Dear Parents

Year 5/6 Students visit Sundowner Kinder

Last Friday, our Year 5/6B walked with Senorita Castillo and me to Sundowner Kinder. It was fantastic to meet Jan who taught some of our Year 5/6 students when they went to Sundowner Kinder. The young Kinder students were so excited to meet their primary school friends. Senorita Castillo read a story to all the students about going to school and how they can feel nervous. Then the Kinder child picked a Year 5/6 partner to draw around their hands and make a mural. The mural read: "With hearts and helping hands we can do anything". Look for more photos on our website in the coming week.

Sickness

Unfortunately over the last few weeks we have had quite a few students falling ill with gastroenteritis and other winter ailments. If your child/children are ill before attending school, it is in your child/children's best interests that they stay home in the warm where they can rest and recuperate. We do ask you to keep your emergency details up to date and that you contact us and inform the office if your child/children are going to be absent. Your anticipated support in this matter is very much appreciated.
Clayton South Primary

The Ben and Molly Puppet Show

WOW! How exciting to have *The Ben and Molly Puppet Show* coming to Clayton South Primary! They are going to show our young people how to make healthy food choices!

**Friday 13th September at 2.30pm**

**PLEASE BRING YOUR KINDER CHILD - NO OBLIGATION TO BE ENROLLED FOR 2014.**

We understand how important nutrition is today with so many different products on the market. So Fairlie Halligan, our Prep Coordinator has organised for Malindi Greenwood, APD Dietician from Central Bayside Community Health Services and Ranka Triscic Universal Family Support Worker, to speak to parents on:-

**Thursday 19th September at 9.00am**

**How to Read and Understand the Food Labels**

Please join this FREE community information session

Lynne Dickins
Principal 03 95580599
Extension Maths Group
Melissa Cole, Westall Secondary College Maths teacher, is coming to Clayton South Primary to provide extension Maths classes for our Maths students working at a much higher level of understanding. These sessions will begin this Thursday morning from 9am until 10am. If you see Melissa in our school please make her feel welcome.

Record Funding Announced for Victorian Schools 5th August 2013

Victorian students will be better off thanks to an agreement between the Federal and State governments that will see $12.2 billion in extra funding go to Victorian schools. The Better Schools Plan agreement will see the Victorian Government contribute $5.4 billion and the Federal Government contribute an additional $6.8 billion in funding to education over the next six years. The Plan will help improve student performance and help to attract and develop motivated and high performing teachers, who will support and challenge students to become great learners. The state government will consult with schools about how to best support students with the extra funding. The extra funding will go to government, Catholic and Independent schools. For more information, see: Victoria as a Learning Community

Greek School γλώσσα σχολείο

In 2014, we will be having Greek School at CSPS. Greek classes will occur on Monday afternoon from 4.00 to 8.30pm and on Saturday from 9.00 - 2.00pm. We have had many families asking for their child/children to participate in learning the Greek Language and now we are able to offer this from prep - VCE students. More information in the coming Newsletters and on our website!

Curriculum Day

Our next Pupil Free Day will be Wednesday 14th August when the staff will be completing their compulsory CPR training. This is a DEECD directive that we must be able to administer if needed in an emergency situation.

Victoria as a Learning Community

Victoria is taking the next step to continue improving education and make sure Victorian schools’ performance matches the best in the world. Education is the most effective way to support young people to reach their goals.

In the Victorian learning community teachers, principals, students, parents, communities and Government will work together to ensure Victorian children achieve their full potential. The key to developing this learning community is focusing on the most important things in schools - what we teach, how we teach it and how we support teachers, students and their families.

The foundations for creating this learning community in schools will be:

- greater professional trust and respect
- local decision-making and flexibility
- accountability and mutual support.

In the coming years, this reform agenda will see actions at schools that make a difference to leading, teaching, and learning. Our school motto of “DREAM ~ LEARN ~ ACHIEVE” will work in with the reform agenda.
**Bendigo Community Bank Invitation**

You are invited to a very important meeting on **Saturday 17th August** at Clayton Community Centre, Cooke St Clayton. There will be a free sausage sizzle and chance to win a door prize! Need to be in it to win it!!!!

If we get a Bendigo Community Bank in Clayton the benefits to our community will really make a difference.

How will a Bendigo Community Bank help Clayton?

A Bendigo Community Bank will:

- generate employment opportunities for local people,
- keep local capital in the community,
- become an investment option for shareholders and
- provide a source of revenue for important community projects.

The Community Bank in Eastern Region has given back $4 million to their local community. For more information, see [www.bendigobank.com.au](http://www.bendigobank.com.au)

If you are interested in attending the Community Bank Meetings then please come to see me. We require 2 local residents from our school to attend. I am not permitted to speak on your behalf. Please see me if you are interested.

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**URGENT! URGENT! Will You Use Before & After School Care for Your Children in 2014?**

I am writing to all parents to ask you **WILL** you use "Before and After School Care Program" in 2014?

Many parents bring their children to our small school community because we are caring and supportive and want us to offer this program. But **WILL** it be used regularly?

Unfortunately unless we have 12 families committed to regular use Before and After School Care we are unable to provide this service.

In regards to the CCB/CCR deductions, the **Before School Care range is from $5 -$9 and After School Care is $6-$11, dependent upon income levels**. So it is in your best interest to claim the deductions that you would be entitled to and thus minimise the amount you need to pay out of your own pocket!

Your support is vital. Please send back the form below if you are sincerely interested in "Before and After Care in 2014"!

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**2014 BEFORE & AFTER SCHOOL CARE**

**YES!** I would **regularly** use Before & After School Care for my child/ren in 2014 if the school offered this.

Parent Name: ____________________________

Number of children requiring Before/After school care: ____________

I would use before school care _______ mornings per week

I would use after school care _________ afternoons per week

(please write in the number of days)
Footy

Go Cats! Hope we do better this week playing Port Adelaide at Simonds Stadium on Saturday than last Friday night at Etihad playing North Melbourne.

Keep smiling, stay warm and read every night with your children!

Lynne Dickins
Principal

NEWSLETTER COMPETITION—Enter this week’s comp for your chance to win an icy pole!

What is the name of the Westall SC Maths teacher who will be coming out to CSPS?

Answer: ___________________________

Name & Class: ___________________________
I went to the beach and I had a swim.
Wawish

I made a house. Taleah

I stayed at home and made a house with my mum and I played with my cat.
Temika

I went to Sydney and I went in a boat and in the car.
Harshini

What have the Preps been up to on their weekends?

I went to the swimming pool with my dad.
Nui

I bought some fruit and I went with my family and I bought bananas and I got avocado and I got some vegetables.
Mari

I went to the aquarium and I saw a lizard and a shark.
Xander

It was very sunny yesterday and it was a little bit of glad, cloud.
Shubh

On the weekend I played with my cars.
Tony

On Sunday I played with my cars.
Lesley
Looking for a Tutor?

We offer Mathematics and English - from remedial recovery to accelerated and enhanced levels.

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Tuition is held at our centre in Moorabbin.
We offer all Primary and Secondary (including VCE) levels.

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Develop your child’s confidence with Performing Arts education.

Our singing and dance programmes are about building communities and improving well being. Your child will learn new skills, make new friends and be part of some memorable performances.

The Australian Youth Choir and the Australian Youth Dance Theatre hold weekly rehearsals in Frankston, Cheltenham and Berwick. Visit our website www.nypaa.com.au and contact us 9836 2877 to attend our audition day in Keysborough on Saturday Sept 7.

Term 3 and the newsletter is ONLINE! Select the Newsletter button from the school’s home page.

Do you still wish to receive a printed copy?

Requests for printed copies can be made at the school office.