Principal’s Report

Term Four is nearly at the end and I wish to thank all the hard working staff, students and parents for a fantastic year. We have achieved so much together and I wish you all a safe and happy holiday period.

School resumes for all students on Friday 29th January at 9 am.

Your child’s report went home with them yesterday. It was wonderful to read the positive and informative comments written about the students at CSPS and to see their progression. An attendance report for Semester 2 was also included in the envelope. It was excellent to see so many students improve on their Semester One attendance and push their % up to a higher rate. I am very proud to state that these academic achievements reflect our highly able students and are a credit to the skilled staff at CSPS and hard work of our students.

42% of students achieved above standard in Reading and Viewing.
23% of students achieved above standard in Speaking and Listening.
25% of students achieved above standard in Writing.
23% of students achieved above standard in Measurement and Geometry
23% of students achieved above standard in Number and Algebra
19% of students achieved above standard in Statistics and Probability
29% of students achieved above standard in PE
31% of students achieved above standard in Art

Graduation for our Year 6 students has been organised by Miss Anna, Mr Hay and Miss Ting along with help from some parent voulnteers and staff. It is set to be a wonderful evening. I’m looking forward to the night where we will acknowledge our graduating students and celebrate their hard work during their primary school years. This year we will be farwelling: Navneet, Nicholas, Charlie, Hana, Ferdos, Dima, Amor, Vienna, Marmarin, Eirini, Emily, Charles, Mohamed, Silin, Dhruv, Saanvi, Isabella, Gyan, Archie and Jaden. I wish you well in your next chapter in your schooling years. Make sure you return to CSPS at some point to share with us your achievements, adventures and successes in life.

Our Art in the Community Garden Project is complete. Thank you to all involved. This mural has enhanced our school entrance and enabled members of our school community share their talent.
Life Saving Victoria was so pleased with how many families took swimming lessons this year that they have found a sponsor for us in 2016. To take up this generous offer we will be having swimming again in Term 1. So I would like to give families plenty of notice to allow for this cost. At this stage the cost will again be $40 per student and we have booked the Doug Ellis Memorial Pool at Monash University. This is a fantastic indoor facility and we have made a booking for March 2015. A notice and forms will be available on book payment day and in the first week of Term 1.

The Grade structure for 2016 is as following. We have quite a few students undecided about their intentions next year and I would appreciate you encouraging anyone you know who has moved into the area to come and look at our school and enrol.

Prep/One – Fairlie Halligan
1/2 Nerina Deathridge
3/4 Leanne Monk
3/4 David Borg
5/6 Eve Ting
5/6 Larry Hay
Office staff
Gay Kuzmiuk and new staff member Leah Hickleton
ES staff Felica Zinas, Anna Cardamone and new staff member Kathie Witter
Specialist staff are Heather Douglass- PE and Valeska Castillo Art and Spanish.

Mrs Porlee Ng will be leaving us to care for her family and we thank her for her work during 2015.

Booklists have been organised and will be ordered through Office Max. We have received a competitive quote which will be delivered to the school in January. All students will have books to start the school year and will be provided to them by class teachers in the first week.

Our OSHC program with Extend will continue next year and I encourage any parents to take up the opportunity to use this service. They participate in superb activities before/after school and this service is open until 6:00pm. Why not avoid the rush of after school business and pick them up later in the afternoon?

NOTICE TO PARENTS: END OF YEAR EARLY DISMISSAL:

Please note that students will be dismissed at 1.30pm on Friday, 18th December 2015, the last day of school. Our Final Assembly will be at 1:00 to farewell the classes of 2015.
Extend OSHC at Clayton South Primary School

Our recap

This fortnight we began thinking of Christmas! We added to our “mural collection” and wanted to make a Christmas scape. Jordan wanted to add reindeers, and Santa's slay of course. Jeevitha wanted to make a magical snow setting, just like her favourite movie – Frozen!

This week we also had discussions about some things that might frighten us when we have nightmares. The children spoke about some of the nightmares they have had, and we thought of some ways we can remind ourselves that nightmares are just in our minds. To make ourselves feel better about our nightmares, we made dream catchers! We spoke about how dream catchers were designed to capture our bad dreams, and let us only dream beautiful things.

The girls at after school care also hosted their very own Extend Fashion Show! The afternoon consisted of them creating their very fashionable hats with glitter, feathers... you name it! They did a cat walk and flaunted their amazing designs.

As this is the last newsletter and recap for 2015, I would like to thank all the students, parents and staff at Clayton South PS for making me feel very welcome this term! As I am expecting a baby early next year, this may be my last week at CSPS! I have enjoyed my time here getting to know each and every one of you. Wishing you all a Merry Christmas, and a safe new year. All the best for 2016!

Kind regards, Jessica

Our Extend Superstar is… Jordan for demonstrating his positive behaviour and being a role model for other students.

PARENT PORTAL: extend.com.au
### Student Awards

Presented at Assembly – Thursday December 3rd & 10th

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<td>For making wonderful progress in her story writing</td>
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<td>Marium</td>
<td>For writing interesting narratives</td>
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<td>For working hard on your Inquiry Project on Dinosaurs</td>
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Kingston Council is running a free supported playgroup at OSPS in 2016. A wonderful addition to our school community.