Term 4, 2013

Fri 1, 8 Nov
Step into Prep sessions

Tues 5 Nov
Melbourne Cup Day—Public Holiday

Thurs 7 Nov
Grade 3/4 excursion to Polly Woodside

Mon 11—Wed 27 Nov
Grades Prep-6 Swimming Lessons

Tue 12 Nov
School Council meeting

Fri 15 Nov
Prep Interviews
Grades Prep-2 Working Bee

Wed 20—Fri 22 Nov
Grade 3/4 Camp

Fri 29 Nov
Prep Orientation, 2:30-3:30pm

Mon 2 Dec
Grade 4 & 5 to Westall SC

Fri 6 Dec
Curriculum Day—students not required at school

Tue 10 Dec
Prep Orientation, 9-11am
Grade 6 to Year 7 Orientation Day

Fri 13 Dec
Creative Music Concert — PMP room

Dear Parents

Swimming

Many thanks to the parents who have already returned their swimming notices. This will ensure that we are able to run a successful program. There is a great deal of work that goes on behind the scenes so the program runs smoothly and we are not able to complete this work unless we have final numbers.

At this stage there are some classes where a large number of students have not returned the forms and this is very disappointing.

Swimming is part of our Physical Education Program and it is vital that students learn to swim. For those senior students that are already know how to swim, it is also important to build up their stamina in the water before they are expected to take part in swimming sports in Secondary school.

We would appreciate the support for this part of the Curriculum from our parent community.

Kids Teaching Kids Conference

What an amazing experience our lucky “Water Warrior” students had on Monday and Tuesday. Asli, Rory, Ashleigh, James R, Shanice, Katie, Natasha and Margaret attended the two day conference held at Etihad Stadium and the Collingwood Children's Farm, sponsored by Melbourne Water. The students will be reporting back to the school in the coming weeks both at assembly and in the newsletter with information about what they learnt during the program and what action they would like to take to improve the environment.
Kids Teaching Kids Conference cont.

The students had two really big days that included lots of hands on activities focusing on our waterways and the "Urban Water Cycle". Many of the activities were run by students who came from as far away as Portland, Ballarat, Mildura and even Queensland. Our days started very early at 7:30am and our first day finished at 9:00pm after a Gala dinner!

The program has now been running for 15 years and this was the first time a group from Clayton South has been able to attend, much in part due to the sponsorship we received from Kingston Council. We are very grateful for their support and we would also like to thank Mrs Dornau (Grade 5/6) and Louise Dorr (Parent) for transporting students.
Enrolments and Grades for 2014

Thank you to parents who have informed us of changed arrangements for 2014. Please let us know as soon as possible if your child is not attending CSPS next year, as we are about to begin the process of constructing classes and designing our transition program for later in the term. If you have any additional information you believe is relevant to us about your child's learning needs as we begin this process, please let me know as soon as possible. Please remember however that determining the composition of classes for 2014 is a comprehensive process and consideration is given to the needs of all students.

Thank you,
Lynne Foster
Assistant Principal

SCHOOL UNIFORM SALES NEWS

** SELL OUT OF OUR CURRENT GREEN & GOLD UNIFORM STOCK **
WHAT? All stock
PRICE? Half price
WHEN? Thursday 7th & Friday 8th November 3:00-4:00pm
WHERE? Multi-purpose facility

** OUR NEW NAVY & TEAL BLUE UNIFORM WILL BE ON SALE **
PRICE? Refer to our school website for a Uniform Shop Price List
WHEN? Monday 11th November 8:30-10:30am
Thursday 14th November 2:30-4:30pm
WHERE? Multi-purpose facility

STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARDS
PRESENTED AT ASSEMBLY THURSDAY OCTOBER 31st

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On the 21st of October, a lady called Jen came to our school to teach the 5/6s about what the Chinese miners did when they came to Australia and how people treated them. Jen set up fun activities for us to do and we also dressed up to look like Chinese miners. It made us feel like we were at the goldfields. The activities we did were gold panning, making miners’ licences and pretending to be a trooper. We weighed gold nuggets using 3 different types of scales and carried buckets with rice and water, pretending to be walking from South Australia to Victoria. I thought the activities were awesome. I learnt a lot of things from this incursion. Some of the things I learnt were that the Chinese people had to walk from South Australia to Victoria, if the captain could not afford to pay for the Chinese people to come by sea. You needed a licence to search for gold. The Chinese people had long hair and people pulled their hair because they did not like the way they looked. The interesting things that I saw were the gold nuggets and the Chinese lion. The Chinese lions were big and very cool and we got to go inside them and walk around. I had a really great time at the gold incursion. By Leeann 5/6B

I had an amazing time at the gold incursion. Jen introduced herself and talked a little bit about gold. Then we all got dressed up in Chinese costumes and we wore Chinese hats. We then had to pretend we were Chinese miners travelling to Australia. There were 5 activities to do with mining for gold. My favourite one was the one where we had to pretend we were at a stream trying to find specks of gold. I learnt that the Chinese lions are used at Chinese New Year and they kill evil spirits. I had a great time and there was a lot of information to take in. We also had to make a mining license and if you did not have one you would pretend to be chained. In real life, if you did not have a license you would get chained to a log. I also learnt that convicts became policemen because there were too many people in Australia for the gold rush. I had an AMAZING time! By Ellie

At the gold incursion, there were lots of activities for us to do. I went panning for gold. I also carried rice and water on my shoulder. We saw a pick axe which the miners used.

By Jorden 5/6
GOLD RUSH INCURSION
Pedia Greek School Is Opening at Clayton South Primary School

Classes From Prep – VCE

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