Principal’s Report

Welcome back to the 2016 year.

Welcome back to another exciting school year at Clayton South Primary School. I would particularly like to welcome our new Foundation (Prep) students and our ten new students and parents to our school. All our students had a great start to their school life last week. The students were happy and excited and we wish them a successful, productive year. All our new Prep students received a colourful library bag from the Department of Education. These lovely bright yellow bags contained some information for parents and some helpful items to make the start to school a little easier.

How you can help your child settle back into the school year?

It’s not unusual for children to need a little extra help adjusting to the start of school. What can you do? Talk up what happens at school and develop a regular routine could assist this process. Your child will take their cues from you about how they see their school. Your child needs to hear positive messages about learning, teachers and the school itself. Please see the class teacher if you have any concerns.

The 2016 Staff Team at Clayton South Primary School is as follows:

- **Business Manager**
  - Mrs Gay Kuzmiuk - Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday

- **Administration Assistant**
  - Miss Keah Hickleton—Tuesday am and Wednesday

- **Classroom Teachers**
  - Foundation/Grade 1 – Mrs Fairlie Halligan in Room 19
  - Grade 1/2 B Mrs Nerina Deathridge Room in Room 18
  - Grade 3/4 A Mr David Borg Room 13
  - Grade 3/4 B Mrs Leanne Monk Room 9

- **Specialists Teachers**
  - Ms Valeska Castillo - Spanish and Art
  - Mrs Heather Douglass – PE

- **Integration Aide Staff**
  - Mrs Felica Zinas
  - Mrs Kathie Wittner
  - Mrs Anna Cardamone

With School Captains Raviha and Faisal
You may have heard in the media about the concerning threats to a number of schools in the last week. I want to assure you that CSPS has an up to date evacuation plan (if needed) and we practise this with the students in order to be prepared for any situations that may arise. It is important we have your up to date contact details at all times so please contact the office if your details have changed.

As a way of communicating and informing our parents we use an app called Konnective. You can download this app onto your smartphone. It’s simple to install, just notify the office of your email address and you will be sent a request to join. Our newsletter is uploaded to our website each fortnight. You can be sent a notification when the current one is live if we have your

Information Evenings
At Clayton South PS we believe that a positive and supportive relationship between home and school is essential to maximise learning achievement. Next week we are conducting our Information Evenings. This is an opportunity for parents to meet their children’s new teachers and find out about the programs and curriculum that is being taught at each respective year level. Thank you to the families who have already responded they are able to attend. The staff is very appreciative of your involvement and this type of meeting that strengthens the partnerships that we develop each year. If you are unable to attend please contact your child’s teacher to arrange an alternative time to meet.

Individual Book Supplies and School Accounts
I am extremely pleased to report that the vast majority of families have already settled their Essential Education Items account, and all students have been given their book supplies. Thank you to everyone for your support and for ensuring that we have had a very smooth start with the children being well resourced and ready to go! As mentioned previously, the Essential Educational Items are a vital component of the school’s ability to provide resources for us to implement the best possible education for all of the children. If you are yet to settle your school account and need some assistance, please do not hesitate to see me.
Introducing our 2016 school Leaders.

School captains: Faisal and Raviha
Vice school captains: Mohammad and Kanishka
Sports captains: Andrew and Kelly
Vice Sports captains: Baghesh and Katrina
Junior school councillors:
Waste Warriors
Illiana
William
Luke
Kanishka
Gunveen

Health Care Card Holders
The 2016 Camps, Sports & Excursion fund applications are open now. You are eligible if you have a current concession card. Please see the office for an application form.

Learn music here at school
Come and join in the fun of learning to play keyboard, guitar, here at Clayton South Primary School.

Creative Music for Schools conducts a music program here at school each week.
Small group classes or one-to-one lessons of up to 30 minutes give children an excellent grounding in music where they will learn to read music and play their chosen instrument.
Tuition costs from $14.20 per lesson and enrolments are now being accepted for limited places in Term 1, 2016.
Interested parents should call Fiona during office hours on 9818 2333

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We hope you have had a fantastic summer holiday and are looking forward to the exciting opportunities that 2016 will bring.

We are looking forward to seeing lots of familiar faces at After School Care and to welcoming lots of new faces as well.

Existing Families

Don't forget to manage your 2016 bookings.

Last year’s bookings do not roll over so log on to the parent portal NOW to secure your bookings for 2016.

You can book for the entire term or year or even book specific dates.

New Families

Enrol online – allow 24 hours

Enrolling is quick and easy! Simply set up your own account online via the Parent Portal. Please note it is government regulation that all children must be enrolled BEFORE attending an Extend service. For information on operating hours and fees for your school, visit your After School Care venue or school website.

Enrol now, pay later

The annual enrolment fee per family of $20 is NOT payable until you first use the service. So why not enrol now so you can access the service later? It doesn't matter if you don't end up using the service, because you won’t be charged.

Watch this space throughout the term for regular updates from our Extend team!

PARENT PORTAL: extend.com.au

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