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# CSPS NEWS

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**AT CSPS WE VALUE COMMUNITY MEMBERS WHO STRIVE TO BE LEARNERS AND LEADERS**

## IMPORTANT DATES

- March 15–24 NAPLAN (Yr 3 and 5)
- March 20 School Photo Day
- March 20–24 Yr 2 Swimming
- March 24 Junior assembly AND Welcome Picnic
- March 30 The Fathering Project after school Sports Afternoon 3.30–4.30
- March 31 Prep Grandparents Day AND Whole School assembly
- April 6 Final day term 1 2.30pm dismissal

## LOST PROPERTY TOP TIPS!

IF YOUR CHILD HAS EVER LOST AN ITEM AT SCHOOL, HERE ARE TWO TOP TIPS TO GET IT BACK ASAP!

- LABEL EVERYTHING CLEARLY. THERE ARE MORE THAN 30 JUMPERS/HATS THAT HAVE BEEN PICKED UP OUT OF LOST PROPERTY (THIS YEAR!) THAT HAVE NO CLEAR LABEL ON THEM. THESE WILL BE DONATED TO THE SECOND HAND UNIFORM SHOP. THE BEST WAY FOR ITEMS TO BE FOUND IS IF THEY ARE CLEARLY LABELLED.
- VISIT LOST PROPERTY MORE THAN ONCE. ITEMS CAN SOMETIMES TAKE A WHILE TO MAKE IT TO THE LOST PROPERTY TUB. IT IS WORTH CHECKING THE TUB MULTIPLE TIMES OR BUILDING THE ROUTINE WITH YOUR CHILD/REN.

ALL CSPS FAMILIES ARE INVITED!

Welcome  
BBQ & Picnic

FRIDAY 24 MARCH  
4.30-7.30PM

SENIORS PLAY AREA

BBQ BAR  
FOOD TRUCKS

PLUS DJ & ACTIVITIES  
WITH



CAMBERWELL SOUTH  
PRIMARY SCHOOL



# PRINCIPAL'S NEWS

## Walkathon

Yesterday Melbourne turned on some beautiful Autumn weather for our CSPS Walkathon. I'd like to thank our Fundraising Team and everyone who volunteered to help out on the day. Our students had a wonderful time walking around our school grounds chatting to their friends whilst raising money for improvements to our Senior Playground. A big thank you to everyone who has already returned their sponsorship forms. Please remember to return your sponsorship forms to your child's classroom teacher ASAP.

## Evacuation Drill

A reminder that one day this week we will be holding a surprise evacuation at 3:45pm today. If you are onsite when the evacuation alarm goes off you and your children will need to participate in our drill. When the evacuation alarm is activated all people onsite will need to immediately make their way to our Senior Oval and await further instructions from a member of staff. We anticipate this drill will take approximately 10min to complete and thank you in advance for your cooperation.

## Donations/School Captains' Project

This year our Captains want to increase Indigenous displays around our school. We hope to raise money to support our project. At the Welcome Picnic we will run a Lolly Toss (like the chocolate toss which was so much fun from the Twilight Market). We would like you to donate a bag of lollies for our lolly toss. Donations can be left at the Office. Examples of lollies might be a bag of mixed lollies, a pack of Tic Tacs or a box of Nerds.

Zarzi, Chloe, Jack & Henry

## School Office

Thank you for your patience last week as we attempted to run the office without Jennie Reeve while she enjoyed her holiday. We wanted to let you know that Jennie will be away for the remainder of this week as well, which means that you will not see Annabelle and myself on the school gate. Please drop by the office if you need to speak to us about anything.

## Junior Playground

I have some very exciting news to share with you, our Junior Playground is running ahead of schedule and fingers crossed it will be ready to use by the end of next week! Our students have been very patient this term and enjoyed watching the builders work. I'm sure all our students will enjoy the playground. Don't tell our Senior students, but we will work on providing opportunities for them to enjoy the Junior Playground as well.

# PRINCIPAL'S NEWS

## Harmony Week 2023

Next week, we are celebrating Harmony Week, an opportunity to celebrate and learn more about our school's diverse culture within our community.

This year, we are thrilled to invite Didgeridoo Australia to perform at our Harmony Week incursion on Tuesday 21st March at 9am. Didgeridoo Australia is a Melbourne-based organisation, headed by Ganga Giri, didgeridoo virtuoso and descendant of the Palawa people in Tasmania, and Henning Gerlt, qualified educator and adopted family member of Gumatj people in NE Arnhem Land.

Ganga will lead a school concert, beginning with a Welcome to Country, followed by interactive storytelling and then the main event – a musical and dance concert featuring the didgeridoo. The students, teachers and parent community will enjoy learning about Indigenous music, rhythm, and dance, while celebrating multi-cultural Australia in the now.

The concert will provide students with an insight into Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture, which we hope will lay the foundations for future learning and understanding throughout the year.

Our school community is welcome to attend the concert, but make sure you get here early before all the best seats go!



# FUNDRAISING NEWS



## Walkathon – time to collect and thank you!

We had a very warm Autumn afternoon for our Walkathon (our first fundraising event for 2023) yesterday! Students did a wonderful job walking laps of the school, with lots appreciating their icy pole after the hard work! There were lots of happy faces amongst the sea of colour! A big thank you to all our parent volunteers who ticked sheets busily and also became icy pole experts! A big thank you also to Annabelle Owens and Dan Evans, as well as our House Captains who helped make this event run so smoothly. Please gather up all of those sponsorship dollars and complete the online sponsorship form (link in QR code) or return cash to the office by Friday 24th March. The results are being tallied and the winning House will be announced in upcoming assemblies.



## Ashwood High School Open Day

Ashwood High School is looking forward to our Open Day 'Ashwood Revealed' which will be held on Wednesday 3 May 2023.