



**CAVERSHAM**  
PRIMARY SCHOOL

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# Caversham News

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## From the Principal's Desk

Mrs Perkins is on Long Service Leave and will be back at school on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> March.

As we operate under the Independent Public School status the School Board has taken the opportunity to update the school logo. The new logo (see above) incorporates the vine leaf into a modern design with the circle representing a "rounded" education for our students.

A new wall mural will be put up in the undercover area very soon. Please see below and view the full colour version by viewing the newsletter on our website or via the school app.

(A large photograph mural of the old wall mural takes pride of place in the school library)



## Factions and Faction Shirts

With our student numbers reaching in excess of 300, the task of our P&C Volunteers manually screen printing individual Factions shirts has become unmanageable.

Last week the School Board voted to establish three bold colour factions rather than continue with the existing colours. The new Faction Colours are -

Carew-gold

Arnup-red (previously black on a light blue shirt)

Bodley-green (previously white)

We will inform you when shirt designs have been finalised and when they will become available for purchase through the Uniform Shop.

Faction shirts will then be optional to wear not only for sporting events but every Friday.

## Student Safety - Hats with Cords

Families may have seen the recent incident regarding a school in Adelaide's south where a student received injuries to her neck after the cord of her school hat became caught as she was playing on a slide. The cord was fitted with a safety clip but the clip failed to release. The accident resulted in a really bad neck injury but could have been fatal if not for the quick actions of a school friend.

Our school uniform hats **do not** have strings but from time to time we are aware that students bring a spare hat from home when theirs is misplaced or being washed.

**Parents** - It is important that student's spare hats are safe to wear in a playground environment. For the safety of your children we strongly encourage parents not to send your child to school with a hat which has a cord attached. Necklaces pose a similar hazard.

# NAPLAN

The National Assessment Program in Literacy and Numeracy for Years 3 and 5 students will take place in Week 3, Term 2, Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> May to Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> May. An information brochure will be sent home with all Yr 3 and Yr 5 students and all students are expected to sit the test. However, if you have any concerns regarding your child sitting the test, please speak to Rhys Beavan or Kim Perkins.

## Visible Learning Updates from the Staff

At Caversham, teachers have undertaken to make visible learning part of our everyday practice. Visible Learning is focussing on what we are learning rather than what we are doing. It allows students to make connections and facilitates the transfer of skills and knowledge to deeper understanding. Visible Learning underpins all learning areas and develops assessment capable students.

This means students can plan their next learning steps with a teacher, understand what their results mean, know if they have achieved the learning intention and can answer these three questions:

Where am I going?

How am I going?

Where to next?

Students become confident to track their own progress using rubrics and/or samples and can set personal goals for learning.

## Early Childhood Classes Request for Donations

Dear Parents

Early Childhood Education (ECE) classes are seeking donations of dress-ups, shoes, hats, pots and pans, wooden spoons, bird baths, wood off cuts and ceramic pot plants (with or without a plant). If you have any of these items at home that are not being used please bring them to Room 9 (Mrs Jain) or Room 10 (Mrs Allingham). Your donation will be greatly appreciated.

Many Thanks  
ECE Team

## Updat-ed App



Parents - Receive reminders about closing dates for special events (eg. Sushi Orders), link directly to newsletters, report an absence and save events that are important to you, straight to your calendar.

**Getting connected is easy** - download the app, search for Caversham Primary School from the dropdown list. Complete a request to join the app, which will be verified by the school and then the app will be ready for you to enjoy.

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## P&C Friday Icy Poles

The P&C will notify families later in the week via the P&C Facebook page 'Friends of Caversham Primary' and through the school app (see above) if 50c icy poles will be available this Friday.

## P&C AGM Meeting

The P&C AGM will be held on 21<sup>st</sup> March 2017 at 9am in the Library. Annual Membership is just \$1.00.