Principal’s Report

Compass Kiosk
We are trialling a Kiosk in reception on behalf of Compass. This is used for late arrival and early departure of students and also to register visitors in the school. It takes the place of the sign-in books at the reception desk. All students who arrive at school after 9am or leave prior to 3.30pm are legally required to be signed in by an adult and this will now be done on the touch screen of the kiosk. It also has the advantage that as an adult is doing it, it automatically authorises the absence so there is no need to go back in to Compass and do it later. The kiosk prints out a pass which is given to the teacher to verify that you have been via the office, which is an additional safety measure.

It also registers visitors to our school so we can see at any time what visitors are on the premises. This is important for security and all visitors should be able to show their visitors pass if asked by a staff member. This is also an important register in an emergency situation. The kiosk takes a photo as a record which is only available to senior administration staff and is unlikely to be needed, but it does prove who has signed in or out if there is ever a problem.

A Kiosk like this is used in many Compass Secondary Schools where it has a broader range of functions, but already this simplified version seems to be a hit for our purposes.

Transition Through the School
On Monday we held our first transition session throughout the school, in preparation for next year. Students were mixed in with others whom they will share their Level with next year, i.e the Foundation and Year 1’s were together, the 2s and 3s, the 4s and 5s. The Year 6s had some extra sport or time to work on their Graduation projects.
We will be doing this again on the last two Fridays in November (21st and 28th), before our last session on Friday 12th December, where students will meet their teacher for next year. We find these sessions useful to get students familiar with what the next Year level does and they become familiar with what is ahead for them next year.

The first session was focused on a ‘Q & A’ as well as determining what will be different and what will be the same.

Local Landscapes
If you have a moment take the time to look in reception at the Local Landscapes Artworks which were created by our students as part of an Arts project earlier in the year. There pieces had been on display in the National Gallery of Victoria, but have now come back to us. Congratulations to the students and to Ms Michelin for supporting the development of this superb work.

Class Placements for 2015
In November staff will begin the task of making up classes for 2015. As always, our staffing details and final class structure will not be known until December. Our final staff numbers for the new year are completely determined by our projected student enrolment and then the number of students we have at census on the last day of February. Nearly all funding from the Department is dependant on that census count.

Class lists for the new year are made up after careful consideration, balancing a range of considerations. All classes are made with a balance of students. Factors such as academic ability, behavioural issues, friendships, and previous teachers are all taken into account. This process is completed by the current teachers and is checked and discussed with senior staff. The current class teachers are in the best position by far to know what class students are best suited to in the following year. Sometimes the teacher placements for the following year are known, but this is not always the case. We are fortunate that because of our larger number of students compared to most schools we have more options in developing students into classes. Some schools only have 1 or 2 classes at each year level, which does not enable them to vary the mix of students in the class very much. Students are all given the opportunity to list students they would like to be with for the following year and we ensure that at they are with at least 1 student on that list. An important part of their journey through the school and vital life skills are meeting, getting to know different personalities and working with different students each year.

Parent input on placement with a particular class teacher is not an aspect where parents have a choice.

We recommend you discuss initially with the classroom teacher if you have specific concerns regarding placement for 2014. If there are significant issues that you would like us to consider we are asking this year that you make an appointment to speak with Carol or Graeme to outline the information, rather than just a letter as we have done in the past. This meeting needs to take place before Friday November 7th. I am sure that you would understand that it is not always possible to accommodate all requests in this area but we do endeavour to provide student groups that are in the best interests of individual students and the school as a whole.

We are very fortunate at Croydon Hills to have such high calibre teaching staff, who implement our school programs in such a conscientious and team oriented manner.

Could I ask that families or students who are not returning to CHPS in 2015, other than the Year 6 students, send a letter to me so we can plan our numbers and therefore staffing as accurately as possible. If there are still any parents who have Preps starting and have not yet enrolled, or you know of neighbours in this position, please contact the office. We currently have 85 Foundation students enrolled to commence next year and we have 54 students Graduating in Year 6. I therefore believe will have around 600 students to start the new school year in 2015.

Graeme Caudry - Principal

Say G’day Challenge - Friday 24 October
As part of Walk to School month, we have arranged for all school crossing supervisors near our school to be in possession of golden tickets TOMORROW, Friday October 24th. Walking or cycling students can collect a golden ticket as they say “G’day” to their local friendly school crossing supervisor. The golden ticket is the student’s entry into our school’s draw to win prizes supplied by Council.

The event will promote safe street awareness and road crossing practices and is designed to be a fun and engaging activity that schools and students can participate in.

To enter the draw, students will need to write their name and class on the golden ticket. Once at school, students place the tickets in a special box located at the school office. Participating schools will then conduct a prize draw during assembly to determine the winners of the prizes.
Sports News

Region Athletics
Congratulations to Bella S (MDL) and Sam W (SRB) for their efforts at the Region Athletics Championships last week. Both did their very best. Congratulations to Sam who will be competing next Monday at the State Championships in Shotput. Good luck Sam.

Junior House Cross Country
Thanks you to all the parents who have expressed interest at helping with the House Cross Country on Friday. I have sent home maps and position numbers to those who sent their forms in early. For those who are still sending them back, I now don’t have time to send you home a map, so please just turn up to the basketball courts outside the shed so that I can put you in a position if I need you. Because this is the first Junior House Cross Country we have run, I am not sure of the timing of the races and how long the children will take to run each race. There are 6 races, starting with the Year 2 Boys, then the Year 2 Girls etc. working down to the Foundation boys and girls. The Senior Sports Captain are going to assist each race by being the front runners and showing the children where to run and also they will be at the back of each year level to make sure the children are running or jogging and that every thing is ok. There are many children who are so excited about Friday, which is great to see.

Division Finals Basketball
The Division Basketball finals will be played next Thursday against Yarra Road Primary School in our stadium at 1.00pm. We wish the boys the best of luck.

Some interesting Research!
Research out of the United States confirms that more physically active children have a greater learning capacity. Researchers from Illinois University have proven that children who are more physically active have more ‘white matter’ in their brains - a marker for better memory, learning and attention. National Spokesperson for National Health and Physical Education Day, and former World Champion athlete, Jana Pittman, endorsed the results of the study. “The correlation between physically fit children and greater brain capacity highlights the important role Health and Physical Education plays in future-proofing the health and wellbeing of Australian children,” she said. According to Ms Pittman, Australian school children rank among the worst in the world for overall physical activity levels. “If we want our children to genuinely learn, then we need to appreciate the value of physical skills, movement and coordination taught in Health and Physical Education classes – this research proves just that,” said Ms Pittman.

President of the Australian Primary Principals Association, Mr Norm Hart, said that Health and Physical Education must be seen as critical in the primary school curriculum. “We need to focus on the importance of Health and Physical Education from the very beginning if we are to provide the best opportunities for our children when it comes to building their physical skill development and learning capacity,” said Mr Hart.

The Illinois University research builds on previous studies that show regular participation in physical activity leads to enhancement of cognitive functioning (information processing), memory, concentration, behaviour and academic achievement in children.

Noreen McMenaman - Sport/PE

Music News

One Song, One Day, 30th October 12:30 .

www.musiccountusin.org.au/

We are all learning “Paint You A Song” during music classes and performing it together on Thursday the 30th of October with thousands of other students around Australia via livestream!!

Junior Christmas Choir
First rehearsal next Friday lunchtime 31st October in the P.A.C. at lunchtime. Don’t forget to bring your notices back at or before that rehearsal. If you missed out on a notice or couldn’t make it to ‘tyout’ day, you can collect a notice from me next week. Thank you,

Kathryn Lane

Library News

Care of Library Books
Recently we have had a lot of library books returned with avoidable damage. Most of the damage has come from the book getting wet, either from a leaking drink bottle or some other mishap at home, but some damage has left unsightly stains on the
books and some books have been written in or scribbled in. This type of damage results in the book no longer being suitable to keep in the library and a letter sent home requesting payment.

Please teach your children to treat library books with respect, explaining that while any books are out in their name they are responsible for them and they need to look after them the whole time. Books need to be kept away from food and drink, younger siblings and pets. Pages need to be turned carefully. I understand that accidents happen and I certainly don't want to do anything that could get in the way of a child's love of books and reading, however books are expensive and children need to be taught how to look after other people's belongings as well as their own.

Books should be in some sort of bag – either library bag or blue satchel when in the school bag. I suggest that cloth library bags also have a plastic bag inside for extra protection.

**SCHOLASTIC BOOKCLUB**

Today all students should receive a Scholastic Book Club brochure. We only send out Scholastic brochures twice a year – once in Term 3 and again early in Term 4. These are due back by 30th October. I plan to put the orders through on the 31st October so orders must be at the office by the due date. No orders are to go to the library or class teachers – they are to go directly to the office. If you wish to look at the brochures for the other levels or you don't receive yours there will be limited spares available from the library.

Please ensure that the orders have Name and Class on both the order form and the envelope. If you want orders as gifts just put your name and a phone number on the order form and mark it clearly as a gift. We will contact you and hold them in the library or at the office for you to collect. Cheques should be payable to “Scholastic Australia”.

Most of the work for Bookclub is done by two volunteers who stamp the due date on the brochures, sort out the orders when the books arrive at school and then distribute the books to the classrooms. We do earn valuable points for every purchase made which are used for new library books. Your support is greatly appreciated.

**Sue Offer**

**Canteen News**

**CUP DAY LUNCH – Wednesday 5th November**

‘Chicken & Bubbly Lunch’ – ¼ Chicken, Hash Brown, Corn Cob, Lemonade and a treat for $7.00

Orders due back by Tuesday 28th October. No other lunch orders are available on the day.

**CA vEN TE CLOSED – MONDAY 3rd NOVEMBER**

Please note the canteen will be closed on Monday 3rd November and will re-open on Wednesday 5th November for Cup Day Lunch, no other lunch orders will be available on this day.

**WAT S’S NEW?**

Dragon Popper Paddle Pop - $1.60
Chocolate Orange Moosie – Jaffa flavour $1.00

**SUSTAINABLE BAGS**

Please ensure sustainable bags are regularly cleaned as we cannot use them if they are too dirty. Sustainable bags cannot be used when ordering online, apologies for any inconvenience.

**MONDAYS – ONLINE ORDERS ONLY**

NO ORDERS ARE TO BE SENT FROM HOME. ONLINE ORDERS ONLY. ALL orders placed for Mondays must be done online via the Flexischools website, no manual orders. The online ordering system helps the canteen operate more efficiently and as we run with reduced staff and no volunteers on this day, we need your cooperation to register with Flexischools and help make Mondays a viable option that we can hopefully continue with in the future. Any further manual orders received will be served a basic lunch item.

**ROSTER**

Friday 24th October – Sue LeClercq, Anissa Silver.
Tuesday 28th October – Kati Wilkins, Beth Robertson.
Wednesday 29th October – Elizabeth Woods.
Friday 31st October – Jenny Trabucco, Elise Miller
Karen Cyster – Canteen Manager

**Uniform News**

Thank you to parents for supporting the school regarding our uniform policy. Our Dress Code does allow girls to wear navy or white socks with their winter pinafore or skirt or their school dress.

**Uniform Shop Opening Hours;**
Monday 8.30am to 10am
Thursday 2.30pm to 4pm

Orders can be placed any day through FlexiSchools.com.au. Your order will be processed during normal opening hours and delivered home via your child’s classroom.

Order Forms can also be left at the office.

Orders and enquiries can be made by phoning the Uniform Shop during our opening hours.

All orders will be sent to your child’s classroom, unless otherwise specified.

**Anissa Silver – Manager**
Are you raising resilient children?  
This webpage has the Top 10 Tips for teaching your child resilience by leading Psychotherapist Lynn Lyons.  
http://psychcentral.com/lib/10-tips-for-raising-resilient-kids/00017272

Welcome to CHPS Student Corner!  
By Ebony SrB

**Birthdays**
Mon 20th Oct  
Will F-H and Miss Fraser  
Tue 21st Oct  
Zoe S-S  
Wed 22nd Oct  
Charly M-K  
Thur 23rd Oct  
Zach J-S and Ms Wyatt  
Fri 24th Oct  
Robyn-office  
Sat 25 Oct  
Angus J-PB

**Previous Challenge:**  
Q: What kind of room has no doors or windows?  
A: Mushroom  
**This weeks challenge:**  
Q: Where do fish keep their money?

**News from the JSC!**  
Christmas is fast approaching and we would like to help out others in our community who aren't as fortunate in a couple of ways.

Firstly, we are going to be participating in the Wesley Mission Victoria's 'Food for Families Appeal'. The aim of the appeal is to collect non-perishable food items and toiletries for families in need in the lead up to Christmas. Each year this service helps more than 55,000 people, not just at Christmas but throughout the year.

Secondly, we are going to be participating in the Salvation Army 'Toy Appeal'. Students can donate a present for a child of the same age and gender to be able to unwrap at Christmas. We will be helping the Salvation Army to collect about 500,000 toys/presents to give to families in need.

Donations can be sent to the office with the present clearly labelled who it is intended for.  
For example – A girl aged 9.

We will have more information coming home soon, but wanted to make you aware.

**Joke Corner**
15/09/2013 9:17pm

What is the difference between a piano, a tuna and a pot of glue?  

I don't know  

You can tuna piano but you can't piano a tuna.  

Hehehehehehe  

What about the glue?  

I know you'd get stuck there!

A little girl and her mother are at church when the little girl starts to feel sick. Her mother tells her to go throw up in the bushes behind the church. When the little girl returns, her mother asks her if she threw up.  

"Yes," the girl says. "But I didn't have to go all the way around the back. There was a box near the front door that said 'For the Sick'"
Awards that were presented at last week’s assembly:

F-R- Lachlan
F-W- Mason
F-O- Mitchell
F-H- Zach
F-J- Danika
Jr -PB- Maggie and Will
Jr-Y- Sienna and Harry
Jr-T- Jaime, Tyler and Brogan
Jr-BB- Mark
Jr-MC- Mia
Jr-D- Jack, Alex and Brock
Jr-F- Koby
Md-K- Katie and Oliver
Md-U- Chole and Kynan
Md-D- Breeana and Reagan
Md-L- Makaylah and Maddie
Sr-P- Grace and Callan
eSmart Award-
Darcy J-MC and Lily M-D

CONGRATULATIONS
Literacy
In the Middle School

We have been learning how to write procedural texts. We have been practising our spelling of compound words, homophones, common spelling errors and our forever words. We have been concentrating on reading with fluency and expression. We are working on our understanding of text structure.
Maths in the Senior School

Real Life Maths through SEPEP
The Senior students are working on a range of topics including: Fractions and Decimals, Angles, Statistics and Probability. They are enjoying applying these topics to real life Maths in our SEPEP Unit by analysing match results, player performance ratings and statistics.

Maths Groups
The Senior school continue to benefit from Maths Groups where they enjoy working with like-minded students from other Senior classes to share the learning that has been reinforced within their classrooms.
Studies of Asia at CHPS!

Making Geisha dolls in Art

Global Education tour South Korea

Junior excursion to Chinatown and the Chinese Museum

Creating Indonesian huts in LOTE

Skype schools in India

Making Terra-cotta Warriors in Art

WOW! So many amazing ways to discover Asia at Croydon Hills Primary School
March 15th 2015 CHPS FAIR

150 Days to go..............

Planning for the 2015 Fair is well under way, and the countdown is on. A big thanks once again to all those who have offered up their time to help out, but we still need more volunteers for the day. We are also seeking help sourcing resources for the day. If you think you could help out please email us at chpsfete2015@gmail.com and let us know what you can offer. Any help is greatly appreciated.

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Early bird tickets will go on sale soon.
Rides included-
Chair-o-plane
Cha Cha
Jumping Castle
Giant Slide
Music Trip

Fair Fundraising
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COORDINATORS STILL NEEDED
- Hot Potatoes
- Slushies
- Hot Jam Donuts
- Hot Chips
- Ice Creams

Logo Competition
Kids don’t forget to enter our logo competition, for your chance to win an unlimited ride pass for the day of the fair.
Entry boxes are at the Office.
Competition closes 4pm 31st October 2015

White Elephant Stall
Please hold off donations to the White Elephant Stall until further notice. We are very limited for storage space at the moment.

LIKE US ON facebook

Stay up to date with all the latest fair news with our facebook community page at CHPS Fair 2015. See our latest entries in the logo competition.

Looking forward to seeing you at the Fair.
Natalie, Sherryn, Priscilla and Kylie
Kalinda Twilight Market
Friday 14th November
5pm – 8pm

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The next Messy Church is as follows:
Date: Sunday 20th October 2014
(Our DE-LIGHT-FUL world)
Time: 5:30pm
Cost: A donation.
Where: St James Anglican Church
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Reece Jones is a 28 year old young man diagnosed with Asperger’s Disorder. Reece has spent the last couple of years travelling overseas and working as a qualified diving instructor. Since returning to Melbourne, Reece has commenced full-time studies in Applied Psychology (Science Degree) at RMIT. Reece hosts a ‘youtube’ forum where he explores a range of topics around living with Asperger’s. Reece will be interviewed by Provincial Psychologist Jo Crook.

Our guest speakers will be available after the interviews to answer any questions you may have.

Tuesday 11th November 2014
At: South Croydon Anglican Church
199 Baywater Road
Baywater 3133
Time: 7pm - 9pm
Cost: $20 Irabina Families
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