



# Caledonian Primary School Newsletter

## Calendar

### April

**Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup>** - School Council at 6.30pm (No subcommittees)

**Monday 29<sup>th</sup> - Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> May** – Scholastic Book Fair (8.30am – 8.45am) and (3.15pm-3.30pm)

### May

**Friday 3<sup>rd</sup>** - Assembly at 2.45pm

**Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup>** – Scholastic book orders and payment due back by today.

**Friday 10<sup>th</sup>** - Mother's Day Stall

**Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> - Thursday 16<sup>th</sup>** - NAPLAN for students in Year 3 and 5

**Friday 17<sup>th</sup>** - Grade 6 Transition packs due back to office

Soup Special Lunch

**Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup>** - Bakers Delight Special Lunch orders and payment due back

**Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup>** - Spud Drive order forms and payment due back

**Friday 24<sup>th</sup>** - Spuds delivered

Bakers Delight Special Lunch

## APPRECIATIONS

- Thank you to the Trigg Family who have generously donated 1 tonne of spuds for our spud drive. The Triggs have also donated the pumpkins for our Special Soup lunch.
- Thank you to the Grade 6 students for running the Anzac Day Assembly.
- Thank you to Peta Gillespie for speaking with the 3-6 students about Anzac Day.

Dear Families,

With last week being such a short week we are putting out a newsletter today to update families with many things taking place at CPS over the coming weeks. There will be an assembly this Friday and a newsletter next week. We will then fall into the cycle of newsletters being published on the odd weeks of term and assemblies being held on the even weeks of term.

### **See our school zone online**

The Department has released a new website that helps parents identify their local public school online.

Findmyschool.vic.gov.au launched on 24 April and shows every school zone across the state. The new website highlights the choice of public schools available to the Victorian community.

If your child is preparing to enter Year 7 and want to know more about the public secondary school options in our area, or you know someone who is interested in enrolling at our school, try findmyschool.vic.gov.au today

If you have a question about the website, contact the Victorian School building Authority Hotline on 1800 896 950 or email [vsba@edumail.vic.gov.au](mailto:vsba@edumail.vic.gov.au)

### **Family Engagement Sub Committee**

This year we will be running a Family Engagement Sub Committee. The work of this subcommittee will be to develop a partnership between families and the school and look at a range of fundraising activities that can support the students and their learning. These meetings are open to all members of the community. The dates for these meetings will be published in the newsletter. The next meeting will be this **Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May**.

### **Cross Country**

Well done to all of the students in Grades 3-6 who participated in Cross Country today. The students did an amazing job and should be very proud of their efforts. Thanks to Mr Clark and Ms G for organising the day.

### **News from Tribal Council**

Our school has been invited to participate in a fundraiser for the Fiona Elsey Cancer Research Institute. We will be joining several other school across Ballarat in holding a Crazy Hair Day on **10<sup>th</sup> May** to support this cause. Students are encouraged to come along with crazy Hair to show their support. We are asking that each student bring along a gold coin donation on the day. Tribal Council will collect the gold coins on the day.

Online fundraising pages have also been set up for each of the schools participating so families can donate to the fundraiser online. Visit [www.fecri.org.au](http://www.fecri.org.au) and follow the links. Each schools page has a \$\$\$ counter. Click on the Crazy Hair day link, then click on our school logo to donate.

In addition to the fundraiser wrist bands are available for purchase at the school office at a cost of \$2 each. Thank you for supporting this great cause.

### **Volunteers**

We are seeking some volunteers who would like to visit the school over lunch play from 1.45-2.15 and read with students. Often students like to come into Pelican Place and browse for books and participate in some quiet reading. If you are interested in volunteering please let Brooke or Pam in the office know. We are hoping to start off with the library open 3 days a week during Term Two.

### **5c Challenge**

We are very excited to be running the 5c challenge again this year. Last year the Leech Family did an amazing job in organising this fundraiser for the school. We have purchased some new soccer goals for the junior students with the monies raised. Unfortunately the goals got delivered to the wrong school and have been misplaced in transit. I do apologise for the delay and I am sorting this problem out and hope to have the goals on site by the end of the week. This year we will use the money raised to purchase books for the school.

### **Resilience Project**

Please see the link below for further information about the Resilience Project.

<https://theresilienceproject.com.au/>

## **Compass**

Compass is the main communication tool that we use to communicate with our families. If you are having difficulty logging in or using the app please see Brooke in the office. We hope that all families use the Compass management system to stay up to date with things happening at CPS.

I hope to see many families at assembly on Friday.

Kind regards,  
Brea Terris  
Principal

## **Scholastic Bookclub**

Scholastic bookclub order forms have been sent home. If you would like to purchase any of the books please fill in the order form and return it with payment to the school office by Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> May. Orders can also be placed online.

## **Woolworths Earn and Learn**

Woolworths are running Earn and Learn again this year. You can collect stickers when you shop at Woolworths between 1/5/2019 until 8/7/2019. These stickers can be dropped into the box at the office.

## **Tree Drive**

We are again conducting our tree drive. Order forms have been sent home today and must be returned with payment by Friday 31<sup>st</sup> May. Trees will be delivered to the school next term. Extra order forms are available from the school office,

## **Grade 6 Transition Packs**

Grade 6 Transition Packs were sent home with students Friday. Please fill them in and return to them to the office by Friday 17<sup>th</sup> May.

## **Mothers Day Stall**

The Family Engagement Sub Committee will be running a Mothers Day stall on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> May. Students can bring along a maximum of \$5 to purchase a gift for mum, which will be wrapped and sent home with students.

## **State School Relief**

Prep parents with a valid health care card are eligible for the State Schools Relief assistance which includes uniform. You will receive an information pack to fill in and return to the school.

## **5 Cent Challenge**

Is on again this year. From the 1<sup>st</sup> May until the 31<sup>st</sup> May students can collect 5 cent pieces and donate them to the school. Each class will have a designated container to collect them. This fundraiser was a huge success last year. The class that raises the most money will win a special lunch.

## **Special Soup Lunch**

On Friday 17<sup>th</sup> May our Parent Engagement Committee and Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden will be offering students pumpkin soup and a bread roll for lunch. There is no cost involved. The pumpkins have been generously grown and donated by the Trigg family, we thank them very much for their generosity.

## **Bakers Delight Special Lunch**

On Friday the 24<sup>th</sup> May we will be having a Bakers Delight Special Lunch. Order forms will go home the week before and will be due back with payment by Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> May.

### Potato Drive

We will be running the potato drive again this year. The potatoes have been generously donated by the Trigg family. Potatoes will be delivered, weighed and ready for collection on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May. Order forms will be sent home soon. Orders and payment are due back to the office by Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May.

### Breakfast Club

Breakfast club will be running on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday morning starting this week in the multi-purpose room from 8:30am. All students are welcome to come along.

### Student Banking

Students who have a Commonwealth Bank Dollarmite account are able to bring their deposit book along to the school on Tuesday morning. Deposits are processed at the school office and deposit books are returned to the student the same day. Students banking through the school will receive a token each time they bank and when they collect 10 tokens they can select a gift.

### 2019 School Terms

Term 1 31<sup>st</sup> Jan – 5<sup>th</sup> April  
Term 2 23<sup>rd</sup> April – 28 June  
Term 3 15<sup>th</sup> July – 20<sup>th</sup> September  
Term 4 7<sup>th</sup> October – 20<sup>th</sup> December



### Brown Hill Playgroup @ Caledonian Primary School

All babies and preschool age children welcome!  
Held every Wednesday morning 9am-11am at Caledonian Primary School, Multi-Purpose Room (Excluding school and public holidays).  
Bring a piece of fruit to share and a gold coin donation.  
Find us on Facebook.  
Any questions? Contact Caledonian Primary School on 5332 6955.



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[www.campaustralia.com.au](http://www.campaustralia.com.au)  
or call 1300 105 343

### Welcome Back to Term 2!

A very warm welcome back, we are excited to be back working within your school community for another Term. Children have now had a term to warm up and get settled into 2019, it is time for them to spread their wings and shine. We know how busy yet fulfilling being a parent can be, so that is why we are here to help!

We take care of children in the crucial times before school, after school – and between terms too. Our care programs are well-rounded, meaningful and affordable, based on 30 years of experience. Most importantly, while your child is at school and in our care, you know that they are safe.

**Not yet Registered? Don't worry, it's never too late. Plus, it is free to register.**

To attend our care, you must register your child. You can register an account with us at [pp.campaustralia.com.au/account/login](http://pp.campaustralia.com.au/account/login). Once registered, it's easy to make bookings and manage your booking options online via our parent portal.

Remember, you may be entitled to receive the Australian Government Child Care Subsidy to help you with the cost of child care, visit [www.mygov.com.au](http://www.mygov.com.au) to find out more.

### Program Details

For more information on our service and fees, you may visit our website [www.campaustralia.com.au](http://www.campaustralia.com.au). If you prefer to speak to us, you can contact our friendly Customer Care Team on 1300 105 343 who are available to support our families 24 hours a day, 7 days a week - except National Public Holidays. [Alternatively, you're welcome to visit us in service and chat with our qualified Educators about the Camp Australia program at your school.](#)

We look forward to seeing you and your family soon!

From the Team at Camp Australia

### **A message from Sarah about Family Engagement SubCommittee Meeting**

G'day Caledonian Primary School families,

Just a reminder about the **Family Engagement Sub-Committee Meeting** that will be on this **Thursday 2 May from 9.00 am**. We aim to finish by 10.00 am and plan to meet in the staff room.

We hope you can make it, but understand that this time won't work for everyone. If you have suggestions, please email me or Brea ([caledonian.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au](mailto:caledonian.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au)), drop a note to the office or have a chat with myself or Ange Davies.

On Tuesday night, School Council will discuss the proposed **2019 Family Engagement and Fundraising Plan** (based on feedback from last year, ideas raised in the 'coffee and chat' meeting with Brea on 18 March and other suggestions that have been made).

We are predicting a fairly busy May, with several fundraising activities proposed.

If you are interested in getting involved, please let me or Ange Davies know and we will let you know what needs doing. If you have ideas - let us know so we can collate them all and get them prioritised and ready for action.

Thanks,  
Sarah