Acting Principal’s Report

Safety of our students
Unfortunately we have some parents putting student safety at risk. There are many parents crossing the roads near the school without using the school crossing. This is not only putting the child at risk but is terrible modelling of incorrect behaviour for your child.

We still have some parents coming into the school grounds and using the car parks after school to pick up their child. We ask that parents do not do this as there are many students exiting the school grounds and they should not have to be avoiding cars leaving the school.

Our paramount concern is the safety of all the students in the school.

There have also been complaints of some cars blocking the driveways of neighbouring houses. We have contacted the council to send around parking officers. If you collect your child at Yarrunga, we ask that you reverse park into a spot to wait. Cars reversing out of parking spaces put walking children at risk – with increased numbers using this area, it is much safer to move out forwards.

Head Lice
As was mentioned in last’s week’s newsletter, head lice is an ongoing problem. Today we are sending home a DVD to every family titled ‘A Forest Adventure – Take on the challenge, defeat the head lice and defend your class!’ Please take the time to watch this DVD with your children - the problem can only be tackled properly if every family joins the battle.
School Policy Documents
Croydon Hills Primary School Policy Review Process – Your input is requested
Each year the Education Subcommittee of School Council reviews school policies in line with Department of Education requirements. In 2013 we have twelve policies scheduled for review.

The Education Subcommittee undertakes a review according to statutory and regulatory requirements and the changing needs of the school community. Policies to be reviewed this year will be put onto the school website for consideration by the school community in order to ensure they meet community needs and expectations. The following policies will be reviewed this year:

- Facebook
- Students with Special Needs
- First Aid
- Medication
- Home Learning/Homework
- Canteen
- Attendance
- Managing Head lice
- Hiring of Facilities
- Parent Payments
- Environment

These policies have been posted on our website, www.croydonhps.vic.edu.au. Click on Parents, then Policies. Links are under the subheading ‘Policies for Review 2013.’

Please take the time to consider any or all of the policies and provide feedback, comments and suggestions to the subcommittee convenor Carol Wyatt at wyatt.carol.e@edumail.vic.gov.au

Hard copies of policies for review are also available at the office if parents would prefer to write onto the hard copy of the policy and pass it on to Carol at school.

The Education subcommittee meets monthly on a Wednesday at 6pm. If you are interested in being part of the Education Subcommittee and assisting with the policy review process, please contact Carol at school.

Brainstorm Productions

On Wednesday our junior, middle and senior school attended a production called Buddies 2. Our aim is to have a whole school approach to the powerful messages which were part of this show. They include internet safety, cyber bullying, positive relationships, teasing, exclusion, rumours, friendship, assertiveness, social skills, conflict resolution, anger management, resilience and empathy. These messages also feature strongly in our Circles Program.

The storyline of the show: As players in an exciting virtual video game, Charlie and Lucy must cooperate to overcome the forces of Aggrator, earn the eight ‘Friendship Discs’ and restore the ‘Ancient Ring of Friendship’.

When Lucy is over-confident and impulsive and Charlie is aggressive they fall through the safety net. Charlie discovers that Lucy is about to give her address and phone number to a stranger in the cyber chamber. Will they know when to ‘tell’, ‘copy’, ‘block’, ‘delete’ and ‘report’.

Together they realise that a true buddy is a friend of your own age who tells the truth, listens, makes you feel safe and allows you to be yourself.

Teachers will discuss the performance with their class. There are photos later in the newsletter.

Get Well Soon

Finally our best wishes to Mr Caudry, who has been in hospital with an injured ankle. We wish him a speedy recovery and look forward to welcoming him back to school soon.

Carol Wyatt - Acting Principal

Sports News

Interschool Sport

Last Friday we played against Warranwood PS. The results were consistent across all the sports with Croydon Hills winning all of the games. Well done to all the teams for their great efforts.

Results:

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VOLLEYSTARS 2 1 Croydon Hills

This week we are playing against Holy Spirit PS. Venues: Croydon Hills – Teeball Boys & Mixed, Basketball Boys and Volleyball. Holy Spirit – Cricket, Rounds Boys & girls, Basketball Girls and Bat tennis.

**District Tennis**

Congratulations to Riva O, and Jackson C for competing in the District Tennis competition on Monday. They were competing against 30 other students in the Ringwood area, across 3 districts. The successful team came from the Warrandyte South District. Despite the fact that our students didn’t make the finals, we are still proud of their efforts. Well one boys.

**Division Swimming**

Today the Division Swimming trials were conducted at the Nunawading pool. Congratulations to Harrison L and Will R for competing. They competed against 4 other Districts in their events. Results next week.

**Team Vic Trials**

In the next few weeks we will be trialling individual children who perform at a high level in particular sports, being Football, Netball and Soccer. Yesterday we saw the first of the Team Vic trials in Basketball. We are able to enter a few children from each sport into the District/Division trials. If children are selected through the process, they proceed to the Regional and State Team finals. A team for each sport is chosen from the successful students throughout Victoria to represent our state and play in a National Competition. Last Year Jack P (SRD) was successful in making the State Basketball team. Well done to Jack P again, Josh H, Griffin E, Carli F and Taylor W for representing our school on March 18th in the Team Vic District/Division trials. Next week we will trial children for Soccer, Football and Netball.

*Noreen McMenaman - Sport/PE*

**Uniform Shop News**

**WINTER TARTAN ORDERS**

The uniform shop is now taking orders for tartan pinafores and skirts. Parents wishing to order winter tartan for their girls should come to the shop during opening hours for sizing. Orders to supplier will be placed early March.

*Anissa Silver - Uniform Shop Co-ordinator*

**Canteen News**

**DELETED ITEMS**

Singapore noodles and BBQ Chicken Pizzas are no longer available.

**TASTY TUESDAYS**

Together with Bakers Delight, we are offering a meal deals on Tuesdays for the remainder of term 1.

**Meal Deal 1** "Mini Meal" $4.50
1 x Small Cheesymite Scroll
1 x Oak Flavoured Milk (Choc, straw or ban)
2 x Homemade cookies

**Meal Deal 2** "Mega Meal" $6.00
2 x Small Cheesymite Scrolls
1 x Oak Flavoured Milk (Choc, straw or ban)
2 x Homemade cookies

**ROSTER**

Friday 1st March - Sharron Savage, Narelle Collins.
Monday 4th March - CLOSED
Tuesday 5th March - Melody Donald, Mesina Long.
Wednesday 6th March - Alisa Wills, Belinda Van Unen.
Thursday 7th March - Karen Kane, Sandra Horgan.
Friday 8th March - Danni Bennett, Helen Thompson, Nicole Murphy, Jess Allison.

*Karen Cyster - Canteen Manager*
This week’s birthdays at CHPS

Abby JrPB who had her birthday on Monday
Ali ELW had her birthday on Tuesday
Amelie ELR and Bailee JrPB had their birthdays on Wednesday
Tristan SrD is having his birthday tomorrow
Ruby ELW, Max JrD and Will R in MdK are having their birthdays on Saturday
and Emmerson JrPB and Zac in SrB are having their birthdays on Sunday

Congratulations and we hope you have a special day.

Good Friday Appeal

This year we will be holding a Free Dress Day on the last day of term, Thursday March 28th. We ask all students who wear free dress to bring a gold coin donation, which will be sent to the Royal Children’s Hospital Good Friday Appeal.

CHAPS NEWS

The CHAPS year is off to a great start with a well-attended first meeting. Thank you to all those who attended.

We held a morning tea for the badge recipients and their parents after the indoor assembly on Monday and I am happy to say we had enough volunteers to help. On that note, a very big thank you to Dimity Gist, Liz White and her very-soon-to-be husband Brett, who did a great job getting things organised.

You should have all received the information about the CHAPS AGM which is coming up on Monday 4th March at 7.30pm in the staff room. This year we have nominations for the major roles, so please come along without feeling you are going to be pressured to take on a major position.

This year we have also created a few smaller and sub-committee roles which will allow new parents (or existing ones) to get involved without having to give up too much time. It’s a great way to help make the school a better place for your children.

We have a Cadbury Factory visit coming up on Monday 25th March at 10.45am for CHAPS members. If you are interested and have not yet joined CHAPS, please do so and contact me on 0438-271948 to let me know you would like to attend. Places are limited to 25 people, so it will be first in best dressed.

If you have any questions at all about CHAPS, please do not hesitate to contact me on the number above.

Justine Wratten - CHAPS
Croydon Hills Primary School Fair

FACE PAINTING STALL - HELPERS REQUIRED

No prior face painting experience needed!

Face painting has not been allocated a class for helpers as we do not have enough classes to cover all the stalls.

We are instead appealing to those of you within the school community that may have a specific interest in this stall!

New and simple rainbow paint, sponges and designs have been sourced.

A quick master class will be given beforehand.

Please contact our stall co-ordinator direct

Kate GOLDING - 0428256981

Guess the amount of lollies in the jar!

The competition is back for this year’s Fair, YAY....

Every Monday and Friday until the fair:

Guess at the number of Gummy Bears in the jar for your chance to win the entire jar!

Cost: $0.50 per guess

On these days we will come to your class to collect your money and record your guess.

If we have any guesses left over you will find the jar and the guess sheet at the lolly shop in the stadium on fair day!

The winner will be contacted at the end of the fair

GOOD LUCK!
Croydon Hills Primary School Fair 2013

Market Stall Holders Wanted – New Crafts and Products

This year we are introducing Market Stalls in an attempt to attract more visitors to the fair and offer them more variety once they are here.

The fee for having a stall this year is $40
All profits made on the day are yours to keep!

If you are a work from home parent it is a great opportunity to further promote your business and products!

The size of each market stall is approximately 3x3 metres.
Stallholders will need to provide their own gazebo and table/s.

If you are interested please email the fair committee at and we will forward you all the details and application form. chpsfair2013@ymail.com

HAVE YOU RECEIVED THE SCHOOLKIDS BONUS?

Do you know about the Schoolkids Bonus? It is a new cash payment to help eligible families and students with the costs of primary and secondary school studies. Around 1.2 million families have already benefitted from the first wave of payments in January 2013 – have you?

If you receive a family or income support payment, including Family Tax Benefit Part A, you could be eligible to receive $410 a year for each primary student and $820 a year for each secondary student, with half paid in January and half paid in July.

The Schoolkids Bonus replaces the Education Tax Refund (ETR) and is a much simpler system. You no longer need to collect receipts and payments are made automatically so you don’t have to wait months to make a claim via your tax return.

Unlike the ETR you can choose how you use the payment to best support your children’s education – whether it be school books, stationery, uniforms, school fees, or excursions.

Check your eligibility by visiting australia.gov.au/schoolkidsbonus and if you think you might have missed out on the January payment, contact Centrelink – either in person at a Centrelink-Medicare Office or by calling 132 468.

Early Learning & Junior Disco

Please note the cancellation of this event, previously scheduled for Friday March 15th.
Although you tell the truth and control yourself you also need to be yourself. To be yourself you have to just act like you normally act by yourself, talk normal and be your inner self. Portia T 4Md-L

CHPS Buddies 2

First there was a problem with the mum and Lucy, the who kid wanted to go online, but her mum didn't let her, but she still did. I learnt never go online without telling your mum or your dad because you might look up something you're not supposed to. Isabella 4Md-L

I learnt that some people who you think are your friends some times they are not. Harrison 4Md-L

I learned that you always, no matter what, need to ask your parents for permission to sign into some sort of game or even just to go on to the internet! - Ebony 4Md-
Grade 5 & 6 Disco

Friday 15th March 2013

7.00pm – 9.30pm SHARP!!

$10.00 Tickets **Presold** At Tinternvale Primary School during office hours or at Norwood Hall on the night

Norwood Secondary College Hall
Byron St, Ringwood North
Melway Ref: 49 K4

DJ playing Top 40 Hits

Snacks & Drinks 20¢ - $1.00
Glow Products $2.00 - $3.00

** Prizes to be Won **

Tinternvale Primary School Contact - Bec McGrath 0414 316 043

BoomTEC is an event managed by Tinternvale Primary School Council
Ringwood Tennis Club
Jubilee Park, Gardini Ave
Ringwood
Ian Peter-Budge
budgiescoac@optusnet.com.au

50% Off Your Child’s First Stage Creation Class

Mums’ Program
Only $15 for five weeks of group tennis coaching
Tennis Victoria Councils offer a Mum’s Program that allows you to take some time out to work and socialise with other mums in your area.

Benefits of the Mums’ Program:
• Improve your health, have fun and get fit
• No need to find or pay for childcare to participate
• No need to transport to coaching
• Reduce stress as you don’t have to purchase any special kit to participate
• Get a great taste of Cardio Tennis and get involved with your local tennis club for a minimal cost

Tiny Tots Program
Enrol your child in our Tiny Tots Program
The Tiny Tots Program is targeted at children aged 3-5 and helps them develop fundamental motor skills whilst allowing you to participate in tennis, without the burden of looking for childcare.

Program Registration
To register for the Mums Program and the Tiny Tots Program, please contact your nearest centre. Places are limited so please register early.

For further information please contact Tennis Victoria on (03) 9420 9420 or visit tennis.com.au/vic/play-tennis/getting-started.

“The program was fun and social, helped us all increase our skills and make friends from the community which was a bonus.” - Susan Burley, Selby.

For more information contact:
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PERFORMANCES

Easter Workshop
for Primary Kids
Saturday, 16th March 2013
2pm – 5pm
St. James Anglican Church
21 Bemboka Road, Croydon Hills
(Mel 36 D11)
$5.00 per child
To register by phone with Judith on 9723 8430
Online at www.chawpac.org.au
Afternoon tea included
Puppet Play, craft
Easter Egg Hunt
Don’t forget your sunhat

Telephone: 9725 1206 OHSC 9724 4514
web: www.croydonhps.vic.edu.au
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**BASEBALL CLUB**

Players wanted for t-ball & baseball

U13 & U15 games played Saturdays, April through to September. No games in holidays.

**COME & TRY DAYS:**

SAT 16TH MAR 10am – 12noon
SAT 6TH APR 10am – 12noon

At Barngeong Reserve, Bambra Street, Croydon. Melways 37 E10
Or contact Robyn 0421 177 158 for further information.
robyn@infoxchange.net.au
www.croydon.baseball.com.au

**COME & JOIN US!**

"Recruiting Now!!

We invite all children aged 5 years and up to audition for the Victorian Boys Choir or Victorian Girls Choir @ Tintern in Ringwood East on Saturday, March 16, 2013 (not far from Eastlink)

Choir Victoria Incorporated is a performing choir employing professional music staff to give your child excellent musical tuition in an atmosphere of great fun and friendship.

For an affordable musical and wonderful lifetime experience for your child, please contact Ros or Sam to arrange a booking for your child’s audition.

Contact: Ros 0422 568 100 / Sam 0417 531 128
Website: www.choirvictoria.org.au
Email: admin@choirvictoria.org.au"