FROM THE PRINCIPAL

SCHOOL FAIR UPDATE

We are still waiting on a bit more income and awaiting some invoices until we can give an accurate final tally. As well as being an enjoyable day that attracted large crowds of people it was a wonderful fund raising effort with a tally anticipated to be around $64,000. This is a fantastic effort and is by far the biggest that we have ever had. Well done everyone.

WALK OR RIDE TO SCHOOL

A recent survey conducted by the Heart Foundation has shown some alarming results about the physical activity of our children. Recently our House Captains collected data on how students travelled to school. 17% of the population rode or scootered to school, 41% walked and 42% travelled by car. Over the years we have made our roads & cars safer and have also seen the introduction of lower speed limits around schools. Statistics show that the road and accident tolls are declining each year but people still believe that walking & riding to school is unsafe. If you need to drive to school then I would encourage parents to park that little bit further away and walk the last 100 metres with your child. As well as teaching them road safety along the way, you would be modelling good road sense as well helping to ease the traffic congestion around the school.

It was National Ride to School Day last Friday and it was great to see so many students riding their bikes, scooting their scooters or using their feet to come to school. 66% of our families sustainably travelled to school.

EXCURSION LEVY

All families recently received an excursion levy for their child, which outlines the planned activities and costs for the year. We would encourage all families to make this one off payment which is due by tomorrow, Friday 20th March.

PARENTS’ CLUB

We held our Parents’ Club meeting on Tuesday night with a fantastic turn out of parents. Our current Vice-President, Louise Weine outlined a new executive structure proposed to operate for this year. She also outlined all the activities planned for this year and a great discussion was held around the role and procedures of Parents’ Club. This new executive will consist of the following:-

Parents’ Club Leaders— Justine Kiely-Scott and Louise Weine
Secretaries—Lisa Barratt and Rebecca Nunan
Communications—Bianca Hunt
Class Reps Liason—Michelle Grant

Parents’ Club is open to all parents so keep a look out for the next meeting and remember to put your hand up to help out in any way that you can.

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

Congratulations to our Year 6 students who have been involved in a number of sporting activities recently. We have had a boys and girls team competing in the round robin Basketball Championships recently. Our boys team came second while our girls were competitive in their matches.

Xander Taylor and Jed Rule competed in the District Tennis round robin championships this week with both boys winning their pools and progressing onto the Division trials shortly.

Well done to all of the students.
Next Monday, 23rd March will be our next School Council meeting. This will be the first meeting of our new councillors and where we will elect the executive for the next year. Parents are always most welcome to attend any School Council meeting as observers.

LOOKING OUT FOR EACH OTHER....
At Chatham our philosophy for all of our students is to help them grow as individuals and develop their own sense of identity.

Our Prep students are becoming more confident each day as they establish friendship groups and feel more settled in their new school environment. At the beginning of the year they were paired up with their Year 5 buddy at playtimes to help them feel safe and secure in the yard, which for a little person can seem very big and overwhelming at times. These Year 5 buddies have now taken a step backwards in seeking out their little charges each day as they realise they have become more independent and need less encouragement to join in with their peers. This is equally as important for older siblings to model when younger siblings seek them out in the yard to play. We strongly encourage all students to play with peers within the same grade level who have similar interests, skill levels and physicality.

At Chatham we also have a number of twins throughout the school. It is important that twins are able to enjoy the unique relationship they have with their sibling, whilst still being able to choose to do some things the same as their twin and some things that are different. This also applies when making friends. Many of us choose our friends based on similar interests. It is important that twins are able to establish these friendship groups independent of each other. At Chatham there are many extra-curricula programs that we offer our students which are based on students’ needs and interests. While twins may share some things in common, if they have a particular friendship group it is okay to invite only that child with whom your child is friendly with over for a play.

If you are having a party then I would like to remind all our families that any handing out of invitations should be handled discreetly. We realise that it is not always possible but would encourage parents to attempt to invite all members of the class to any party and to reflect on the situation on how upset your child would be if they were one of the students not invited to someone else’s party. It is also the policy of the school that teachers do not hand out invitations as this might cause some public upset to children who are not invited.

PARENTS APPROACHING STUDENTS
There will be times in the life of your child’s schooling where they will be upset by another child. It is important that parents do not approach the particular student or parent to confront them with any issues. As a parent of an upset child, you yourself may be emotional and say things or approach a student in a manner that may frighten or upset them. If you have any concerns then the correct channel to always follow is to alert your class teacher and let them follow through with any investigations and appropriate actions. Parents should always remember that there are always two sides to every story and teachers can generally investigate any incidents thoroughly and talk the issue through with all concerned.

CAMP
The Year 5 students returned to school last Friday after four wonderful days at the Derby Hill school camp at Maldon. This is a bike riding camp with the students riding around this historic town and surrounding areas accompanied by a police car escort. The children visited the local BMX track, Mount Tarrengower, a local gold mine, travelled on a historic steam train, visited the Maldon CFA headquarters, ice creamery and lolly shop, as well as participating in a range of activities on site. They all hopped off the bus very exhausted but full of wonderful memories of their camping experience. I would especially like to thank all the staff who accompanied these students. They volunteer to go on camp, often leaving their own family at home to look after and supervise the students in their care.
HEAD LICE

With the change of seasons we also usually experience an outbreak of head lice in school. The Department of Human Services (DHS) website provides useful resources for schools and parents regarding head lice. Information found in the Scratching for Answers information kits, including the Treating and Controlling Head Lice pamphlet can be obtained from: http://www.health.vic.gov.au/headlice/.

Head lice have been around for many thousands of years. Anyone can get head lice and given the chance head lice move from head to head without discrimination.

Head lice can crawl and hide. The easiest and most effective way to find them is to follow these steps;

1. Comb any type of hair conditioner on to dry, brushed (detangled) hair. This stuns the lice and makes it difficult for them to grip the hair and crawl around.
2. Now comb sections of the hair with a fine tooth, head lice comb
3. Wipe the conditioner from the comb onto a paper towel or tissue
4. Look on the tissue and on the comb for lice and eggs
5. Repeat the combing for every part of the head at least 4 or 5 times

If lice or eggs are found, then the child’s hair should be treated. Head lice eggs are small (the size of a pinhead) and oval. A live egg will “pop” when squashed between fingernails. Remember, children should not be sent back to school until their hair has been treated.

When treating head lice you should;

• Concentrate on the head
• No one treatment kills all of the eggs so treatment must involve two applications seven days apart
• If you are using lotions, apply the product to dry hair
• There is no need to treat the whole family, unless they also have head lice
• Only the pillowcase requires specific laundering; either wash it in hot water (at least 60 degrees centigrade) and dry it using a clothes dryer on the hot or warm setting.

There is no product available that prevents head lice. Using the conditioner and comb method once a week will help you detect any head lice early and minimise the problem. Tying back long hair can prevent the spread of head lice.

It is important that everyone regularly monitors their child’s hair and immediately treat the infected hair otherwise infestation will continue to occur. Please report any infestation to your class teacher. Lynda Gould will conduct head checks of all students who have been given permission and letters are sent home to all families of that grade when lice are found. Remember children should not be returned to school until treatment has been undertaken.

More information about head lice control can also be found on the home page of our school website.

LAST DAY

A reminder that Friday next week, 27th March is the last day of term and students will be dismissed at 2:30 on this day. The first day of next term is Monday 13th April.

STEPHEN ROTHWELL

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Prep and Year 5 Families

Buddies’ Picnic at Chatham Primary School
Sunday 19th April, from 4pm til 6pm
Come and meet your child’s buddy and their family at a picnic on the oval
Please bring your own picnic, utensils, rugs, chairs, drinks/plastic glasses, kites, footies...
Please call Libby (Prep) on 0417 221 114 or Jacqui (Year 5) on 0415 327 418 if you have any questions

NOTE: If it rains on the day, the picnic will be held in the school hall
This year, as for every year, our staff participates in Professional Learning. Every fortnight teachers participate in Staff Development one night after school usually led by our own in-house experts on a particular area highlighted in our School Strategic Plan such as Literacy, Numeracy, ICT or Science. Last week however we had 23 of our teaching staff and integration aides begin an intensive 20 hour Inclusion Online course around student needs. Half the group is undertaking professional learning on Understanding Dyslexia and significant difficulties in Reading, while the other cohort is studying Inclusion for Learners with Speech, Language and Communication Needs. The high number of participants is a testament to the dedication of our staff in wanting to provide for all their students’ needs. While teachers have three face-to-face sessions with a tutor after school, they are required to do professional reading, undertake quizzes, contribute to online forums and evaluate Case Studies, in their own time. See below for a summary of the two courses.

Understanding Dyslexia and significant difficulties in Reading

Students who experience dyslexia or other significant difficulties in learning to read may require support across all the key learning areas. This course provides participants with an understanding of:
- the causes, incidence and main characteristics of dyslexia
- some of the issues surrounding dyslexia and significant difficulties in reading
- how to carry out an individual reading assessment and monitor student progress
- the importance of a whole school approach to teaching reading and providing additional support
- a range of practical strategies to teach the critical aspects of reading
- how to individualise the class reading program
- how to support learning across the curriculum and use assistive technology effectively

Inclusion of Students with Speech, Language and Communication Needs

In many classrooms there are students who may have difficulties:
- understanding, following and giving directions
- using a wide range of appropriate vocabulary
- expressing needs, ideas and information
- sequencing and prioritising tasks, negotiating with others and working in groups.

Students who have significant difficulties with speech and language can present with a wide range of additional learning needs and problematic behaviours. They will often have difficulties accessing the curriculum due to limited reading, writing and spelling skills. This course aims to support teachers in making their classrooms more inclusive for all students by providing an understanding of the impact of speech, language and communication needs. It offers practical and achievable assessment ideas and intervention strategies to address a range of specific, identified needs.

We also have staff who are currently undertaking their Masters or completing a course at the Bastow Institute of Educational Leadership. Only this week and last, Sue Minshull and Claire Osborne have been on Teacher Professional Leave as part of the Science Grant that was secured last year to raise the profile and delivery of Science in our school. The changes of which were clearly evident in students’ end of year self-reflections about their learning and enjoyment for this subject area.

Our teachers are life-long students as they continue to participate in professional learning.

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| **Monday 23rd March** | Year 1 excursion to museum and IMAX  
School Council—7PM staff room                                                                                                                 |
| **Friday 27th March**  | Last day of term 1—2.30PM finish  
Year 6 interschool sport—Camberwell PS                                                                                                      |
| **Monday 13th April**  | School resumes for term 2                                                                                                                |
| **Tuesday 14th April**  | Year 5 excursion to the Chinese Museum  
Parent helpers course 9:00AM in the library                                                                                                    |
| **Sunday 19th April**   | Prep and Year 5 buddy picnic—4PM to 6PM school oval                                                                                         |
| **Monday 20th April**   | Year 2 excursion to Ripponlea                                                                                                               |
| **Monday 27th April**   | Year 4 excursion to CERES                                                                                                                   |
| **Tuesday 5th May**     | Year 2 incursion—Mrs Sargood                                                                                                                 |
| **Thursday 7th May**    | Mothers Day stall  
Jump rope for heart demonstration                                                                                                         |
| **Wednesday 13th May**  | Year 4 camp to Arrabri Lodge Warburton  
Year 6 excursion to the shrine                                                                                                               |
| **Friday 15th May**     | Year 4 campers return                                                                                                                      |
| **Monday 18th May**     | Open Morning—tour 9:30AM                                                                                                                    |
| **Tuesday 19th May**    | Grandparents morning                                                                                                                        |
| **Wednesday 20th May**  | Open morning—tour at 9:30AM                                                                                                                  |
| **Saturday 23rd May**   | Open morning—tour at 9:30AM                                                                                                                  |
| **Monday 25th May**     | Whole school and Year 6 photos                                                                                                              |
| **Tuesday 26th May**    | Year 5 and 6 Samurai incursion                                                                                                               |
| **Wednesday 26th May**  | Fire Ed—Preps (1st session)                                                                                                                  |
| **Tuesday 2nd June**    | Year 3 excursion to the MSO                                                                                                                 |
| **Thursday 4th June**   | Fire Ed—Preps (2nd session)                                                                                                                 |
| **Monday 8th June**     | Public holiday—No school today                                                                                                               |
| **Tuesday 9th June**    | Prep visit to Balwyn Library                                                                                                                 |
| **Thursday 11th June**  | Ambulance visit—prep                                                                                                                        |
| **Friday 26th June**    | Last day of term 2—2:30PM finish                                                                                                             |
| **Monday 13th July**    | School resumes for term 3                                                                                                                   |
PREMIERS READING CHALLENGE
The 2015 Victorian Premier' Reading Challenge is now open. For those students that have returned their Privacy and Consent Forms, you may log onto www.education.vic.gov.au/prc using your Mathletics username and password, adding 'prc' at the end of your password. For those that have not yet returned a Consent Form, please do so ASAP so you can start logging your reading over the school holidays. Thanks and happy reading!

CAMBERWELL HIGH SCHOOL
2015 Open Evening
Tuesday 21st of April @ 6.00pm
(Principal Address 7.30pm)
Choosing the right educational environment for your child is an important decision and can only be made after viewing a prospective school in action. To facilitate this, Camberwell High School offers regular school tours and holds an Open Night each year in Term 2. Our students volunteer to be tour leaders on this open evening and represent their school with honesty and pride. Please contact the Junior School office on 9831 8333 for further information.

CHATHAM PARENTS CLUB
The Chatham Parents Club have their own facebook page - great way to communicate with others. We would love everyone who is on Facebook to join - here is the link

https://www.facebook.com/groups/118750551532641/
CLASSROOM HELPERS COURSE

We will be running a course for our parent helpers called Classroom Helpers. The course will be held in the school library on Tuesday 14th April, from 9.15am to 11:00am.

This course is designed to support parents who assist in the classroom and covers Independent Reading, Writing, working with small groups and classroom protocols.

The course will:
- Develop in participants an increased understanding of the development of literacy skills in reading and writing.
- 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 in reading and writing.

If you have participated in a previous Classroom Helpers Course you are welcome to attend as there have been changes made to the course.

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 would like to participate in the classroom, please come and speak to me.

All parents helping anywhere in the school need to have a Working with Children Check and this must be shown to the office staff before commencing assistance in the classroom.

Please complete the form below if you wish to attend the course and return to the School Office by Wednesday 25th March or email me on kelly.glenda.m@edumail.vic.gov.au

During this session we are unable to accommodate toddlers so we would appreciate it if alternative arrangements can be made for them.

Looking forward to seeing you all there.

GLENDAA KELLY – LITERACY CO-ORDINATOR

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Please complete and return to the school office by Wednesday 25th March or email kelly.glenda.m@edumail.vic.gov.au

CLASSROOM HELPERS COURSE

I, ____________________________ would like to attend the Classroom Helpers Course on Tuesday 14th April 2015.

Signed: ________________________ Date: ________________________

Child/ren at school: ____________________________
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1. BOX HILL CAMP

Ages: 6 years – 16 years
When: Sun 29th March 2015
Where: Aquakink – Surrey Dr, Box Hill
Time: 9am – 12pm players, 1pm – 3pm players & parents (1 day only)
Cost: $200 (covers player and parent)
Includes: 2 x Pairs of Peak Basketball Shoes, 1 x Group 5x7 Camp Photo and 2 x participation certificates.

Maximum 40 pairs available only.

2. RICHMOND CAMP

Ages: 6 years – 16 years
When: Mon 30th, Tues 31st March 2015
Where: Melbourne Girls College – Yarra Blvd, Richmond
Time: 9am – 3pm daily
Cost: $165 ea Full Price
$155 ea Early Bird Special
$155 ea Sibling Discount

Includes: 1 x Pair of Peak Basketball Shoes, 1 x TSB Camp T-shirt, 1 x Group 5x7 Camp Photo and 1 x participation certificate.

Maximum 100 places available only.

FREE Pair of Peak Basketball Shoes for every camp participant

3. RICHMOND CAMP

EXCLUSIVE ADVANCED CAMP

ALAN WESSTOKE AND BRETT RAINBOW

Ages: 10 years – 16 years
When: Wed 1st April 2015
Where: Melbourne Girls College – Yarra Blvd, Richmond
Time: 9am – 4pm (1 day only)
Cost: $165 ea Full Price
$155 ea Early Bird Special
$155 ea Sibling Discount

Includes: 1 x Pair of Peak Basketball Shoes, 1 x TSB Camp T-shirt, 1 x Group 5x7 Camp Photo and 1 x participation certificate.

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4. BOX HILL CAMP

Ages: 6 years – 16 years
When: Thurs 9th, Fri 10th April 2015
Where: Aquakink – Surrey Dr, Box Hill
Time: 9am – 3pm daily
Cost: $165 ea Full Price
$155 ea Early Bird Special
$155 ea Sibling Discount

Includes: 1 x Pair of Peak Basketball Shoes, 1 x TSB Camp T-shirt, 1 x Group 5x7 Camp Photo and 1 x participation certificate.

Maximum 100 places available only.

EARLY BIRD SPECIALS AVAILABLE
Must be registered and paid in full before 14th March 2015

BOOKINGS WWW.TSBBASKETBALL.COM

Bookings close Friday 27th March 2015 for all camps.
APRIL SCHOOL HOLIDAYS
DRAGONS SKILL CAMP
Hosted by our senior Big V Dragons players & our Camberwell Coaches

Dates - Tues 7th April - Fri 10th April
7th & 8th April - Non Dragons players $70 ($40 for one day) - for all players 8-15
9th April – Camberwell Dragons $40 – for all U12-U18 VJBL players
10th April - Invitational Only
$40 – for selected Dragons Players

TIME: 9am – 3pm
Venue: Kew High school
Bring: Basketball, lunch, bottle, light and dark top

Canterbury Cobras Auskick - Prap through to Grade 3:
35 kids
It's that time of year again when we need to register for Auskick!!! Come and join the fun at Canterbury Auskick and make some great friends and have lots of fun.

As a special offer, parents who pay their child’s NAB AFL Auskick registration online by Monday, April 20, will get access to four complimentary tickets (i.e. two adults and two childrens) to a selected 2015 Toyota AFL Premiership Season match through the AFL Game Day program. A great incentive to register and pay online early!!!

Where: Canterbury Sports oval, Guilford Road, Canterbury
When: Commencing Saturday 18th April
Time: 9am, 10.30 am
You will need to register and pay on line prior to the day. Please note that the kids bags now get delivered to your house once you have paid for the season.

Please don’t hesitate to contact Cameron Ilan on the number or email below should you have any enquiries.

Regards
Cameron Ilan
0428173049
Cilan71@hotmail.com

TENNIS FOR JUNIORS
- Boys & Girls aged 3 - 8 years
- Ball, skills based introduction to Tennis
- Indoor sessions
- Modified equipment
- Ideal for beginners
- Age-appropriate programs
- Parent help for 3 & 4 year olds
- TENNIS RACQUET TO KEEP!

Where: Camberwell High School Gym, Prospect Hill Road, Canterbury
Starts: Sunday the 19th 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: $90 for 6 weekly sessions and a tennis racquet 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
- Website - www.getactivesports.com.au

To register, please let us know the location of the program and your child’s details as below. Once registered bring the completed, signed consent form and payment to the first session.

CAMBERWELL TENNIS FOR JUNIORS CONSENT FORM - TERM 2, 2015

Name: ____________________________ D.O.B: __________ Male / Female
School/Older: ____________________ Email: ___________________________
Phone (Home): __________________ Phone (Mobile): __________________

Any relevant medical conditions/medications taken?

I acknowledge that I am responsible to seek the advice of my doctor and I agree to my child's participation in the program. I also agree to the terms & conditions of the NAB Auskick program. I have been advised that participating in Auskick may result in my child becoming injured and my child agrees to participate.

Parent/Guardian Name: ____________________ Parent/Guardian Signature: ____________________

Payment Method: Cheque / Credit Card / Cash

VISA / MASTERCARD

CREDIT CARD DETAILS
Name: ____________________________ Card Number: __________
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Signature: ____________________________

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

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