### CHATHAM PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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At the time of writing there continue to be so much occurring in our school as we move slowly out of COVID restrictions and open up the school to the community. Currently, whilst not wearing masks we continue to observe COVID safe practices and are encouraged to exercise safe distancing and make active use of our air purifiers. We are expecting to receive another 29 of these units before 1st June 2022.

At the time of writing, we have just enjoyed a magnificent Chatham Mothers' Day Breakfast and the wonderful experience that provides for our school community. Congratulations again to the Parents' Club and many volunteers who brought this to fruition. It was fabulous to see a number of Dads also assisting with the arrangements.

### **Communications via Compass**

Whilst we produce our School Newsletters every fortnight rarely does a day go past where I do not provide a *Compass* notification on any given day. Given the intensity and breadth of what our school achieves and undertakes this of course is now necessary. In order that messages are not lost I may replicate these messages again in our newsletter. Over the last two weeks you could be forgiven for not keeping up with all that is occurring in our extraordinary school.

### **Easing of Restrictions and Arrangements**

Earlier this week I wrote to our parents via Compass to communicate some easing of COVID restrictions at our school. From Monday 16<sup>th</sup> May parents will be able to attend our School Assemblies, albeit with some social distancing of chairs and other COVID Safe practices. On Monday we had a magnificent School Assembly with many of our senior students speaking and exercising leadership roles. This experience and sense of audience for our students is valuable and affirming.

Additionally, this morning I was able to meet with our nominated Class Representatives and Parents Club for our Annual General Meeting. Again, it was wonderful to meet up with our parents in the manner of previous times.

As an aside last Wednesday we distributed what we believe as our last tranche of Rapid Antigen Test Kits to our students across the school. The purpose was to provide RAT kits to all students to cover the first four weeks of Term Two. If these arrangements change, I will advise you accordingly.

### Staffing matters at Chatham and elsewhere

We are delighted that Mr Zac Barry returned to Chatham on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> May after his recent approved leave. Recently, I wrote to our parents through *Compass* and indicated that our Canteen Manager, Ms Halastanis has left in her role to assume a more senior position in a Victorian Government Department. Ms Halastanis therefore resigned her position after five years of service to our school. Whilst we will very much miss her contribution as Canteen Manager, we will also greatly miss her camaraderie, friendship, generosity of spirit and engagement with us all. This was fabulous news for Konstantina, and we wish her all the best as she transcends into other areas of her professional life. Of course, we can still look forward to seeing her as she performs the role of parent in our school and its community.

Some parents will be aware that Ms Rose Yodgee will be leaving us to have a baby in a couple of weeks. Currently we are in the process of selecting a teacher for this role at Year 4/5 RY and will make an announcement in the coming weeks.

### NAPLAN Years 3 & 5

At the time of writing, we are very much ensconced in the highly regulated NAPLAN process. On Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> May parents in Years 3 & 5 were advised of this project and the timelines and testing involved. Again, we exercise some judgement regarding the way in which NAPLAN is communicated with our community and most importantly, to our students. On balance, we are very conscious of not creating any sense of worry or anxiety for our students regarding this requirement.

The provision and planning that has gone into facilitating NAPLAN in 2022 has been exceptionally demanding. Teachers have required to do considerable professional learning in relation to the proposed online tasks and to ensure that the ever important IT infrastructure support is available. Over the course of this week, we covered Writing on Tuesday and Wednesday and Reading on Thursday. Next week we look forward to conducting assessment tasks in relation to Language Conventions on Wednesday and Numeracy tasks on Thursday.

Again, if your child is anxious or concerned about this experience, please contact your child's class teacher. Every effort is made to ensure this is done without ceremony and in a manner consistent with usual classroom practice.

### 2022 Student Attitudes to School Survey

As communicated previously our students in Years 4-6 provided the opportunity to participate in an annual survey about their school. This occurred on Thursday and Friday this week and enabled students to be provide an opportunity to comment upon such matters as student engagement, well being and the quality of instruction provided. This survey has been implemented for some twenty years and has been invaluable in helping schools to understand student views. The purpose is to use the results to plan programs and activities to improve the experience of all students. We would expect to receive the results later in Term Three.

Such surveys are also provided in due course to parents and staff via the *Parent Opinion Survey* and the *Staff Opinion Survey*. Again, the results are important in assisting on reflection about the leadership and management of the school into the future. Some of these results are also reported in the Chatham Primary School Annual Report in any given year.

### **Chatham Primary School Annual Report 2021**

This document was endorsed at the last School Council meeting on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> April 2022. It has been submitted to the Department of Education and Training for assessment with regards to quality assurance, and having achieved that status, will in time be placed on our web site. I look forward to parents being given the opportunity to peruse its contents.

### **Major Building Project**

The development and implementation of these projects take an extraordinary amount of time. In November 2020 we received the announcement of 5.4 million dollars for Chatham to refurbish the school, and yet some eighteen months later we are still to turn the soil or evidence any works. In part this delay has been caused by the presence of COVID and the resulting delays in the Building Industry. I am pleased to advise now that things are starting to come to fruition.

On Monday evening I will be sharing with the School Council the final Building and Refurbishment plans for the main building, but also the stages of decanting that will occur to enable works to be implemented. Given the inordinate planning and diligence to matters I am confident that the decanting that is to occur will create minimal, if any, disruption to our students.

In the coming weeks I intend conducting a Parent Information session about the plans and procedures involved for our school. Realistically I would anticipate some building works to occur before the beginning of Term Three.

#### Kitchen Garden Structure

We are delighted with the state of developments here and once the structure is completed the next task will be to consider the preparation of planting boxes for the adjacent kitchen garden area. We will keep you informed as to the steps to be taken here. This week much of the roof plumbing has been completed and will continue next week.

### **Interschool Sport and District Cross Country**

We are delighted that our students in Years 5 & 6 are now able to access this competition with other schools in Boroondara with the usual involvement in soccer, football, softball and netball. This is wonderfully organised and led by our Physical Education and Sports Teacher, Mrs Jessica Wilson. Please be advised that enormous thought and consideration goes into the formation of such teams with Year 6 students being given preference above Year 5 students. Whilst many schools do not involve Year 5 students in such competitions, we are delighted that we are able to do so. Additionally, we wish our 46 students well in their involvement in the District Cross Country at Anderson's Park, Hawthorn on Tuesday 17th May 2022.

### **Victorian Government School Agreement 2022**

In recent weeks you may have read or heard something in relation to this agreement between the Department of Education and Training and the relevant unions. The events that are occurring in NSW are not occurring here. I am pleased to advise that the process has avoided Industrial action by teachers and others in Victoria. Over the course of the next fortnight teachers and other members of the Teaching Service will vote on whether they support the proposed agreement. In time there are provisions in this proposed agreement that will impact schools into the future, which I will share in due course, assuming of course that it is supported by members of the Victorian Teaching Service.

Again, there are extraordinary events and opportunities that are occurring in our school daily and so much to report. I look forward to sharing more in the coming weeks.

### Christopher Cotching **Principal**

Diary Dates			
Date	Event		
Monday 16 May	School Council Meeting 7:00 – 9:00pm		
Tuesday 17 May	District Cross Country (selected students) Anderson Park, Hawthorn East		
Friday 20 May	Curriculum Day Number 2 - Student Free Day		
Saturday 21 May	Election Day - Chatham Polling Booth		
Mon 23 - Wed 25 May	AFL Clinics - Session 1 Prep - Year 6 (Chatham Primary School)		
Mon 23 – Fri 27 May	Education Week		
Friday 27 May	Yr 5 & 6 Interschool Sport CPS v Camberwell 9:00 – 11:00am, Fritsch Holzer Park, 18 Symonds St, Hawthorn East		
Monday 30 May	AFL Clinics - Session 2 Prep - Year 6 (Chatham Primary School)		
Monday 6 June	Finance Committee Meeting 5:00 - 6:00pm		
Friday 10 June	Year 1 Excursion - Ripponlea		
Monday 13 June	Public Holiday (Queens Birthday)		

### **CHATHAM PRIMARY SCHOOL INFORMATION PAGE**

#### **BELL TIMES**

8:50am classroom opens, 9:00am classes begin

11:00am -11:30am snack/recess

1:30pm -2:30pm lunch

3:30pm dismissal

#### **TERM DATES 2023**

Term 1 - January 30 to April 6

Term 2 - April 24 to June 23

Term 3 - July 10 to September 15

Term 4 - October 2 to December

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#### **LATE ARRIVAL**

If your child arrives at school after 9:00am, a parent/carer must phone the school office from the Weybridge Street gates to advise of their arrival. The student needs to then check into the office before making their way to class.

#### **EARLY DISMISSAL**

If you are collecting your child during school hours for appointments, etc, please email your child's class teacher and the school office prior to 8:30am. Teachers do not access emails during class time. Please avoid collecting students during recess and lunchtime.

Morning recess: 11:00-11:30am

Lunch: 1:30-2:30pm

### **OFFICE CONTACT**

Email chatham.ps@education.vic.gov.au Phone (03) 9830 1933 Website www.chathamps.vic.edu.au

### **COMPASS**

Compass School Manager is our school management system and parent portal.

Go to <a href="https://chathamps-vic.compass.education">https://chathamps-vic.compass.education</a> or download the app from the App Store or Google Play. If you are not sure about your username and password, please contact the school office.

#### QKR

Most payments can be made simply and securely on QKR. Download the app today! https://qkr.mastercard.com

#### **WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECKS**

All volunteers, parent helpers, contractors and service providers are required to have a current WWCC. Visit <a href="https://www.workingwithchildren.vic.gov.au">www.workingwithchildren.vic.gov.au</a> to apply.

### **UNIFORMS**

Surrey Clothing is our preferred supplier of all items for the Chatham uniform. Visit www.surreyclothing.com.au

Visit them at 424a Station St, Box Hill 3128 or phone (03) 9890 3487. They deliver to the school to make it easy for you!

### **BEFORE & AFTER SCHOOL HOURS CARE PROVIDER**

Before and after school care is provided by TeamKids. Visit www.teamkids.com.au or phone them directly on

1300 035 000 for more information.

#### **CHATHAM PARENTS CLUB**

Email <a href="mailto:chathamparentsclub@hotmail.com">chathamparentsclub@hotmail.com</a> or join the Facebook community at 'Chatham Parents' Club'.

Dear School Community,

We would like to inform you about predicted difficulties servicing school crossings due to staff shortage and Covid-19 isolation requirements.

While we are recruiting new School Crossing Supervisors all year around, we are unable to service all our crossings. For this reason, we are reaching out to you and asking for help to keep school crossings safe together. If you have spare time to assist with covering our school crossings at permanent/part-time or casual capacity, please apply on our website:

Career Opportunities: School Crossing Supervisor (10984) (successfactors.com).

If you have any further questions regarding this matter, please contact me on 0419 240 857 or email Aysegul.altug@boroondara.vic.gov.au

Kind Regards

### **Aysegul Altug**

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# Please note, we deliver to school every Thursday. Use code **DEL2SCHOOL** at checkout page for free delivery

### **Uniform Shop- Opening Hours**

Monday - Friday ---- 9am- 5pm

Order online or in store for school delivery and Click & Collect www.surreyclothing.com.au

School Login: CPS Password: CPS



424 Station Street Box Hill 3128 admin@surreyclothing.com.au 98903487

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### Year 6RF Blog smoothie bike

Writers and Editors: Harvey Macmillan & Francisco Flamenco

### Reviews

Very delicious
!"-Rose Clayton
"I liked the favour
combinations"-Jacob
Tan
"great way to exercise
and get treat
after"-Lila Hemphil

In 2021 the Walk to School Day competition was introduced to Chatham Primary School. This is where schools all across Boroondara either have to walk or ride to school. If they did this they would find a chart in their classroom and give the day a big tick. To our greatest surprise, Chatham won! The winner of this competion (us! Yay!) would get a smoothie bike for the day (see next page). Excited as ever, the smoothie bike came today. Every student got a go on the bike and it was so fun! and after that we would either get a delicous, creamy, sweet banana smoothic or, a berry yummy berry juice. This was highly enjoyable for everyone at this school.









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### Premiers' Reading Challenge

Dear Parents and Carers,

The Premiers' Reading Challenge is now open for all students across the school! This presents a wonderful opportunity for the whole school community to engage in a fun annual challenge that encourages reading routines, develops literacy skills and fosters a lifelong love of reading.

Students in Prep-Year 2 are encouraged to achieve their target of reading 20 challenge books and 10 choice books throughout their participation in the competition. Students in Years 3-6 are encouraged to achieve their target of reading 10 challenge books and 5 choice books throughout their participation in the competition this year. All participants who achieve their goal will be awarded a certificate at



Assembly after the competition closes on the 2<sup>nd</sup> of September, 2022.

Today all students will receive their Premiers' Reading Challenge login access details. Please sign in to log any books from the challenge that your child reads at home. Classroom teachers will also enter the books read with students at school throughout the duration of the challenge. To log books on the challenge, please follow the instructions below:

- Follow the link: <a href="https://vprc.eduweb.vic.gov.au/home">https://vprc.eduweb.vic.gov.au/home</a>
- 2. Click 'Sign in'
- Click 'VPRC login'
- 4. Enter your child's username
- 5. Enter your child's password
- 6. Click 'Login'
- Then click on the 'Search Books' button to find and add any books that your child reads at home.

Please don't hesitate to contact your child's classroom teacher if you have any questions.

I wish all students the best of luck throughout their participation in the Premiers' Reading Challenge this year!

### Come and join the Chatham Canteen Crew!



Providing nutritious food in our canteen is a vital step in helping kids set up healthy routines and habits for life. Our canteen is run with the help of a crew of volunteers from our school community working together. Your kids will love seeing you lend a hand in the canteen!

If you can spare any time to join our crew and help prepare and serve food at our canteen, we would very much appreciate a hand. It's easy and fun work with on-the-job training and you can dedicate as much or as little time as you like. We have short shifts (9am-12pm or 12.00pm-2.15pm) and long shifts (9am-2.15pm) available on Fridays throughout Term 2. Most volunteers do one shift per month, but we also need a team of on-call volunteers in case someone is unavailable for their regular shift.

If you would like to know more about this fun volunteering opportunity, please contact Belinda Dalton at belindadalton@me.com



### CHATHAM CANTEEN MENU TERM 2, 2022

PLACE ALL ORDERS ON OKR! BY 9AM THURSDAY FOR FRIDAY CANTEEN SERVICE

### Snacks

Piece of Fruit - apple \$1.20 Piece of Fruit - banana \$1.20 \$2.00 Vegetable Sticks; cucumber & carrot Wholegrain Rice Crackers \$1.00 Cheese & Wholegrain \$3.00 **Rice Crackers** \$1.40 Hommus Dip Fruit Toast: 2 slices \$2.00 \$2.00 Hot Cross Bun: butter **Ginger Teddy** \$2.50 \$2.00 Popcorn Banana Bread \$3.00 Yoghurt Squeeze: \$2.50 Strawberry Bananarama Smoothie \$5.00 \$5.00 Very Berry Strawberry



### Lunch

### Sushi (GF)

Chicken Sushi	\$3.80
Tuna Sushi	\$3.80
Vegetarian Sushi	\$3.80
Avocado Sushi	\$3.80

### **Hot Food**

Spiral Pasta&Tomato sauce \$5.00

Spiral Pasta&Tomato Sauce \$5.50 with Cheese Sausage Rolls (party size) \$2.00 \$4.00 **Hot Potato Wedges** Crumbed Chicken plus \$7.00 Wedges & Salad Pumpkin & Spinach Veggie \$3.00 Bites, Yumi's (GF) x 4 bites Mini Pizza: Margherita \$3.50 \$4.00 Mini Piza: Hawaiian Mac'n'Cheese'n'Veg \$1.50 shaped in snack sized muffin

### **Drinks**

100% Fruit Juice:

**Just Juice** 

Smoothie

- Apple \$2.50
- Orange \$2.00
- Apple & Blackcurrant \$2.50

### Sandwiches

 On Wholemeal Bread

 Vegemite
 \$2.50

 Cheese
 \$3.00

 Cheese & Vegemite
 \$3.50

 Ham
 \$3.50

 Ham & Cheese
 \$4.00

 Cheese & Tomato
 \$4.00

 Ham, Cheese & Tomato
 \$4.50

### Toasted Sandwiches

On Wholemeal Bread	
Cheese	\$3.00
Cheese & Vegemite	\$3.50
Ham	\$3.50
Ham & Cheese	\$4.00
Cheese & Tomato	\$4.00
Ham, Cheese &	\$4.50
Tomato	



### CHATHAM CANTEEN MENU TERM 2, 2022

PLACE ALL ORDERS ON OKR! BY 9AM THURSDAY FOR FRIDAY CANTEEN SERVICE

### Wraps

Salad \$5.00 Cheese & Salad \$5.50 Chicken, Lettuce & Mayo \$6.50



### Sauces

Tomato Sauce \$0.40
Soy Sauce \$0.40
Mayonnaise \$0.40
Aioli \$0.40



### Frozen Desserts

lcy poles	\$1.50
99% fruit juice Berry Quelch	\$1.20
Frosty Fruits - Tropical	\$2.00
Frosty Fruits - Watermelon	\$2.00
Frozen Yoghurt - Strawberry	\$2.80
Frozen Yoghurt - Wild	
Berry	\$2.80
Frozen Yoghurt - Mango	\$2.80

Chatham Canteen classifies food and drink on the menu as Everyday (Green), Select Carefully (Amber) and Occasionally (Red) based on their nutritional content.



### MAKE YOUR BAKING COUNT ON ELECTION DAY

As you're all well aware, the Federal Election is next **Saturday**, **May 21**. We need you, and that means all of you, to bake like you've never baked before. The **Chatham Cake Stall** is world renowned, people come from far and wide to sample our wares. We're not even exaggerating when we say EVERYTHING sells out! Packaging will be distributed next week along with all the



instructions, and baked goods can be dropped off to the school on Friday arvo and Saturday morning. If you want to bake more, go for it! There's plenty of packaging to go around.

We also need volunteers to help on the day. Please sign up if you're able to spare a few hours: <a href="https://signup.com/go/sZuRcFM">https://signup.com/go/sZuRcFM</a>. Stay tuned for more details!

### Thanks to our Chatham Family for the Mother's Day Memories

Our famous Mother's Day Stall certainly didn't disappoint, in fact the feedback has been spectacular. The new, sustainable range went down a treat, and the kids absolutely loved the experience. Thanks to Meg Fricke, Alice Evans and Jacquie McGowan and their team of volunteers for organising.

Similarly, the **Mother's Day Breakfast** was a winner and a fantastic way to start the day. A massive thanks to **Claire Thomas**, **Bec Henry and Jacquie McGowan** for organising and to everyone who volunteered to make it a magical morning.



### UPCOMING EVENTS TERM 2

### ELECTION DAY BBQ SAT MAY 21

Get ready for democracy sausages and a cake stall.

### PARENTS' BIG NIGHT OUT

### SAT AUGUST 6

Put the babysitter on standby for this guaranteed night of fun and frivolity.



'Chatham Primary Parents Club'

## NEWSLETTER



### WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING

WELCOME BACK TO TERM 2

WEEK 1

We started our week off with a pupil free day program and it was so great to see so many friendly faces. Our theme for the day was Backwards Day and the children had so much fun playing classic games but with a twist, the ultimate favourite was Backwards musical chairs.

During our first week back, we spent some time brainstorming ideas for activities and experiences we would like to do this term. We had so many fantastic ideas and was great to see all the children getting involved.

WEEK 2

Week 2 saw the start of the new Clubs for Term 2 the chosen clubs this term are cooking, STEM, Lego masters, musical theatre and sports clubs.

We also took the chance to thank our mums and other special people in our lives through making bath bombs and cupcakes. The children had so much fun creating these special gifts and were so excited to share what they had made with their families.

### IMPORTANT DATES





Pupil Free day Team Kids Open 6;30am-6:00pm



Queens Birthday TeamKids closed



### TEAMKIDS CLUBS ASC WEEK: 3



### MONDAY

Lego Masters

### TUESDAY

Musical Theatre

### WEDNESDAY

Cooking Club

### THURSDAY

Art and Sports Club

#### FRIDAY

STEM Club







Service Mobile: 0412147589 Service Email: chathamps@teamkids.com.au

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### OPEN DAY 2022 SATURDAY 28 MAY IOAM-I2PM

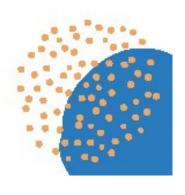


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### Saturday 28 May 10am - 12pm

Enjoy a coffee on us!

Enrolment via BKCES from 2 years of age

### **Balwyn East Kindergarten**

2A Caravan Street, Balwyn

info@bek.vic.edu.au

Tel: 9857 8710

www.bek.vic.edu.au



### Florence Rd.



### **OPEN DAY**

### **SATURDAY 21 MAY** 9:30AM-12:30PM

- Meet the Educators
- Talk to Parents
- Learn about Bush Kinder
- Hear about our Music program
- Giveaway bags and colouring in sheets
  - Located: 2 Florence Road, Surrey Hills
  - Email: enquiries@florencerdpreschool.org.au

Find Us Online: florencerdpreschool.org.au

- ✓ Optional extra day for 4yo program
- ✓ Before and after extended care available



### **Learn Music**

### here at school

Come and join in the fun of learning to play piano, keyboard, guitar, flute, clarinet, saxophone, violin, drums or trumpet here at Chatham Primary School.

Creative Music for Schools conducts a music program here at school each week.

Small group classes or one-to-one lessons of up to 30 minutes give children an excellent grounding in music where they will learn to read music and play their chosen instrument.

Tuition costs from \$24.30 per lesson and enrolments are now being accepted for limited places in term 2, 2022

Interested parents should contact Swee during office hours on 9818 2333 or via email: swee@creativemusic.com.au







# Player Registration Now Open Spring Season 2022 Term 3 and 4

Surrey Hills Netball Club is a community club welcoming players of all abilities from Age 8 to Adult

Registration closes on 27th May

Contact Us on Facebook or

surreyhillsnetball@gmail.com

for a Free Trial





# CAMBERWELL SHOWTIME



What do you do when your school BANS MOBILES?

And why is that creepy old HOUSE COMING TO LIFE?

The young cast includes a student from Chatham,

Kieran (Year 6)

TWO original short stories by the SCOUTS and GUIDES of Boroondara.

Two fast hours of music and comedy.

LIVE, LOCAL and Suitable for ALL AGES

### Hawthorn Arts Centre

8 Performances

Including TWO matinees and THREE 7pm early shows.

20th - 28th MAY

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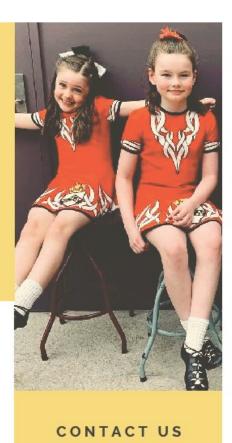
Your emailed tickets will ask the name of your ticket seller.

Please choose KIERAN TALBOT

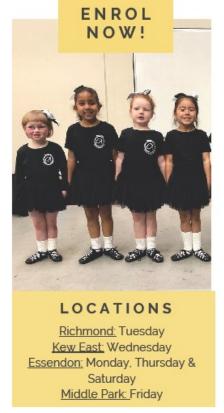


### Christine Ayres School of Irish Dancing

Classes for all ages toddlers, children, teenagers & adults



christineayresschool.com



### WOULD YOU LIKE A FREE MOVIE TICKET?

A secondary school in Camberwell is seeking participants from the community to take part in one hour focus group sessions.

The purpose of the focus group sessions is to help the school better understand how the community views their school, students and education.

### Two session times are available:

Monday, 16 May 2022 | 7.00pm to 8.00pm Doncaster MC Square Building, Manningham Shire Office

Tuesday, 17 May 2022 | 7.00pm to 8.00pm Camberwell Library

Afternoon tea will be supplied and the first 25 registrants will receive a FREE movie voucher!

Register at: events.humanitix.com/jwb-focus-group

Please note that all participants must provide proof of vaccination or medical exemption upon arrival.

