FROM THE PRINCIPAL

WELCOME BACK

Welcome back everyone to what promises to be a very busy Term 3. A special welcome also, to a number of new families who have started at Chatham this term. We had 14 new students commence at Chatham on Tuesday so if you see a new face around the school please make them feel welcome.

We have many exciting activities planned for this term, including our upcoming Whole School Concert, House and District Athletic Sports, visits from groups of Japanese students, Junior & Senior Hootime Basketball Competitions, Book Week activities, Specialist Programs Open Week, Prep to Year 4 Swimming Program, exciting excursions, Hockey 7s, Life Education Van and our Study Tour to Japan.

All of the items listed above are only a small way that the school continually strives to improve through a wide range of extra-curricular activities.

The school always aims to improve the quality of education it provides our students. Teachers are constantly undertaking relevant professional development to update their knowledge and skills and to provide the students with innovative approaches to teaching and learning. At last Monday’s Curriculum Day teachers were involved in professional learning around technology and 21st Century Learning Skills presented by Cathie Bradford and a session around Boy’s Education presented by Nikkii Cordia.

Teachers undertake an annual performance review where the improvement of the students in their care and the development of their teaching are the main focus for discussion and review.

We continually monitor, analyse and reflect on student achievement data and actively put in place a variety of approaches to meet the needs of our students. The school’s 4 year Strategic Plan and the Annual Implementation Plan set out our goals and priorities for the teaching and learning in relation to student achievement, student engagement & wellbeing, and student pathways & transitions.

As a school, we have a clear understanding of our strengths and weaknesses. We realise that we are a very lucky school, one where we are able to offer our students a variety of rich learning experiences. Students come to school to learn and generally get along well with each other. We are a big learning community. We have a very supportive and interested parent community and very dedicated and professional teachers and support staff. We believe that we all work together in partnership to provide stimulating, varied and interesting programs for our students. In saying this, we also understand that we are not perfect. There are always areas that can be improved. At Chatham, we have clear directions and understandings of where we are heading, of the areas that we need to work on and always strive for continual improvement in everything that we do.

SCHOOL CONCERT

We are into the final stages of the countdown to the big night. In the lead up to the concert evening, next week students will be involved in the last group practices and costume fittings.

We are holding a full school practice on Monday and then holding a full school dress rehearsal in our school hall on Wednesday 23rd July. This rehearsal is offered specifically to grandparents or special friends to attend. This dress rehearsal will allow those close relatives to attend who do not like going out at night or cannot attend due to our limited ticketing. Unless there are special circumstances we would prefer that parents did not attend this session. Children & parents from our local feeder kindergartens may also be visiting to view this performance for a short time in the morning.

Booking forms for this dress rehearsal can be found in this newsletter or on the school’s website. Tickets will not be distributed for this dress rehearsal day but we do ask for a gold coin donation when entering the door. The rehearsal is due to commence at 9:30 and continue through to 1:00pm with a short break at 11:00 am for refreshments.

There are still a small number of families, especially members of split families, who have not yet purchased their tickets for the big night. Can you please place your order as soon as possible as we intend to send out all tickets next Thursday. There will be no ticket sales on the night.

Everyone has been working extremely hard and it is all finally coming together with everything looking and sounding great. The concert is always a highlight for the year and once again promises to be a really fun, entertaining and enjoyable night.

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JAPANESE GARDEN

Since the completion of the maintenance project on the Japanese room and Out of School Hours house we have continued to work on the Japanese Garden. We had to stop this work once the maintenance project commenced but it is finally starting to take shape as we put up the bamboo screening fence and place the plants around the garden. In the last newsletter of last term I wrote about a suggestion for anyone in the school community wanting to donate the cost of one of the trees in this new garden. We have had to plant these trees in the last few days as many of the ones purchased were bare rooted. We have already put in a large weeping Japanese maple ($240) and four different traditional maple trees at $80 each. For every family that purchases one of these trees we will attach a small plaque of acknowledgement. One staff member has already donated one of the smaller maples to the school. If your family is interested in donating towards the purchase of one of these trees please let me know via the school office.

The last of the mini projects for the Japanese room is to create a bamboo forest alongside the entrance ramp. If you have any spare bamboo at home or would like to purchase a pot of bamboo to add to this forest walk then please drop your donation off at school.

This new Japanese garden and blossom walk is looking wonderful, so pop down and have a look at how it is all taking shape.

FRONT GARDEN WORKS

On Tuesday we had a large digger into the school to clean up the maintenance site and take away the rubbish. They have dug a pathway alongside the House and scraped clean the front garden area of the OSHC house. It has always been our plan to redevelop this garden as a memorial space for an ex-staff member, Mr Colin Pocklington who worked as an integration aide in our school and as the co-ordinator of OSHC for many years. More details will follow shortly about this proposed project.

In the next few days we will also have the workmen in to re-establish the bitumen path around the oval.

THE NED SHOW

Every few years we have had a visit from the NED Show. The presenter uses yo-yo and magic tricks to inspire students to become champions at school and in their life. The presenter also uses humour, student participation and storytelling to motivate students to:

- Never give up
- Encourage others
- Do their best

This presentation is free to the students but yo-yos will be on sale for a week after the performance for students to purchase. More details will follow in next week’s newsletter.

NATIONAL TREE PLANTING DAY

On Thursday and Friday next week we will be involved in the National Tree Planting Day. On Thursday we are hosting a group of Japanese High School students and we will be asking them to help us plant a tree in our new Japanese Garden. With the help of the students we will also be planting a number of trees around the school.

PARENT SURVEY

Each year we conduct a number of surveys across the year. Our Year 5 & 6 students are surveyed around their attitudes to school, all staff undertake a survey around their working conditions and each year we seek feedback from parents as part of an annual survey. All of the data from these surveys is presented to School Council and form part of our accountability procedures in our Annual Report and School Review process.

Around 60 randomly selected families will be shortly receiving a parent survey form. Please answer the questions on this form in relation to the name of your child that is written on the outside of the envelope. The completed survey should be returned to the school office in the enclosed envelope by the due date. These surveys are collected by an independent company with all answers remaining confidential. All collated results are sent back to the school next term. This feedback from parents is important to us in helping us to identify our strengths and areas for further improvement.

ENROLMENTS

We already have a large number of interested families within zone and many parents interested in attending our school who are just outside our enrolment zone. It is imperative that all enrolment forms are in to the school office so that we can finalise our grade structure, staffing numbers and room allocations for 2015. If you have a child coming to Chatham or know of any families who may be interested in sending their child to our school next year, then enrolment forms should be sent to the school as soon as possible so that I can begin to confirm places in Prep for next year.

STEPHEN ROTHWELL—PRINCIPAL

THANKS TO LACHIE ROSS IN 4MO FOR THE GORGEOUS MASTHEAD THIS WEEK AND FOR INSPIRING THE RAINBOW THEMED NEWSLETTER THIS WEEK.
## Dates for the Diary

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| **Wednesday 23rd July** | Concert dress rehearsal for Grandparents and Special Friends  
9.30am to 1.30pm in the School Hall  
**Ned Show**—2.30pm |
| **Thursday 24th July** | **Concert Tickets to go home**  
Monthly Munchies forms due back |
| **Friday 25th July** | **National Tree Day**—Schools Day |
| **Monday 28th July** | **Concert Rehearsal Day at Besen Centre**—Prep to Year 4 |
| **Tuesday 29th July** | **Concert Rehearsal at Besen Centre**—Year 5 and 6 (inc some Year 4)  
School Concert 6.30pm start at the Besen Centre Burwood |
| **Thursday 31st July** | **Monthly Munchies Hot Dog Footy Lunch** |
| **Thursday 7th August** | **House Athletics** Years 3 to 6 only—Box Hill |
| **Monday 11th August** | **Specialist Open Week** |
| **Monday 18th August** | **Prep Excursion to Scienceworks**  
**School Council** |
| **Tuesday 19th August** | **Year 6 Excursion to A.C.M.I.** |
| **Thursday 21st August** | **Book Week Incursion** |
| **Friday 22nd August** | **Year 6 Excursion to the Shrine** |
| **Tuesday 26th August** | **Junior Hoop Time**—Nunawading Stadium |
| **Wednesday 3rd September** | **Japanese Study Tour Departs** |
| **Tuesday 2nd September** | **Senior Hoop Time**—Nunawading Stadium |
| **Thursday 4th September** | **Year 2 'Hands on Science' Incursion** |
| **Monday 8th September** | **Intensive Swimming Program Commences**—Prep to Year 4  
**Life Education Van Arrives** |
| **Sunday 14th September** | **Japanese Study Tour Arrives Home** |
| **Monday 15th September** | **School Council 7pm** |
| **Thursday 18th September** | **Swimming Program Ends** |
| **Friday 19th September** | **Last Day of Term 3**—2.30pm Finish |
| **Monday 6th October** | **Term 4 Commences** |

### Reminder: Costumes Needed on Wednesday 23rd July!

The Special Performance of the School Concert will be Wednesday, 23rd in the School Hall.  
If your child's costume includes footwear, socks and/or other items from home, they will need it for Wednesday's performance! Please check your email from class reps or with your class teacher for more details if you are not sure what to bring!  
Thank you from the 2014 Costume Committee

### Canteen

We are up and running again for Term 3. Roster for the next week is:

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CHATHAM PRIMARY SCHOOL SUMMARY OF PARENTS’ CLUB MINUTES
TUESDAY 24th June 2014

We had a good turnout of parents for the Parents’ Club monthly meeting on Tuesday the 24th June. We were updated on the progress of different Parents’ Club events that are coming up, including class events, the School Concert and the 2015 Fair. All of these are progressing well and it looks like there will be some exciting events coming up. We spoke about the Kids’ Movie Night and very successful Market Night. Huge thanks go to the coordinators of these events, the volunteers and everyone who attended. Special thanks, also, to everyone who baked for and volunteered their time to the Market Night. For more information please refer to the full minutes, emailed separately to all parents of children at the school. The next Parents’ Club meeting will be held on Tuesday the 22nd July at 9:15 am. All warmly invited to attend.

SCIENCE

Thanks for all the bottles and jars that have been donated to the Science program. We have more than enough now! We’ve been using them to investigate soil and erosion in Year 4.

We are now asking for donations of rectangular shoe boxes for our investigations into light in Year 5 next term. Again, there will be a box outside 4MO’s classroom where you can drop them off or please leave them with Sue and Bev in the office.

Thanks for your support,

Sue Minshull and Claire Osborne

CAN YOU HELP NUMBER 1…. PRUNING AND STRAWBERRY PLANTS

I am looking for instruction with regards to pruning the apple trees, if you know what you are doing when it comes to pruning (as opposed to me!) and would be happy to give me a lesson please come and see me or email. Also I am looking for strawberry plants for our vertical gardens—if you are doing any dividing or have some plants you no longer require we would love them.

Sue Doherty—Office

CAN YOU HELP NUMBER 2… UPGRADE THE CHATHAM BIKE SHED?

After the success of the Night Market last term (thanks again for all the support from the Chatham community), it is now time to turn the money raised into a great bike/scooter/skateboard shed for the school. We are calling out for members of the Chatham Community who have skills/contacts to help us assess the structural soundness of the current shed, repair/make improvements to the shed and then design and fit it out with suitable racks to safely hold bikes, scooters and skateboards for the students.

If you have skills that we could use to help upgrade the shed, we would love to hear from you!!!

OR if you have any contacts of people who sell bike/scooter/skateboard racks or are upgrading their bike shop so would have 2nd hand bike racks, please contact us!

Please contact Belinda Dalton at belindadalton@me.com by the end of July to indicate how you can help upgrade the bike shed. We will then develop a Parents’ Club subcommittee to steer this project and improve the bike shed. We appreciate your support.

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Time                  8.00am – 8.40am
Date                  Wed and Fri mornings commencing July 23rd 2014
Venue                 Chatham Primary School
Cost                  $96.00 per term
Contact               Linda at Kelly Tennis: 1300 558 303 or
                      linda@kellytennis.com.au  www.kellytennis.com
FOOTY DAY FREE DRESS DAY AND LUNCH

Will be holding a Footy Day on:

THURSDAY 31ST JULY

Students can wear free dress in their Footy team’s colours and bring a gold coin donation for State Schools’ Relief.

We will be holding a Monthly Munchies Footy Lunch
Forms to be returned by Thursday 24th July
Sorry No Late Orders can be taken

THURSDAY 31ST JULY FOOTY DAY LUNCH ORDER FORM

Name_________________________________Class: ____________

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THE DRAMA SCHOOL OPENS AT CHATHAM PS
Children Thrive When Doing Drama

The Drama School has been running for over 12 years. At present we operate 5 venues and are very excited to open our 6th at Chatham Primary School in Term Three.

We teach the foundations of dramatic skill that will enable students to pursue Drama and Theatre studies into secondary school while at the same time developing the whole child.

At The Drama School we believe that children can be taught to manage speaking in front of a crowd, they can be taught the tools that shape communication, negotiation, and most importantly confidence. The students who learn with The Drama School are expected to have fun, interact with others, make new friends and develop new found confidence as they experience success in a visible way. These are the foundations for healthy, whole living where children are equipped to build on their gifts!

Starting the second week of Term Three

Monday 21st July
3.45 – 4.45pm for 5 – 8yrs
4.45 – 5.45pm for 9 – 12yrs

$130 per school term
1st session free, no obligation.

Enrol at the front office or contact us:
Carla 0413 405 936 or
Sharon 0401 902 886

Or at dramaco@optusnet.com.au
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ENROL ONLINE AT WWW.BIG5SPORTS.COM.AU

or fill out the enrolment form & send with a cheque or credit card details to: Big 5 Sports, PO Box 357, Richmond 3121

Enrolment forms will not be processed without payment. Do not leave enrolment forms at the school office.

ENROLMENT

SOCcer

When: Thursdays, Term 3 2014
Classes commence: 24/7/14
Classes conclude: 11/9/14
Time: 8:00am – 8:45am Year Levels: P-2
Venue: Chatham Primary School
The cost per student per term is $111

FOOTY STARS

When: Fridays, Term 3 2014
Classes commence: 25/7/14
Classes conclude: 12/9/14
Time: 8:00 – 8:45am Year Levels: P-2
Venue: Chatham Primary School
The cost per student per term is $111

School: Chatham Primary School

Medical Conditions:

At the completion of the after school class does your child:

Go to aftercare  □  Car collected □

Year Level: __________________________

Name(s): ____________________________

Address: ____________________________

Date of Birth: ______/____/____

Phone (Home): __________________________  Mobile/Work: __________________________

Email Address: __________________________

Parents Consent: I hereby authorize Big 5 Sports and Dance Oz to act on my behalf should my child require medical attention, and release Big 5 Sports and Dance Oz from any liability incurred by my child at a Big 5 Sports or Dance Oz Program.

Parents Name: __________________________

Card Number: __________________________  Expiry Date: __/____

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Credit Card Payment: [Please tick] □  Visa □  MasterCard

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KOONUNG CELEBRATES 50 YEARS
29th – 31st August

Friday 29th August
Koonung Day for all current students
8:30am – 3:30pm

Free Music Concert
Past and current students performing
7pm on the Soccer Pitch.
Bring your picnic rug. Hot food and drinks available.

FIREWORKS 9PM

Saturday 30th August
Open Day 10am- 4pm
Walk around the school and look at all the displays and photos.
Enjoy souvenirs, music and great food.

Saturday Night Reunion
Cocktail event from 7pm in the Senior Centre
$50 per head drinks at bar prices
Semi-formal dress code. Tickets from http://www.trybooking.com/ELIM

Sunday 31st August
Displays in the Library open 10am-12noon

Inquiries
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