Welcome to Edition 2 of the 2015 Fair Newsletter

Our next Fair is only a total of 80 days away – and only 30 of those are actual school days!!!

So lock **Saturday 28 February 2015** in every electronic and paper calendar you own (or will receive for Christmas!) and let all your friends and family know to come along to support our school.

**Fair Advertising Flyer Letter Box Drops**

Speaking of letting as many people know about the Fair as possible....

In Term 1 next year, we will be asking families to volunteer to do mailbox drops of Fair advertising flyers to advertise our Fair as widely as possible.

In week 2, all interested Chatham families can collect Fair flyers, including instructions about which streets to complete their specific mailbox drop.

With warm February evenings, these mailbox drops are a great reason to get outside and go for a walk after dinner!

**Rostering of Stall Helpers**

A huge thank you to those who have already volunteered to assist on a Stall, and in many cases, 2 or more stalls!

There are still a number of slots left to fill. So, if you, or even your older children, would like to work on a stall, please feel free to add your name to the hard copy roster available in front of the water tanks near the Music Room or in the hall in front of the Library.

**Get in early and choose your preferred stall and slot!**

It is lots of fun, a wonderful way to contribute to the school and easy to see your friends as they browse and buy from your stall!!

**Silent Auction Donation Requests**

Our talented team is wanting items to have the best ever Silent Auction.

- Have you, a family member or friend got a talent they’d love to share and could donate a session?
- What about a holiday house you could ‘loan’ for a week-end that could be bid on?
- Maybe you have used or even your business donate a product or service?

Let Cynthia, Nicky or Emma know the details and they can follow up!

(See School Noticeboard at the Music Room or the Fair tab on School Website for the team’s contact details).
And a few more roles to fill.....

The Fair is an ‘all hands on deck’ affair. There are some other critical roles we need to fill too:

😊 “Gophers” to support Stall Holders

The “Gopher” role is allocated to a certain area of the Fair for a 2 hour shift. They check in with Stall Co-ordinators from time to time to see if they need anything and are also the first port of call for Stall Co-ordinators if they need something quickly.

😊 “Wine Wheel” ticket sellers

Blue Poles winery is donating some scrumptious wine for our new spinning “Wine Wheel”. We’ll need people to wander around selling tickets – but only to adults of course!

😊 Initial Pack Up Helpers (IPUs)

These are miracle helpers! Just when Stall Holders are too exhausted to take another dollar, they need to pack the stall up! Enter the fresh and strong IPU!!

There are two 45 minute time slots:

- 5.30pm to pack up the initial stalls
- 10.00pm to safely pack away tables and chairs in the entertainment area and ensure grounds are safe for the night

...then there is general help required!

Working on a stall is not the only way to get involved – remember the Fair means all Dads, Mums and special friends of Chatham get the opportunity to participate!

We will also need people to help with:

😊 food preparation the week leading up to the Fair (like cutting up lettuce and tomatoes for the Gourmet BBQ, preparing curries and spring rolls and so on)

😊 setting up stalls and activities on Saturday morning

😊 decorating the school grounds on Saturday morning

😊 Sunday morning clean up.

If you would like to volunteer now for any of the helping roles listed on this page, we’d love to hear from you! Please contact either Linda or Sue (as below).

Otherwise we will finalise this type of assistance early in Term 1 next year – stay tuned!

Saturday 28 February 2015
Help Needed from 9am!
Requests to Borrow Equipment

There are always so many ‘things’ and pieces of equipment we need to ensure the Fair runs smoothly.

Of course, if we can borrow these at no cost from family and friends of Chatham, that is even better!

Please think about the items you may have at home, have access to through sporting clubs, other schools or Kinders, through your business and so on.

If you can loan these to us, please let Linda or Sue know as soon as you can.

These items will be collected during the week prior to the Fair and items can be returned as soon as the day after the Fair.

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STOP!!!!!!!! - Hampers are Back!!
A letter about donations for hamper items to support the Silent Auction stall will explain all on Day 1 Term 1, 2015.
Any questions or queries? Email Bianca on biancahun76@gmail.com

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Jams and Preserves Stall
Apricot or plum tree in your yard (or your parent’s or neighbours’) laden with fruit? Bumper tomato crop with plenty to spare? Going cherry or berry picking in the Yarra Valley? Think of the Jams & Preserves Stall! Donations gratefully received all summer long! Please contact Sarah to arrange collection or drop off: sgregory@mac.com

Clean out those bookshelves and keep your second hand books coming too!

Items required (so far) include:
★ Shade canopies/ gazebos/marquees
★ Trestle tables
★ Kids size Chalkboards/Easels (A frame version) as pointer boards
★ Market umbrellas and support bases
★ Electric Dutch Pancake Makers (the home kitchen variety is all we need!)
★ Extension cords – the longer the better
★ Fairy lights (for around the stage, food and bar areas)
★ Large eskies or large plastic tubs for cans of drink to go on ice
★ Large decorations (e.g.: flowers, stars etc.) to spruce up the stage and hall

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Trash & Treasure - Needs your STUFF!
Having a clear out before Santa…..?
Please donate your clean & unbroken toys, games, puzzles, arts and crafts material, and household goods, small Furniture items, jewellery, sports equipment, baby goods, garden utensils cutlery, vases, brick a brace …..

All money raised is donated to school!
We collect and sort donations on Fridays at 8.45 – 9.15am or 3 – 3.30pm. However if this time does not suit call Evanne on 0432 443 801 to arrange an alternative time.

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Got any lemons? I’d LOVE them! Email Julie on juliebasso@optusnet.com.au to collect your lemons during the holidays.
2015 Fair Sponsors so far....

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Eastern Bridge is the proud major sponsor of the 2015 Chatham Primary Summer Fair.

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Eastern Bridge is a property and commercial law firm, based in Balwyn, run by Simon Nunan and Paul Nunan. Visit easternbridge.com.au for contact details.

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