



## CAULFIELD PRIMARY

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# Newsletter

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| JULY 2021             |  |                    |
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| Weds 24 <sup>th</sup> | Pupil Free Day – no students at school<br>Parent Teacher conversations | All day<br>9am-5pm |
| Fri 30 <sup>th</sup>  | Years 1/2 Material Science Incursion                                   | 9am-3.30pm         |
| SEPTEMBER 2021        |  |                    |
| Thurs 2 <sup>nd</sup> | SCHOOL PRODUCTION in the evening                                       | All school         |
| Fri 3 <sup>rd</sup>   | SCHOOL PRODUCTION in the evening                                       | All school         |

### From the Principal

#### Welcome to Term 3

One week ago I would have been writing about what a great start we'd had to the new Term, which at the time, was the case. The last week, though, just highlights how rapidly things can change with the whole community back into lockdown and families (and teachers!) grappling with home learning.

As is always the case, though, I know everyone is tackling this to the best of their abilities and it is great to see our children, generally, managing the situation really well. Hopefully the current restrictions have the desired effect and we're all soon be back on site



#### Pupil Free Day on Wednesday

Don't forget that despite next Tuesday being the day we hope the current restrictions end, Wednesday is a Pupil Free Day here at CPS due to online Parent Teacher Conversations taking place. Assuming the restrictions do



end then, our **children will not resume school until Thursday** of next week.

#### Families Affected by Quarantine

We're aware that unlike previous lockdowns, there are a huge number of people in quarantine, largely due to family members having attended a Tier 1



site. While being in quarantine is not an indication that any family members are in ill health, we would

ask that the school is notified if family members are in quarantine, especially once all our children return to on-site learning.

#### Peter Pan

With our whole-school production only 6 weeks



away we are naturally concerned about the possible impact of future lockdowns and restrictions. These could impact on our ability to put on the two performances as planned so, at present, we are looking at

it closely, and consulting widely, so that we can make the best possible decision.

Obviously we would prefer the show to go ahead as planned but given the rehearsal, expense, time, energy and general preparation that is going into it, we need to consider all eventualities and make a decision accordingly.

Of course regardless of what decision is made now, that could be overridden by the situation at that time. As in so many situations, all we can do is make the best decision possible at this time, taking into account the huge range of considerations, then keep our fingers crossed.

### 2022 Enrolments

If you have children or know of children starting school next year, who have not yet been enrolled with us for next year, please do so by the end of



next week. Enrolment forms are available from the Office or on our website, and can be submitted at the Office or electronically. Also relating to 2022, if you know that your child

will not be at CPS next year, other than Year 6 students, please advise us in writing as soon as possible. Please do not leave it until the end of the year as that adversely affects our planning.

### Semester 1 Reports & Parent Teacher Conversations

By now you should have received your child/ren's Semester 1 report/s. We hope you find them informative. Don't forget that for next Wednesday's online Parent/Teacher Conversations we ask you to come along with questions about your child's report. This will ensure effective use of the available time. The reports do not contain



learning goals for the rest of the year so this may be something you wish to raise.

Please remember that you are only meeting with your child/ren's

home room teacher. While teachers will have provided information they'd like shared, to their co-teacher to share with you, the teacher with whom you are meeting may not be able to answer all your questions in which case, they will be followed up on your behalf.

Please ensure you are on time for your Conversation as teachers have a very strict schedule to stick to. If you log in before your allocated time, you will be kept in the Waiting

Room until the teacher invites you in so please be patient.

As Wednesday is a Pupil Free Day, Camp Australia is offering a whole day program details of which were sent out via SchoolStream.

### Staffing Changes

Sadly we'll soon be saying goodbye to Mrs Hayley Kain, one of the co-teachers of Prep C. Along with her family, Mrs Kain is relocating to Queensland. At this stage Mrs Kain's last day is Friday 6 August so hopefully we're all back on-site before then so that we can farewell her. Mrs Kain has been at CPS since the start of 2020 and we have very much enjoyed having her as part of the CPS team. We wish her and her family all the best for their new life in the sunny north. We are currently seeking a replacement for Mrs Kain. As we farewell Mrs Kain, we Welcome Tomomi Coster who is joining us two days a week as a Japanese Assistant. Tomomi is replacing Hitomi Matsumura who is on parent leave.



### Performing Arts Shed

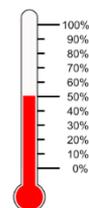
Unbeknownst to many people, we now have a large storage shed specifically for the storage of all our Performing Arts resources such as props, sets and costumes. The shed is located behind the hall opposite the Sport and P&FC sheds. This was made possible through parent fundraising and



voluntary contributions and is another example of the importance of families contributing to the resourcing of the school.

### Solar Panels

During the holidays we had solar panel installed on the roof of the Year 5/6 building. These are not visible as they lie flat on the roof but we look forward to them contributing to our power needs and reducing our electricity bills.



### Building Fund

After the end of financial year appeal for donations to our Building Fund, the total now stands at over \$15 000. While not enough to lock in the painting of our Prep Rooms, it will allow us to undertake a few other smaller projects that

need doing and lay the foundation for getting the Prep rooms done in the future. Of course donations can be made at any time and are always tax deductible. We only need another \$15 000 to get the painting done so check under the bed and see if there's any spare money there! Thank you to all those families who have recently made donations.

### School Review

Believe it or not, despite all the restrictions our School Review is still starting next week, ONLINE!! Obviously the process will have to be modified as we proceed but over the next few weeks the Review panel still hopes to have opportunities to visit classrooms and have discussions with students, parents and staff.

### Term Invoices

Given a number of activities have already had to be postponed or cancelled due to home learning, adjustments will be made to family accounts where Term Invoices have already been paid. One of the items on the Term Invoice is the School Production Costume charge. This charge was introduced to avoid families having to source costume items for their children, other than things they would already have. The school can purchase things more cost effectively and ensure that the children have exactly what is needed.

### Working Bee 21 August

Our Term 3 Working Bee is scheduled for Saturday



21 August from 10.00am to 12.00pm. Families who opted to attend Working Bees rather than pay the voluntary Grounds Payment are asked to note that date. Of course all families are welcome to join us as there is always

plenty to do. Like everything else, the Working Bee is subject to any restrictions in place at that time.

### Congratulations Glen Eira SC

Glen Eira College, with whom we have a strong connection, has recently been recognised for their sustained improvement in student learning. Our school has had an increasing number of students

attending Glen Eira in recent years and, in fact, CPS gets a mention in this article published in The Age <https://www.theage.com.au/national/victoria/schools-that-excel-how-glen-eira-college-won-the-community-s-trust-20210614-p580xj.html>

### PETER GRAY

Principal

### From the PFC

#### CPS Trivia Night

Due to the current COVID lockdown and restrictions, the CPS Trivia Night has been postponed and will be rescheduled for a later date. Stay tuned!

### Fun Run

Fancy doing a fun run? CPS children, parents, friends and staff are invited to join P&FC at the 2021 Run for the Kids.

When? Sunday 29 August

Where? Start and finish in Docklands

Distance? 5.2km and 14km courses

Start times: vary, depending on course and ability.

We would love to see as many people from our school community out on the course so encourage your family, friends and teachers to sign up! Don't think you can make the distance? No worries - it's ok to walk (the whole way)!

To register please sign up

at [www.runforthekids.com.au](http://www.runforthekids.com.au)

Join as part of the Caulfield Primary School team - using the below URL and the password CPS2021.

<https://www.registernow.com.au/secure/Register.aspx?E=41875&G=131113>

You can also help raise money for the Royal Children's Hospital at the following fundraising page:

<https://runforthekids2021.gofundraise.com.au/page/CAULFIELD%20PRIMARY%20SCHOOL>

Note: race kits will be sent out to individuals, not to the team administrator.

If you have any problems registering, please contact Lara T on [lara.mortoncox@gmail.com](mailto:lara.mortoncox@gmail.com) or chat to her at school pick-up time.

We will organise some training sessions in due course, as well as some after-run festivities.

See you on the course - let's make it a sea of purple!