



Newsletter

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Calendar— Term 1

28 January to 24 March

MARCH

Mon 7	Swimming Session 6
Tues 8	New Playgroup Tuckshop Tuesday
Wed 9	
Thur 10	Learning for Littlies Thursday Playgroup Kitchen Garden
Friday 11	MarcVan Friday Fang Swimming Session 7
Mon 14	Labour Day Public Holiday
Tues 22	School Council 4.30 pm
Wed 23	School Photos 9am
Thur 24	Final day of Term 1

On Thursday Kat and I attended our first Maths professional development session on improving numeracy outcomes across our schools. Some strong take home messages were about the different types of mindsets children have (we are encouraging children to have growth mindsets), how we talk to our children about Maths (eg “I wasn’t very good at Maths”) and the characteristics of effective numeracy teachers.

FRIDAY FANG & TUCKSHOP

Friday Fang is on again this week. Please ensure all orders are in by Thursday morning. Don’t forget some small change to support our Tuckshop Tuesday.

Marc Van

Mrs Severs will be here on Friday morning with the Marc Van. Please ensure books are carried in bag.

SUNSMART

The CCPS Sunsmart policy requires all of our school community to have sun protection from **September to April**—hats are essential! Daily sun protection times—this week from **9.50am to 4.50pm**.



Flying our Flags at Frouteville

What a beautiful day to showcase our fantastic school on Saturday at the Nicholson River Winery. Thankyou to John and Jill who coordinated the running of our stall. Jill organised all the produce, frog flyers, cook books and recipes that were on display, whilst John served delicious tasting plates with corn and zucchini fritters, zucchini chips and bamboo boats of rhubarb or passionfruit flummery. Thankyou to

Robyn and Kat (and Charlie) who were there to hand out flyers and finger food. Thankyou to John Hermans who pressed fresh apple & pear juice and donated the profits to the school. Thankyou also to Ashley and Naomi who were flying the flag for the Creek by handing out tasting plates. Once again I was so proud to be a part of our school community. What a terrific little school we have!



Happy Birthday
to Hayley who turned 11 last Wednesday.

Website—

Our school website is updated weekly—have you checked it lately?

All the classroom news

Our soundwaves focus is the letter Ii (as in igloo). This includes the graphemes i,e,u,ui. Concepts we will discuss are rhyming, prefixes and adding s and es. The children will begin their new reading rubrics with a book of their own choice. We have continued our work on narratives. Our word of the day challenges provide the children with an excellent opportunity to practise their dictionary skills whilst our Quick write sessions (5 minutes to write on a topic provided by me) have produced some fantastic story starters.

In Marvellous Maths last week we continued our addition and subtraction work. This ranges from using counters to add 12 and 4, all the way through to rounding numbers to two decimal places and using vertical addition with carrying, and everything in between! We also worked on our times tables and counting patterns. This week we will be assessing addition and subtraction skills, doing quick Maths, Mathletics,

playing “100 or Bust” and continuing to give the children *positive experiences to build a real love of maths*.

Science Wednesday and Kitchen Garden Thursday were filled with the regular routine learning tasks including Quick Write, Multiplication and Addition Walls, Mates Reading, Word of the Day, Super Sevens Spelling and Silent Reading SQUIRT. A Big Book, predictive text and a literacy based Conundrum had students thinking outside the box. Our Science involved predicting and experimenting with "chook" eggs-floating, spinning, salt water, hard boiled and finally a hard boiled shelled egg being sucked into a bottle! It was all very challenging. A loop machine tutorial finished off the day on Thursday.

Kitchen Garden saw a huge harvest and a storm cooked up of Fruit Flummeries for Frouteville, Zucchini Fritters, Ratatouille and Indian Spiced beans. Yummy!

Littlies Learning at the Creek 10-am until 1pm

This week we will hold our first Thursday morning toddler playgroup. The format of these sessions are slightly more structured with opportunities for our toddlers to participate in some of the amazing learning opportunities we provide here at CCPS. This week our children will be planning ‘mini mates’ sessions for our visitors. Lunch with the whole school concludes the session. We hope to see lots of new faces! Let me know by texting Tuesday afternoon if you will be attending.

Our established Tuesday morning Playgroupers will continue to meet with Bree and Danielle as usual. All are welcome to our Playgroup sessions!

Condolences

We would like to offer our sincere condolences to John and Judy on the passing of Judy's sister last week.

School Council

The next meeting is re-scheduled for Tuesday 22 March. Agendas and paperwork will be emailed to members shortly.

Responsible Pet Owners

We are still waiting on a new confirmed date.

School Photos

Rosie will be here on Wednesday 23 March. Please return your photo orders & payments before Monday 21.

Public Holiday

Next Monday 14th March is Labour Day Public Holiday.

LOCAL HONEY

We have new stock of Coastal Box honey from our local apiarists— Now in a 3kg tub for \$30, 1 kg tubs for \$12 and 500g for \$8. Thankyou to Mick and Liane for helping us with our fundraising.

AFL Auskick at Lucknow.

The 2016 program starts in early in term 2. (13th April)

Where: Lucknow Football Ground, Great Alpine Rd.

When: Wednesday afternoons, 4:30pm - 5:30pm.

Cost: \$80 (payable at time of online registration)

The AFL Auskick program makes learning to play AFL fun, safe and easy for boys and girls aged 5yrs and up. Through weekly coaching sessions they will learn the skills of the game in an exciting, social and safe environment.

Please search 'AFLAusKick/lucknow' for more info or call 0448 794 750.

East Gippsland Waterdragons Swim Club is holding a Fun Session & Race Night

New Swimmers welcome!

Friday March 18th @ Bairnsdale Aquatic & Recreation Centre
(BARC)

(Pool Entry is free at Bairnsdale on Fridays)

4:30pm for New Members and Mini Swimmers

5.30pm for Race Session with All Squad swimmers

Fun Night/Race enquires: Bec Seignior Mobile: 0448030844

New member enquiries: Mary Strini 0438 521 252