Principal’s Report

Chicken Pox
As we have been advising for a number of weeks now, there are many cases of Chicken Pox in the school. I have spoken with the Victorian Health Department and they confirmed that all we can do is ensure that students who have any signs of Chicken Pox are excluded from school for a minimum of 5 days or until all the scabs are dried. The challenge is that the incubation period can be up to 21 days and this is when it is most infectious. That is also why getting a booster vaccination is of limited value at this time. Detailed information provided by the Health Department is available at: www.betterhealth.vic.gov.au/health/conditionsandtreatments/chickenpox

New Foundation Students
Last night we held our Foundation Information Night for our new students starting in 2016. We warmly welcome them to our school community, particularly parents with their first child starting their education journey. Our 125 new students will have their final transition session on Friday with their class teacher for next year. All other students already in the school will have their final transition session and find out their class and teacher for 2016 on Friday of next week, Dec. 11. This is also the day that Student Reports will be available on Compass.

Volunteer Thank You Morning Tea
Yesterday we held our Thank You Morning Tea for all of the volunteers from our school community. It is our small way of acknowledging the wonderful contribution that our community make to assisting our school in so many ways. Whether it is helping in the canteen, classroom, uniform shop and on camps

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*Foundation parents please note, 1pm dismissal on Jan 29th. Foundation students are not at school on Wednesdays until the week beginning March 21st.*
etc, we enjoy so much support from our parent body. These discretionary efforts all contribute to make our learning environment a better place for all students. Our staff demonstrated how much this support means by putting on a spectacular morning tea, which I know was appreciated by those who were able to attend. I know many were unable to make it on the day, but please accept our thanks for your assistance throughout 2015.

**CHAPS AGM**

Our Parents’ Association is an important way of supporting and connecting with the school and our community. It cannot operate though without volunteers, so I would encourage all parents to consider joining CHAPS. CHAPS AGM is next Monday 7th December at 7pm in the staffroom and they would welcome current and new members who might be interested in being part of this important part of our school.

**Christmas Carols**

We are all looking forward to the Christmas Carols next Wednesday evening, commencing promptly at 7pm on the main oval, with students arriving at 6.45pm. A reminder that only pre-ordered food will be available this year. Further details regarding what students are to wear and considerations depending on what the weather delivers us, are in the Music News section. Our students have been learning throughout this year about Audience Etiquette and have responded with appropriate behaviors, which have been commented on by visitors to our school. Can I remind parents that this is a night to focus on the students and the items they have been rehearsing to perform for the school community. We look forward to a wonderful evening.

**State School Spectacular**

SATURDAY 5 DECEMBER - 7pm to 9pm. Don’t miss the Channel Seven two-hour broadcast featuring segments of this year’s live Victorian State Schools Spectacular! Each year a number of our Senior students have the fantastic opportunity to participate in this event and I can assure you it is spectacular in every sense of the word.

Graeme Caudry - Principal

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**Music News**

**Christmas Carols Concert 9th of December**

6 more sleeps till the CHPS Christmas Carols on Wednesday the 9th of December at 7 p.m. on the oval. Below is a list of classes, what they are singing and suggestions of what they could wear to dress themselves up. Keep it ‘Christmassy’ as well as in keeping with the item. This is not the order of the program. We don’t want children and parents going out shopping specially and spending lots of money. Please just use what you have at home and adapt it.

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<td>Christmas is O.K., Deck the Halls</td>
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<td>Seniors</td>
<td>“Elftown”, We Wish You a Merry Xmas</td>
<td>Cool streetwear. Rapper gear. Lots of bling. This is a Christmas version of “Downtown”</td>
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<td>Junior Choir</td>
<td>Nice Nice Christmas, Christmas Heroes</td>
<td>Whatever you’re wearing for your class item plus a Xmas</td>
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In the event of rain, we will make a decision about cancellation as late in the school day as possible and will notify students by a PA message at dismissal and a posting for parents on Facebook.

If the weather is uncertain, please send students in costume, with a waterproof jacket over the top and a plastic bag in the pocket to sit on if the ground is damp.

At 6.45pm all students are to go to sit with their classes and are to remain there for the duration of the concert. Parents, please sit in the audience area. The students have all been practising their Audience Etiquette – sitting quietly and listening respectfully – and this is very much what the Carols Night is about. We know parents will set a good example for their children in this matter.

**Junior Christmas Choir**

Your last rehearsal for this year will be tomorrow – Friday.

**Senior Choir**

Remember to check Compass for the Yarrunga Performance and Choir Breakup excursion to Croydon Centro and Croydon Cinemas to see “Peanuts: Snoopy and Charlie Brown” the movie.

**Reminder:** Choir uniforms are due back to Mrs Lane in the PAC on Monday December 14th – clean and in a named plastic bag please.

*School uniform for the excursions and choir uniform for the Carols Concert on the oval on the 9th*

**CHANNEL SEVEN BROADCAST OF 2015 STATE SCHOOLS SPECTACULAR, DECEMBER - 7pm to 9pm**

Don’t miss the Channel Seven two-hour broadcast featuring segments of this year’s live Victorian State Schools Spectacular!! For the first time, the show will be streamed on 7Live, which is a one-off chance to view the Spectacular online at the same time as it is televised.

This is a great opportunity for your family and friends across Australia to stream the show on any device available to them (smart phone, tablet and laptop).

Kathryn Lane - Performing Arts

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**Canteen News**

**Last day for lunch orders**

Friday 11/12 will be the last day for lunch orders. The canteen will be open for window sales only during the last week of term.

**Pizza and Slushy Day**

Thank you to the amazing ladies that served over 800 slices of Pizza! The kids really enjoy these days and without your help, it isn’t possible - Deanne Scagnetti, Sharron Savage, Lia Biasuzzo, Joanne Duo, Narelle Collins, Sophie Turnham, Lee Smart, Jess Ward and Kylie May.

**WHAT’S NEW?**

Paddle Pop Tropical with real yoghurt $1.80

**Afterschool Sales** for frozen items and drinks only are available from 3.30 – 3.45.

Subject to weather conditions.

**ROSTER**

Friday 4th December – Sharron Savage, Lia Biasuzzo, Narelle Collins, Lenni Pennicott.

Tuesday 8th December – Lee Smart.

Wednesday 9th December – Rachelle Robertson.

Friday 11th December – Kylie Van Roosmalen, Justine Wratten.

Karen Cyster - Manager

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**Uniform News**

**Foundation 2016 Orders**

All foundation orders placed for 2016 have been put together and are available for collection during normal Uniform Shop opening hours or during Transition Hours.

**Year 6 Hoodies & Polos**

Hoodie and Year 6 polo orders have been received and collated, the size order has been placed with the supplier. Year 6 Polo’s will be available in approximately 4 weeks time, Year 6 Hoodie’s will be available in the first term of 2016.

**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.

**Telephone:** 9725 1206  OSHC 9724 4514
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

Mia’s MessageBoard:

Teasing V Bullying

Teasing refers to annoying, hurtful behaviour that is used to get a reaction from someone else. Teasing can be persistent in nature; but not always. It’s generally an attempt to get under a person’s skin. It can involve name-calling; it can be personal and hurtful in nature. It can also infringe on another person’s rights. But generally teasing doesn’t have the key ingredients that make up bullying.

Bullying is selective, uninvited, repetitive oppression of one person or group by another. It involves three elements – intent to hurt or harm; power imbalance; and repetition over time. It takes many forms and guises including physical aggression; verbal abuse; emotional aggression (or blackmail); intimidation and harassment and exclusion.

The new cyber-dimension to bullying has moved the goalpost for many kids. In the past children and young people could escape bullying by being at home. Cyberbullying means that children can’t escape bullies like they once could.

Why the distinction?
I hear the term bullying misused a great deal in the media and when talking with parents. We run the risk of “The Boy Who Cried Wolf” Syndrome where we become so desensitized to the term that we (or teachers) ignore it when children really are the victims of bullying. We also run the risk of failing to skill our kids up to manage rudeness and teasing if we categorise every awful behaviour that kids experience as Bullying.

Our ability to be discerning about bullying is as important as the action we take when we are sure that our child is on the receiving end of Bullying behaviour. These actions include: dealing with feelings; providing emotional coping skills, getting others involved; building up a child's support networks; and building self-confidence that can take a battering.

The Resilience Project 2016

Important date for all Croydon Hills Parents....... put it in your calendars now!
Thursday 24th March 7pm – 8.30pm 2016
Mia Sartori - Student Welfare Officer

Hi Fellow Parents

Christmas Raffle

Christmas raffle tickets have been sent home for purchase. Thanks to those who have already sent their tickets and money back! If you’d like to purchase more tickets pop into the office to pick up an extra book or two. Tickets are only $1 and you could win an Apple iPad Mini 2 (16GB WiFi), a $50 Coles Myer Gift voucher or a Donna Hay Gift pack. The Raffle will be drawn at School Carols night on Wednesday 9th Dec. Please support our final fundraiser for 2015!

Volunteers needed

CHAPS have been asked to support the following events and as such we are seeking volunteers to assist. If you can spare an hour or so to help out, please drop us a line chaps@croydonhps.vic.edu.au.
Wednesday, 16th Dec @ 2.45pm to 5:30pm – Book Collection Day – 4 more volunteers

CHAPS AGM

Our 2015 AGM will be held on Monday 7th December @ 7pm in the Staffroom. Join us to reflect on the great things we have achieved in 2015 for our fabulous school and to elect our new committee for 2016.

A list of positions is below, please have a look and let me know if there is a position that interests you or if you’d like some more information about any of the positions, including time commitments.
Thank you all for your ongoing support of CHAPS and our fabulous school!

Telephone: 9725 1206   OSHC 9724 4514
Elise Jones 0400 951046 - CHAPS Vice President

CHAPS 2016 COMMITTEE ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

President –
- Chair meetings
- Liaise with and assist other committee members where necessary
- Co-ordinate all communication between CHAPS, staff & parents, i.e. reminders, notices, social media
- Co-ordinate CHAPS marketing and the increase of the membership base
- Co-ordinate non fundraising tasks such as Easter eggs, book collection, end of year gifts etc.
- Organise agenda for meetings including liaising with committee members regarding items for the agenda

Vice-President-
- Assist the president with above tasks
- Co-ordinate volunteers via email
- Process new memberships, pass money to Treasurer, send out welcome email, add to database

Secretary-
- Take minutes at meetings
- Arrange handouts for meetings
- Types up minutes from previous meeting and pass on to president for distribution before meeting
- Handle incoming correspondence

Fundraising Co-ordinator-
- Co-ordinating all fundraising activities
- Provide monthly reports to the committee regarding all ongoing events
- Provide information regarding possible future events for discussion and approval by the association
- Liaise with Vice-President regarding required volunteers
- Liaise with President regarding notifications and reminders to be sent to parents

Fundraising assistants (x2)-
- Assist the fundraising co-ordinator with fundraising drives such as the chocolates, cards, entertainment books etc as required

 Mothers Day / Fathers Day stall Organisers (x2)-
- Co-ordinate the Mother’s Day & Father’s Day stalls as required including purchase of gifts, notices etc.

Treasurer-
- Organise for authorisation of CHAPS payments with Leonie Proudfoot (Office Manager)
- Obtain accounts from Leonie to prepare Profit & Loss each month and funds raised
- Present monthly reports to committee regarding financial position and transactions
- Assist office ladies with money counting for events/fundraisers

Morning Tea Co-ordinator-
- Liaise with Vice-President regarding required volunteers
- Liaise with Treasurer to reimburse funds used to purchase supplies
- Setup in time for beginning of the event
- Pack up and leave area clean and tidy
- Liaise with president to arrange notifications and reminders to be sent out to appropriate people

Communications Co-ordinator
- Write weekly CHAPS section in newsletter and circulate to President for any changes
- Manage content to go onto school FB page & Compass
- Design flyers for CHAPS events and promotion

Parents Vic Representative
- Stay informed on developments with Parents Vic via their website, email, newsletter
- Report back any items of interest at meetings
- Possibly attend PV annual conference (1 day) and report back learnings

SCHOOL CROSSING CLOSURE
PLEASE NOTE THAT THE FLAG-OPERATED CROSSING ON PLYMOUTH RD, OUTSIDE LUTHER COLLEGE, WILL NOT BE SUPERVISED FROM TODAY - DECEMBER 3RD.

THE LIGHT-OPERATED CROSSING OUTSIDE GOOD SHEPHERD WILL BE SUPERVISED, SO PLEASE ENCOURAGE CHILDREN TO USE THIS SAFE OPTION UNTIL THE END OF TERM.
THE JSC WELCOMES YOU TO THE

CHPS STUDENT CORNER

THIS WEEK’S CHALLENGE
Find out how other countries say Merry Christmas, try and find at least 3.

LAST WEEK’S CHALLENGE

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Student of the Week Awards presented at last week’s assembly
FH – Anna & Samuel
FR – Riley & Mia E
FW – Campbell
JPB – Amy & Madii
JY – Jessica & Will
JMT – Michael & Charlie
JBB – Ian & Jess
JS – Grace & Emma
JMC – Isabella & Adele
JJ – Kayla & Jack
MK – Antonio
MD – Ella & Amelia
MT – Brett
MW – Josh & Toby
SM - Layla
SP – Jennifer

Congratulations!!

Birthdays this week....
Monday 30th November
Henry FW & Georgia ML

Tuesday 1st December
Isabella SM, Michael SSO & Kira SD

Yesterday
Lucas JBB, Rory MW & Jordyn SSO

Today
Mia MK

Saturday 5th
Adi JS, Devon JY & Michael SP

Sunday 6th
Jackson JS, Cohen ML, Tom MJU & Stewart SP

Enjoy!!!!

Jokes corner

From Perry JMC

What did one eye say to the other?

Between you and me something smells!!

Thanks those families who have donated toys and food, see pages in the newsletter for more information
Junior Maths

This term the Junior school have continued to explore and learn a range of mathematical concepts, particularly through open ended activities that allow them to challenge themselves.

Some of the concepts covered throughout the term include:

- Addition & Subtraction
- Number- odd & even, greater than & less than
- Number patterns
- Place value
- Multiplication (groups of) & Division (share between)
  - Fractions, whole, half, quarters and fifths
  - Measurement including area and perimeter
    - 2D & 3D Shape exploration
    - Time (analogue and digital)
    - Statistics & Probability
DON'T FORGET OUR DRIVE TO HELP NEEDY FAMILIES AT CHRISTMAS.

PLEASE DONATE TO WESLEY MISSION'S “FOOD FOR FAMILIES” APPEAL BY PLACING NON-PERISHABLE FOOD ITEMS IN THE RED BOXES IN THE FOYER - SUGGESTED DONATION LIST OPPOSITE

Suggested Donation List

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Please use the endorsed donation form or visit www.wesley.org.au for more information.

OR MAKE A CHILD’S CHRISTMAS MORNING SHINE BY DONATING NEW TOYS (please label eg: “girl, 9”).

BOX FOR GIFTS IN THE FOYER.

SOME GREAT IDEAS & HANDY HINTS

VISIT www.wesley.org.au OR www.salvationarmy.org.au FOR MORE INFORMATION
FOR SALE

King Single bed

Perfect for the growing pre-teen!

Simple, light Pine bed-ends and slat base

$25 ono

Please see Robyn in the office

URGENT REMINDER!

ORDERS FOR CAROLS NIGHT FOOD ARE DUE BACK

TOMORROW

FRIDAY DECEMBER 4TH

NO LATE ORDERS ACCEPTED

SPARE FORMS ARE AVAILABLE ON OUR WEBSITE OR AT THE OFFICE

DON’T MISS OUT!