

# Caulfield South Primary

## Special Bulletin - Wednesday 20 December 2017

**CSPS Starring the class of 2017! Congratulations to our graduating Yr 6 Students!**



Merry  
Christmas



happy Hanukkah



### **YEAR SIX GRADUATION-FINAL COUNTDOWN!**

Our Class of 2017 enjoyed a fabulous surf camp last week and yesterday, we had an emotional graduation ceremony that celebrated these students' achievements with humour, happiness, gratitude and pride. It was an extremely fitting send-off for our great bunch of Year six students. Congratulations to them all!

Term Four finishes with an outdoor assembly run by our wonderful Class of 2017 School Leaders for the final time at 1.00pm, with dismissal for students at 1.30pm.

**SPECIAL AWARDS:** The following students proudly received awards at Graduation last night:

Robyn Feldman—Sachi S Italian—Allen W-B Art—Laura N Sport—Charlie E Performing Arts—Yvette L

We are also proud of James R who received an academic scholarship for Year 7 at Glen Eira College. Congratulations James.

From time to time we are advised of outstanding achievements of our ex-students and we are very happy to hear such news and share it with our community. I congratulate Josh W (big brother to Amy) who achieved a VCE ATAR score of 95.65 and Ido L (Ori's big brother) who achieved a score of 99.7. We are all very happy and proud to share this.

**DRUM CORPS: CHRISTMAS CAROLS AT OAKTREE CHURCH:** On Sunday evening, it was extremely heart-warming to join in the Oaktree Church Christmas Carols event in the church gardens. This was actually the church where Mr Hood and I enjoyed many years of fellowship in our youth! It was the perfect evening that saw our CSPS Drum Corps families, whatever their faith, join together in such an inclusive evening. I thank our families for supporting this lovely event so strongly. Christmas is a time that is very dear to me and my family and I thought I would include in this special bulletin above, some photos of my Christmas decorations at home that give me and my extended family so much joy, as we celebrate Christmas and all the goodwill that surrounds this celebration. Drum Corps will have their final March Out Parade tomorrow morning at 8am and their celebratory dinner in the evening. Thanks to Mr Hood for another fabulous year with the Corps!

**CSPS SUPPORT:** We are grateful to our volunteers and those who provide enrichment programs for our children. Thank you to Sandy Hood, 'Master' of the Drum Corps, to our other music providers, Soccer/Sportwise, Fit for Tennis, Chess Club, our Camp Australia staff, and all those parents who give so much support to our school such as Kim, who organises lost property. We extend our sincere thanks to you all. Your work is invaluable!

**CLASS STRUCTURE 2018:** I congratulate the following teachers who were appointed in leadership positions for 2018: Andy Stefaniak and Andy McKibbin – Leading Teachers and Stephanie Sim and Lainie Nestor – Learning Specialists which is a classroom-based leadership position. The 2018 staffing structure follows in this bulletin. After so much deliberation, I ask all parents to encourage children to look optimistically towards 2018 and their new class when they know this. Winston Churchill's famous quote is worth considering if not all aspects of the new class placements are to your child's liking: "A pessimist sees the difficulty in every opportunity; an optimist sees the opportunity in every difficulty." This is a terrific mindset to help encourage a disappointed child to approach a new situation and make the most of it. As I say each year; new opportunities await!

Although the end of year is tinged with sadness as we say good-bye to some staff and students, this is balanced by the excitement ahead for them and the prospect of new teachers and children joining our CSPS community next year.

I am very grateful for the expertise, effort and goodwill of our staff who work together to provide the best education we can for our children and forever endeavour to improve. "Thank you all" and "Thank you" to our magnificent CSPS community.

**May you all enjoy the rituals and festivities at this most wonderful time of the year and over the next several weeks, I hope you have some very happy and relaxing times with family and friends. Enjoy these precious times before the excitement of returning for another wonderful year in 2018 when we will try and do it all even better!**

Happy holidays Merry Christmas,  
Gayle

*Children come first at Caulfield South*



**DRUM CORPS: CHRISTMAS CAROLS AT OAKTREE CHURCH**

A beautiful evening was had on Sunday night at the Oaktree Church Christmas Carols. The event was a lovely finish to a wonderful year for the Drum Corps and their families, before the last week of school and the all important March Out Parade.

**Junior School Council in Action**

In Term 3 the Junior School Council walked around the community and picked up rubbish. We found lots of rubbish from a small area and decided we needed to do something. On the 18th of December, we took action! We made a poster about not littering and hung it in the shops on Booran Road. Make sure you keep your eye out for our posters and don't forget to put your rubbish in the bin. Thank you! JSC

**GOOD-BYE & GOOD LUCK!**

We say "Good-bye and good luck" to the following families who will be leaving our school at the end of this year. Some of these families have been long-term CSPS families and some have made a significant contribution over many years or a few years, but in whatever capacity, your involvement in enriching the learning environment for our children has been most appreciated! May you all be happy and achieve success in the future.

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| Barrett       | Keusgen    | Granek-Gibbs  |
| Bauchiere     | Kiss       | Lustig        |
| Baynash       | Kuzmis     | Benson        |
| Becker        | Lipengold  | Hollingsworth |
| Bergman       | Lipovetsky | Burns         |
| Black         | Livanidis  | Magee         |
| Bloom         | Magee      | O'Halloran    |
| Cananzi       | Mason      | Phyland       |
| Davis         | Nirens     | Weintraub     |
| Ernest        | Rodgers    | Marks         |
| Feldman       | Simpson    | Dixon         |
| Fforde-Lutter | Swiatlo    | Nambiar       |
| Fischman      | Tofler     | Mephram       |
| Friede        | Zielinski  |               |
| Hardy         |            |               |
| Howe          |            |               |



**CSPS STAFFING AND CLASS STRUCTURE 2018****PRINCIPAL** Gayle Yardley**ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL** Gill Bartholomeusz**LEADING TEACHERS/IB-PYP COORDINATORS** Andy McKibbin Andy Stefaniak**SCHOOL BURSAR/OFFICE MANAGER** Margaret Salvatore**OFFICE ADMINISTRATION MANGER** Heather Taylor**ADMIN TEAM** Julie Fergie, Joanne Twomey

Prep	Kate Boyd	
Prep	Kelly Szmigielski	
Prep	Prudence Herron/Catherine Osadnik	
Prep	Lainie Nestor	
1A	Emily Ryde	Additional teaching support: Sara Wyse
1B	Janine Wright	
1C	John Rice	
1D	Maria Amitrano	
2A	Jan Minett	
2B	Michaela Patel	
2C	Avril Steier	
3A	Stacey Fallon	
3B	Zoe Whitaker/Stephanie Sim	
3C	To be confirmed	
3D	Jarrah Kitchen	
4A	Ashleigh Browne	
4B	Tully Henchel	
5A	Kate Tarrant	
5B	Fiona Freeman	
5C	Danielle Wakeling	
6A	Bronwyn Fensham	
6B	Jacqueline Yokome	
6C	Kane MacRae	

L.O.T.E. Italian	Sophie Bilonis
Physical Education	John Wink
Literacy Intervention & Support	Sara Wyse
Visual Arts	Labreni Pappas (Lorraine short-term Artist program support)
Performing Arts	Julie Hoffman
Teaching & Learning Support	Laura FitzGerald, Jeanene Booth (short-term)
Library Technician	Linda Singleton
Integration Aides	Vicki Gayner Elizabeth Sadler Christine Scherer Joanne Twomey
School Nurse	Kelly Hewitt



## Parents' Association News

2017 has been a fun and successful year for the CSPS Parents' Association. This year we have raised over \$46,000 for our school, which is a fantastic result! Thank you to Lauren Kessel Design for creating this great fundraising graphic to help show the fundraising profits achieved throughout this year's events. This graphic will continue to be a feature in future newsletters to help families see the ongoing progress of our fundraising efforts.

Thank you to all the families who contributed towards this total in some way, from organising the events, volunteering to help on the day of events, attending the Bogan Bingo Major Fundraiser, or sending your children to school with money for various things throughout the year.

We have all contributed to the beautiful Bamboo Forest and early next year our children's toilets can now be upgraded!!

The 2018 calendar of events is still being finalised but should be filled with some familiar favourites and some new items – in light of the suggestions through the Online Survey. Please take a few minutes to complete the survey, if you haven't already. Thanks to those parents who have completed the survey, and especially those who have volunteered to join the PA next year to help with some of the exciting events planned. The major fundraiser next year will be an Art Fair, which will incorporate features of a school fete for our children and families to enjoy. We hope you all know that we welcome all contributions of support and assistance for all the PA activities at our school.

We hope you have a merry Xmas and safe and happy summer holidays. Please feel free to get in touch with us on our new email address: [caulfieldsouth.pa@gmail.com](mailto:caulfieldsouth.pa@gmail.com)

Warm Regards, Talia and Nikki

## YEAR 5 E-BOOKS

After weeks of preparation which involved writing, translating, improving, editing and importing pictures to illustrate their work, students in Year 5 were able to show off their creations when they read their e-book in Italian to their Prep buddies.

It was obvious from their smiles that this activity was enjoyed by all involved and was worth all the hard work that went into their masterpieces. Bravi!

Some of the Year 5 students sharing their e-books with their Prep buddies.

