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KEY DATES
Monday February 29 - Friday March 11 (no swimming on 2/3/16)
Yrs 3-6 Swimming program continues 9 day program
Wednesday March 2
School Photos: Prep – Yr 5
Yr 6 National Young Leaders Day Excursion
Friday March 4
Icy Pole Day – Lunchtime
National Ride2School Day
Wednesday March 9
Assisting Children with Reading Session: 9am in the Library
Friday March 11
Whole School, Year 6 & Sibling Photos
Yr 2 ‘Mind and Body’ Incursion
Icy Pole Day - Lunchtime
Monday March 14
LABOUR DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY
Tuesday March 15
Yr 5 IMAX & Planetarium Excursion
Wednesday March 16
School Council (New Committee) 6.15pm
Friday March 18
Lightning Premierships Yrs 5/6
Monday March 21
Second Hand Uniform Shop open: 8.30am – 9.10am
Wednesday March 23
LAST DAY FOR TERM 1: PLEASE NOTE NORMAL FINISH TIME: 3.30PM
Thursday March 24
PUPIL FREE DAY – NO STUDENTS (Friday March 25: EASTER - GOOD FRIDAY)

SCHOOL ASSEMBLY FOR TERM 1: FRIDAYS 2.50pm

TERM 2
Wednesday April 13
WALKATHON

LUNCH ORDER DAYS
Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri
LUNCH ORDER LIST CAN BE FOUND IN CURRENT NOTICES SECTION ON THE SCHOOL WEBSITE
Please Note: Mini Pizzas only available on Tuesdays

ICY POLE DAYS
ICY POLE FRIDAYS ARE BACK!!
Please send your child to school with $1 for a yummy ice cold treat on the following Fridays!
Fridays March 4 & 11

TERM DATES 2016
Term 1: 27 January (school teachers start) to 24 March
Term 2: 11 April to 24 June
Term 3: 11 July to 16 September
Term 4: 3 October to 20 December

PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

WELCOME PICNIC
We had great luck with the weather for the Family Picnic which turned out to be another terrific night for all! I’d like to thank so many families for attending the night and making it such a success. The annual picnic is really a lovely way to welcome new families to our school and lots of people commented about what a terrific opportunity it was for everyone to get together, have fun and relax at school.

SCHOOL LEADERS
Congratulations to all Year 6 students who had the enthusiasm and courage to put themselves forward for the role of House Captain this year. It is a great learning experience for all those who had a go. Congratulations to the following students who will be our House Captains for 2016.

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STUDENT SAFETY
Student safety is of the utmost importance and it concerns me greatly when our children’s safety is unnecessarily put at risk. I heard yet another story from a parent who was very upset this morning by our own parent driver attitudes and behaviours in Bundeera Rd. This is a constant cause for concern at our school and, although parents are often under much pressure, when we stand back and think about the consequences of letting this translate into putting our children in danger, I know parents will all agree; the thought of a child being injured or killed as a result of rushing or carelessness, is nothing short of horrifying. Children should NEVER alight from a car onto the road from the driver’s side of the car and this happened on at least two occasions this morning, I appeal to all parents who drive their children to school to stop and think about the consequences that may result from their own driver behaviours. Just weeks ago, there was the tragedy at a school in Brighton that resulted in death. Please help to ensure no child or adult is injured or worse under our watch in our community. Thank you for your mindful consideration of this issue.

Another safety reminder to everyone is that students should not arrive at school prior to 8.45am (when there is a teacher in the playground on duty) unless they are attending Before School Care or they are in the care of an authorised adult. Similarly, all children should be in the care of a parent/carer if they are still at school after 3.45pm, when the teacher goes off duty. If children are observed unaccompanied by an adult outside the designated school supervision times, they will be taken into the Outside School Hours Care program to ensure their safety. Any cost resulting will be the responsibility of the parent.

SWIMMING YEARS 3-6
Swimming lessons are now underway and will continue over the next week and a half. We have been very lucky with the favourable weather which will hopefully assist in regular student attendance. We provide an ‘intensive swimming program’, the success of which relies upon the children attending all lessons to gain maximum benefit. As part of the Physical Education curriculum, children are expected to attend and a doctor’s certificate is requested should illness prevent a child from participating. Due to the costs incurred once the program is underway, we are unable to refund any money for non-attendance. I would like to thank parents for their cooperation in ensuring regular attendance at all times, but particularly to maximize the outcomes for children during the swimming program.

PRINCIPALS’ CONFERENCE
Gill Bartholomew and I will attend the Inner South Region Principals’ Conference in the latter part of next week which has the theme of ‘Reimagining Education’. We will have the opportunity to hear and learn from speakers who are at the forefront of ‘reimagining’ education for a future where so much is unknown, in a world filled with ambiguity. This conference will complement the work of our own State Education reform agenda: ‘The Education State’, where we are using the latest research on student learning and global best-practice to assist our efforts to focus on key areas that are known to have the greatest impact on school improvement. We are in interesting times as we wrangle with a world that is so rapidly changing, while trying to ensure our children develop the skills and attitudes required to navigate that world, with the best possible outcomes. Challenging indeed!

PARENTS’ ASSOCIATION
I would like to thank the parents who have attended the PA Annual General Meeting and those who attended the Class Representative meeting last Friday. Parents play such a crucial role in supporting the school in so many ways, all contributing towards the benefit of our children. Between the PA and School Council we have made some wonderful improvements for our children’s learning environments.

SCHOOL REVIEW 2016
Contributing ideas and opinions about CSPS in the year of our School Review is important as it helps us to gain insight into our community’s attitudes and wishes for the future of our school. This will all help to inform our new Strategic Plan. In the last School News, parents were asked for their opinions to help with our self-evaluation by answering a couple of questions. Today, I include another question for your consideration and response, either by returning a written response directly to the school office or by emailing your response to the school email: caulfield.south.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au

Responses to the last two questions are still welcome to be returned.

Question 3
How effective was the Transition Program for your family, when you enrolled your child at CSPS either in Prep or in another year level? Do you have any suggestions that would assist in the transition process?

1. Why did you choose to send your child/ren to Caulfield South PS?
2. If your child/ren has/have been at CSPS for more than one year, why have you kept your child/ren at the school?

SCHOOL COUNCIL
School Council elections closed two weeks ago with four parent nominations/renominations for the four vacancies advertised. I congratulate and thank those parents who nominated. Two are returning Council Members, Rosy Renwick and Olivia Sack and we have two new parent members who we welcome, in Lance Gordon and Eli Staub. All School Council positions will be published in the newsletter after the March 16th meeting when all the 2016 roles will be decided. I am very grateful for the work of our parent and teacher School Council representatives.

Gayle Yardley
Principal

CHROMEBOOK CORNER
Online Safety
Student leadership roles such as peer mediator, classroom mentor, and prep mentor roles promote student safety and wellbeing. However, when it comes to student safety online, we believe that a unified approach is the only way to effectively support our students navigating this digital world through shared common goals and values.
I believe that knowledge is power and as such, we all need to be more aware of what our children are doing online. To support you in developing a greater understanding of these practices and complex issues, I would again like to make everyone aware of the Cybersmart resource. Cybersmart is a national cybersafety and cybersecurity education program managed by the Australian Communications and Media Authority (ACMA), as part of the Australian Government’s commitment to cybersafety. The program is specifically designed to meet the needs of its target audiences of children, young people, parents, teachers and library staff. The link below will take you directly to the parent information page where carers can find a wealth of information and strategies to support you to deal with these issues appropriately.


The Cybersmart resource has FAQ pages about the the most commonly used applications by children and young people. Please follow the link below to find out more about these:


Being online is a great way of connecting with people, gathering knowledge, sharing information and taking action. There is never a better time than right now to support your children navigating this world and working with them to instil safe and effective online behaviours.

Keeping your children safe online is easier with a few simple precautions. Nothing replaces parental supervision and education for children about cybersafety.
PERSONAL PROPERTY BROUGHT TO SCHOOL

Personal property is often brought to school by students, staff and visitors. This can include mobile phones, electronic games, calculators, toys, musical instruments, sporting equipment, and cars parked on school premises. The Department does not hold insurance for personal property brought to schools and it has no capacity to pay for any loss or damage to such property. Parents/guardians are advised that, under Department guidelines, students are discouraged from bringing any unnecessary or particularly valuable items to school.

If your child posts photos online, use privacy settings to limit access to people they know well.

4. Remind your child that people don’t always tell the truth online, and they can’t take anything at face value.

5. Reassure your child that they can tell you anything, without fear of losing the laptop or internet access.

6. If they get a message or email that’s threatening or rude, they should ‘STOP, BLOCK, TELL’. First step is to tell your child to stop responding to the abuse and then block those people sending threatening or rude messages if they continue. Let your child know that if they are being bullied, or know someone else who is, they should tell a trusted adult.

7. Never click on any links that are contained in emails from people they don’t know. As well as sexual content, they could contain a computer virus.

8. If you suspect your child has been contacted by a predator, try to save a copy of the chat log (or whatever form the contact takes) for evidence. Call Crime Stoppers 24-hour line 1800 333 000 to make a formal complaint.

Further advice is available in the Parents' guide to online behaviour, which can be found in softcopy via this link, (http://www.cybersmart.gov.au/Parents/Resources/~media/Cybersmart/Parents/Documents/Parents_guide_to_online_safety.pdf), or hard copies are also available in the school foyer.

PSW SCHOOL UNIFORMS

Uniforms will only be available from PSW Ormond and Online
1/596 NORTH RD, ORMOND
Visit www.psw.com.au to shop online or for more information.
PRICE LIST CAN BE FOUND IN CURRENT NOTICES SECTION ON THE SCHOOL WEBSITE

SECONDHAND UNIFORM SHOP 2016

Upstairs, (Near Year 3 rooms)
Cash only, please
The Second Uniform shop will be open fortnightly
Next Opening time: Monday March 21: 8.30am – 9.10am
Dana and Kellie will be happy to serve you and would appreciate it if you could try to have close to correct money/small notes and change.
Grab a bargain from $2 a piece.

Remember: No hat no play, so bring your hat every day!
‘Remember water bottles, especially in extreme heat.’

PARENTS’ ASSOCIATION

Names so far for the P.A. Committee
Netasha Maletsky, Nikki Gelfand, Melanie Gordon, Lindy Matthews

Event & Organisers Date
LUNCHTIME ICY POLE Dana Michael, Romy Pamensky Fri 4 Mar
Fri 11 Mar
WALK-A-THON Hayley Mazor, Olivia Sack Wed 13 April
LUNCHTIME SAUSAGE SIZZLES Steve Feder Wed 4 May
Wed 3 Aug
MOTHER’S DAY STALL Nikkie Gelfand, Yana Kravietz, Thurs 5 May
Tali Joffe, Kerry Rubin
BOOK FAIR – LAMONT BOOKS Rachelli Sack, Deborah Sharp Ernest 16 May – 20 May
MOTHER’S EVENING Netasha Maletsky TBA
SCHOOL DISCO Melanie Gordon, Dana Michael, Melanie Gordon, Sat 6 Aug
Romy Pamensky, Olivia Sack, Nikki Gelfand, Tali Solomon, Nicky Postan, Victoria Dinovitser, Kerry Rubin
FATHER’S DAY STALL Louise Bloom, Kerry Rubin Thurs 4 Sep
FATHER’S DAY BREAKFAST Nicky Postan Fri 2 Sep
WORLD TEACHERS’ DAY Dana Michael, Netasha Maletsky, Kerry Rubin Mon 5 Oct
MAJOR FUNDRAISER Nikki Gelfand, Melanie Gordon, Deborah Sharp Ernest Oct
TWILIGHT MARKET Victoria Dinovitser TBA
PREP TRANSITION/ MINOR FUNCTIONS 3, 10, 17 & 24 Nov
MANGO DRIVE Chrissi Cananzi, Kerry Perlstein End of Term 4

If you would like to get involved or you are keen to continue the fantastic work you’re already doing for our school, now’s the perfect time to let us know. Please follow the steps below to volunteer for one (or more) of the events listed above:
Go into www.schoolinterviews.com.au
Simply enter the code T96L5 and press “Go” Enter your email address, volunteer name and mobile phone no.
Press Go Select your preferred event
When you click FINISH, your volunteer event will be emailed to you automatically. If you do not receive your email immediately – Check your junk mail folder AND make sure you have spelt your email address correctly

You may change your selection by re-visiting the www.schoolinterviews.com.au website, and using the event code. Remember to use the same name and email address you used when you made your original booking.
ATTENTION PARENT ‘READING HELPERS’

Prudence Herron (Teaching and Learning Support teacher), Sara Wyse (Literacy Intervention teacher who is also Reading Recovery trained) and Labreni Pappas (Teaching and Learning Support teacher) will be running an information session outlining effective reading strategies and procedures to promote successful readers at Caulfield South Primary.

The session is aimed at helping our volunteer reading helpers to better understand some basic principles of reading mechanics and providing further information about what they can do to help in this process.

We encourage all parents who assist with the reading program to attend. If you are able to attend at this time, please sign your name on the list outside your child’s classroom.

When: Wednesday 9th March
Time: 9.00-9.45am
Where: CSPS Library

We look forward to seeing you there.

Prudence, Sara and Labreni

The University of Melbourne
CHILDREN AND DIGITAL GAMES STUDY
Are you concerned about your child/ren's use of screen-time, particularly digital games?
Children, screen time and digital games is an area of much interest to many parents and educators. Parents interested in children and the impact of digital games may like to participate in the attached research project by participating in a survey that would take approximately 10 minutes.

Click on the link below to participate.
http://redcap.healthinformatics.unimelb.edu.au/surveys/?s=pZ5LbMm3RA
(This project has been approved by The University of Melbourne Human Ethics Sub-Committee (approval number: 1545171) Plain Language Statement within survey link.)

Jane Mavoa
PhD Candidate

The Italian word / phrase-of-the-week is
LA CONFIDENZA
It means: CONFIDENCE
POSSO FARLO!: I CAN DO IT!

Grazie, Sophie Bilionis
Italian Teacher

School lunch is now for nudists only!

‘Bring It In – Take It Home’

THE RUBBISH AGREEMENT

- Food wrappings must not be taken out into the yard.
- Food wrappings must be taken home.
- Food may be eaten outside but wrappings must be removed first.
- Fruit break is to be encouraged in class.
- Students will have 5 minutes before recess and 10 minutes before lunch to eat.
- These points apply to snacks and lunch food, including lunch orders.

We understand the effort that goes into making waste-free lunches. But switch to reusable snack pockets, sandwich wraps and plastic containers and you’ll be saving money – and the environment.

Top Green Tip!
4MyEarth’s reusable pockets and wraps are an economical, safe and fun way to keep your kids lunches rubbish-free.
Quote the code ‘Caulfield South’ when you checkout.

School Crossings Victoria Inc.
Is your Lollipop person the sweetest?

Nominate your Lollipop person for the 2015/2016 School Crossing Supervisor of the year award.
Pick up a nomination form online at www.schoolcrossingsvictoria.com.au.
Your support of this program will help ensure your School Crossing Supervisor is shown the appreciation they deserve for their commitment to the ongoing safety of our children.

Nominations close 6th May 2016

COMMUNITY NOTICEBOARD
(Options located beside the double glass doors–near Prep A)

BECOME A VOLUNTEER HOST FAMILY
Information on noticeboard

CITY OF GLEN EIRA – Free Community Presentation
BUG DETECTIVES. Help children appreciate nature
Thursday 14 April 9.30-11.00am (For children aged 3 to 5)
Mallanbool Reserve (Cnr Leila and Murrumbeena Rds)
Bookings are essential – 9524 3333 or online
www.gleneira.vic.gov.au/scp (See Noticeboard for details)

AN EVENING WITH MARK AND LEANNE HOGAN
What is going on inside the mind of a child with Autism?
Tuesday March 8th: 7-8.30pm (Darebin Arts & Entertainment Centre)
See noticeboard for details

PARENT INFORMATION EVENING
Compass Community Care / Early Life Foundations
The session will look at our increasingly hectic lifestyle and discuss how slowing down our home life can better influence our children’s later lifestyle choices and behaviours.
Thursday March 10th: Duncan Mackinnon Reserve Pavillion
See noticeboard for details
DISTRICT SWIMMING CARNIVAL

Our District swimmers did a tremendous job on Friday at Carnegie Swim Centre with good individual & relay performances. We placed 6th overall.

Students who received a ribbon are:

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Backstroke: Mikaela 2nd & Josh F 2nd
Breaststroke: Charlie E 1st, Aliya G & Chloe Z 2nd & Shahaf E 3rd
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A special mention goes to Charlie & Josh for their 1st places & progressing to the Division carnival on Wednesday March 16th.

Excellent swimming boys & good luck!

Mr. Gibson
PE & Sport

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Just by registering every participant will receive*:

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Dear Parents

Our Walkathon is always a great day which the children and staff enjoy immensely. It also helps to raise much needed funds for our school.

This year, money raised from the Walkathon will go towards our sensory garden project.

We are seeking several helpers throughout the morning as follows:

- Manning Points around walkathon route: 9.15am – 10.45am  10 helpers required
- Walking with Younger Grades: 9.15am – 10.45am  20 helpers required
- Stamp cards to keep track of laps: 9.15am – 10.45am  20 helpers required

If you can help for more than one timeslot in the same or another area, please feel free to put your name in more than once. Every little bit helps.

*Parents should go to [www.schoolinterviews.com.au](http://www.schoolinterviews.com.au) and follow the instructions.* (Closing Date: Friday 8th April)

Children will bring home a sponsorship form and more information about the Walkathon closer to the time. So keep a look out.

For parents that do not have a computer, please contact the school office.

You may change your bookings, any time prior to the day, by re-visiting the [www.schoolinterviews.com.au](http://www.schoolinterviews.com.au) website, and using the event code. Remember to use the same name and email address you used when you made your original booking. Parents unable to make their timeslot on the day should contact Hayley Mazor 0402 303 933

Hayley Mazor and Olivia Sack
Walkathon Coordinators
Gary Peer is proud to support Caulfield South Primary School

When is comes to real estate, Gary Peer & Associates is the primary choice. Our auction clearance rate is consistently better than the Melbourne average and our service is top-class.

Thinking about selling? Contact Licensed Estate Agent, Glenn Bricker on 0419 359 047.

348 Orrong Road Caulfield North 9526 1999
55 Inkerman Street St Kilda 9066 4688
42 Koornang Road Carnegie 9563 1666

garypeer.com.au
Jewish RE has begun at Caulfield South Primary

WEDNESDAY MORNINGS 8:15 – 8:45 AM,

The classes are held in the school library.

Come for a trial class, learn about Purim and celebrate the festival with songs and activities on the 23rd of March.

Please call UJEB on 9523 6844 email re@ujeb.org.au web www.ujeb.org.au
EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES AT CSPS

CAULFIELD SOUTH CHESS CLUB - CHESS IDEAS
Registration Forms for Term 1 2016 are available from the office or the CSPS Website
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www.chessideas.com.au

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