Welcome to Week 10

ANZAC Memorial Service – Friday April 11: The last day of term will be an extremely busy day for our school. At 10:15am all students and staff will be walking up to the Cenotaph for a special ANZAC memorial service beginning at 10:30am. We will then return to school for a morning tea at 11:00am. Students are to be in full school uniform for the day. All parents and members of the community are invited to attend the service and join us back at school for a cuppa.

Easter Hat Parade – Friday April 11: After recess on the last day of term all students will be constructing Easter Hats in their classrooms. Students will be instructed to bring all the materials they need for their hats to school that morning. Parents and grandparents are invited to come in between 12 and 1:00pm to assist the students with the construction of their hats. This will be followed by an Easter Hat Parade at 1:15pm and the drawing of our Year 5/6 fundraising Easter raffle. Please note it would be great if all hats are constructed at school and not at home the night before. Once again everyone is invited to come in and assist the children with the hats between 12 and 1:00pm and stay on for the parade and lunch.

School Cross Country: At this stage the school cross country shall proceed this Friday. Start time shall be 9:30am with 8 & 9 year olds to start first, these shall be followed by the 10,11 & 12 year old events. A modified event shall be held for the infant children following the formal events. It would be greatly appreciated if parents were able to act as “Spotters” on the day as the course needs to be fully supervised.

Maclean Show day, May 7th: There are some important changes to the Public Holiday allocation for Maclean Show day on Wednesday May 7th. The School will be closed from 12:00pm on this day. Please take the time to read the note which was sent home today and return the slip stating whether or not your child/ren will still be attending school up until 12:00pm on Wednesday May 7th.

Text/Work book Fees: Thank you to those parents who have made payments for text/work books. There is still a considerable amount of monies outstanding and payment as soon as possible is appreciated.

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NAPLAN Dates: The National Assessment Program for Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) will be conducted on May 13, 14 & 15.

Afternoon Pick Up: The afternoon pick up system is working well. Thank you to those parents who have been coming into the school of an afternoon to collect their children. There are still some children crossing between cars and the bus to meet parents waiting across the road or in their cars. If we could all make the effort to set the right example about rules and road safety it would be greatly appreciated. The safety of students is the one and only issue in regards to this system working successfully.

Basketball: A great day was had by all at the basketball gala day held at Rocky Laurie Stadium. The children participated enthusiastically and were very competitive against the opposing teams. All teams experienced success throughout the day and some children displayed a great deal of competence throughout the day.

Class News

Year K/1/2 have worked consistently throughout term one on their class book “FLAPPY”. This week we wrote our last page and drew our last illustration. This is now a completed task that we are all proud of. We are now in the process of having it laminated and bound. All students are looking forward to their turn to take it home next term. We have practised reading it as a class group and are keen to show our work at the next assembly if possible.

Year 3/4: Our class is wrapping up their work on our HSIE unit and it has been a great journey of discovery looking at the fascinating features that one part of our country.

We are also preparing our show items which is proving very difficult when choosing the artworks to be displayed.

Year 5/6 have been busy finishing off their Global Connections assignments which are due this Friday. The majority of students need to be congratulated on their effort and enthusiasm in this topic. This week we also finished our class novel “The Hatchet” and everyone is eager to read the Sequel titled; “The Return” beginning next term. Year 6 thoroughly enjoyed their visit to Maclean High School last week and can’t wait for the next transition day. Our class has been busy rehearsing a song which will be performed at our ANZAC Ceremony on the last day of term one. This is not to be missed!

Easter Raffle: Please keep those donations of Easter Eggs and treats coming in for the Year 5/6 fundraising raffle to be drawn on the last day of term. We are hoping that every family can make a donation of any size so that really is a whole-school supported activity and ensures that lots of people win prizes! Thank you to those families that have already donated Easter Eggs. All students who donate a prize will go into a ‘lucky draw’ as well.

Library: There will be no borrowing next week but please ensure that all library books are returned prior to the school holidays.

Greg Speirs
Relieving Principal
To the staff, teachers, families and neighbours of Chatty School.
A huge thank you to all of you who donated toys, clothes, uniforms, household goods and money. Your help has been instrumental in our family getting back to ‘normal’. I don’t know how we would have managed otherwise and we will be forever grateful for your generosity and kindness.

Sincerely Nathan, Annette, Jake, Sascha and Isla xx

Canteen: This Friday we are having a jogging themed canteen to support all the kids trying their hardest in the Cross country! We will be serving The Legend Burger (beef patty, cheese, tomato, beetroot, lettuce and sauce), The Champion Chicken Burger (crumbed chicken, lettuce, tomato and Mayo) or The Vegetarian Energy Burger (curried chickpea patty, lettuce, tomato and Mayo). Burgers will cost $4.50 and please remember that order forms need to be handed in on Wednesdays!

Thank you, Tennille.

P&C News: Donations have still been coming in for the Lenard family from the wider community and it is wonderful to see so many businesses stepping up to support. Due to the overwhelming response the P&C will be running a raffle over the school holidays to raise funds to assist the family in getting back on their feet. If you would like to be involved or know a business that would like to donate please contact the committee using the details listed below. Particular thanks this week go to Geckos New Tail and Colours on the Clarence who made donations towards the P&C “Back to School Packs”. A big THANK YOU to Tanya Smith who has gone above and beyond to help complete the financial reports for the annual P&C Association audit. Your help is very much appreciated.

The AGM is scheduled for next Thursday 10th April at 6pm with a General Meeting to follow. Usually the AGM takes about 30mins. If you are interested in taking on a position with the school P&C Association please don’t hesitate to have a chat with existing committee members, email us at chatsworth_pc@hotmail.com or call 0432439815. We would love to see some fresh faces and always welcome new ideas.

Don’t forget to mention Chatsworth School when you shop at Toyworld in Maclean to help earn points for our school.

NEW SPORTS UNIFORM SHIRT PROPOSED

This is the sample of the new Sports Shirt proposed for our school. The shirt would replace the current white sport shirt and be worn by all students with black shorts or skorts. Once the shirts are available there will be a natural transition to the new uniform, with new purchases replacing the old uniform over time and no specific time line to achieve the transition. If you would like to take a closer look the sample shirt is available at the front office.

- Colour - Maroon with white highlights
- Fabric - Cotton lined sports mesh
- Approximate Cost - $25 per shirt including logo
  (the current sport shirt is $22.50)

If you have any questions regarding the new sport uniform please contact the school or speak to one of your P&C representatives. We hope to have the new shirts available for Term 2.
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2014 AGENDA WILL INCLUDE

1. Minutes of AGM 2013 to be endorsed
2. Annual Presidents Report
3. Annual Treasurers Report
   Presentation of audited balance sheet
   Determine auditor for 2014
   Determine Membership Fee for the coming year
4. Motion to: Create the role of Chairperson with the elected officer’s role to be the running of General Meetings subject to the criteria as outlined in the P&C Handbook.
5. Appoint Returning Officer for the election of office bearers - in the event of multiple nominations for a position the voting will be conducted by silent ballot.
6. Election of representatives for
   Executive Committee roles - President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer
   Canteen Sub Committee roles - Convener, Scribe, Book Keeper
   Fundraising Sub Committee roles – Convener, Scribe, Book Keeper
   General Committee roles - up to six representatives
7. Change of signatories to the current Executive Committee on both P&C Accounts.

COMMUNITY NEWS

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Membership Application

The role of the P&C Association is to provide a forum where parents can develop a partnership with the school and express their aspirations for their children’s education. All parents/guardians of children enrolled at Chatsworth Island School and community members who reside within the school drawing enrollment are eligible to become members of the P&C. Membership entitles you to a vote at General and Annual meetings. Annual membership is $1 for existing members. If you are a new member and would like to vote at the AGM or nominate for a position on the committee the membership fee is $2.

Name:__________________________ Date:__/_/_____

Email address:__________________________

Please circle Yes or No to the questions below:
Are you the parent/Guardian of a child/children who attends the school: Yes  No

Are you a past member of the Chatsworth Island School P&C: Yes  No

Do you want to receive the approved Monthly Meeting minutes via email: Yes  No

Are you interested in receiving email alerts for volunteering at events: Yes  No

Please detail any special interests or concerns you have regarding the role of the P&C in the wider school community below:

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