FROM THE PRINCIPAL

SCHOOL CONCERT

Ticket orders have been finalised and were sent home last Tuesday. All families have been allocated their seats with all requests for extra seats also being fulfilled. We still have a couple of tickets available for sale. Anyone wanting extra seats needs to contact the school office as soon as possible with their requests, but also with the understanding that these extra seats will be separate to your allocation.

All students have been practising hard. The dress rehearsal performance to the Grandparents/Special Friends yesterday went really well. It was the first time that we had seen all students in their costumes and once again the hard working costume committee members have done an outstanding job in pulling all of this together.

Next week students from Prep to Year 4 will travel to the Besen Centre by bus on Monday for their first rehearsal up on the big stage. The Year 5 & 6 students as well as the members of the Vocal Ensemble and school orchestra will be rehearsing on Tuesday at the Besen Centre.

A few reminders for the big night next Tuesday evening, 29\textsuperscript{th} July are:

- This year the parking fee has been included in your ticket price. This will enable the boom gates to stay open and hopefully cut down on any traffic jams. It will be busy on the night so please allow plenty of time to arrive so that staff can prepare and settle the students before their performance. To ease traffic congestion on the way it is often easier to enter from Burwood Highway, turning left into Station Street and then left into the car park. It can be difficult to get in if you are turning right into the car park from Station Street.
- Please allow enough time to travel to the Besen Centre and be aware that it will be extremely busy around the Centre at this particular time.
- Students’ costumes will be sent home on Monday. Please look over the costume and ensure that your child arrives at the Besen Centre dressed in their costumes.
- The students need to arrive at the Besen Centre between 6 and 6:15pm. Please deliver your child to one of the staff at the stage entrance at the side of the Besen Centre. Staff will look after the children while parents make their way to their seats.
- The students have been working hard in preparation for their performances. The whole school will be performing a song as a finale. It is expected that all students are at the Besen Centre for the whole performance.
- There will be a short 10 minute intermission that will allow time for a stretch but please be prepared to return to your seat promptly.
- No still or video cameras are permitted in the Besen Centre. We have entered into a contract with the Centre and the production company which does not allow for any photography, videoing or recording to take place during the performance. Please pass this information on to your guests as well.
- All mobile phones should be turned off.
- It is important that younger children are supervised and remain quiet during the concert. You do not have to pay for a ticket if a child is sitting on a parent’s knee.
- At the end of the performance I will inform parents of the procedures for collection of children. It is essential that each class teacher is aware that you have collected your child from the designated area as announced by me. Please do not collect your child until I have called your child’s year level.

There has certainly been a great amount of hard work and practise from everybody to ensure that it is a great night. I hope that you enjoy the performances.

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

SCHOOL WORKS

As well as being extremely busy with preparations for the school concert we have also been busy at Chatham in completing some ground and maintenance works.

Last week we had the digger in to clean up the rubbish and take away some of the unusable soil. They also scraped and levelled some of the front garden area.

I have also had a carpenter in the school working on putting some lining board all around the lower sections of the school hall. Over time there has been a number of holes knocked into the plaster so this work will strengthen and protect these walls. He has also replaced the rotting weatherboards at the end of the Music room and replaced a door jam on one of the sliding doors.

On Tuesday we had the workmen in laying new asphalt on the winding path around the oval.

We have finished off the bamboo fence at the front of the Japanese garden and will complete the back fence next week. We have planted new trees and plants and today completed the ‘blossom walk’ with some extra weeping maple trees and azaleas.

JAPANESE GARDEN

We have been inundated with monetary offers to donate the significant trees in our new Japanese garden. Thank you to all the families who made these generous offers. Unfortunately we only have a limited number of trees to plant so we have had to “knock back” many of these generous offers. I have had to plant these trees already as some of them were purchased as bare rooted. We will put some kind of acknowledgement of the generous donation from these families near these trees.

THE NED SHOW

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

- Never give up
- Encourage others
- Do their best

This presentation was free to the students but yo-yos will be on sale for a week after the performance for students to purchase. For five lunchtimes from next Wednesday we will be selling these yo-yo’s during eating time, 1:30 – 1:45pm.

The NED products on sale are:-

- The Ned yo-yo - $9 is ideal for beginners with a glow in the dark face and hitched for a quick return
- The Boomerang - $15 has an inbuilt axel that enables it to spin and return. If you throw it softly you can do most tricks while a hard throw will make it spin for a long time.
- The Cosmic Spin- $20 is a professional ball bearing yo-yo and spins longer for string tricks.
- Extra yo-yo strings - $5
- A yo-yo holster to keep your yo-yo - $5
- A DVD demonstrating how to do 30 great tricks - $5
- A DVD with children demonstrating some amazing yo-yo tricks - $5

NATIONAL TREE PLANTING DAY

Today and tomorrow we have been involved in National Tree Day. Today we hosted a group of Japanese High School students that all helped to plant a maple tree. This tree has a stunning red bark in winter and although this bark returns to a normal colour for the rest of the year it also has glorious autumn foliage. With the help of the students we will also be planting a number of trees around the school over these two days.

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 Preps for next year.

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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.

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT
We wish Jessie Stewart (Yr 6) all the best as she heads off to the National Hockey Championships in Hobart from Monday 4th to Friday 8th of August. Jess will be “showing off her uniform and gear at next Friday’s assembly and we would like to make a small presentation from the school in support of her achievement. To help cover the substantial costs for this experience, Jess has placed some raffle tickets from School Sport Victoria near the window at the front office. If you would like to purchase a ticket for $2 with the chance to win some fantastic prizes, please do so before next Friday. Good luck to Jess as she represents our school and the Big White V.
Congratulations to Sarah Kemp (Yr 3) for being selected to appear with the Australian Ballet in their upcoming Melbourne season of the Nutcracker at the State Theatre. After many hours of practise and rehearsal this will be a wonderful opportunity and experience for Sarah. Well done.

SCHOOL VISITORS
We have had a number of visitors to the school over the last few weeks. We have had groups of student teachers from Deakin University looking around the school at a number of the initiatives that we have introduced at Chattingham including our Literacy Program, Numeracy and our new Science initiative. They observed our wonderful specialist programs, facilities and our Sustainability initiatives. These student teachers will be soon applying for positions at schools for 2015.
Today we have hosted a group of High School students from Japan who are currently on exchange through Canterbury Girls Secondary College. They spent the day working with our Year 4 students.

HOUSE ATHLETIC SPORTS
Our Annual House Athletic Sports is happening on Thursday the 7th of August. All students in Years 3 to 6 will be travelling to the Box Hill Athletics Track to compete in the Standard Athletics Day. On this day students compete against themselves and the standards for their age group across a number of athletic events. Students are awarded 1, 2 or 3 points towards their House depending on the standards that they reach in each event. Points are also awarded to each house for their sportsmanship and behaviour during the day with the winning house being awarded the Annual Athletics Cup. Parents are most welcome to attend and we always require plenty of assistance at each event in measuring, timing and recording. Please see Mr Doyle if you can assist us during the day.

STEPHEN ROTHWELL
PRINCIPAL

THANKS TO ZANDER IN PREP SM FOR THIS WEEKS LOVELY PURPLE MAST HEAD.
DATES FOR THE DIARY

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
FRIDAY 5TH SEPTEMBER District Athletics
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
WEDNESDAY 8TH OCTOBER Chess Clubs starts this week—beginners and advanced classes
TUESDAY 14TH OCTOBER Prep excursion to Chesterfield farm
MONDAY 3RD NOVEMBER Curriculum day
TUESDAY 4TH NOVEMBER Melbourne Cup Day Public Holiday—no school today
FRIDAY 7TH NOVEMBER Art show—details to come
SATURDAY 8TH NOVEMBER Art show
WEDNESDAY 12TH NOVEMBER Prep transition morning—9:00am to 10:00am
MONDAY 17TH NOVEMBER School Council—7pm staff room
WEDNESDAY 19TH NOVEMBER Prep transition morning—9:00am to 11:00am
WEDNESDAY 26TH NOVEMBER Prep transition morning—9:00am to 12:30pm
THURSDAY 27TH NOVEMBER Prep Information Night 7:30pm
Can you Help 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/work in the following industries (building, carpenters, painters, bikes etc) to help with advice/planning/organising the upgrade of the bike shed.

If you can offer some expert assistance 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 Parent’s Club subcommittee to steer this project and improve the bike shed. We appreciate your support.

Sharon and Belinda

Jams & Preserves Stall - Chatham Fair 2015

The Fair seems a long way off but the Jams & Preserves starts early! We are seeking donations of:

Produce - lemons, onions, cauliflower, zucchini, beetroot, honey or anything else you have growing in abundance.

Jars & Ingredients - pasta sauce size jars or smaller, salt, sugar, vinegar, etc - think of us during your next Costco visit.

Cooking Time - Are you up for making a batch of pickles or marmalade? Enjoy cooking but have never tried preserves? We’ll help you get started.

Please contact Sarah Gregory (Aden 4DH, Freya 1HL, Elise 1SN). Donations may be left with Sue at the office or get in contact to arrange collection / drop-offs.

Parents’ Discount

Ben the Bucher Balwyn, at 399 Whitehorse Rd, is offering an exclusive after-school deal to CPS parents. Visit us on Friday, August 1, from 3pm-6pm and get 20% off EVERYTHING! Simply mention you’re from CPS and the discount is yours.

Ben the Butcher is located next to Woollies and is open 7 days. We stock a fantastic selection of fresh, ethically sourced produce as well as delicious chef-made ready meals. We look forward to seeing you.

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

ENROLMENT

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When: Thursdays, Term 3 2014
Classes commence: 24/7/14
Classes conclude: 11/6/14
Time: 8:00am – 8:45am Year Levels: P-2
Venue: Chatham Primary School
The cost per student per term is $111

ENROLMENT

FOOTY STARS

When: Fridays, Term 3 2014
Classes commence: 25/7/14
Classes conclude: 12/6/14
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

Year Level: 

Name(s): 

Address: 

Date Of Birth: ———/——/——

Phone (Home): ——— Mobile/Work: ———

Email Address: 

Parent’s 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: 

Parents Signature:

Medical Conditions: 

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

Go to aftercare

Get collected

Credit Card Payment: [ ] Visa [ ] MasterCard

Card Number: ——— ——— ——— ———

Expiry Date: ——— / ———

Card Holder’s Name: 

Amount: $ ———/Card Security Code: ———
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

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