The Weeks Ahead

Week 7
- Tuesday – P&C Meeting 7.30pm in the staffroom
- Thursday – U’10 Knight’s Knockout, Police & Principal Forum
- Friday – Concert Band, Star Struck Choir Rehearsal

Week 8
- Monday – Long weekend holiday
- Wednesday – Star Struck Dance
- Thursday – Star Struck Dress Rehearsal
- Friday – Star Struck Performance, Concert Band, Star Struck Excursion
- Saturday – Star Struck Performance

Kinder Enrolments 2016

I have had a number of parents approach me of late enquiring about the ‘state of affairs’ in regard to enrolment for Kinders in 2016. Here is where we stand as of today. We currently have a record 49 applications for enrolment all of whom we will not be able to say yes to because of the physical classroom constraints. 30 out of the 49 applicants are ‘in zone’ students who are guaranteed a place as per the Department of Education Enrolment Policy. Given our staffing allocation and the physical classroom availability we will be able to take just a few more Kinders on top of that if there are no more ‘in zone’ applicants between now and next January. However, I will know more about the possibility of our school growing to a 9 class configuration after my mid year meeting with the Director of Public Schools in late June. I will clarify our situation to our school community once that meeting has taken place. I would personally be disappointed if we were in the position of having no available enrolment places for the siblings of students who are already enrolled in older grades at CSPS that live out of the DEC zoning area for our school, however, we are also legally bound to adhere to departmental policy. Watch this space for more information in the coming weeks.

Great Goals From Gallant Boys & Girls

Our Girls and Boys PSSA soccer teams performed admirably against some vastly populated and large local schools in last week’s State Knockout Competitions. Our girls team started a little slowly but found their feet later in the day with a hard fought win over neighbours Mount Hutton PS. Caitlin Beer and Madeline Howard powered some excellent shots past the keeper to set up a superb victory. A great effort by our girls who played the day without a reserve bench, after an injury in game 1 to our 7 foot centre midfielder Imogen Petrie. Despite our boys netting 5 cracking goals on the day, we didn’t manage a victory but our young team came away with great experience under their belts which will be invaluable in next year’s event. Eli Barnes-Loxley scored a couple of goals worthy of the Foxtel yearly highlight reel and strikers Cameron Howard and Dawsan McMiles covered more kilometres than a marathon runner every game creating chances for our team. Some snaps from the day can viewed on our school website.
When Kids Ask the Questions .... Interrelate Has the Answers!

On Tuesday evening June 16 in our library, presenters from Interrelate will be presenting 1 hour sessions for Year 3 to 6 students. Year 3/4 session (Where Did I Come From) commences at 6pm and the Year 5/6 session (Preparing For Puberty) begins at 7.15pm. Interrelate is a high quality sexuality and relationship education program with 85 years experience in this field of education. Over 35,000 families participate in the Interrelate programs every year with the feedback from mums, dads and kids overwhelmingly positive. Sessions are $25 per family for a single session and $30 if attending the two sessions. Notes have been distributed to all families. If you have missed these, they can be accessed from our website or by calling the school office.

♫ ♪♫ Are you Lonesome Tonight?

Then there is absolutely no need to be! Our friendly and relaxed group of P&C mums and dads will meet tomorrow night at 7.30pm in our staffroom to go over some upcoming events at CSPS including allocation of funds for our next project. Please note the article title has no reflection that our new P&C President is a little ‘Elvis’ like!

Staffing Adjustment For Term 2

One of our regular and much loved casual teachers, Miss Mullins, returns to us for the rest of Term 2 to teach computers whilst Mrs Eland is on leave. Every staff member is already looking forward to her great baking! I did also overhear one of our mums comment to her two sons on Friday ...

"Miss Mullins, ohhhh, we love Miss Mullins. She’s great!" We agree!

Knight’s Knockout This Week

Our Under 10’s Rugby League team is absolutely bursting for Thursday to arrive! If enthusiasm equated to points on the board, we would win a week before matches commence. ‘Coach Kelly’ has primed the boys for a big showing and put the final touches on their defensive game. The fact he is a Parramatta supporter does leave some holes in his credentials but we are hoping his NRL disappointments don’t flow over into half time team talks!

CSPS Star Struck Students Set For Stardom!!

We wish all of our ‘Star Struckers’ the very best over the next week or so as they face countless rehearsals which culminate in four massive performances on Friday and Saturday. Sunday will definitely be a day of rest for them as I’m sure it will be also for Miss Walker and Miss Lawson who have both sacrificed their time, money and sleep (or lack thereof!) to allow our kids this wonderful opportunity. Even if you haven’t got a child involved in Star Struck I’d encourage you to grab a ticket to see what is always, an absolutely brilliant show. Thousands of students from High Schools and Primary schools from across the Hunter and Central Coast combine to put on performances every year that leave audiences wanting more. If you have never taken the family into the Newcastle Entertainment Centre for a huge spectacular show, I’d highly recommend that Star Struck 2015 be the one. You will not regret it, guaranteed.

Mr J’s Free Parenting Tip

To continue my last theme on comparisons we make with our kids, I’d like to take the next few lines of our Newsletter to reflect upon arguably one of the greatest keys to a child’s security .... unconditional praise and love. I have witnessed countless occasions at sporting and other competitive child centred events where parents have lavished love and praise on a child due to their success (which is fine!), but then withheld the same affections when they haven’t performed well. The message sent .... we love you when you win, not so much when you don’t. So how do kids cope with that sense of pressure and inevitable rejection? Answer ..... they usually don’t. If children grow up with a message from their family that says we are delighted when you do well and disappointed and downcast when you perform below expectation, we shouldn’t be surprised when they withdraw, opt out or look elsewhere for affirmation. Love, affection and praise withheld due to what can be conveyed as failure on the field, stage or classroom has lifelong implications and consequences. A tip .... Hug your kids and pat them on the back and affirm them verbally regardless of the outcome of a game or performance. It will create security within them far beyond what they can ever explain.
Athletics Carnival

Once again our Athletics Carnival proved to be a huge success with participation levels at an all time high. The sun shone brightly, smiles extended widely, competitors ran, jumped and threw to the cheers of their classmates and families, all of which was framed like a postcard with the leafy surrounds. The new venue at Cardiff Little Athletics Field proved a massive hit with all, allowing us a little greater space and access to quality athletics equipment and great levels of support from the local Little A’s Club. Check out some of the photos from the day on our website taken by mum, teacher and pro photographer, Mrs Kristy Rinkin. They truly tell the story. The pics of Mr Kelly helping the Kinders to throw the shot put are priceless! A list of our age champions is found below along with a refreshed list of CSPS updated Athletics Records. This year we had 15 records broken or equalled!

A massive thank you to all of the wonderful parents that formed a huge team of volunteers to ensure our BBQ, canteen and timekeeping all ran smoothly.

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PSSA Knockout Soccer Days

Principal’s Award

Term 2 Week 5
Imogen Petrie 5/6W

Term 2 Week 6
Marcos Rich 4/5K
Diary Dates

June
Mon 8th  Queen's Birthday Holiday
June Long weekend
Wed 10th  Book Club orders due to the office by 9am
Thu 11th  Kinder Excursion to Sydney Aquarium & Wildlife World
Fri 12th  Star Struck Excursion
Tue 16th  Interrelate Year 3 - 6
          6pm & 7.15pm
Fri 26th  Last day of Term 2

July
Mon 13th  Staff Development Day
Tue 14th  Students return to school

Lost
Our lost property basket is filling up again with jumpers and jackets. If your child has lost one, please check with us at the office.

Found
A gift card has been found and handed in to our office. If you have lost one, please ask Kellie or Cheryl at the office. Please note this card will only be returned to a parent, not a student. Thanks for your understanding.

Canteen Roster

Thu 4 June
Kylie Thomas, Kirsten Bridge

Fri 5 June
Kelly Burton, Kim Moore, Sarah Stevenson

Thu 11 June
Amy Murphy, Sarah Stevenson

Fri 12 June
Kim Moore, Nicole Phillips

Book Club orders are due Wednesday 10th June by 9.00am. Thank you.

Entertainment books available now!
$60 each at the school office - don’t miss out!

Girls Winter Tights are now available at the office. Keep those legs and toes toasty warm this winter!
Sizes 4 to 10 are $7.50 pair,
Sizes 10 to 12 are $9.50 pair.
NEWS FROM THE ADMIN OFFICE

From 22 June 2015 you will have the option to pay for all school expenses using the “Parent On Line Payment” option on our school website. Payments can be made with either a credit card or debit card. Parent instruction booklets are available at the office for all interested parents.

Using this function is easy—You will click on the tab “Make a Payment” on the home page of our website and complete the necessary fields. You will be issued a receipt number, that you should record. All permission notes will have an option to advise that you have made an on line payment & to record your receipt number.

I look forward to this new innovation and hope that it will make your life & mine a little easier when it comes to paying for all school expenses that crop up all year.

Kellie Pascoe
School Administration Manager

Community Notices

“One in a Minion”

A fundraising event is being held to raise money for a very rare disease, MPS.

This will be a very family friendly event held at Reading Cinemas Charlestown on Sunday 21st June at 2pm.

Tickets are $20 adult and $15 children which includes a screening of the new movie “Minions”, a drink, small popcorn and a donation. There will also be lucky door prizes.

Please contact Cass Small (Kane’s mum) on 0422 787 509.
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