



Our students are confident learners and caring citizens prepared for their futures.

– August –

Fri 12	Science Week Escape Room TODAY: after school @ 3.30pm for families
Mon 15 to Wed 17	Year 5-6 Camp in Mylor
Tue 23	R-1 & 1-2 excursion to Bassett School & Hopgood Theatre
Wed 24	Book Week Dress Up Parade/Elders' Day Theme: Dreaming with Eyes Open
Thu 25	Book Week performance for our students here @ school
Thu 25	First Aid for Year 1-2 Class
Wed 31	Assembly @ 2.40pm, hosted by 5-6s

– September –

Fri 2	RAA Street Smart lessons for all classes
Mon 5 to Tue 6	Year 3-4 Camp in Aldinga
Thu 8	Nature Play Day from 11am Working Bee from 12pm
Thu 8	RUOK? Day
Fri 9	Premier's Reading Challenge ends
Tue 13	7pm Governing Council Meeting
Tue 20	Assembly @ 2.40pm, hosted by 3-4s
Thu 29	Whole School Photo Day
Fri 30	Early dismissal at 2.20pm

From the Library

Premier's Reading Challenge: Forms are due by Friday, 9 September. Well done to those who have already completed the challenge! Please see Sally in the library if you need any help. The R-1s have been working together as a class to complete the challenge this year.



Book Week is in week 5 and we will be celebrating with a dress-up day on Wednesday, 24 August. Come along as your favourite book character or to the theme of this year: **Dreaming with Eyes Open.**

Principal's Message

Dear CPS families and communities

It's been a wet and windy week here at school with a few spikes of sunshine in between. Unfortunately all of this rain has made the school yard very boggy and has meant our swing is out of action in the playground. The whole play equipment area needs to be dug out and topped up with woodchips and this will be done as a matter of urgency as soon as we get the okay from facilities.

Thank you to those who attended assembly yesterday. If you did, you would have heard me espouse the amazingness of our girls' 5-6 basketball team. We are very proud of them, after their big win and wish them well for their upcoming matches. Another congratulations goes to our newest SRC reps: in year 1-2 we have Raph & Stella with deputies Max & Emma, in year 3-4 we have Zahlia & Ollie, with deputies Oli & Kayley, and the Year 5-6 Class Reps are Beau & Hannah with Emily & Trav as deputies. You have an important role in this school, SRC Reps, so please work hard and be good role models for others.

Kind regards

Regan

Regan Birrell, Principal

Volleyball

Last week we managed to squeeze in a couple of volleyball sessions before it was called off due to heavy rain...then the skies cleared for the remainder of the day! Today, we made an early call to cancel based on the forecast of non-stop rain throughout the day, then it barely rained at all! Fingers crossed for some good sessions next week.

Hats

From 1 September, children must wear a sun hat outside during play breaks and during outdoor lessons. Hats can be ordered from the office at a cost of \$20 each. Come inside and talk to us, send us an email or flick us a text on 0428 409 989 and include the number of hats you would like and the names you would embroidered on each hat.

*We acknowledge the Kaurna people as the traditional owners of this land.
We acknowledge their living culture and unique role in the life of this region.*

Featuring: the Year 3-4 Class

We have had a busy and interesting term so far in the Year 3-4 Class. In English, our class novel for this term is the imaginative text *Kumiko and the Dragon* by Briony Stewart. The children have been exploring the characters, setting and orientation as part of their Close Reading tasks and using examples of the author's descriptive language style in their own writing. A fun activity involved describing their own dragon and getting someone else to read then draw it. Next we will be exploring how the author creates a mood using language and imagery. We hope to see some highly imaginative texts for our next Brightpath narrative assessment later this term.

We worked with our buddies talking about celebrations, discussing similarities and differences.

Our number focus this term is fluency and recall of times tables. Measurement is our current unit of work in maths, where the students have been involved in many hands-on tasks to consolidate their understanding of length, mass, capacity and volume, their units of measurement and considerable practice using and reading scaled measuring equipment. Seeing measuring used at home will certainly consolidate your child's understanding and skills. In one task we first estimated then measured a distance based on the following question: A frog can jump 20 times its body length; if we were frogs how far would our leap be?



We have been fortunate to book sessions of yoga, gymnastics and volleyball as part of our health and PE programme this term and the children have certainly enjoyed learning new sport skills. The children have also been learning a new game called *flag tag* with Ms Birrell. After the first attempt, Ms Birrell worked more closely with the class to build their resilience in order to enjoy the game more freely.



HASS investigations are well underway with students revising their current knowledge of Australia as shown in the posters presented at assembly yesterday before exploring our Pacific neighbours' cultures and art. For HASS we have been working collaboratively in pairs, reflecting on and representing our current knowledge of Australia, which culminated in creating some colourful posters.

We're proud to say our class has achieved 11 consecutive days with the whole class wearing Clarendon school uniform as per our new updated policy.

Thanks everyone, for your co-operation.



Science Week Fun!



Each class this week had a fantastic incursion where they had to solve a crime by using clues found at the scene of the crime.

There were several crime scenes set up with the same clues and children worked in groups to gather all of the information available to help them solve the crime.



"I made the cyclone out of a tin, wood and a hand drill – Dad helped me because there was lots of dangerous stuff. We put three candles inside and lit them and I was expecting the fire would make a tower by swirling up together but the fire just leans towards the middle when I spin the hand drill handle. I felt happy that my project was close to the prize winner table and I was close to winning a prize. Science Alive was amazing with all the different science experiments. My favourite was the laser maze – we had to move the mirrors to make the laser go to the dot." **Nate, year 3**

Upcoming Pizza Fundraiser!

We will be inviting families from each class to order take away pizza over the next 4 weeks. Your child will receive an order form the week prior to their class date:

Week 4: R-1 Class 18 Aug Week 5: 1-2 Class 25 Aug Week 6: 3-4 Class 1 Sep Week 7: 5-6 Class 8 Sep

\$8 for 1 pizza \$15 for 2 pizzas \$22 for 3 pizzas \$30 for 4 pizzas GF \$2 extra per pizza

Keep an eye out for your order form, remember to return it and pay via EFTPOS or online via EFT; cash will be accepted too, but EFT and EFTPOS are preferred methods of payment.

If you have children in multiple classes, you will be invited to order each time...lucky you!

Young Environmental Leaders Program (YELP) Excursion

Our YEL students attended a forum at St Catherine's School in Stirling recently where they started the day with an icebreaker called People Bingo. They then undertook several environmental games and activities; folding origami food scrap containers was a fun task that will be utilised at school during garden lessons, and they began brainstorming potential whole school sustainability projects.



Basketball – Boys' & Girls' Teams

Congratulations to our girls' basketball team who are going through to states and a big well done to our boys' team who put so much energy and enthusiasm into every moment they were on the court.



Lilly, Lexi & Travis were asked for a comment about basketball and these are their words:

“It was nerve-racking and very scary going up against teams without knowing what to do (we only had about three training sessions), but...it was *really* fun. States will be at the start of Term 4 for the girls.”