Principal’s Report
Welcome back to the start of a new school term. Term 2 is always a very productive and busy term and will certainly be this year after a shorter than normal Term 1. I hope all our students had the opportunity to enjoy the pleasant weather for getting out during the holiday break.

A reminder that next Tuesday we have our Parent Information Night on Numeracy. We had a wonderful response to our night on Resilience and hope the community supports this night in a similar manner. Rob Vingerhoets is a very entertaining presenter and is the consultant we are working with throughout 2016, reviewing our maths program. I know parents will find it informative and fun. We will again have child minding available in the PAC to assist parents who are attending the Information Night.

Facilities
It was a busy time onsite over the break with the new double classroom near the Stadium to be known as “The Pavilion” being completed. This is a school-owned resource (not Department provided) which will provide us with a wonderful flexible space to use for our additional specialist sessions of music and art, as well as the many other activities we operate in our busy school. It will also be used every day by the OSHC programs as a quiet activity.
space. It is a beautiful space with a stunning outlook over the oval, particularly from the deck. It is an L shape and can be used as 2 separate rooms or one large learning space. It fits so well that it looks like it has been part of the Stadium complex for ages, or will do once the garden is completed.

Also undertaken was the ground work for the long awaited **Asian Garden**. The pond, paving and much of the heavy structural works are completed and it will now be planted out and a couple of other elements added soon. This will be a great addition to our learning spaces once finished.

I am very pleased to say that our **2016 Korean Study Tour** will be going ahead in October. We have 18 students registered to travel on this outstanding trip. They will visit our friends at Yeosu, who we hosted in our community back in February and do a homestay with them over a weekend, as they did with us. This will be our 7th group of CHPS students to undertake this tour and will bring the total of students who have had this experience over the years to more than 90. This is important in broadening our students’ perspectives and helping them to understand they are part of a global community.

A reminder that we have a **Curriculum Day** scheduled for The Tuesday after ANZAC Day on April 26th. Staff will be working with an expert on interpreting and managing student performance data and in the afternoon looking at our progress towards meeting the goals in our 4 year strategic plan, which finishes this year.

**Vale Mandy Thatcher**

Families who have been connected with the school for 7 years or more will recall one of our senior school teachers, Mandy Thatcher. Sadly Mandy passed away after a relapse of cancer. Many will remember just what a passionate educator Mandy was. She had been at CHPS from just after it opened in 1988, led many programs and was senior school coordinator for many years. Student and staff welfare were her greatest interests and the strong welfare base we have in the school today owes much to her drive in this area. The Circles Program is an initiative she was instrumental in implementing. Our thoughts are with her husband, Alan and their three children. Many past and current staff who knew Mandy attended the funeral, representing our school community.

**Graeme Caudry - Principal**

**Premiers Reading Challenge**

This week, students who have enrolled for the Challenge will receive their Username and Password. This is necessary to enter books that have been read into the Challenge site. Please make sure to keep the notice in a safe place!

There is still plenty of time to sign up. The form is attached to the newsletter.

Happy Reading!

**Libby Browning**

**Sports News**

**Interschool Sport**

Interschool sport will be commencing in a few weeks on Friday 29th April. We were due to play against Antonio Park on Friday 22nd April however most of the Year 6 students will be absent due to the Anzac Service at the Shrine. We hope to have a catch up day later in the term. Sport will commence at 1.30 – 2.30pm. Those teams who play away from home will be back by 3.00pm. Lunch for participating students will be worked into this schedule.

**Fixture:**

- Friday 29th April – Warranwood PS
- Friday 6th May – Kalinda PS
- Friday 13th May – Bye
- Friday 20th May – Donvale Christian College
- Friday 27th May – Holy Spirit PS
- Friday 3rd June – Good Shepherd PS
- Friday 10th June – Great Ryrie PS
- Friday 17th June – Ringwood North PS

At this stage all the Year 6 students have been loaded onto Compass, so could parents please attend to this as soon as possible. The Year 5s have not been entered just yet as we are still doing trials in some of the sports. Hopefully we will have the full teams by tomorrow and be able to then load the Year 5s. There are not enough vacancies in the Winter sports for all the Year 5s to play, therefore some will not be participating. Last term we had Friday Fun Group, but this term as Mr Halstead (Year 4 Teacher)is coaching the Football team, I will be taking his class on a Friday afternoon along with some of the Year 5 students assisting. Some of the other Year 5s may also have the opportunity to assist the younger classes during the session before lunchtime.
House Cross Country
House Cross Country for Years 3 - 6 will be held on Thursday 5th May commencing at 9.00am. All students in these classes will be expected to participate in this event. This event is also used to determine our Cross Country team, which will represent our school on Tuesday 24th May at the District Cross Country Competition. The top 10 students in each age group will be running at Park Orchards on this day. The event will go live on Compass this coming Monday, so could I ask parents to please get onto this immediately as the permission for the House Cross Country is needed as the students will be running outside of the school boundary into Yarrunga. We will also be doing a practice run during the children’s PE lessons prior to the event, so that students know where they are running. They will be given a map in their classroom, however, nothing is better than actually doing the track itself. I would also appreciate and need the assistance of many parents to man the corners and supervise in areas outside of the school grounds, as we do not have anywhere near enough staff to do this. A letter will go home with a map to those parents who are able to help out. There is a letter attached on the bottom of the Compass window, which you can fill in and return to the class teacher if you are able to help out.

Tennis Australia T-Shirts
Thank you very much to all the parents who consented on Compass to allow their child to receive a free T-Shirt from Tennis Australia. Also a thank you to the parents of all the Foundation children, as these students will now receive a free tennis racquet as well. It’s so good to see so many families supporting our tennis program, as mentioned in previous newsletters, for every t-shirt we receive, the school gets a $2 rebate which we are able to spend in the Tennis Australia online shop to buy more tennis equipment for the school. I forwarded the order during the school holidays and hopefully we will receive the order by sometime in May.

Kilsyth Cobras Basketball Clinic
Thank you once again to the Kilsyth Cobras Basketball Club for coming out and giving all our student a free clinic. Once again, they are not only a lot of fun and teaching the children great things about basketball, but they have also provided every Foundation student with a new Basketball. We have many students throughout the whole school who compete in the different domestic teams at Kilsyth. Late last term Peter Cunningham, from Kilsyth Basketball Club (Maroondah Magic Team) came along after school to conduct a clinic for those who were interested in joining or just having a go and seeing what is involved in playing basketball. Thanks to all the parents who brought their children along to this event.

Noreen McMenaman - Sport/PE

Library News

Welcome back to Term 2. I hope you managed to read a lot of exciting books (there are so many to choose from!) Term 2 is an exciting time in the library as we will be having our Book Fair later in the Term. Watch the newsletter and Compass for exact dates and times as we get closer to the start date, which is the 16th May. This year we will be using a different company so I would appreciate any feedback, both positive and/or negative, so that I can make a decision as to whether to stick with this new company or go back to the company that we have used for many years. I thought that it was time to try something new. Please ensure that your children are using their library bags and returning their books on time. Overdues remain a problem and can take up an enormous amount of time, which should be spent getting new and exciting books onto the library shelves.

Sue Offer

Canteen News

SUPER SUNDAE DAY – WEDNESDAY 20TH APRIL
Available at recess and lunchtime in Chocolate or Strawberry with a variety of toppings for $2.00 per cup. Order forms have been distributed and are due back next Tuesday 19/4.

MONDAY MEAL DEALS (only available via online ordering)

- Mini Meal Deal - $4.00
  Small Cheesymite Scroll from Bakers Delight, Oak Flavoured Milk and 2 homemade cookies

- Mega Meal Deal - $5.50
  Wedges with sour cream or tomato sauce, Oak Flavoured Milk and 2 homemade cookies.
  Please note – some items may be substituted due to unavailability.

ROSTER

Tuesday 19th April – Simone O’Dea.
Friday 22nd April – Anissa Silver, Sue LeClercq, Sophie Turnham.

Karen Cystar - Canteen Manager

Telephone: 9725 1206  OSHC 9724 4514
Uniform News

Pinafores & Polar Fleece orders have arrived. Please collect during our normal shop hours. Pocket Rain Jackets are available, great for camp and excursions. They conveniently roll up into the jacket pocket for compact storage. on SALE! for $20.00!

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.
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

Foundation Winter Uniform Help for CSEF Recipients

As an extension of the Victorian government’s Affordable School Uniform Program, State Schools’ Relief (SSR) will now offer uniform support to all 2016 government school Prep recipients of the Camps, Sports and Excursion Fund (CSEF). This is in addition to the support already provided to almost 19,000 Year 7 CSEF recipients. CSEF applications are open until June 3, 2016.

About 15,000 Preps are expected to be eligible for uniform support comprising a windcheater and tracksuit pants, or a bomber jacket, rugby top, hoody or zip jacket – which comes just in time for winter.

Once the application is approved by SSR, a voucher is dispatched electronically to both the school and the school’s uniform retailer. The school then provides the voucher to the parent/student to present at the uniform retailer/school shop (not at SSR). Please see the office if you are eligible.

Mia’s Message Board:

WORKSHOP FOR PARENTS

BOUNDARIES: Gaining your voice as a parent
Join us for this encouraging event designed to encourage parents that they do have a voice in setting solid boundaries with their children.

Croydon Hills Baptist Church (Fireside Room)
Thursday 21st of April 2016 from 7:30PM

For more information contact us on: kim.johnston62@gmail.com 0468 863 302

School Refusal in Primary School Students - Why does it occur and how can we help?

Workshop for parents, carers and teaching staff

Most children experience an occasional reluctance to attend school, or may have anxiety around special events such as camps or sports days. However, when reluctance turns into distress, or a child’s failure to attend school becomes a persistent problem, it is referred to as School Refusal.

School refusal can be caused by a variety of factors including anxiety around social situations or events, separation anxiety, learning difficulties, bullying, conflicts with teachers or traumatic events, and can place considerable strain on family relationships, as well as affecting social-emotional development and academic skills.

This workshop will discuss what School Refusal can look like in primary aged children, outline how to identify the possible causes, and provide strategies for managing School Refusal effectively.

About Rachel

Rachel is a Registered Psychologist with a private practice in Croydon South, called Okey Dokey Childhood Psychology. She has a Masters Degree in Educational & Developmental Psychology. Rachel has extensive experience working with children in Early Childhood Intervention and Primary Schools, and has special interest in Autism Spectrum Disorder, Anxiety Disorders and Learning Disorders.


When: Wednesday the 13th of April.
Time: 7.30pm.
Cost: $15.00 per person.
Venue: Yarra Road Primary School.
RSVP: Thursday the 24th of March or Monday the 11th of April.
Coffee and tea provided.
Registration Forms are available online http://www.yarraridge.vic.edu.au/
Thank you to the parents who attended Monday night’s committee meeting. We were treated to some photos of the new multi-purpose building, which will hopefully be finished in the next few weeks. We also finalised the fundraising details for Term 2. We will be selling Entertainment Books, our Mother’s Day stall is happening and our Chocolate Drive begins.

You may have noticed that works have started on the Asian Garden (near the Birches). It is because of the funds raised through CHAPS that the school has been able to make this garden a reality. This year we will also fund $5,000 worth of new literacy books for our Foundation and Junior school. CHAPS will also contribute towards the new playground for the Junior School. How exciting!!

### CHAPS Calendar of Events

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<td>Cadbury Chocolate Drive. Our second biggest fundraiser for the year.</td>
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Feeling community minded? Why not sign up for CHAPS. Forms are available from the school office or by emailing CHAPS at chaps@croydonhps.vic.edu.au

Sally Harley – CHAPS Communication Co-ordinator - chaps@croydonhps.vic.edu.au

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**DELICIOUS ZUCCHINI RELISH FOR SALE**

**LOVINGLY HANDMADE FROM FRESH ZUCCHINI GROWN IN THE CHPS VEGGIE GARDEN**

**JARS AVAILABLE FROM THE OFFICE FOR $5.00**

**ADD THAT EXTRA ZEST TO LUNCHES & DINNERS!**

**DON’T MISS THE TASTE SENSATION ON EVERYONE’S LIPS!**
Birthdays this week....
Monday 11th April
Shannen SDS
Tuesday 12th
Jack FGR
Yesterday
Joshua MFP & Joshua MRT
Today
Hayley SLD
Tomorrow
Maddie FDR & Martha MPB
Saturday 16th
Ella SDE

Congratulations and we hope you enjoyed or will enjoy your special day.

Royal Children’s Hospital Appeal
A massive thank you to our school community for their generous support during our free dress day on the last day of Term 1.

We proudly donated $1055

ANZAC badges, wristbands and bag tags are available for students to purchase. Members of the JSC will be visiting classrooms over the next week or so. All money goes directly to the Croydon RSL.

Joke of the Week this week comes from Brielle in JLS

Why are pirates called pirates?
(use a deep voice!!)

They just aaaaaaaaameeeeee!!

Did you know....

That the director of Star Wars, George Lucas, had trouble getting funding because most film studios thought people wouldn’t go and see it!

That Walt Disney was afraid of mice!

ANZAC Day services.
Next week our Year 6 student leaders will be attending the Shrine of Remembrance student service. Our School Captains will present a wreath on behalf of our school community. It is a very important part of our history and a wonderful experience for our students who will represent our school proudly.
THANK YOU TO THE KILSYTH COBRAS BASKETBALL CLUB FOR OUR FREE BASKETBALL
We are happy to announce that Croydon Hills Primary have been selected as one of the schools in Victoria who will take part in the 2016 Bottle for Botol program.

During the program our Middle School students will be investigating the devastating environmental issues Indonesia and the rest of the world faces as a result of plastic pollution. They will be become aware of what is causing the problem, what people are doing to try and help and will be encouraged to make a difference themselves!

The program also encourages students and the community to purchase a stainless steel water bottle for $20.

**For every bottle purchased:**
- One identical botol is donated to a student in Indonesia.
- Money goes towards purchasing water dispensers for school canteens.
- A student takes part in an eight-week education program.

There are 3 different water bottle designs to choose from, each has been designed by Australian and Indonesian Students. Later in the year every child will be given the opportunity to create a new design to go in the competition, and hopefully be chosen to have their very own design printed on the following years water bottles which will be on sale all over the world!

These bottles are being sold at the office for $20 and will be available until stock runs out.

For more information about the program, please have a look at the following website: [http://www.bottleforbotol.org](http://www.bottleforbotol.org).
This is a beach in Indonesia
- not the one you’d see in a tourist brochure.

Your purchase of a stainless steel water bottle will provide another for a school child in Bali and help to remove plastic bottles and cups from waterways and beaches.

- is a global social enterprise that pairs participating schools with a school in Indonesia

aims to prevent plastic waste entering streams and waterways and turning a tropical paradise into the picture above

has stopped over 71,000 plastic cups polluting the environment in Bali since 2014

Join the program now. Purchase a drink bottle for $20 and Bottle for Botol will provide an identical botol for a child in Bali, along with a special educational program to promote environmental awareness.

CHILD'S NAME: ___________________________________________ CLASS: __________

COLOUR CHOICE: (Please tick as appropriate)

[ ] Pink  [ ] Green  [ ] Black

Payment Method: CASH / CREDIT / CHEQUE

Card Number: ________________________________

Card Type: VISA / MASTERCARD

Expiry Date: __/____

CVN: ________

Amount: ________

Telephone: 9725 1206   OSHC 9724 4514
Curriculum day

April 26th 2016

An action packed incursion day with Bubble Sportz

Hours of operation 7:30 - 6:00
Cost $55 each day
Before CCB and CCR

There will be a choice of four or more of the following activities depending on booking numbers

- Obstacle Course
- Wipeout
- Gladiator
- Bungee Run
- Cliff Jump
- Pirate Ship
- Big Slide
- Castle slide combo
- Obstacle racer
- Slide combination

Bring your own lunch, snacks, drink bottles & hats
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**Thinking about Secondary School?**

**Open Day** Saturday 30 April, 9.30am - 2.00pm
Register online at elthamcollege.vic.edu.au/openday

Growing hearts and minds

**If your child is approaching Secondary College, we warmly encourage you to**

**Discover**

**LILYDALE HEIGHTS COLLEGE**

at our **OPEN NIGHT**

Tuesday 3rd May, 2016
Presentation and Tours from 6.00pm

Presentation, tours and supper provided throughout the evening in our café.
17 Nelson Road, Lilydale Vic 3140

**COLLEGE TOURS AVAILABLE**
Bookings: 9735 1133
P: 03 9735 1133
E: lilydale.heights.co@edumail.vic.gov.au
www.lilydaleheights.vic.edu.au

**Participate in our Open Night for your chance to win an iPad mini.**
*Conditions Apply*

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**Melba College**

**OPEN NIGHT**

Junior Campus – Croydon Rd, Croydon

Monday 2nd May, 2016 at 7:00pm

You are invited to see our school at work; participate in aspects of our curriculum; find out what Melba College has to offer; ask questions and seek further information.

**SCHOOL TOURS**

Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 9:30 am
Other times by appointment.

Bookings can be made by contacting us on 9725 8277 or by email melba.sc.junior@edumail.vic.gov.au
CROYDON HILLS PRIMARY SCHOOL

AWESOME AUTUMN SPORTS
DON'T MISS OUT ON KICKING A GOAL! AWESOME AUTUMN SPORTS allows your child to play a range of dynamic and active programs over 10 weeks. These include, Soccer, Football, Basketball, Netball and Hockey. This Program will not only provide an essential base for your child's motor skills but help build awareness, co-ordination and friendship all in an enjoyable environment.

WHEN: Thursday
COMMENCING: 21/4/2016
CONCLUDING: 23/6/2016
TIME: 3:40pm - 4:30pm
YEAR LEVELS: P - 4

COST: $160 JUST $90 IF YOU ENROL BY FRIDAY 15TH (go to www.kellysports.com.au and search for your school)

VENUE: Croydon Hills Primary School

ONLINE ENROLMENT
www.kellysports.com.au

To enrol, please visit www.kellysports.com.au or fill out the below enrolment form & send with a cheque to:
P.O. Box 211, The Pines WC 3168. Payment options available! Do not issue enrolment forms at the school office.

ENROLMENT FORM

☐ Awesome Autumn Sports (After School)

School: ___________________________ Year Level: ___________________________

Name: ___________________________ Room No: ___________________________

Address: ___________________________ Post Code: ___________________________

Phone: ___________________________ Mobile/Work: ___________________________

Email: ___________________________

Medical Conditions: ___________________________

At the completion of after school clinics, does your child? ☐ Go to after care ☐ Get collected

Parents' consent: I hereby authorise Kelly Sports to act on my behalf should my child require medical attention, and release Kelly Sports from any liability for injury incurred by my child at Kelly Sports programmes.

Payment Options: Go online and pay via Direct Deposit or credit card.

Parent/Caregiver name: ___________________________ Signature: ___________________________

Amount Paid: $ ___________________________
Welcome to the annual Victorian Premiers’ Reading Challenge. Reading is an essential life skill for everyone and the Challenge encourages families to be actively involved in supporting children to read. The Challenge invites children and young people to read a set number of books and record their efforts online. It’s a great way to get them talking about reading with friends and family, and to push themselves to read as many books as they can. Join the Challenge today and discover new authors, get expert tips, book recommendations and more. Participation is free. To find out more about the Challenge and access the booklist visit: www.education.vic.gov.au/prc

Like us on Facebook to share tips, literary articles and recommended reads www.facebook.com/VicPRC

2016 Privacy and Consent Form (Schools and Early Childhood Settings)

By signing this document, you agree to the TERMS and CONDITIONS outlined below. These include consent for your child to participate in the Victorian Premiers’ Reading Challenge and for their name to appear on a certificate of completion and for their name to appear in the online honour roll. Please note that the child’s name only will appear on the certificate and online Honour Roll with no other identifying factors. Participating schools appear as a separate list.

Child’s name: ________________________________________________________________

School or early childhood service: CROYDON HILLS PRIMARY SCHOOL

Year level (%) Class( eg IMP) (%) Yes ☐ No ☐ I consent to my child’s name appearing on the online Honour Roll

Certificate name (only if different from name above): ____________________________

Parent/guardian name (please print): __________________________________________

Parent/guardian signature: __________________________________________ Date: __________

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Definitions: Department refers to the Victorian Department of Education and Training. Person refers to the child/adult listed below in the consent declaration.

1) Privacy Protection
The Department takes its privacy obligations seriously and any personal information collected or used by the Department will be handled in accordance with the Privacy and Data Protection Act 2014 (Vic). This law sets out what we must do when the Department collects, uses, handles and destroys personal information. Personal information includes personal details such as an individual’s name and school that could be used to identify an individual.

2) Collection, use, disclosure and storage of personal information
If you provide your consent your school or early childhood setting will collect and disclose your child’s first and last name, and the name of the early childhood setting or school to the Department. The Department will then:

- Use the information to register your child and to generate an online account (through which school age children can record the books that they read);
- Publish your child’s name and year level on its online Honour Roll located at: www.education.vic.gov.au/prc at the completion of the Challenge with no other identifying factors such as school name.
- Give the name of your child to Findbury Green Pty Ltd ABN 52 007 743 151 who will then disclose to a 3rd party for the purpose of printing Certificates of Achievement.

3) Accuracy, access to information and withdrawal of consent
The Department will endeavour to ensure that any personal information held about your child is up to date and accurate. You can access, correct and withdraw personal information held by the Department by written request in accordance with the Department’s Information Privacy Policy located at: http://www.education.vic.gov.au/Pages/privacypolicy.aspx

Consent may be withdrawn at any time by writing to the Department’s Privacy Unit on: privacy.enquiries@edumail.education.vic.gov.au.

If you have any questions about this form, or if you need more information, please contact the PRC Challenge Coordinator at the Department readingchallenge@edumail.vic.gov.au or (03) 9637 3624.

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