

CSPS NEWS



Wednesday 15 February 2023

Important dates

Feb 14-16	Parent/Teacher Meet & Greet Discussions
Feb 17	Senior Assembly
Feb 24	Whole School Assembly Yr.6 Leadership Badge presentation
Feb 27-Mar 3	Yr. 6 Canberra Camp
Mar 3	Junior Assembly
Mar 10	Whole School Assembly Badge presentation
Mar 13	Labour Day Holiday
Mar 14	CSPS Walkathon
Mar 15-24	NAPLAN (Yr.3 & 5)
March 20	School Photo Day
Mar 20-24	Yr.2 Swimming
Mar 24	Junior Assembly Welcome Picnic
Mar 30	The Fathering Project after School Sports afternoon 3.30-4.30pm
Mar 31	Prep Grandparents Day Whole School Assembly
Apr 6	Final day Term 1 2.30pm dismissal

Save the Dates

More information coming soon

Tuesday 14th March
CSPS Annual Walkathon



Friday 24th March
CSPS Welcome Picnic

Principal's news

I'm sure many of you will join me in disbelief that we are already in Week 3! It has been lovely to see all students settle into the routine of the year so quickly. Of particular note, are our Prep students. They are gaining confidence in the playground and exploring new parts of our school daily. It has been lovely to have each class visit me in my office to learn about what principals do. Our Prep's all know that if they do amazing work, their teacher might send them to my office for a *Principal's Award Sticker*. Our Prep's are now walking into their classroom building before school independently, collecting lunch orders and visiting the chickens at lunchtime Gardening Club.

Parent/Teacher Meet and Greet Year 1-6 & Prep Curriculum Information Night

Thank you to all families who booked a time to meet with their child/ern's teacher this week. These meetings provide a great opportunity for us to strengthen the home/school partnership and support us to improve learning outcomes for all students. Additionally, we hope Prep families picked up some useful tips on how to best support their child's numeracy and literacy learning at home during the Prep Curriculum Night.

Friday 2.30pm Assembly

This year we are trialling a Friday 2:30pm Assembly. This is because we know students are more ready for classroom learning in the morning and we are aiming to maximise productive learning opportunities. We encourage families to join us for Assembly at 2:30pm. Saba will have her canteen open for coffee purchases and then after school, for icy pole/snack sales. It has been lovely having so many families join us at Assembly and then stay around for a snack and play with the water pumps and musical instruments in the sensory playground. The assembly schedule is in the important dates section of the newsletter.

CSPS's famous Egg Raffle is back

One of the highlights of Assembly is the weekly chicken egg raffle. Each week we draw names out of a hat to win a dozen freshly laid CSPS chicken eggs. If you would like to purchase egg raffle tickets, please see Jennie or Christine in the office, tickets are \$5 each and all proceeds go towards caring for our chickens.

Peate Ave

Just a quick reminder that the 2min drop off/pick up zone on Peate Ave is a no standing area, this means you are unable to park and leave your car. We regularly have Boroondara Council traffic managers patrolling the street issuing fines. If you wish to leave your car, please park further down Peate Ave or in Lomond St and walk into school.

Volunteering at school

Once our students have settled into the new year, teachers will be in contact with parents regarding numerous opportunities to volunteer at school. This may be in the form of helping out with classroom activities, excursions or camps or volunteering in our Library. To volunteer for any school activity, we must have a copy of your current Working With Children (WWC) card at the office and you need to have completed the CSPS Parent Volunteers course. The first of these courses will be held in a few weeks, please keep your eye out in the next few newsletters for further details and ensure you drop by the office so that Jennie can put a copy of your WWC on file.

Additionally, we have a number of committees within the school.

MAD

In 2018 CSPS formed a Make a Difference (MAD) Committee.

Our existing and passionate MAD Committee is looking for new members who drive projects and engage our students in ways to support the broader community with various activities.

In 2022 MAD worked with students and our community with a variety of successful and interesting projects including:

1. providing a cake stall at the Welcome Picnic with funds raised for flood victims;
2. conducting a footy boot & ball donation drive for Boots for All;
3. running a second-hand book stall with JSC supporting flood victims;
4. working with EAG to produce 7 student videos on recycling;
5. running a second-hand hand toy stall at the Twilight Market supporting RSPCA;
6. continuing to recycle all textile waste from the second-hand uniform shop; and
7. continuing the recycling program at CSPS collecting writing instruments and dental care.

Please come and join Nicole Forster to help our students to continue MAD. New ideas and fresh initiatives welcome!

Some plans for 2023 are:

- To fundraise for student nominated charities alongside students at the Welcome Picnic and Twilight Market.
- To Coordinate Earth Day celebrations with our student EAG representatives.
- 2 donation drives including school supplies, socks in winter and perhaps a food drive at Xmas.

If you are interested in joining the MAD team, please email the school at camberwell.south.ps@education.vic.gov.au.

Fundraising, Community Engagement & Support (FCES)

A huge welcome to 2023 from the FCES team! We are looking forward to a wonderful year of social and fundraising events for the students and families of CSPS.

Just a little bit about us....

Our team's purpose is to raise funds for the improvement of our school (facilities or programs), help provide emergency funds to school families in crisis or hardship, and also to create opportunities to engage and support the whole school community.

Currently there are eight volunteer parents on the team and we meet a couple of times each term to plan and prepare a number of fabulous events throughout the year.

We are always looking for helpers to run these events successfully, and we are so grateful for such an amazing community of volunteer support. Over the past couple of years, the CSPS community has raised an incredible amount of money to help upgrade the Junior Playground (which is looking AMAZING!) and we will now be turning our focus to help raise funds for the upgrade of the Senior Playground.

Here is a sneak peek of what we are hoping to bring to our community in 2023:

Term 1 Walkathon
Welcome Picnic

Term 2 Mother's Day Events and stall
A CSPS student event
(Discos are a favourite and again on the cards)

Term 3 CSPS Parent event (think our Trivia & Bogan Bingo nights)

Term 4 Mango Drive
Twilight Market**
Christmas Raffle

** We are hoping to, once again, bring our Twilight Market to the community, but we will need a new team of volunteers to help bring it to life for the community. So please have a think (and even a chat with others who may like to join you?) and we will touch base again soon.

If you are keen to join us and be part of planning and organising some of the above (or even perhaps one specific event), we would LOVE to hear from you! Feel free to tap any of the team on the shoulder at school or send us an email at fundraisingatcps@gmail.com.

You will also have many opportunities to sign up to help 'on the day', so please keep an eye out on the newsletter each week as we share with you what's happening and how you might be able to get involved.

We can't wait to see you all soon as we look forward to a fantastic year ahead!

From your FCES parent team: Lian Collett (Year 3 & 5), Christine Harris (Year 5), Sarah Hooke (Prep & Year 5), Kathrin Jarred (Year 2 & 4), Morgan Lacey (Year 1, 2 & 3), Katie McNeill (Prep & Year 3), Eliza Vesey (Year 1 & 2), Alicia Wang (Year 3 & 6).

Natasha Cummins
Principal

Financial Assistance

CSEF is provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.
Please follow the link for more information

[CSEF \(Camps, Sports & Excursions Fund\)](#)

[Application Form](#)

School Photo Day

Monday 20 March.

School photo order envelopes will be distributed shortly to every student and it is important that the order instructions are followed.

[Online & Envelope Order Instructions](#)

Office Notes

Students Leaving Early

Please email teacher and the office in the morning with intended time of pick up for your child and we shall endeavour to have them packed and waiting for you at the Office.

Information Update

If your residential or family circumstances change, please notify the office so as amendments can be made to your family information. Your privacy is respected at all times.

Bpay Payments

When making Bpay payments, please ensure you return all relevant paperwork to the Office to enable correct receipting allocation.

Extra Curricular Activities

Aussie Aths

[Booking Information](#)

Tuesdays before school

Code Camp

[Booking Information](#)

Thursdays after school

Dance Club

[Booking Information](#)

Chess Club

[Booking information](#)

Thursday lunchtime

Total Tennis

[Booking Information](#)

Fridays after school

PE news

CSPS Swimming Carnival - Wednesday 8 February

The CSPS Swimming Carnival was held today at Camberwell Grammar Aquatic. Congratulations to all students who competed in 25 metres, 50 metre and participation events. It was great to see our house spirit on display. Special thanks to all students, staff and parents for their assistance at the event. Results and age champions will be announced in the coming weeks.

Inter School Sport

Last week our students travelled to St Dominic's PS for Inter School Sport. It was fantastic to see our students back into sport and

Boys Cricket – CSPS 124 def St Dominic's 70

Mixed Cricket - CSPS 53 def by St Dominic's 120

Girls' Volleyball – CSPS 2 def St Dominic's 1

Mixed Volleyball – CSPS 0 def by St Dominic's 3

Girls' Tennis - Bye

Mixed Tennis – CSPS 8 def St Dominic's 4

Tee Ball Mixed – Bye

Tee Ball Girls - Bye

This week our students have the bye. It is a great chance to work on their skills before we take on Solway PS the following week.

Cricket Victoria Girls Clinic - Expression of Interest

Cricket Victoria is looking to encourage girls to try cricket blast at schools. We're seeking expressions of interest from any girls between Prep – Year 6 who are interested in participating in a 4 week All Girls Blast program at Camberwell South Primary School. The program will consist of 4 x 1-hour sessions held on school grounds during lunchtimes or afterschool towards the end of Term 1. Coaching is provided and a local cricket club will help facilitate the sessions. Participants will also receive a small pack including a drink bottle and ball. The program is free for all participants, managed by Cricket Victoria and a fantastic way to introduce the basic skills of cricket. If you would like more information, please register your interest here: [Girls Cricket Blast - EOI](#)

Dates to remember

Senior Inter School Sport @ Solway PS – Thursday 16 February

Glen Iris District Swimming Carnival @ Harold Holt Swim Centre – Tuesday 21 February

Daniel Evans

