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WEDNESDAY 7 FEBRUARY 2024

# **PRINCIPAL'S NEWS**

### Welcome to Week 2!

Firstly I'd like to congratulate our Prep parents for surviving the emotional rollercoaster that is the first week of Prep! It has been lovely to see students settle so quickly into the routine of school. I have had visits to my office from whole Prep classes as students begin learning about the people in our school. I've also been lucky enough to have Prep students come and share their amazing writing with me!

I'd like to thank all the parents who volunteered last Friday at our Yr 3-6 Swimming Carnival, this day could not run without your support. Our students were outstanding in both their participation and their sportsmanship. Good luck to those who have qualified for the next level of competition.

Thank you to everyone who attended the Year Level Information Evening last night. We hope you found them informative and got a chance to hear from teachers in your child's year level. For those of you who were unable to attend, slides will be made available on Compass later this week. Next week, teachers are looking forward to chatting with you at the Parent/Teacher Meet and Greet Discussions.

#### **IMPORTANT DATES**

## **February**

Thu 8 - School photos

(Prep class photos, Prep Individual photos & whole school photo)

Mon 12 - Final School photo catch up day (Catch up Individual photos and Sibling photos) Mon 12 - Wed 14 - Parent/Teacher Discussions

#### March

Mon 11 - Labour Day

Wed 13-Mon 25 - NAPLAN

Fri 22 - CSPS Welcome Picnic 4.30pm to 7.30pm

Thu 28 - Term 1 ends - Finish at 2.30pm

These meetings are a great way for you to share information about your child with the classroom teacher so that we can work together to ensure they have the best possible experience at school.

## **Safer Internet Day**

Today is Safer Internet Day. All students have been completing activities aimed at upskilling them to stay safe online. You will have noticed CSPS's Digital Users Agreement coming home this week. Discussions regarding the importance of this agreement have been occurring in STEM. The eSafety Commissioner has lots of resources for parents to help support children to stay safe online whilst at home. These resources can be found here.



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#### **School Uniform**

Our second hand uniform cupboard is still well stocked (which is not always the case), so please feel free to have a look through it to purchase items at a greatly reduced cost.

#### State Schools' Relief

If you experience financial difficulties at any stage, please get in contact with me as the school can work with State Schools' Relief to provide school uniform items when needed.

## **Staff Carpark**

Please remember that the staff carpark is out of bounds at all times. It is important that no families walk through the carpark at pick up and drop off times. If you are entering the school from Lomond St, please follow the walking path past the Kitchen Garden and around the Hall, rather than walking up through the staff car park. The safety of our students and community remains our highest priority.

#### **Garden Club**

Our students have been out in force working in the garden with Virginia during Garden Club at lunchtime. Many students have been lucky enough to take some of our produce home!

This week we begin our fantastic cooking program, which means that students will no longer be able to take souvenirs home from Garden Club. Whilst we know some students will be disappointed they can no longer take home fresh produce, we hope that they will understand everything they help grow will be used in our cooking program.

**Natasha Cummins** 



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# **OTHER NEWS**

# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

### School Photos 2024 - update

Please note there has been a slight change to the School photos timetable below:

- Thursday 8 February Whole School Photo,
   Prep Class Photos and Prep Individual Photos
- Monday 12 February Catch up Individual Photos and Sibling Photos.

For Sibling photos: The Photographers will photograph any children who present together for a Sibling photo. After Photo Day, any families who have not yet paid but know that their children's Sibling photo was taken, should go to the website link <a href="here">here</a> to place their Sibling photo order. The order code required to be entered online to order your School's photos is: X3084ECO47C

### Term 1, 2024 Parent Volunteer Course

All parents/carers who wish to volunteer at CSPS, whether inside classrooms or for Incursions/Excursions, must attend our CSPS Parent Volunteer Course. This is a requirement for all volunteers as well as holding a valid Working With Children Check.

Our Term 1 Parent Volunteer Course will be held on Thursday, 29 February at 7pm on WebEx. If you wish to attend please sign up <a href="here">here</a> and the WebEx link will be sent out closer to the date. If you have attended a Parent Volunteer Course in previous years, you do not need to attend again. If you have any questions, please contact Annabelle Owens, Assistant Principal.





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# **PE NEWS**

## **CSPS Swimming Carnival**

Well done to all involved at the CSPS Swimming Carnival last Friday. It was a fantastic event with so many students stepping outside of their comfort zones and challenging themselves. Our Year 3 and 4 students kicked off the morning with high participation rates before our Year 5 and 6 students recorded some wonderful times in the afternoon.

Special mention to our wonderful parents and staff who played pivotal roles to ensure the event ran smoothly. These events are not possible without your assistance. The focus now shifts to announcing the winning house on Friday before our district swimming squad is announced next week.

## **Summer Interschool Sport**

Our senior students begin their summer interschool sport program tomorrow morning against Solway PS. Students will participate in cricket, volleyball, tennis and tee ball matches. Best wishes to all students!

### **Glen Iris District Tennis**

Nominations are open for students wishing to represent CSPS at the Glen Iris District Yellow Ball Tennis event. Details can be found below:

Date: Friday 23 February 2024

**Time**: 9.15am briefing. Matches begin at 9.30am.

Venue: Burwood Tennis Club

Cost: \$10

Format: Shortened matches.

Full court. Students will play a round robin format

with winners playing off.

Schools may send 2 boys and 2 girls. Trials will be held next week for any students wishing to sign up. Please note - this is not a come and try day. Students should play regular weekend tennis or play competitively. Please email <a href="mailto:daniel.evans2@education.vic.gov.au">daniel.evans2@education.vic.gov.au</a> by Monday 12 February if you would like to sign your child up. Trials will be held mid next week.

**Daniel Evans** 



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# **MUSIC NEWS**

Happy return to all things musical in 2024! We have had a fantastic start to the year and looking forward to enjoying the choirs, ensembles, music classroom sessions and instrumental programs for the new year. We have had a huge uptake in participation so the energy and enthusiasm creates a wonderful atmosphere.

For Term 1, I will be delivering xylophone/glockenspiel lessons – otherwise known as tuned percussion. The focus is to provide aural and notational literacy in a fun and engaging way. The program is foundational to accessing all music – whether creating it or learning an instrument. Essentially the program is geared towards musical literacy.

#### Instrumental

The IMTs have a few private lesson spots left open in Woodwind (Clarinet, Flute, Saxophone and Recorder), Brass (Trumpet, Trombone, and French Horn), in Guitar, in Strings (Violin, Viola and Cello) and in Vocals.

Piano is booked up, so private providers in the local community can be sourced to provide instrumental lessons after school hours. I would advise looking for someone with an early years degree or focus when employing a music tutor for children aged 3 - 6 years. The VMTA is the best source of information.

#### **Anthem**

The Australian National Anthem is sung at assembly every week and can be practiced by singing along to the piano part <u>here</u>.

The Prime Minister's office hosts the full details <u>here</u>.

Looking forward to a great new year!

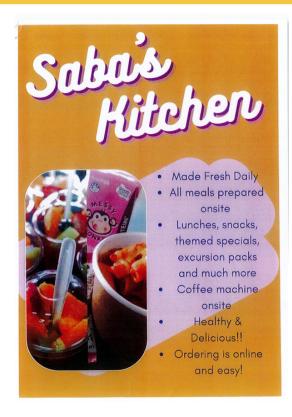
**Catherine Lyons** 



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# **CSPS CANTEEN - SABA'S KITCHEN**



Our CSPS Canteen, Saba's Kitchen, has delicious and nutritious snacks, meals and drinks that you can order for your child/ren every school day.

Please download the Qkr! app (instructions attached) so you can place orders. All orders must be placed on the Qkr! app by 9am each morning.

Saba's Kitchen is also open for coffee and snacks before school and after school until 4.00pm.







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# **TERM 1 ASSEMBLY**

## **February**

Friday 9 - Whole School Assembly

Friday 16 - Senior Assembly

Friday 23 - Whole School Assembly

### March

Friday 1 - No Assembly

Friday 8 - No Assembly

Friday 15 - Whole School Assembly

Friday 22 - No Assembly



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# **EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES**

External providers run various programs at CSPS throughout the year. Please see below for further information.

#### **Chess Club**

Booking information
Thursday lunch time

# **Private Music Tutors**

**Booking Information** 

### **Dance Club**

**Booking information** 

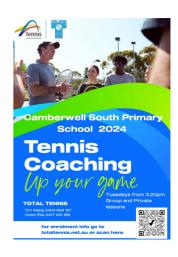
## **Total Tennis, Term 1 2024**

**Booking Information** 









# NextGen Soccer Academy Term 1, 2024

**Booking Information** 



## Code Camp - Term 1, 2024

<u>Little Coders</u> - Prep to Year 2 students <u>Robotics</u> - Year 3 to 6 students <u>Enrol here</u>, Thursday after school





# Kanga Tennis Coaching

Term 1, 2024

**Booking Information** 

