



# Newsletter

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## Calendar— Term 4

3 October to 20 December

### OCTOBER

- Tues 4 Playgroup
- Wed 5
- Thurs 6 Kitchen Garden
- Friday 7 MarcVan
- Mon 10 Prep Steps Transition  
Carol's Birthday
- Tues 11 Regional Athletics Carnival

### Welcome back!

Wow! There has been a lot of CCPS news since our last newsletter! On Thursday 8th of September our Creeker dancers headed off at 5am for final rehearsal days and the grand performances for the State Schools Spectacular on Saturday 10th. There was much excitement and anticipation and as expected our kids were fantastic. They coped with bustling crowds, heavy traffic, crowded trams, long waits between sets, repeated tries at the same dances, huge and unfamiliar rehearsal surroundings, dormitory hostel accommodation and working closely and co-operatively with the Nicholson Primary team! The final performances topped off a great experience as the kids excelled. The tears of pride from parents, family, friends and staff were testament of the success.



## SUNSMART

The time for wearing sunhats is here again.

The CCPS SunSmart policy requires all of our school community to have sun protection from **September to the end of April**—hats are essential here at school or at any school excursion. Daily sun protection times—this week from ***10.10am to 4.00pm.***



Meanwhile back at the Creek Kat and Dave provided a great program for those that weren't part of the SSS. The last Monday of Term 3 saw students back on deck, some still tired not only from their massive few days but from some energetic after performance activity on the way home!

The last week of term was the last for Liz Cooke who finished her final placement at CCPS. Liz had a relaxed manner with the students and built respectful and positive relationships during her short stint whilst also sharpening her skills of the craft. We formally farewelled her on Friday. On Thursday our Kitchen Garden was again amazing with the final meal fit for kings-thanks again John Ireland and Jill.

Our Literacy Week Book mates session was a great way to finish term. Our big mates did an awesome job preparing their lessons and in their Book Character dress ups which really added to the day. Where's Wally and Rainbow Fish joined other quirky characters in a memorable last day - we even had B1 from Bananas in Pyjamas driving the school bus.

Hopefully all students and families have had a great holiday break. John and I have just returned from an amazing and full on trip to India and I look forward to sharing some of the experience with the kids on the 10th October. I will be on a one week Long Service Leave this week and resume work next Monday. Kat, Dave, John and Robyn will steer the ship this week. Thanks to them.

Thanks also to Jill and Ashley for caring for the gardens and animals throughout the holiday break and to Dave for his beautification of the library and Kookaburra cottage.

Coming up we have our standard exciting learning activities, a trip to a theatre production of Paul Jennings's Gizmo in Sale on Wednesday 19th, Minnie's Regional Athletics, our School Review, Sporting Schools, our 2017 Prep transition and all in all a busy term of learning at the Creek.



The last two **Science Wednesdays** of term were shared with Liz in her placement at CCPS. The Words of the Day, Spelling and Quick Writes continued as routine whilst Liz introduced the broad theme of Natural Disasters. Children continued their Tinkering and used vinegar and bicarb soda to simulate volcanoes that students built. In maths students built three dimensional shapes from nets and used MAB units to calculate the volume of various shapes. We looked at the word duel and many other words which meant two or double and their roots. Each Wednesday we also are looking at Paul Jennings's short stories in preparation for our theatre experience in Sale in a couple of weeks. We have recently watched *Ice Cream Man Cometh* and *Yuckles*.

### Playgroup-

We look forward to our weekly sessions of playgroup each Tuesday morning from 10 -11.30am. If you know of any families with babies/toddlers who would be interested in attending, please let us know.

### Regional Athletics

Good luck to Minnie as she heads to the Regional Athletics Carnival next Tuesday 11 October at Newborough as part of the Mitchell Cluster 10y.o. girls relay team.

### PREP STEPS TRANSITION

Our transition program for 2017 preps begins next Monday. We are looking forward to welcoming an excited Annika! If you are aware of any other potential Prep Steppers, please let us know to allow us to include them in our transition program.

### Kitchen Garden

This week we resume our learning activities in the garden and kitchen with lots of seasonal spring vegetables to harvest and enjoy. Dave will be taking John's place in the kitchen this week.

### MARCVAN

Mrs Severs will be here this Friday morning with the MarcVan. Please ensure your child brings an extra bag to protect their library books.

**Tuckshop and Friday Fang** will start again next week.

**BOOKCLUB**—order forms are included with today's news. Please return orders and payments by Friday 21st October.

### Bairnsdale Hockey Club

With a large emphasis on fun, social & fitness benefits. Summer Hockey is a 7ASide competition played on a modified, smaller field with modified rules. It is suitable for school age and above, and all skill levels, whether you want to learn a new skill or just keep fit in the off season. Wednesday nights at 5.30 pm for a 6pm start. Bring your friends, bring your family and don't forget your stick, shin guards, & mouth guard.

9 week Competition

Registration Fee : \$20 per person

Registrations on Wednesday 5th October 2016 from 5.30pm@ the WORLD building, Mc Kean St. Bairnsdale  
Welcome BBQ & Scratch match to start the season 12th October 2016, 5.30pm for a 6pm start @ the WORLD building

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Joining  
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Chorus*



*Well done to Kat, Dave and students for the amazing library transformation that took place whilst we were at SSS Joining the Chorus. Our library now looks spacious, tidy and very inviting. Thank you!*

