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WEDNESDAY 15 NOVEMBER 2023

PRINCIPAL'S NEWS

Twilight BBQ Evening

When it is 30 degrees and you have a waterslide, chances are you are in for a great night! I'd like to thank our fundraising team (expertly led by Georgie) and their army of volunteers who worked incredibly hard to pull together the Twilight BBQ Evening. Not only was it a great fundraising event for school, more importantly, it was a great social evening. I even spotted a few 2024 CSPS families who came along to enjoy the evening. My highlights from the night included seeing some of our crazy teachers racing students on the waterslide, watching the excitement on students faces when they realised that they could choose any second hand book for 2 tickets/tokens and the sheer joy as students played with the leftover ice towards the end of the night! I do need to say a special thanks to Damian & Serena, Georgie & Ciaran, Alicia, Lian and Kat. Winners from the lolly jar guessing competition will be announced at Assembly this week. The remaining second hand books will be for sale at lunch time on Friday before being donated to a wonderful charity.

Chocolate Toss

Due to the hot weather last Friday, we made the sensible decision to postpone the Choc Toss. We will hold the Choc Toss stall at lunch time this Friday. All students are encouraged

IMPORTANT DATES

November Friday 17 Year 2 Twilight Tricks Evening Wednesday 22 Year 4 Camp Wednesday 29 Year 3 Camp

December

Thursday 14 Year 6 Graduation Friday 15 Fundraising Christmas Casual / Dress Up Day Tuesday 19 Student Free Professional Practice Day Wednesday 20 Last day of Term 4 - Finish at 1.30pm

2024

January Tuesday 30 Start of Term 1 - Students commence

March Thursday 28 Last day of Term 1 - Finish at 2.30pm

to bring a gold coin (or two!) to have a go at winning a block of chocolate. Funds raised from this stall will go towards the School Captains special project. They are working towards finalising the wording for an Acknowledgement of Country decal to be displayed at the school office.

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Library Books

All Library books are due back at the end of November so that we can begin our end of year stocktake. As we currently have hundreds of overdue books we would ask all families to begin looking under beds and in cupboards for CSPS books. Overdue notices will go home with students in the coming weeks.

Morning Drop off

We kindly ask that students are dropped at school after 8:30am as there is no supervision before this time. At the moment we have a large number of students in the office before 8:30am which makes it hard for office staff to complete their duties.

2024

At the end of this week, student contributions for 2024 and book bag collection dates will be sent home to all families. This year, payments can be made either in person at the office or through Compass. We hope the addition of the option to pay through Compass makes things a little bit easier for families as we know that this time of year can be very hectic!

Year 6 Billy Carts Grand Prix

In the last week, our Year 6 students have enjoyed showcasing their learning at the annual CSPS Billy Carts Race. It was lovely to see so many proud parents in the audience.











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Our Prep students were visited by local firefighters and not only learnt about the important role emergency service people play in our society, but also got to use the firefighting hose and climb through the fire truck.

One of the firefighters was a CSPS School Captain many years ago and he very much enjoyed seeing how our school has changed over the years. Next week our Year 4 students will travel to Safety beach for their school camp and the following week, I will accompany our Year 3 students to Camp Gundiwindi. We have definitely hit peak business time of the school year!

Natasha Cummins



We hope our Year 2 students enjoy their Wanyara indigenous incursion after school this Friday and thank our wonderful teachers for giving up their Friday night to provide our students with this opportunity.



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MUSIC NEWS

Recitals

Tonight we have the piano recital, and we are sooooooooo excited to be using the new Yamaha Clavinova digital piano donated by a very generous family.

Recital dates:

Wednesday 15 November (today!) 3.30 pm Piano Recital for Katherine's students Monday 20 November 3.30pm Piano Recital for Victoria's students

Christmas Community Concert

The Christmas Community Concert is on Friday 8 December. All ensembles will perform, as well as all 3 choirs and the Dance clubs.

We have a tradition of performing the Radetzky March as a whole orchestra. We bring the Concert Band and the Senior Strings together, along with extra percussionists and one piano student to play as a full orchestra. I like to open this orchestra up to community members.

If any parent, grandparent, carer or extended family member would like to join us in the CSPS community orchestra playing the Radetzky March, please be in touch and I will get you the score for your selected instrument.

Whole Orchestra Rehearsal dates:

Week 8: Tuesday 21 November with David Reichman Week 9: Wednesday 29 November with Michael Redman Week 10: Tuesday 5 December with David Reichman

Solo Singers

Congratulations to all the solo singers who performed a Christmas tune at the November 10 Twilight event. You all did a fantastic job!!! Well done.

It's a very busy term for musicians. So much to celebrate as we perform and share our year's worth of learning for the community and prepare for Christmas.

Practice, practice, practice. 😊

Catherine Lyons



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PE NEWS

Junior Athletics

Our Junior Athletics for students in Prep-Year 2 will be held next Wednesday 22 November at CSPS. The event will be held in the senior playground area from 1.30pm – 3.00pm. The event provides students with an introduction to athletic events as they progress through to senior years. Students rotate through various activities with the focus of the day on participation and earning points for their house.

All students in Prep – Year 2 are encouraged to dress in house colours and comfortable footwear. Our Year 6 students will run the event with parents invited in to spectate and support our junior students. Parents will receive information about the event this afternoon. Please keep an eye on Compass.

Junior and Senior Regional Hooptime

Best of luck to all students competing at the regional Hooptime finals this week. Our Senior Boys and Girls teams competed at Nunawading on Tuesday while our Junior Boys compete at Waverley on Wednesday. The tournament brings together the best basketball teams from primary schools across the eastern region of Melbourne. We look forward to hearing all about it soon. Go well!

Year 6 T20 Blast Cricket

Our Year 6 students will travel to Hartwell Sports Ground tomorrow morning for the annual Glen Iris T20 Blast Cricket Event. Students will participate in a variety of matches across the day with teamwork and enjoyment the key focus. Students should bring a packed lunch, water bottle, hat and sunscreen for the day.

Year 5 Bike Education Group Ride

Our Year 5 students will complete their Bike Education program with a group ride on Friday 24 November. The ride will allow our students the opportunity to apply skills learnt during the program to real world scenarios. The ride departs CSPS and follows Gardiner's Creek Trail towards the CBD before turning around and returning to CSPS. You can view the bike route <u>here</u>.

The ride caters for mixed ability groups, and we strongly encourage parents to become involved. We are on the lookout for parents who would like to join our students on the ride. Any Year 5 parents who would like to be involved can sign up by clicking <u>here</u>.



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Looking ahead Wednesday 15 November Junior Boys Hooptime Regional Finals @ Waverley Thursday 16 November Year 6 T20 Blast Cricket @ Hartwell Sports Ground Wednesday 22 November Junior Athletics (Prep - Year 2) @ CSPS Friday 24 November Year 5 Group Bike Ride Thursday 30 November Year 4 Lacrosse @ Lynden Park

Daniel Evans

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FUNDRAISING NEWS

CSPS Twilight BBQ

Thank you to all of the community who came to support our school's fundraising efforts at the Twilight BBQ. We hope you all had a great night!

A massive thank you again to the hard-working volunteers who helped out. Without our wonderful volunteers, we simply could not run these events. A special shout out to the students/grandparents/siblings/relatives who also helped out on the night!

Through everyone's support we have raised an amazing amount of money to go towards redeveloping the senior playground - which is what fundraising is all about!

Due to the warm weather on the night of the Twilight BBQ, the very popular Choc Toss did not run, therefore it will now be running this Friday at lunch time. Please remind your children to bring their gold coins!

Additionally we have some books left over from the Second Hand Book Stall. We will also be running this stall near the canteen this Friday at lunch time and after school. Books will be sold at discounted prices and can be purchased with cash or card. Guess the Number of Lollies in the Jar winners will be announced at Assembly this Friday.

Thank you again for all your support, and we look forward to seeing you at our next fun-filled community event. Look out for our calendar for next year - coming soon!

CSPS Fundraising Team



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OTHER NEWS

'Spring into Art' CSPS Art Competition



For all those budding artists out there, CSPS is having a Spring themed art competition for students! There are 4 categories:

- Prep
- Year 1 and 2
- Year 3 and 4
- Year 5 and 6

Students are asked to create a 2D art piece no larger than A3 size, that follows a Spring theme of their choice. Submissions can be dropped off outside the art room (hallway between the art room and Prep classrooms) anytime next week. Entries close Friday 24th November.

If you have any questions, please ask our art captains (Aura and Martin) or Mrs. O'Brien.

Happy creating everyone!

Kim O'Brien

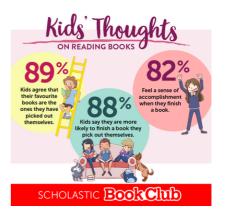
Scholastic Book Club

Students will be bringing home the Scholastic Issue 8 catalogue this week. This catalogue has:

- Christmas and Holiday Gift Ideas
- Hot New Releases
- Over 350 Summer Reading Ideas
- Big Savings on Packs
- \$3 Value Books, and much, much more!

To view the catalogue, click <u>here</u>. Please place orders on the LOOP app or order <u>here</u> by 5.00pm, Saturday 25 November. Select the 'GIFT' option if you want to pick up your order from the office discreetly. All other orders will be delivered to the classroom early December. Any questions please contact jennieriedler@gmail.com.

Happy reading! 🤚



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TERM 4 ASSEMBLY

November Friday 17 - Whole School Friday 24 - Junior School

December

Friday 1 - Senior School Friday 8 - Whole School Christmas Friday 15 - Whole School TBC Monday 18 - Year 6 Graduation at 8.45am

EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Instrumental Private Music Tutors

Chess Club Booking information - bookings for Term 1, 2024 now open. Thursday lunch time

Dance Club Booking information

Code Camp Booking information Thursday after school

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