

Message from the Principal

PARENTING – FOOD FOR THOUGHT

“If you are willing and obedient, you shall eat the good of the land...” (Isaiah 1:19)

Today’s Parenting Food for Thought marks the end in this series. I hope the series has been thought provoking and helpful for many.

One of the things I always say to new teachers is, mean what you say and say what you mean. The same message is true for us as parents. That is, we must be consistent. If we don’t intend to follow through we shouldn’t say it in the first place. If we warn children of consequences or possible punishments they should be things we are prepared to “back up”.

Have you ever found yourself grounding (or removing some other privilege) your child for a month? Within a few days they are being so well behaved that you relent and reinstate their privileges. Or perhaps they are just driving you crazy and you need them out of the house, so you relent. Our children are very smart and know when we will be weak. When we are inconsistent we are not building character in our children, or growing children that will truly be the delights of our hearts.

Being a good parent is not for the faint hearted. It takes patience, understanding, insight, wisdom and a great deal of prayer. May God bless you in your endeavours.

Peter Spence
Principal



School Helpers

Thank you to all our amazing volunteers who helped around the school this year.

Most children at CCS enjoy the assistance of our many volunteers who come in each week to help with learning in the classroom and coming and listening to children read and change home readers.

Our many canteen helpers, under the valiant leadership of Mrs Boyd, give us the opportunity to enjoy a change from home lunches.

There are also many others who give up their time to help our children around the school - thank you.

Hope to see you all again next year.



Newsletter

Thursday
1 December
2016

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*Grow in Grace
and Knowledge*

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Canteen News



THIS WEEK - 2.12.16 FRUIT SALAD FRIDAY

Helping - Lyn Reeves & D Southam



NEXT WEEK 9.12.16 - LAST DAY

Goodies available as normal to purchase at recess.

FREE SAUSAGE SIZZLE PROVIDED BY THE SCHOOL FOR LUNCH



Parents welcome to come
and share lunch and stay for
tabloid sports in the afternoon.



School Fees

SCHOOL FEES REMINDER

Unless you have an agreed payment arrangement in place, all outstanding school fees are now due for payment. Save the embarrassment and pay your fees before Wednesday, 7 December 2016.

If you are unable to pay by this date, please contact Mr Bongers as soon as possible. If you would like to make an appointment to see him, please contact the office.

2017 School Requisites

Attached to last week's Newsletter is the list of school requisites for next year, 2017.

or on our school webpage:
ccs.nsw.edu.au-Students-School Requisites 2017
or the following link

<http://ccs.nsw.edu.au/wp-content/uploads/2012/11/School-Requisites-2017.pdf>

School Reports

Year 7 to 10 Reports will be sent home
next Thursday, 8th December.

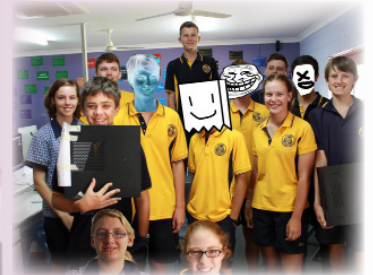
IST News

Hello parents, students and teachers. Today we would like to tell you about what we've been learning in IST. This year our teacher, Mr Wade, has been teaching us all about Data Types, Email and Internet safety, Website building using HTML and Network design and configuration. In our networking unit earlier this term we had the opportunity to take apart and rebuild some old computers. We had lots of fun and learnt a lot about how hardware and software work together to make a computer work. Some groups succeeded whilst others... well, used tape.



We also learnt the beautiful art of photoshopping. As Caleb demonstrates in the photo below

And here is our amazing class of 2016!



2017

PICNIC DINNER FUN AT THE POOL

Please save the evening **25th January 2017** from
6:00pm - 8:00pm.

We are planning a picnic dinner at the local pool on the Wednesday evening before school comes back. We hope parents might find this a good opportunity to meet their children's teachers, new families and to catch up. We'll send more information in the New Year.



End of Year Activities

Save the Date!

FINAL PRIMARY ASSEMBLY Wednesday 7th December starting 12.45pm

At this assembly K-6 students will receive Book Awards. These books have a personal encouraging message from their teacher which we hope they keep forever. The whole primary school will sing some carols and items from K and Yr 1/2. Also Primary Leaders will be presented with their badges. All parents are welcome.

THANKSGIVING CONCERT Thursday 8th December - 7pm

This evening will show the God given gifts of our students and staff.

Some of the items on the night will be Kindergarten and Year 3/4 singing some songs and Year 5/6 will be performing. Years 7/8 and Years 9/10 Music will give music performances. One of our students will show their Personal Interest Project. Our school band will be playing and a few of our tutoring students will also play and sing. There will be a Year in review photo slideshow. We will share in singing some Christmas Carols together and we will finish the evening with an item from the staff.

This is a full school event and we would love to see all our families attend.

Students can wear casual clothes unless their class teacher has requested a particular outfit for their class item.

Uniforms

Students starting Kinder, Yr 7 and Yr 11, have you remembered to order your uniforms for next year.

To help ensure your child is always in the correct uniform, remember all school uniform items must only be bought from our CCS School Uniform Shop, except for school shoes.

Uniform Lists and Prices are on our school webpage:- ccs.nsw.edu.au - Enrolment Tab - Uniforms

Uniform Shop Operating Hours (During the Term)

**Mondays 8am – 11am &
Wednesdays 1 pm – 4pm**

**Holiday Operating Hours
Monday 23 January 2017 &
Tuesday 24 January 2017
8.30am – 4.00pm**

ACTIVITIES DAY FRIDAY DAY 9TH DECEMBER LAST DAY OF 2016

This is a regular school day and all students are expected to attend. Buses run as normal.

****Students to wear sports uniform****

8.30am to 12 noon Years 7-12 will be involved in some free choice activities. A cricket match involving parents, staff and students will also be held on this morning. K- 6 students will be with their class teacher.



Free Sausage Sizzle for the whole school

12:00pm – 1:00pm we will have a sausage sizzle for everyone. There will be no cost to students or parents.



We would love as many parents as possible to join us as a school community. Are you coming??



****Parents please phone or email the school by 2 December 2016, if you will be attending. This is to help with catering.****

Fun, Fun Fun

1.00pm - 3.00pm We will run group tabloid sports activities. These will cater for children from K-12. Parents are warmly invited to join any activity they like during this time. Some of the activities may even be suitable to older preschoolers under the supervision of their parent.

This day is to be a fun, community based day for our school families to end the school year. So parents please plan to come along and share this day with our students and staff.

TABLOID SPORTS



2017 Calendar

Term Dates - 2017

Staff Commence Monday 23rd – Friday 27th January 2017 - Staff Curriculum Week

Term 1 Friday 27th January (Staff Curriculum -Student Free Day)
(10 Weeks) Commences Monday 30th January
Concludes Friday 7th April
Easter Friday 14th April-Monday 17th April

Term 2 Monday 24th April (Staff Curriculum -Student Free Day)
Anzac Day Tuesday 25 April
(10 Weeks) Commences Wednesday 26th April
Queens Birthday Monday 12 June
Concludes Friday 30 June

Term 3 Monday 17th July (Staff Curriculum -Student Free Day)
(10 Weeks) Commences Tuesday 18th July
Concludes Friday 22th September

Term 4 Monday 9th October (Staff Curriculum -Student Free Day)
(9 Weeks) Commences Tuesday 10th October
Concludes Friday 8th December

Staff Curriculum Days 2017 (Student Free Days)

Monday 23rd January to Friday 27th January

Monday 24th April

Monday 17th July

Monday 11th December to Tuesday 12th December

Important Dates - What's on at CCS

Term 4

- 7.12.16 *Tumble Monkeys - End of Year Party 9.30am*
- 7.12.16 Final Primary Assembly - 12.45pm - Book Awards & Items
- 8.12.16 **Thanksgiving Concert** - MPC - 7pm
- 9.12.16 Parent/Teachers vs Students - Cricket 8.30am - 12noon
- 9.12.16 **Activities Day at school** - Last day of 2016 for students

2017

- 23-24.1.17 Uniform Shop Open - 8.30am - 4.00pm
- 30.1.17 First Day for Students

For all events please see school webpage calendar: <http://ccs.nsw.edu.au/events/>