

CHATHAM PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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IMPORTANT DATES

WEDNESDAY 25 NOVEMBER

K-2 PRESENTATION

KINDERGARTEN GRADUATION

THURSDAY 26 NOVEMBER

Stage 2 Presentation

FRIDAY 27 NOVEMBER

Stage 3 Presentation

TUESDAY 1 DECEMBER

CHS Orientation Day

FRIDAY 4 DECEMBER

Stage 3 Adventureland
Excursion

TUESDAY 8 DECEMBER

Year 6 Graduation Assembly &
dinner

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WEEK 6 - Term 4
19 November 2020

PBL FOCUS

Week 6- ENDEAVOUR

'Demonstrate commitment to your learning.'

RIVERSTAGE PERFORMANCE

On Friday 6 November, 2020, students participated in the Manning River Stage performance (*pictured below*).

The event, organised by the Rotary and Lions Clubs in conjunction with Midcoast Council and the Australian Childrens Music Foundation (ACMF), showcased some wonderful talent whilst raising money for the ACMF.

Chatham Public School students joined others from Wingham Public School and Taree Public School for a drumming performance. Later in the evening, 1/2P students Jayden, Mikayla, Alix and Travis stepped on stage with ACMF Instructor Matt Zarb to sing 'Bob The Kelpie'.

It was a wonderful evening and a fantastic experience for the students. Congratulations to all those involved.



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PRINCIPAL NEWS

PREPARATIONS FOR 2021 AND BEYOND!

Staff have been extremely busy conducting a situational analysis to inform our school plan.

A sample group of parents were contacted by Mrs Larissa Smith to gain feedback on current school performance to inform our 2021-24 School Improvement Plan (SIP).

Any parents who were not contacted but would like to deliver feedback can do so by contacting the office on 65511081.

Key questions asked were -

- What is one thing the school does well?
- What is one thing the school could improve on?
- What is the main thing that you would like your child to improve upon as they go forward in their schooling?

Parent feedback in conjunction with analysis of school based and external data has enabled school staff to move forward with planning our SIP. The three strategic directions planned for 2021-24 include -

1. Student Growth and Attainment
2. Parent and Student Empowerment
3. Staff Professional Development and Growth

Key programs and initiatives that will be extended or trialled within the new SIP include -

Early Class Formation - All students from years 1-6 will move into their 2021 class cohorts with their 2021 class teacher on Tuesday of week 10, term 4.

Teacher Consistency for NAPLAN students - The majority of year 2 and 4 students will move forward into year 3 and 5 with their current teacher.

Learning and Support for all stages - Additional learning support teachers have been budgeted for any students experiencing difficulty.

Aboriginal Student Support - A dedicated teacher has been assigned to head the Aboriginal Education team consisting of the Aboriginal Education Officer, SLSO Aboriginal Education with a focus on

curriculum and SLSO Aboriginal Education with a focus on wellbeing.

The purpose of the initiative is to improve student attendance, wellbeing and academic progress.

Early Action for Success continues throughout the 2021 school year.

I encourage all of our parents and community members to continue to be involved in the consultation process to enable our SIP to best suit the needs of our committed, dynamic, skilled and highly responsive learning community.

We look forward to continuing to work in partnership to deliver a SIP that fits the needs of our learning community, maximises life chances for our students and creates opportunity within our wider community.

Mr Matthew Royan

School Principal

FUTURE LEADERS

A group of Year 5 students stepped onto the stage this morning to deliver their speeches before the school votes for their School Captains and Vice Captains for 2021.

The students were nervous but did a wonderful job in letting everyone know, via a link to all classrooms, why they would be great ambassadors for Chatham Public School.

These students were (pictured below) Violet, Riely, Lauryn, Joseph, Inidanna, Bailey, Ciara, Declan, Isabella, Eli, Ishaan, Stevie, Matilda, Tianna and Joshua.



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NAIDOC CELEBRATIONS

Yesterday we celebrated NAIDOC 2020 and recognised this year's theme of 'Always Was, Always Will Be'. The day involved a school assembly held under the COLA where Uncle Mick Saunders delivered Welcome To Country and performed two songs incorporating gathang. Joedie Lawler from the Purfleet Taree Aboriginal Lands Council also addressed the assembly. The students also participated in many different cultural activities including rock painting, bracelet making, art activities, stories, bookmarks and a weaving workshop organised for Year 6 students with Aunty Toni Baxter from Chatham High School.

Our school has also entered the Taree Aboriginal Education Consultative Group's (AECG) 'Deadly Doors' competition. Each class decorated their classroom's doors with the theme 'Always was, Always will be'.

All students and staff showed great enthusiasm for the task, creating some wonderful designs. *Pictured on this page and the following page are some of the activities students participated in and pictured below are some of the 'Deadly Doors'.*



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WEEKLY AWARDS

The winners of the weekly attendance draw for Week 4, Term 4 were: Maycee KB/A, Thomas 2L, Keidan 3C and Chloe 6B.



The winners of the weekly PBL draw for Week 4, Term 4 were: Mia KB/A, Maytlyn 1R, Charlee 3C and Chanel 6B.



The winners of the weekly attendance draw for Week 5, Term 4 were: Kayden 2L, Joel KW, Dylan 4M and Phoebe 5/6G.

The winners of the weekly PBL draw for Week 5, Term 4 were: Mikayla 1/2P, Mahleah KB/A, Callan 3C and Liam 5/6G.

ASSEMBLY AWARDS

Week 5, Term 4 -

K/BA: Elijah, Matthew, Nataya, Gary, Lockey (Buddy) and Gabriella (Citizenship).

KW: Jonah, Imogen, Kaitlyn, Jana (Citizenship) and Joelin (Buddy).

1R: Sugar-Pearl, Hailie-May, Jaxon, Lucas (Buddy) and Amelia (Citizenship).

2L: Evie, O'Shay, Kayden, Lucy, Jeremiah, Jacob, Evelyn, Armani and Aliza.

3C: Tahana, Allira, Alex, Keidan, Elijah, Chad, Isabelle (Buddy) and Mia (Citizenship).

3/4S: Lain, Cameron, Trae-John, Skyla, Elim (Buddy) and Bailey (Citizenship).

4M: Olivia, Jamaine, Cruize, Jake, Ebony, Alexis and Vinnie (Citizenship).

5M: Anthony, Isabella, Lily, Tanikka, Taleigha, Joseph, Ellis and Abygale (Citizenship).

5/6G: Lauren, Zachery, Liam, James, Kelsey, Xavier, Aleana (Citizenship) and Charlea (Buddy).

6B: Chloe, Courtney, Bianca, La-Shay, Jack, Hayley, Brydon, Kirra, Chanel (Buddy) and Samantha (Citizenship).

Week 6, Term 4 -

KW: Levi, Kaleeah, Ella, Alyssandra and Johah (Citizenship).

1R: Daniel, Hollie, Sugar-Pearl (Citizenship) and Amelia (Buddy).

2L: Aaliyah, Kalaysha, Peniel, Jacob, Evelyn, Rayne and Evie.

3C: Jiy, Hunter, Levi, Charlee, Bentley, Alexis, Tjala, Isabelle, Molly, Tara (Buddy) and Mia (Citizenship).

3/4S: Elim, Vienna, Lachlan, Chantelle, Joseph, Olivia, Chelsea, Kurtis, Emmily (Buddy) and Rihanna.



4M: Jacob, Jamaine, Kimani, Kenji, Antwoine, Maddi, Jayda, Dylan (Buddy) and Charlene (Citizenship).

5/6G: Riely, Emily, Tyreese, Aidan, Liam, Madi (Citizenship) and Scott (Buddy).

6B: Kirra, Chloe, Blake, Courtney, Bianca, Maryellen, Brydon, Chanel (Citizenship) and Hunter (Buddy).

BOOK CLUB

Orders for the final issue of Book Club for 2020 will close next Monday, November 23 to ensure delivery by the end of the school year. Books make an excellent Christmas gift so if you like to keep your purchase a 'surprise' we can arrange for you to collect the items from school.

Thanks to everyone who has supported Book Club throughout 2020.

Mrs Drake - School Librarian

LIBRARY STOCKTAKE

Library Stocktake is a regular part of our Library Management schedule and as the end of the year is approaching, borrowing has now ended for the year and I am asking all students to please return books they may still have on loan. Reminder notes will be sent home with students that have borrowed items.

As part of our library stocktake a number of 'well loved' books are being removed from the collection to make room for new additions. Students will be given the opportunity to bring home a book which they can keep from the culled collection.

The books have a cancelled stamp so are easy to identify as having been removed from the collection.

Mrs Drake - School Librarian

PREMIER'S READING CHALLENGE

Congratulations to everyone who participated in the Premier's Reading Challenge this year. Certificates for most students who completed the challenge will be sent home next week. Students who have completed the challenge for 4 years will receive a Gold Premier's Reading Challenge certificate which will be presented to the students in early December.

Mrs Drake - School Librarian

SILVER AWARDS 9 NOVEMBER 2020

Kayden 2L	Caleb 3/4S
Shriya 3C	Clayton 4M
Ebony 4M	Elim 3/4S
Lain 3/4S	Brock 5M
Isabella 5M	Blake 6B
Chanel 6B	Chloe 6B
Courtney 6B	Jack 6B

GOLD AWARDS 9 NOVEMBER 2020

Caleb 3/4S	Clayton 4M
Ebony 4M	Lain 3/4S
Brock 5M	

SILVER AWARDS 16 NOVEMBER 2020

Jeremiah 2L	Travis 1/2P
Alexander 3C	Keidan 3C
Skyla 3/4S	Abygale 5M
Aleana 5/6G	Anthony 5M
Declan 5M	Kelsey 5/6G
Lily 5M	Tanikka 5M
James 5/6G	Samantha 6B

Pictured below are Keidan and Alexander from class 3C with their silver awards.



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OUT OF SCHOOL HOURS CARE

We want to offer families more flexibility with their work commitments and child care arrangements and to create more opportunities across the whole community. Having Out of School Hours Care available at local schools is a great way to achieve this.

As part of the NSW Government's \$120 million Before and After School Care (BASC) commitment, parents/carers at all NSW schools were recently invited to complete a Have Your Say survey. The survey asked parents/carers to tell us how they are using Out of School Hours Care, how much it costs them, whether they plan to keep using it, and what difficulties they experience in accessing it. The survey results have helped us to better understand the needs of families and what's important to them.

We are now asking all parents/carers to complete a [quick follow-up survey](#) by **Friday 27 November 2020**. You can access the survey at <https://surveys.education.nsw.gov.au/s3/OSHCParentSurvey>. This information will help us to target the rollout of more before Out of School Hours Care services in the right areas.

If your child does not require Out of School Hours care, we ask that you please still complete the first section of this survey as it gives us important information about the level of demand at your school.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact your school at 02 6551 1081 or the BASC Program team by phone on 1300 244 145 or email at: BASCReform@det.nsw.edu.au

SCHOOL SHIRTS

School shirts are now in stock. If you wish to make a purchase, please contact the school office on 6551 1081.

REMEMBRANCE DAY

Chatham Public School commemorated Remembrance Day this year with a service that was broadcast into classrooms in accordance with current Covid19 safety protocols. Our school captains led the service, as we all paused to remember all those who have served in wars and conflicts at 11am on November 11th 2020.

Lest We Forget

Mrs Blick
Organising Teacher



eftpos

EFTPOS is available for your convenience.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

- Northcott - virtual info session to learn about child development. Including some tips, how the NDIS program works and how families can access support and funding. Ph 1800 818 286 for more information.
- Taree Literary Institute - Taree's oldest lending library. No membership fees. Located at 129 Victoria St, Taree. Open Mon to Fri 9.30 to 4pm and Sat 9am to 11am.



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KEEP THE LUNCHBOX COOL

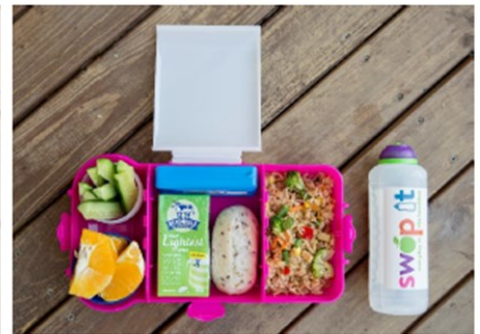
As the weather warms up it is important to keep the lunchbox cool so that food stays safe to eat.

Using an insulated lunchbox with an ice brick can keep the lunchbox 12° cooler.

You could also try a frozen:

- Water bottle
- Milk popper
- Yoghurt

These double as a refreshing drink or cool snack as they defrost.



HNELHD-GoodForKids@health.nsw.gov.au
<http://www.goodforkids.nsw.gov.au/>

WEARING OF HATS

Please ensure your child has a school bucket hat in their bag each day they come to school. Students love to play out on our grassed areas but cannot do so if they do not have their school bucket hat for sun protection.



PLEASE REMEMBER THE 40KM/HR SCHOOL ZONE SPEED LIMIT

To increase motorists' awareness of the school speed limit, triangular dragon's teeth road markings are painted on the road to indicate that you are entering a school zone.



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