



Clayton South Primary School

“Dream ~ Learn ~ Achieve”

Under the Gazebo

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29th June 2017

Diary Dates:

29th June Winter School
Sports Round 9

30th June Third Footsteps
Incursion

**Friday 30th June— Last Day
of Term 2 early dismissal at
2:30pm**

Term Three - Monday 17th July

20th July - Winter School
Sports Finals

- Parent Teacher
Meetings

21st July Forth Footsteps
Incursion

Principal's Report

All student reports are finalized and were sent home on Wednesday 28th June. You have been given an attendance record sheet for your child which was included in their Semester One report. On this sheet it clearly states what percentage they have attended as well as how many times your child has been late to school. Less than 85% can be a concern and it means your child's attendance rate is lower than the state average for a student of their age. Going to school every day is the single most important part of your child's education. Students learn new things at school every day – missing school puts them behind. Being at school on time is as important as being at school every day.



Our school has an average of 16 days absent per student, per year. This is an improvement on last year and while we don't want to see sick students at school, it would be great to improve this statistic even further.

Please make sure you have a time to see your child's teacher at the Semester One Parent Teacher Meetings on **Thursday 20th July**. These important face to face meetings are a way of providing feedback to parents on your child's progress. It is also important for to share with the teacher any concerns that you may have. It is a two way conversation and it is critical that your student knows that the teacher and the parent share goals about their learning.

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On Monday 19th June, Jennifer McCrabb our Senior Improvement Leader visited CSPS. The purpose of her visit was to meet with our leadership group to discuss CSPS' Annual Improvement Plan and the things we have achieved so far this year. After our morning meeting Jennifer visited each classroom and spoke with the students and staff.

Some excellent achievements in our AIP so far:

- ✓ Professional learning is aligned with the FISO goals and priorities.
- ✓ Teachers clearly demonstrate their understanding of the link between their practice and student learning. They use student achievement data to identify areas for improvement, in teacher practice.
- ✓ Teachers make, moderate and document consistent judgments about the effectiveness of their classroom practice to reduce variability between classes.
- ✓ Strong scope and sequence documents have been developed/reviewed. This means a common approach is established; that everyone follows that is matched to the curriculum.
- ✓ Expanded personalised learning to assist students with setting relevant and challenging learning goals.
- ✓ Audited and up to date curriculum units aligned with the scope and sequence, ensuring they include the use of ICT, student personalised learning for maximum engagement.

She also noted:



- Classes displayed CAFÉ across the whole school. Classes also had VCOP displays and many writing prompts.
- The Learning Space had displays of charts and prompts for curriculum areas other than Literacy. The space was very inviting and organised, as was the whole school.



- Student work is beautifully displayed throughout the school.

I wish to thank the staff, students and parents for their hard work and support over the term. I feel very privileged to be working in such a great school where teachers challenge each other to improve student achievements and support student's wellbeing. Have a wonderful Term 2 break and I look forward to seeing all our students back on Monday 17th July.

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This term we have been focusing on writing poetry. Our

poems were based around emotions.

Here are two examples:

My freaking mind

Different feelings,
In my jumbled, confused mind,
I always freak out,
No crazy reason why though,
Why am I acting so weird!

I will not give up!

My emotions change,
Mostly they are sad feelings,
I cannot change them,
But I will be persistent,
I will make myself happy!
Happily

We have also been involved with a number of extra activities such as visiting the Kinder and having students from Bentleigh come and talk with us about Cyber Safety and team communication. This session started off in the 5/6 lounge and then finished with a game that involved communication and discussing a team strategy.



The Girls from Bentleigh Secondary College and the Grade Fives.



Grade 56B making playdough with the Kinder.

5/6 EXCURSION TO IMAX

On Friday the 26th of May, all the 5/6's went to the Melbourne museum IMAX cinema to see a movie in 3D called "A Beautiful Planet". It was mostly about life on the International Space Station and how everything works up there, as well as how things are different, for example; their water comes out of yoghurt squeeze tubes (don't worry they weren't recycled from actual yoghurt squeeze tubes), and when they squeeze the water out it can come out in floating blobs which looks really cool. It looked especially cool in the 3D we were watching it in. Some of the 5/6's thought it was going to wet them for a second! There was this section of the movie where it showed a beautiful but small room which was almost entirely made out of reinforced glass and which you could see through out into space. Even on film it looked breath-taking.



Before we went to see the movie though, we went inside the museum. We went inside the earth science room, where there were bones of dinosaurs. Little did we know there was a second section... In the first section, we also had a few rocks and minerals as well as the dinosaur bones but it was mostly the bones, as I said before. Finally it was time for the movie. After the movie we finally went to the second section!!! Section two had a huge amount of rocks and minerals as well as a mini 3D cinema (which showed a short clip about volcanoes), and rotating planets. There was also a place where you stood on a scale and a screen told you your weight in gold!

After we finished we went outside and boarded the bus that was now waiting for us. Overall, it was an extremely enjoyable day and everyone had lots of fun!

Antonia



Student Awards



Student of the Week Awards

Presented at Assembly – 15th & 22nd June

<u>Prep A</u>	Krishna	For her positive attitude to learning and participation in all class activities.
	Komal	For showing great improvement in counting and writing her numbers.
<u>1/2 A</u>	Valantine	For consistently staying on task and completing his work on time.
	Charlotte	For being a helpful member of the class and always on task.
<u>1/2 B</u>	Vivian	For working hard and achieving great results in Maths.
	Jordan	For writing a great procedure on "How to make a slime fidget".
<u>3/4 A</u>	Tiffany	For writing a very interesting and creative superhero narrative.
	Rakei	For an amazing spelling test result.
<u>3/4 B</u>	Declan	For reading with very good expression during reading groups.
	Nikki	For working hard to complete our class tasks.
<u>5/6 A</u>	Julee	For creating an excellent Powerpoint about a budget for a trip to the Gold Coast.
	Ethan	For showing his creativity during writing and inquiry.
<u>5/6 B</u>	Jaspreet	Demonstrating an excellent work ethic!
	Julian	Writing excellent stories and improving his reading.



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SCHOOL HOLIDAY FUN

MELBOURNE MUSTANGS
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HOLIDAY FUN

Do something different with your children over the School Holidays by bringing them to an Ice Hockey Game at O'Brien Group Arena in Harbour Town.

School Holiday Game Dates

July 8: 5:00pm
July 9: 4:00pm

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