

## Learners and Leaders

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'At CSPS we value community members who strive to be Learners and Leaders'

Wednesday 9 August 2023

# Important dates

#### Term 3

## August

Friday 11 Yr.2 Caine's Arcade Expo

Senior Assembly 2.30pm

Monday 14-18 Yr.1 Swimming Prog

Yr.5 Swimming Prog

Friday 18 Yr.3-6 Athletics Carnival

Friday 25 Book Week Dress Up Day

Whole School Assembly 2.30pm

Thursday 31 Father's Day Stall







Last Thursday I had the privilege of joining our Year 5 students on their excursion to Sovereign Hill. We had beautiful weather and many valuable learning experiences. Our students bravely went on an underground gold mine adventure, panned for gold, learnt how some of the villagers made their living, learnt about why people from around the world made the long, difficult journey to the Ballarat mine fields, saw a gold melting demonstration, as well as visiting the much anticipated lolly shop after a day full of learning. I'd like to thank Kim, Matt, Natalia, Kamal and Zoe for volunteering their time we can't run excursions such as these without you!

Also on Thursday, our Year 6 students visited Collingwood Football Club to learn more about different communities - I'm not sure who was more excited about this excursion, our students or our Year 6 teachers!

Friday was a very exciting day with many of our students participating in a Downball incursion and in the Dance Club presentation at Assembly. A lovely staff morning tea provided by our wonderful parent community for Principals Day. Annabelle Owens and I would like to thank everyone in our community for their ongoing support as well as for the delicious morning tea. Your baking skills are second to none! Thank you to our students who wrote some very thoughtful cards.

I feel privileged to be the principal of CSPS. Our students are delightful to work with, in fact, one of the highlights of my week is getting to work with students in our Year 3 and 4 'Food Safari' EEP group. I'm always very proud to take prospective families on school tours because I know that every time we step into a classroom they will be blown away by what they see. Day in, day out, our students are engaged in rich learning experiences, our classrooms are warm and inviting and prospective families always comment on how calm our classrooms are and how our students just seem to know what they should be doing. Our teachers work incredibly hard behind the scenes to ensure every student at CSPS has a great day of learning and growth every day and I'm proud to work with each and every one of them!

Still to come this week is our Year 4 excursion to Werribee zoo, Hooptime and Mini Hooptime (Yr 2,3 & 4), the Year One Writing Celebration, the Year 5 Writing Celebration, Senior Assembly, Prep and Year 5 swimming and the much anticipated Year 2 Caine's Arcade. We look forward to welcoming many parents to these events.

On Thursday Annabelle and I will attend the NEVR Principals Forum where we will have the opportunity to work collaboratively with our peers and hear from a range of expert educational speakers.

#### **Parent Donation**

I would like to thank the Collett family for their generous donation of a new piano. Our Music program at CSPS is exceptional and I know that our students will benefit greatly from having access to this new instrument. I look forward to hearing many students perform on this piano!

#### **Parent Opinion Survey**

On Monday all families should have received an email through Compass with the login details for the 2023 Parent Opinion Survey. I would encourage everyone to fill this survey out.

#### **CSPS Comedy Gala**

Do you need a good laugh? If so, make sure you secure tickets to CSPS's Comedy Gala event on Saturday 19th August. This parents only event will begin at 7pm in the Hall. I'd like to thank our Fundraising Team who are working hard behind the scenes to pull together a great night for all CSPS parents.

## 2024

If you know that your child/ren will not be returning to CSPS in 2024 (apart from Year 6 students) I'd ask you to please let Jennie Reeve know in writing <a href="mailto:jennie.reeve@education.vic.gov.au">jennie.reeve@education.vic.gov.au</a>. This will help the school as we begin to plan for our staffing needs in 2024.

**Natasha Cummins** 







#### PE news

## **CSPS Athletics Carnival – Friday 18 August**

The CSPS Athletics Carnival is fast approaching next Friday. Always a fantastic day on the CSPS sporting calendar, the event sees Year 3 – 6 students travel to Bill Sewart Athletics Track in Nunawading to compete in events for their House. The day focuses on participation and celebrating House spirit.

Students have been practicing for events in PE classes and will continue to do so over the coming weeks. Saba will have a Sushi Lunch Pack available for purchase through the canteen. Lunch packs will be delivered to the athletics track for any students who order a pack.

For our event to operate, we would love the support of parents to assist at events. Information will be available via Compass this evening. A further information pack will be sent out to parents early next week.

#### **Bike Education**

Year 5 Bike Education will return to Thursday this week. Please ensure bikes and helmets are ready for use. There will be no bike education the following week due to Year 5 swimming and the CSPS Athletics Carnival.

#### Year 1 & 5 Swimming

Swimming is fast approaching for our students in Year 1 and Year 5 today and next week. Thank you to all staff and parents who have signed up to assist so far. We require the support of parents to support our program. Please refer to Compass for further information.

## Dates to remember

Thursday 10 August – Year 2 Hooptime Minis @ Nunawading

Year 1 & Year 5 Swimming – 14 - 18 August @ Camberwell Grammar Aquatic

Friday 18 August - CSPS Athletics Carnival @ Bill Sewart Athletics Track

#### **Junior Hooptime**

Congratulations to our Junior All Star Year 3 & 4 students who competed at Hooptime yesterday. CSPS had a very successful day with all teams performing well and enjoying the experience. Our All Star A Boys, A Girls and B girls all made the finals with the All Star A Boys becoming overall winners on the day. Well done to all students and a special thank you to our coaches Geoff, Sarah, Jim, along with staff Ms Nichols, Ms Hauser and Mr Watkins who made the day possible











**Daniel Evans** 





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## **Extra Curricular Activities**

Instrumental

**Private Music Tutors** 

**Chess Club** 

Booking information

Thursday lunchtime

**Dance Club** 

**Booking Information** 

Code Camp

Little Coders Booking
Minecraft Booking

Thursday after school

**Aussie Aths** 

**Booking Information** 

Tuesdays before school

# **Local Sporting Clubs**

Canterbury Cougars Basketball Club Willison Park Tennis Club Riversdale Soccer Club

Hawthorn Magic Basketball Club South Camberwell Tennis Club Toorak East Hockey Club

South Camberwell Basketball Club Ashburton United Junior Football Club

Hawthorn Magic Basketball Club Ashy Redbacks Junior Football

Camberwell Lacrosse Camberwell Sharks FC

Ashburton Willows Cricket Club

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