Dear Parents

All the students and staff looked so happy and bright in their rainbow clothes on Wednesday.

Mrs Dornau, Mrs Halligan and Ms Felicia were so colourful and bright I thought I would need to wear my sunglasses! It was lovely to see everyone so keen to support Monash Ronald McDonald House where families can stay while their children are seriously ill in hospital.

The house is a home away from home for families of seriously ill children. The House opened on 24th April 1993 and over 3000 families have stayed there. We hope we are assisting, even in a small way, Ronald McDonald House. They do a magnificent job in supporting families who are nursing a child through a serious illness or disability that is very traumatic for any family to endure. Thank you to our caring community for giving over $160.00.

School Tour

Our next School Tour is Wednesday 12th June please inform your neighbours, friends and relatives. I would really enjoy showing your friends our great school.

R A I N B O W

Clayton South
Biggest Morning Tea
Another BIG thank you to PFA for a super Biggest Morning Tea with many fantastic treats to enjoy! We had some prospective prep parents join us after the Prep Information Session with Fairlie Halligan, our prep teacher. Congratulations PFA on raising over $200 for Cancer Research Foundation!

We Need Prep Enrolments
Help us reach our target of prep enrolments in 2014. We can do it!
We all need to band together to show our wider community how good our students are at literacy and numeracy and caring for their environment through our Sustainability Program. We can do it together!
Please enrol your siblings so we can work on staffing needs for 2014.

Book Fair 2013
Thank you to all the students, staff, parents and grandparents who purchased books at the Book Fair last week. We sold over $2000 worth of merchandise and this allowed our school to choose $660 worth of books for our school. What a terrific effort for our school!
A huge thank you must go to Felicia Zinas our wonderful Education Support Aid who managed the whole event. Felicia does so much for our school community and this is just one more event that is greatly appreciated.
Remember it is extremely important that your child/children read with you every night. The more they read the more they know, so read, read, read!

Curriculum Day
Next Friday 7th June is Report Writing Day! No students are required at school on this day. It’s a day when staff are writing your child’s report. Then Monday 10th June is Queen’s Birthday – a public holiday. No Students are required at school on this day also. So 11th June is the day we will all be back of school.

District Sports
Tomorrow we will have over 30 students taking part in District Cross Country at Tatterson Park Keysborough. I know you will wish them all the best and hope they enjoy this gruelling event. Let’s hope it doesn’t rain!

Clayton Steering Committee Report
The plans for the new kindergarten to be built on our school site are developing well. On Tuesday, I met again with representatives of City of Kingston, Early Childhood Management Services and the Architect from Williams Kaye Hofer. I have included in this issue the plans to date.
It is very exciting to know we have a new building planned to accommodate 2 Early Learning Groups, and our 3 Play Groups.
Sustainable Newsletter - 4 issues to go!

As a proud Sustainable School we need to follow what we teach our students. We talk about reduce, reuse and recycle and to keep photocopying to a minimum. Therefore the Office Staff have made a decision NOT to print the Newsletter from Term 3, 2013. Beginning in the first week of Term 3, you will no longer automatically receive a printed copy of the school newsletter every week.

The newsletter is already available on our school website under the “Newsletters” section on the front page. All newsletters from Term 1 and Term 2 this year have been uploaded to the school website. Our school website address is: www.claytonsouthps.vic.edu.au

Did you know that our website has translator and is able to change the English version into your language. So in a multicultural school with over 40 nationalities this is a bonus for you and so easy to use! Before the end of this term and early next term, we will run information sessions for parents to show you how to find the newsletter on the school website and how to translate it into your preferred language.

If you require a black and white printed copy of the Newsletter you need to request this in writing to Judy Emmett, Office Assistant. Judy will then provide a printed copy of the newsletter to your youngest child every week.

Let’s try to make our school “paper free” and we will be making our Sustainable School one step nearer to reducing the carbon footprint.

Multiple Sclerosis Fun Run

Good luck to Lucy Nimorakiotakis, mother of James in Mrs Dornau’s 5/6B, who is walking in the MS Fun Run. Lucy’s team has raised $1,020.00 already! This is fantastic!!!

Every year on the first Sunday in June, thousands of people come together in Melbourne, Sydney and Canberra to walk and run in support of this cause. Lucy and her team are walking around Albert Park Lake staring at 10.30am this Sunday. I am walking with them too!

MS is a lifelong disease for which a cause and a cure are yet to be found. It effects the central nervous system and is a debilitating disease. It is estimated that more than 23,000 Australians are living with multiple sclerosis and an additional 1000 are diagnosed every year. Three quarters of people living with MS are women. While the research for a cure continues MS Australia helps people living with MS to access services, support, treatment and information.

What a kind, supportive, school community we are at CSPS. Super effort Lucy!
An Environment of Primary Importance

I was reading in the *Education Review Issue 3 May 2013* a very interesting article about how the primary school environment has been shown to affect children’s physical activity at school. The most obvious feature of the environment is the physical environment: playground equipment, classrooms, oval and plants.

The boosters to our students’ physical activity are:

- ✔️ Good access to sports equipment
- ✔️ High amounts of space and grassed play areas
- ✔️ Low child density
- ✔️ Access to natural play areas
- ✔️ Good variations in playground equipment
- ✔️ Number of hard courts and wall markings
- ✔️ Teachers involved in play/sport
- ✔️ Varied and enjoyable PE programs
- ✔️ Having a PE teacher
- ✔️ Having access to school grounds out-of-hours
- ✔️ Good problem solving by students
- ✔️ Good PFA fundraising committee
- ✔️ Positive teacher attitude towards PE /Sport
- ✔️ Good competitive culture

I am sure you will agree Clayton South Primary School ticks all these boxes. We need to thank our staff and PE teacher, Heather Douglass for their development of PE /Sport in our school. Excellent Effort!

Footy

Geelong are playing Gold Coast Suns at Skilled Stadium on Saturday and I hope it is cold, raining and the Cats players will be used to it, while it will be too cold for the boys from the North. This may be to our benefit!

Keep smiling

Lynne Dickins
Principal

Thank you to Sue at Australian Mesh for donating the wire mesh and Scott Darby at Bayer for donating the 23 sheets of Laserlite.

This adds up to over $2000 worth of donated material to repair our pergola that was damaged by vandals.
Sports Report — Interschool Sports held 30/5/2013 Clayton South PS vs St Anthony’s PS

Girls netball (report by Kristiana)

It was an excellent game and everyone played well. The best on ground were Ellie, Travelina & Anna for good calling out, moving into spaces and having a try at shooting. The scores were **CSPS 16 - SAPS 0. WE WON!**

Mixed T-ball (report by Saanvi)

Today the mixed T-ball scores were **CSPS 2 — SAPS 13** in St. Anthony’s favour. There was great sportsmanship from our mixed team. The best on ground goes to Roi for great fielding.

Soccer (report by Stephanie M)

It was a great game and the scores were **CSPS 0 — SAPS 4** in St Anthony’s favour. Everyone in our team played well! The best on ground were Evan and Romulo for great passing and long kicks.

Football (report by Jarjis & Antony)

Today our football team showed some great skills by tackling, handballing and kicking. It was a really tough match, but everyone tried their best. Ben V was best on ground for his great tackling and kicking. The scores were **CSPS 0 - SAPS 69** and unfortunately we lost.

Girls T-ball (report by Stephanie H)

Today the girls T-ball played a friendly match against St. Anthony’s. The scores were **CSPS 20 — SAPS 14. WE WON!** The whole team played great. The best players were Aysha and Hana for great fielding.

Mixed Netball (report by Shinta)

When we practised Mrs Douglass said “Spread out and move to different spots where nobody is.” It was a good tip because we won! The score was **CSPS 9 — SAPS 1**. The best on ground was Matt, for passing to an open space and then he got the ball and shot a goal.

Student of the week awards

**PRESENTED AT ASSEMBLY THURSDAY MAY 30**

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<td>Antonia</td>
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I saw the bats at Healesville zoo. Evan

I saw the big eagle and it was flying. Xander

There was a green bird called Les at Healesville. Les.

I liked it when the eagle flew in the sky. Sehaj

The emus are walking to us at the Healesville Sanctuary. Shubh

I saw a koala in a tree and it was eating a leaf. Marium

I liked the koala. Taleah

I saw a kookaburra. Kabir

Our Healesville Excursion

By Prep

I liked the kangaroo, it was lying down. Toni

I liked to feed to birds. Nui

I saw a koala in a tree. Grace

We took a photo sitting on the platypus. Tamapua

I saw kangaroos in the sun. Ranbir

I liked the koala. Wawish

I saw the koala climbing on the tree at Healesville, it was soft. Sarah

At Healesville Sanctuary

I saw a koala. Selin

I saw a koala climbing. Harshini

I liked the koala climbing up the tree at Healesville Sanctuary. Esmahan
SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY RESULTS

Our school Cross Country took place on Thursday 16\textsuperscript{th} May (despite it looking very unlikely with the wet weather about an hour beforehand!). The students ran two or three laps in the streets bordering the school, a distance of approximately two or three kilometres, depending on their age group.

Well done to everyone who finished! Thank you to all the teachers, aides and parents who braved the unpleasant weather to ensure that the event ran smoothly.

The top four placegetters for each age group were:

8/9/10 girls: 1\textsuperscript{st} - Marmarin, 2\textsuperscript{nd} - Raviha, 3\textsuperscript{rd} - Dima, 4\textsuperscript{th} - Mikara.
8/9/10 boys: 1\textsuperscript{st} - Aanas, 2\textsuperscript{nd} - Archie, 3\textsuperscript{rd} - Ferdos, 4\textsuperscript{th} - Ayush.
11 girls: 1\textsuperscript{st} - Ashleigh, 2\textsuperscript{nd} - Raquel, 3\textsuperscript{rd} - Natasha, 4\textsuperscript{th} - Anshu.
11 boys: 1\textsuperscript{st} - Antony, 2\textsuperscript{nd} - Kevin, 3\textsuperscript{rd} - Andrew C, 4\textsuperscript{th} - Ben N.
12/13 girls: 1\textsuperscript{st} - Leeann, 2\textsuperscript{nd} - Chelsea, 3\textsuperscript{rd} - Shinta, 4\textsuperscript{th} - Kristiana.
12/13 boys: 1\textsuperscript{st} - Rory, 2\textsuperscript{nd} - Romulo, 3\textsuperscript{rd} - Tolga, 4\textsuperscript{th} - Evan

Selected students will go on to represent our school on Friday in the District Cross Country.

Good luck everyone!

Heather Douglass.

Interschool Sport Coordinator.

1\textsuperscript{st} place getters: Rory, Leeann, Ashleigh, Antony, Marmarin, Aanas.
Participants needed: FREE study for overweight young people looking for help.

Murdoch Childrens Research Institute at The Royal Children’s Hospital is running a randomised clinical trial of an online weight management program for overweight adolescents. Participation involves completing height, weight, blood pressure and waist circumference measurements and an online questionnaire at baseline, 3, 6 and 12 months. Parents are also invited to participate. Every 3 months there will be a draw for a $100 gift voucher for those participants who have kept their appointments. The results will demonstrate the feasibility and effectiveness of using the personalised, targeted Staying Fit program for addressing weight-related behaviours during adolescence. Recruitment has commenced and we are looking for 550 overweight young people aged 12-17 living in metropolitan Melbourne.

Enquiries Karly Cini 9345 6954 stayingfit@mcri.edu.au

For more info: www.rch.org.au/cah/stayingfit