Absentee Notifications - Caversham.PS.Absentees@education.wa.edu.au

Electronic Payment of Voluntary Contributions - can be made to BSB: 066-109 Account #: 00900114 using the narration ‘fees and your child’s full name’.

**From the Principal’s Desk**

It is great to have Mr Beavan back at school looking recovered from his accident.

Since our last newsletter the School Council has met. I would like to welcome new members Mrs Frieda Allingham, Mrs Margaret McCarthy, Mr Mohammad Memon, Mr Jagdish Karnavat and Mrs Crystal Clarkson.

Harmony Day celebrations were a huge success with staff and students treated to cultural dance lessons and an outstanding display from families in our community, sharing their culture at our ‘Talk It Up’ tables. Please see the attached special edition newsletter for some great photos of the day.

**Run Club**

It is wonderful to see so many students enjoying the Run Club. As at the 15th of March we have 105 students running. **How far can you run in a year?**

Mrs Jeayes is busy keeping accurate records for each individual student. As at the 15th of March participants had run a total of 652kms. Mrs Jeayes is also tracking the combined total of kms run on a map of Australia. The distance run so far is the equivalent of running slightly beyond Albany in Western Australia’s south-west region.

Several students have almost hit the 25km mark, with 29 students getting their 10 km certificate and yet others are enjoying a more relaxed morning fitness experience. If you have not yet given the Run Club a try, please come along and join in. Run Club takes place every Tuesday and Thursday morning from 8.05am. It will run until the end of Term 1 and then will **re-commence in Term 2, Week 2.**

**Independent Public School**

The School Council endorsed the school to apply to attend the IPS Program running in Term 2. If you would like to hear about the Briefing Day I attended with Jennifer Barlow I will present a brief summary at the next P&C meeting on Monday May 2nd at 5pm in the school library.

Please come along and contribute your thoughts to the possibility of Caversham PS working towards IPS status. (Child minding available)

**Mathematics**

Five staff members attended two days of a four day course by Dr Paul Swan (Edith Cowan University). Dr Swan has identified the main components within the number strand that have the largest effect on student achievement. Staff will use this learning in the review of the Mathematics Policy taking place throughout 2016.

**Busy Bee - 2nd April 9am to 12 noon.**

Please support the Busy Bee on Saturday morning by giving just one hour of your time to help in making the school grounds look fresh and tidy. If you have a wheelbarrow, rake or garden shears please bring them along.

With the Freeze on Government Employment for 6 months, January to June the school is unable to employ an extra gardener one day a week to assist with the ground maintenance.

The new Coles opening soon in Caversham has contacted the school via a consultancy company “Dig and Fish” to offer the school a day of volunteers to assist with projects in the school yard. We are using this opportunity to fix and paint the two cubbies in the Kindy/Pre Primary yards and to repaint pavement games etc. This will take place on Friday April 1st and will mean the Busy Bee can focus on garden maintenance. **Many hands make light work.**
**Thank You**

We wish to extend a warm thank you to the Tomazin family. They have very kindly donated two sets of netball bibs to the school. They will be put to good use by our students during sports lessons.

*Mrs Jeayes*

**Late for School Pick-Up**

Please remind your child/ren that if you are not at the pick-up location you have pre-arranged they are to make their way immediately to the front of the Library, where supervision is provided until you arrive.

Please ensure that you organize a pick-up point that is safe for your child to walk to meet you. For their safety, please ensure they do not need to walk through car park areas, unsupervised to find you.

**Year 6 Zoo Camp**

Our Year 6 students will enjoy a night at the Perth Zoo. Not only will students explore the zoo throughout the day and night but they will participate in team building activities run by zoo education officers.

**Term 2 Staff Updates**

Welcome to Mrs Francis, Education Assistant who joined us late in the term as a permanent member of staff.

Mr Parsons returns from Long Service Leave to Year 5. Thank you to Mr Eversden for the care he has put into settling the Year 5 class into the new learning year. We wish Mr Eversden best wishes in future positions.

Best wishes to Mrs Bannister (Pre Primary) as she leaves to take up a position at Doubleview PS.

**Year 5 Move to Room 15**

Our Year 5 students are very excited to be relocating to Room 15, one of our newly installed classrooms. They will be very busy making this space their own and we look forward to seeing this new classroom area buzzing with student activity.

**Term 2 Planner and Information**

The Term 2 Planner is attached to this newsletter. Students return to school for Term 2 on Wednesday the 27th of April.

*Midland Photographers* will be taking school photos in Week 4 of Term 2- Monday the 16th of May (Kindy Red and PP-Yr6) and Tuesday the 17th of May (Kindy Blue and Green). Ordering envelopes will be sent home with our first newsletter in Term 2 but to assist with family budgeting photo packs range from $15 to $45. A display of the packs available is available in the office. School photos are an optional purchase for families.

Our ANZAC Day Service will be held on Friday the 29th of April at 9am.

**Honour Certificates**

Congratulations to our honour certificate recipients.

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**P&C Reminders**

The next P&C general meeting will be held on Monday the 2nd of May at 5pm in the Library.

**Aerial Fun Tickets**

Tickets are now available from the office for the end of term wind-up event. Tickets are $10.00 each. Please ensure you complete the waiver form attached to the ticket and bring it with you on the night. Without it you are not allowed to Jump.

**Lunch Orders**

A reminder to get your orders in for the P&C Sausage Sizzle which will be supplied for lunch on Wednesday the 6th of April.

Orders must be returned by Monday 4th of April. No late orders can be accepted and you cannot order on the day.