ordinator,
Hannah Matheson
**SAVE THE DATE**
Chatham Primary School Parents’ Club Gala Night

**Date:** 17th May, 2014  
**Venue:** The Boulevard, Kew  
**Time:** 7:30-12:00

Start organising your babysitters, it’s a great night out.

More details to follow….

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**HELP**
We are asking for any old keys that you don’t want. Please drop them off at the office.

Thanks Parents’ Club

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**YEAR 4 DINNER**
Union Tree Thai restaurant.  
149 Union Rd, Surrey Hills  
**Tuesday 11th** of March 7:30 onwards  
RSVP to class reps by 10/3

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**PREP MO DINNER**
**Tuesday March 18th** at 7.30pm  
Postino Pizza Bar  
97 Whitehorse Road Balwyn

Please RSVP to Bronwyn on **phillips.tim@bigpond.com**

Hope to see you there!  
Dana, Sarah and Bronwyn

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**PREP SM MORNING TEA**
When: **Friday 21st March 2014** at 9.15 am  
(after drop off)  
Where: Cocco Latte coffee shop  
111-113 Union Road, Surrey Hills

Siblings welcome. We hope to see you there,

Michelle, Jane and Belinda

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**2KM Wine & Nibbles Night**
**Thursday, 20 March at 7.30pm.**  
Faversham Rd, Canterbury  
BYO drinks and a plate of food to share.  
Email: **jodieinmelbourne@hotmail.com**  
for more details, and to RSVP.

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**SAVE ANOTHER DATE**
THE LOVELY MOTHERS DAY PANCAKE BREAKFAST WILL BE HELD ON **THURSDAY 8TH MAY.**  
DETAILS COMING SOON

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**YEAR 4 PARENTS/CARERS WINE AND CHEESE NIGHT**
At the home of Sam and Fariba Abbasi  
Union Rd, Balwyn.  
**Friday the 28th** of March from 7pm  
BYO DRINKS and a Plate to Share  
Email your Class reps for more info and to RSVP by the 26th of March  
Mal, Claire, Cherry, Lina, Kate, Julie, Joanna and Amanda.

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**CANTEEN ROSTER—MARCH**

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**PARENTS’ CLUB CORNER**

The outgoing co-Presidents of The Parent’s Club, Emma Ellis & Bianca Hunt, would like to sincerely thank the 2013 Executive and all members of Parent’s Club for all their hard work and support last year. We would also like to welcome the new Executive for 2014, who are to be led by the new co-Presidents, Cathy Elliot and Alison Burrows. A big thank you to you both for taking on the role and we wish you every success.

We started off 2013 with the hugely successful School Fair - a fantastic illustration of how great we can be when the whole school community pulls together. This was quickly followed by the ever popular Progressive Dinner.

In August, many of us enjoyed a fun night at The Trivia Night. Although, designed as a social event we also managed to raise funds from this fantastic night.

Other events organised and run by Parent’s Club in 2013 were Hot Cross Bun sales, Family Twilight Movie Night, Kid’s Movie Night, Mother’s and Father’s Day stalls, Family Life and Cyber Safety Information evenings, "I am 11" movie night, Election Day Cake Stall and BBQ, the Annual Golf Day and the School Disco.

There are too many people to name individually because the success of Parent’s Club relies on a team effort. So, thank you to everyone who got involved in 2013!

It would be really great to see even more people become involved in 2014 and remember that we require the presence of at least one Rep from each class at every meeting. Meetings are held monthly and alternate between the morning and the evening. Keep an eye out in the newsletter for details of the next meeting.

Emma Ellis and Bianca Hunt

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**PARENTS’ CUB THANK YOUs**

Thank you to the following businesses who have supported us by donating goods/services to our fundraising events. Please support them in return:

Balwyn Locksmiths, 337 Whitehorse Road (9836 0240) have recently been very generous in supporting our fundraising efforts towards the upcoming Gala Night.

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**Chatham School Parents’ Club invites you and your family to an Easter Family Picnic with an Easter Egg Hunt**

**Date:** Thursday 3rd April  
**Where:** School Oval  
**Time:** 5pm onwards  
**BYO:** blanket, chairs, drink, glasses and food

There will be an Easter Egg Hunt for all Chatham School Children with the Easter Eggs being donated by the Parent’s Club. This will commence at 5:30pm.

Forms have been sent home —Please send back the slip to indicate how many children will be participating in the Easter Egg Hunt by Thursday 20th March.

For pre-schoolers who would like to do the Easter egg hunt, can we please ask for a gold coin donation and please state on your sheet how many pre-schoolers you have. Also please note that the Easter eggs may contain traces of nuts, diary etc.

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**Scholastic Bookclub back for 2014**

To order your Bookclub books: please ensure you write your child’s **name and class** on the top of each form. Payment can be by cash, credit card or cheque (made payable to Scholastic Australia).

If you pay by credit card, you need to ring the number on the form and follow the prompts. You will be given a receipt number to write on the form – this receipt number must be handed in as ‘proof’ of your credit card payment.

It is really helpful if you can write the method of payment on the envelope containing the forms and payment.

If you have any questions, please give Karen a call on 0400 833 975.
WINGED DRAGON ARE OFFERING FREE KARATE LESSONS EVERY FRIDAY NIGHT FOR THE REST OF TERM 1—SEE AD ABOVE OR CONTACT THE OFFICE IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS.

BOROONDARA POLICE—EYEWATCH

Boroondara Police have set up their own Facebook page called Eyewatch - Boroondara Police Service Area. Eyewatch is a Facebook page that enables the community to interact with the police in real time. It also provides a platform for police to distribute a range of information and advice on incidents and events within the local area. Eyewatch - Boroondara Police Service Area is now approaching its 1st birthday and they are looking to further establish their presence in the community and build their following. It’s a very effective tool that helps keep the community informed about what’s happening locally and they would love to have more ‘friends’ on board. For those that already have a Facebook account; put Eyewatch - Boroondara Police Service Area into the search engine and hit ‘Like’ at the home page.
Kew Traffic School
Open Day

Friday 14 March 2014
3pm - 6:30pm

Kick off the Kew Festival with a visit to the Kew Traffic School's OPEN DAY

**Free** activities the whole family can enjoy

- Face Painting
- Jumping Castle
- Animal Farm
- Painting Easels

Boroondara Lions Club will provide a sausage sizzle and cold drinks for purchase

BYO bikes and helmets

**Children must also be accompanied and supervised by an adult at all times**
Places are limited - Bookings are essential and open 3 March 2014

For further information and session times visit
Phone: 9278 4768
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 21st 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, Wednesday 2nd April 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 21ST MARCH IN A SEALED ENVELOPE CLEARLY MARKED HOT CROSS BUN ORDER.

HOT CROSS BUNS ORDER FORM

Family Name: ___________________________ PhoneNumber: ___________________________

Person Collecting: ___________________________

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Money Enclosed: $______ Cash/Cheque (“CPSC Parents Club Fundraising”)
NATIONAL RIDE 2 SCHOOL DAY

WEDNESDAY 19 MARCH
RIDE • WALK • SCOOT • SKATE

Be part of the fun!

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