At CSPS our aim is to assist students to be active in their learning, and be involved in reflection and goal setting. To assist with this, during this week, our Year 2 to 6 students conducted 3-Way conferences with their parents and teachers, providing all parties an opportunity to have a voice in student learning.

In preparing for these meetings, students were encouraged to reflect, not only on the knowledge and skills that they have been developing through their learning, but also on their conceptual understanding, the attitudes they have shown and the action that their learning has enabled. Thank you to everyone who made the time to be involved in this important part of our children’s learning.

Andy McKibbin and Andy Stefaniak
PYP Coordinators

PRINCIPAL’S REPORT – GAYLE YARDLEY

Thank you to all those parents who, this week attended our Parent/Teacher meetings for our students in Prep and Year 1 and the 3-way conferences in Years 2 to 6. There has been much research about parent involvement in their child’s education having a positive effect on their success.

Professor John Hattie, of the University of Melbourne has conducted extensive research into what works in schools to improve student learning outcomes. He tells us that long-term, consistent parent engagement adds greatly to children’s overall achievement. Professor Hattie states the kind of involvement of parents that can have a significant positive impact includes setting goals together; displaying enthusiasm for learning; encouraging good study habits; asking questions; valuing experimentation and learning new things and enjoying reading. The 3-way conference is a wonderful forum for putting this involvement into practice and therefore, contributing to greater success for our children in school and in the future. This includes higher grades, more positive attitudes and behaviour, higher graduation rates, increased enrolment in post-secondary education and greater achievement in life generally.

Last night, I had some conversations with parents as they were coming and going over the course of the evening and, from this, I think it’s important that parents understand the role of the 3-way conference and that all teachers know that, although most issues affecting student learning are appropriate for raising in the conference, there are times when parents need to discuss issues with teachers, without children being present. In such circumstances, parents should not wait for the formal whole school meeting times, but rather make an appointment with the teacher to discuss the issue at the time it arises. In this way, we hopefully place everyone in a great position at this time of year, for setting new goals for the next steps in learning, which may be around social as well as academic goals.

Children’s reports included a feedback sheet which I encourage parents to complete or to send an email to caulfield.south.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au with ‘Report Feedback’ in the subject line.

IMPORTANT PARENT ASSISTANCE REQUIRED

ELECTION DAY BBQ AND CAKE STALL

Again, a huge “Thank you” goes to Melanie Gordon for her efforts to organise the Election Day fundraiser for our school which will bring in money from the broader community, rather than always relying on the generosity of our own parent community. I encourage as many parents as possible to become involved, by either helping on the day or making cakes to be sold on our stall. Please see the online booking form in this newsletter, to be involved in helping on the day. Please bring cakes to school between 10am and 4pm on Friday 1st July. (Enter through the office door at the front veranda.) Otherwise please bring cakes to the stall from 7.30am on Election Day. Thanks everyone, in advance! I look forward to seeing those who are able to assist, on Election Day.
LUNCHTIME ACTIVITY OPTIONS TO CATER FOR OUR CHILDREN'S INTERESTS

We had an overwhelmingly positive response to the opportunity for children to trial ‘Bricks 4 Kids’ as this is being offered as a user-pay lunchtime activity next term. Many children had a ‘mini session’ of this activity on Monday at lunchtime but, unfortunately, because of the great interest, many more children also missed out. If your child is interested in this activity for next term and you would like them to have an opportunity to trial it first, there will be another brief session offered in the first week back. If you would like your child to have a trial, please send an email **this week** to the school at caulfield.south.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au with ‘Free Bricks 4Kids Trial’ in the subject line. There are again, details in this bulletin about the lunchtime workshops that are available for children who may wish to experience a taste of what will be on offer next term.

TERM THREE IS CONCERT TERM!

I know there are many children, teachers and parents who are looking forward, with great anticipation, to our annual concert at Robert Blackwood Hall. This year it will be ‘On with the Show’! To maximise the time available to Mrs Hoffman for concert preparation and rehearsals leading up to the big event, Mrs FitzGerald will be teaching 3A on Fridays for the first six weeks of term.

END OF TERM

Please remember that assembly will begin at approximately 1.50pm this Friday, on the oval (weather permitting). I’d like to take this opportunity to thank our Year 6 Term Leaders, who have not only organised and run our weekly assemblies, but also mentored their allotted classes throughout the school, while working very hard on their own learning!

(Assemblies in Term 3 will again return to the Friday afternoon timeslot.)

HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES

Once again, I have included some links that may assist parents and children as you plan some holiday activities.

http://www.weekendnotes.com/melbourne/school-holiday-activities/
https://www.timeout.com/melbourne/kids
http://www.visitvictoria.com/Things-to-do/Family-activities

CSPS STAFF

We are all looking forward to the return of Mrs Laura FitzGerald next term. Laura has been on family leave and, upon her return, will be working for two days per week in a support teaching role.

As the term draws to a close, I thank all our teachers and support staff for the extra-ordinary job they do for our children’s learning and wellbeing. I am extremely grateful for the generous spirit in which they give so much additional personal time towards ensuring our students get the best opportunity to achieve optimal success, and I wish everyone a very well-deserved holiday. To all our community members, I hope this holiday period allows for some relaxing and fun times with family and friends.

Warm regards to all,
Gayle

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DIARY DATES:
Please regularly check the Community Calendar on the CSPS Website or via tiqbiz for all Key dates.

**Saturday July 2**
Election Day BBQ and Cake Stall

**TERM 3**
Monday July 11
Second-Hand Uniform Shop
Friday July 15
Prep Excursion NGV
Sunday July 17
Working Bee 10am – Year 2

**Saturday August 6**
School Disco

**Wednesday August 24**
SCHOOL CONCERT
Robert Blackwood Hall

**Saturday October 22**
Trivia Night

**Term Dates 2016**
Term 3: 11 July to 16 September
Term 4: 3 October to 20 December

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**TERM 3**
SCHOOL ASSEMBLY
Fridays : 2.50pm

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With so many children suffering from colds and coughs we are going through many tissues and it would be great if each student could bring just one box of tissues to see us through the remaining winter weather. Thank you to those students who have already brought one box of tissues for their classroom.

Jan Minett
BOOK ONLINE
ELECTION DAY SAUSAGE SIZZLE
AND CAKE STALL VOLUNTEERS
SATURDAY JULY 2ND 2016

Dear Parents,

The Federal Election is being conducted during school holidays on Saturday July 2nd and our school is running a sausage sizzle and cake stall. We are looking for volunteers to make the event run smoothly. If you are able to volunteer for even one hour on Saturday July 2nd please go online and book.

We are seeking several helpers as follows:

Event Code: c66W

Enter your email address, volunteer name and mobile phone no.

Select your preferred timeslot

When you click FINISH, your volunteer time 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.

For parents who 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.schooldaysales.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.

Melanie Dootson
Election Day Coordinator

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EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

Please let us know if you would like us to offer a Lunch Club once a week during Term 3.

Bricks 4 Kidz is the latest play based learning system that provides an extraordinary atmosphere for your child. This is a hands-on session where students construct new models each week based on exciting themes from Space to Sports, Amusement Parks to Robotics. All models are designed by Bricks 4 Kidz engineers and architects as you won’t find them on the shelves of your local toy store. Ages 6-

Register your Interest with the School

Child’s Name:_____________________________________________________

Parent’s Email:__________________________________________________

Class:__________________________________________________________

Information / Registration forms are available either outside the school office or on the CSPS website www.caulfieldstgps.vic.edu.au under the News & Notices link.

EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES AT CSPS

CAULFIELD SOUTH CHESS CLUB - CHESS IDEAS
Registration Forms for Term 3 2016 are available from the office or the CSPS Website
More information / Payments can be made online www.chessideas.com.au

Learn to play keyboard, guitar or drum here at Caulfield South. Limited places for up to 30 minute group or private lessons are available in term 3.
Call Sharon during office hours on 9818 2333

Creative Music
www.creativemusic.com.au

SoccerWise

JULY HOLIDAY PROGRAM

JULY PROGRAM DATES

WEEK 1
Monday 27 June
Tuesday 28 June
Wednesday 29 June
Thursday 30 June
Friday 1 July

WEEK 2
Monday 4 July
Tuesday 5 July
Wednesday 6 July
Thursday 7 July
Friday 8 July

FOR BOOKINGS
Mobile: 0419 253 837
www.SoccerWise.com.au
Location: Caulfield South, Benders Road, Caulfield South.

SportWise

MULTI-SPORT HOLIDAY PROGRAM

JULY PROGRAM DATES

WEEK 1
Monday 27 June
Tuesday 28 June
Wednesday 29 June
Thursday 30 June
Friday 1 July

WEEK 2
Monday 4 July
Tuesday 5 July
Wednesday 6 July
Thursday 7 July
Friday 8 July

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