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

Some Key dates coming up...
DIARY DATES:
Thursday December 15
Prep – 2 End of Year Concert 12 – 1.00pm
Friday December 16
NO SCHOOL ASSEMBLY
Monday December 19
Secondhand Uniform Shop Open 8.30-9.10am
Class Parties
Year 6 Graduation

Tuesday December 20
LAST DAY TERM 4: Assembly 1.00pm - 1.30pm Dismissal

TERM 1, 2017
Wednesday January 25
School Office Opens (8.15am)
Thursday January 26
AUSTRALIA DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY
Tuesday January 31
Students in Yrs 1-6 Commence
Monday February 6
Prep Commence
(session times were sent home at last Prep transition program)
Cheers and Tears – Prep parents 9.00am (Hall)
Lunch orders commence for Years 1 - 6
Tuesday February 7
Secondhand Uniform Shop Open 8.30-9.10am
Tuesday February 21
School Photos
Thursday February 23
Welcome Picnic
Monday March 6 – Friday March 10
Years 3-6 Swimming Program
Wednesday September 13
School Concert

Term Dates 2017
Term 1: 30 January (school teachers start) to 31 March
Term 2: 18 April to 30 June
Term 3: 17 July to 22 September
Term 4: 9 October to 22 December

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LUNCH ORDER DAYS
Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri
LUNCH ORDER LIST CAN BE FOUND ON TIQBIZ UNDER NOTICES OR ON THE SCHOOL WEBSITE
Mini Pizzas only available on Tuesdays
LUNCH ORDERS FOR YEARS 1 - 6
COMMENCE ON MONDAY FEBRUARY 6TH 2017

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

Principal’s Report
Final School Days 2016
With the final days of the school year fast approaching, there are many celebrations still to be enjoyed, whether at school, with clubs and organisations or with friends and family. Whether these be cultural, religious, achievement or simply fun celebrations, it is certainly a most wonderful time of the year!

We enjoyed a lovely Prep celebration last week to congratulate our Prep children on completing their first year of school. This was celebrated with much pride by parents, teachers and children alike. The Year 5 buddies were just superb as they escorted our Preps to the podium and then afterwards, sharing books and party food. Thank you to all the parents for bringing such special treats and to our Year 5 buddies for the great care and support they have given our Preps this year.

Drum Corps March Out Parade
The Drum Corps March Out Parade held last week in the early morning, was an absolute standout this year. It was an emotional ceremony as our Year 6 drummers paraded for the final time with bag pipes played by John Harlen from Melbourne City Pipes and Drums and an inspection of the Corps by John Arnold from the 173rd Airborne Association making this a very special finale for the Year 6 drummers, followed that evening by a special dinner in the city at the Sofitel Hotel. Drum Corps is a unique opportunity for our children and I once again thank Sandy Hood for his dedication to the CSPS Drum Corps and providing this fabulous experience.

Children come first at Caulfield South Primary
Year 6 Graduation
Year 6 seems to be a series of celebrations at this time of year and the big one will be next Monday evening when we will have a very special ceremony indeed to acknowledge the ‘Graduation’ of our School Leaders of 2016. It is another of those proud times for everyone when our children demonstrate their gratitude to their families, their teachers, friends and the school, all of whom have supported their development. Completing primary school is one of the significant milestones in life and I hope it is a great evening for all involved and especially for our Year 6 children who have made a wonderful contribution to our school. I know our community joins me in wishing them much success and happiness as they move on to secondary school. We do ask all our children to remember to return from time to time to share their future achievements with us. I am very grateful to their teachers of 2016 and all those of previous years, who have had such a positive influence on the learning and development of these children. I would also like to acknowledge the parents, not only for their part in supporting the children over the years but also those who have put so much time and effort into organising the celebrations for the students and their families and I wish everyone involved a great evening next Monday.

Staffing Structure 2017
During Term 4, amongst the end of year activities, we have spent much time consulting with teachers and looking ahead to 2017, in order to put the staffing structures in place for the New Year. It is always a difficult job to cater for school directions and needs as well as look at year level and individual student needs, within a limited budget. We have again managed to keep a small average class size across the school with an average of 24 which is lower than the expected average class size. Decisions are influenced by the number of students who come into and leave our school each year. This year, we again see two year levels (3 & 6) reducing from 3 to 2 grades due to reduced numbers and Prep increasing from 3 to 4 numbers. All grades will have less than 30 students and, as always, the larger grades in our school will receive additional teacher support for part of the time which will reduce the student to teacher ratio and give children equality of opportunity in that regard. Although the end of year is tinged with sadness as we say good-bye to some students or staff, this is balanced by the excitement of new students and teachers joining our CSPS community. In 2017, we welcome Zoe Whitaker back from family leave and Hailey Noden who comes from Wales Street Primary School. I am also very happy to advise that Justin Cole will return from personal leave. There will be a full report regarding classes and school structure in a Special Bulletin before the end of the year.

Another task that always takes a great deal of time and effort is the distribution of students into their new grades for the following year. The teachers endeavour to ensure individual needs are addressed, taking into account friendship choices of students as well as parent and expert support staff input, to try and establish well-balanced, harmonious classes. The children will visit their new grades on the last day as the final transition session for 2016-17 and, where possible, they will meet their new teacher. Because of the delicate nature of balancing the grades, it is highly unlikely to be possible to move children from the home group to which they have now been allocated. Please know that we have all put much time and thought into this process to come up with what we believe are the best overall classes we could manage. Change is a challenging time for us all and some children may find they are a little disappointed with some aspect of their placement, in which case, we would encourage parents to focus on the positives of the situation for 2017 to help develop student resilience. Parents have had an opportunity to contribute to this process and any educational grounds have been considered. Children’s friendship choices have also influenced decision-making, and we now strongly encourage parents to trust in the judgement of our Caulfield South teaching team and respect the expertise that has driven the decision-making in this process. If there is a need to deal with an aspect of disappointment, this is a step towards building student resilience which is so important to them, and they should know also that there are many new opportunities ahead even if there are some disappointments along the way!

School Reports
School reports will be sent home this week and it is always hoped that, with the communication throughout the year, there are no surprises for either students or parents. Assessment is an ongoing process and the daily feedback students receive through effective teacher feedback is a key factor in student learning. Teachers ensure students know what is expected of them in their learning and support them in knowing how to get there. Any parent concerns should always be directed to the classroom teacher early, so that parents and teachers can work together with the student to address these. Teachers strive towards helping children to:

- be proud of their efforts
- take responsibility for their own learning
- understand the purpose of learning activities
- reflect on whether they have achieved to the best of their ability
- think about what they can do to improve their own learning (specific actions that need to be taken)

There is much purposeful feedback in the December reports. We encourage parents to congratulate children on their achievements and to talk about setting goals for future learning.

Reflections, Achievements And Thank Yous
The efforts of our Green Machine have been well-documented over the course of this year, in the newsletter. Their efforts have resulted in our school becoming significantly more sustainable. Another Green Machine initiative is to make the playground a more natural play place and this will be partially achieved with the wonderful ‘nature play space’ that should be finished this week. The planting will be completed early in the new school year when we can monitor the watering. Congratulations to all our Green Machine members for all their achievements under the outstanding leadership of Stacey Fallon and Kate Tarrant.

Another representative student body is our Junior School Council which works to support many worthwhile causes. They also contribute to the School Council knowledge and understanding of student perspectives by way of student representatives attending the Community Engagement Sub-committee. After the feedback received from the school review process, it is our aim to ensure this representation is consistent and further developed in 2017.

We thank all our staff and volunteers who support enrichment programs for our CSPS students and the students themselves, for a terrific year and especially those whose contribution to additional activities and actions helps to make our school a better place in which to learn and play. This may be by participating in extracurricular activities such as orchestra, Drum Corps, choir, Green Machine, Chess Club, instrumental music, sports teams, leadership positions, taking community action such as writing to politicians or local Council to initiate change, mentoring and buddying younger students, helping and caring for others in our school community and beyond, as well as those who take the time to smile and greet others or compliment classmates for a job well done or another kind, caring action. These additional commitments make such a difference in our school and we thank all students who make the time and put in the extra effort to become involved. We are also grateful to Sandy Hood, ‘Master’ of the Drum Corps, who provides some extraordinary opportunities for our children.

We must thank Kim Leow who organises lost property, Dana Michael, Kellie Cartledge and Kellie Dean who manage the sale of second
hand uniform. We are also grateful to the families on the Mowing/Gardening Roster who give their weekend time for our school and to Robert Churchus who organises this. We are most appreciative of our Out of School Hours Care staff who, under David’s leadership, take great care of those children who attend before and after school. To the many volunteers on Parents’ Association and to our School Council members who do so much work for our school, both seen and unseen, we say a very warm and grateful “Thank you!” There are many people who are not named individually, to whom we extend our sincere gratitude, as they go about the business of supporting our Caulfield South children; so many contributions are invaluable and we certainly thank all our contributors!

It remains for us to once again, thank all of our dedicated teachers and support staff, for their commitment to the children of Caulfield South throughout 2016, the year of our School Review. For their great work, and skill, we say a heartfelt “Thank you!” The contribution of each and every staff member, towards collectively providing for the social and academic development and learning of our children and the organisation and administration of our school, is significant indeed. I would like to thank all the staff who contributed so purposefully to the school review this year and there are a number of teachers who must be thanked individually for the additional time and effort put into our thorough school self-evaluation and the resultant planning of new directions for teaching and learning at our school. I speak of our Curriculum and Focus Team leaders: Lainie Nestor (English), Danielle Wakeling and (previously) Stephanie Sim (Maths), Stacey Fallon and Kate Tarrant (Green Machine), Jeanneth Booth and Bronwyn Fensham (Student Wellbeing) and Ashleigh Browne (ICT). Our International Baccalaureate Primary Years Programme Coordinators, Andy Stefaniak and Andy McKibbin have overseen the development of curriculum and excellent teacher practice at our school this year and they have ensured all teachers are becoming more skilled in using purposeful data to inform their teaching. ‘The two Andys’ have indeed done an outstanding job this year in supporting the ongoing improvement of teaching and learning at our school. I also thank Gill Bartholomeusz, our Assistant Principal whose role is so diverse and demanding, for the great work she does throughout the year but most particularly during this last term which has been so challenging for me personally with my husband’s diagnosis of and subsequent treatment for cancer (which is a case of so far, so good). Thank you to all those community members for their generous actions and good wishes during this time. We are certainly very grateful to everyone for this wonderfully heart-warming support.

Farewell
Each year we say good-bye to many families, some of whom have been long-term CSPS families who are now seeing the youngest sibling complete Year 6. So to all the families of children leaving our school this year, we say thank you for the support you have given your own and other CSPS children in whatever capacity you have been able to manage, throughout the years at our school. One thing we know is, the contribution of parents enhances the school environment for your children in many ways, whether it’s being directly involved in classroom activities and learning, raising much needed funds, looking after the buildings and grounds or contributing to the decisions that shape the direction of our school; it all helps to build the best environment we can for student learning and development and to connect our children to school and community. The importance of the latter, we believe, cannot be underestimated in the role it plays in ensuring the wellbeing of our young people and which is so important for their success. So we thank you for supporting our students and wish you all the very best for the future.

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.

| ALEXANDER-WAYNE | GRIFFIN | NEUPANE |
| ALON           | GRINBERG | PECHERSKI |
| BAFITIS        | HALFORD  | RAFTOPOULOS |
| BASMAN         | HANTS    | SAHNOVSKI |
| BEISSEL        | HOFFMANN | SEROSHTAN |
| CROPMAN        | JOFFE    | STEIN |
| DATT           | KAPLAN   | TASSONE |
| DUCKWORTH      | KELEMEN  | VARON |
| EPSTEIN        | KONOPOV  | WALLIS |
| FINK           | LADE     | XU |
| FREIDIN        | LEVY (J) | YEMINI |
| FRIEMLAND      | LICENBLAT | ZHOU |
| GOICHMAN       | LIU      | |
| GOULD          | MCGILLEN | |
| GRAY           | MCNABNEY-STEVENS | |

We also wish the following children good luck as they move to new primary schools. These children leave siblings who will be attending CSPS in 2017.


We do hope we have included all families who are leaving because we certainly want to wish you all well!

Whether you celebrate Hanukkah, Christmas or the achievements at the end of another year, I hope this time brings much love and happiness to all. I wish everyone in our community a very relaxing, happy, peaceful and safe holiday, with the hope that you enjoy some fun times with family and friends so you return recharged with energy and optimism towards 2017 and all that it brings our way.

Happy holidays everyone!
Gayle

PLEASE NOTE:
QKr will be inactive from Thursday 15th December 2016 until Friday 20th December 2017 to enable rollover of students.
Please do not update/add any students before this date.

Many thanks
CSPS Office Staff
SHEDAROO GRAND OPENING

It has been years in the making but the Shed is finally up and running with HUGE success. Congratulations to Giorgia S. in 2A for coming up with the name “Shedaroo”! She even got to cut the ribbon at the Shedaroo Grand Opening Ceremony!

The Shedaroo was an initiative from the Student Wellbeing Team as a result of research by an expert, Marc Armitage. His findings discussed the power of providing loose parts and materials for kids to play with, in improving social skills, student wellbeing and learning skills. (If you are interested in reading more, his work is documented at http://www.marc-armitage.eu/?page=8.)

It has been wonderful watching kids of all ages playing together with the equipment in creative and imaginative ways. Thanks to Oily Motors (Nepean Hwy Carrum) for their support in donating some motorbike tyres for the Shedaroo. If you think you have some items that might be useful for the Shedaroo, please contact the office. We are looking for larger items e.g. rope, or items in bulk e.g. stackable containers.

We can’t wait to reopen Shedaroo in 2017!
Girogia (2A) at the Grand Opening of the Shedaroo.

2016 Fundraising Events

What a wonderful contribution to our school
Thank you parents!

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LOST PROPERTY – CHILDREN AND PARENTS

Our ‘Lost Property Volunteers’ would be very grateful if you would please check and collect lost property as soon as you can this week.

Please note: There are 2 AFL Football albums in the office. If you can identify one of these as yours please come and collect.

Many thanks

SECONDHAND UNIFORM SHOP 2016

Upstairs, (Near Year 3 rooms) Cash only, please

The Secondhand Uniform shop will be open fortnightly

Next Opening time: Monday December 5th: 8.30am – 9.10am

Dana and Rebecca will be happy to serve you. Correct money/small notes and change would be appreciated

Grab a bargain from $2 a piece.

SECONDHAND UNIFORM SHOP 2017

The Secondhand Uniform shop will be open fortnightly

First Opening time for 2017: Tuesday February 7th: 8.30am – 9.10am

Jacqueline and Elaine will be happy to serve you. Correct money/small notes and change would be appreciated

Grab a bargain from $2 a piece.

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The Italian word-of-the-week is
ARRIVEDERCI  It means  GOODBYE

Grazie, Sophie Bilionis Italian Teacher

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SATURDAY
4 FEB
2017
10am - 7pm
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Merry's Mosaics
MAKE A MOSAIC OR FUSED GLASS PIECE!

SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM!
FUN FOR KIDS & TEENS

DATE/TIME: 16 – 22 December 2016
11 – 30 January 2017
2 Sessions Daily Monday – Friday
10am – 12.30pm; 1:30pm – 4pm or stay the day
1:10am – 12.30pm
Choose your craft:
- Mosaic: $39 per session (7 yrs+)
- NEW: Glass fusing: $39 for flat piece; $56 for dish (10 yrs+)
- Bead Mosaic: $23 per session (5 -6 year olds)*
* Bead mosaic is a 3.5 hour activity, if you would like your child to stay for 5.5 hours cost will be an extra $10 for the second mosaic. Children under 8 must be accompanied by an adult

Book 1 or multiple sessions; Multiple session discounts apply; sibling discounts apply; Adult/child packages available.
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Call Sharon during office hours on 9818 2333
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Registration Forms for Term 1 2017 are available from the office or the CSPS Website CLASSES COMMENCE WEDNESDAY 22 FEB, 2017
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2017 Program Dates
Monday 16 January
Tuesday 17 January
Wednesday 18 January
Thursday 19 January
Friday 20 January

Monday 23 January
Tuesday 24 January
Wednesday 25 January
Thursday 26 January
Friday 27 January

For bookings
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For 4 to 12 year old Boys & Girls

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Caulfield South PS Term 4, 2016

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