The Round Table

CRPS Newsletter 4th February 2020

Where Legends Begin

Dates to remember

February 2020
6th February – Welcome back Basket Tea 5.00pm-7.30pm
7th February – Curriculum Day (no students required at school)
12th February – Camelot Rise Primary School Level 3-6 Swimming Trials
13th February – Getting to know you interviews
14th February – Level 5/6 Interschool Sports begins
14th February – Level 3/4 Democracy Incursion
17th February – Level 5/6 Information Night 6.30pm – 7.30pm Level 3/4 information Night 7.30pm-8.30pm
18th February – Level 1/2 Information Night 6.30pm – 7.30pm Foundation Information Night 7.30pm – 8.30pm
20th February – School Council
20th Thursday – WESA Interschool Swimming selected Level 3-6 students
24th – 26th February to 26th – Tooworld Visual arts Incursion
25th February – CRCA Annual General Meeting
28th February – Level 1/2 Healthy Shock attack Incursion
School Term Dates 2020
Term 1 29th January - 27th March
Term 2 14th April - 26th June
Term 3 13th July – 18th September
Term 4 5th October – 18th December

From the Principal

Welcome

I would like to welcome you to the start of the 2020 school year. It has been wonderful visiting all the classrooms and strolling through the playground hearing about the exciting adventures the students were involved with during the break.

I trust that the school break and holiday season was full of good times and that whether you stayed home or holidayed elsewhere that you had a great time. Sadly, the bushfire situation affected many people throughout Australia. It's an awful situation and one that is a timely reminder to make sure your contact details are up to date with our school office, as in case of an emergency, we do need to be able to keep in contact with you.

You will also have seen much media in the last few weeks regarding the Coronavirus. As a government school we follow directives from the Department of Education and Training (DET). We will continue to provide the community with communications from DET. As a school we are doing all we can do to ensure the students follow correct hygiene practices, We have purchased additional hand sanitisers for all classrooms and we have displayed posters around the school to promote the importance of this proper hygiene practices. We would like to thank the community for their support and understanding concerning this.

Thank you to all the dedicated staff that spent many days at school over the holidays preparing their resources and classrooms in preparation for the students. We are most fortunate to have such dedicated, professional staff who work collaboratively to ensure the best learning environment for our students.

On behalf of the staff, I would like to welcome all of our new families to Camelot Rise Primary School and we trust that you will enjoy working with us to provide your child with the best possible education.

In 2020 we will continue to produce our regular fortnightly newsletter (like this one!) and very soon it will have a whole new look and design. We are very excited about this!
We will no longer produce the 'Community newsletter;' that was produced on alternate weeks. The 'Community newsletter' was used primarily to promote local businesses and remind people of dates. This became a very onerous task for our office staff and we believe that with Compass notifications families are able to be communicated with in relation to events and dates. Businesses will still have the opportunity to promote their business, sporting clubs etc through our 'regular' fortnightly newsletter.

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2020 Classes and staffing

Class structure model for 2020

Foundation L	Miss Hayley Lonsdale
Foundation J	Miss Ashleigh Jacobs
1H	Ms Deb Hong
1/2M	Mrs Danielle Macleod
2	Mrs Stephanie Johnson
2CM	Miss Amanda Curtain (Monday, Tuesday & Friday) & Mrs Sarah Martin (Wednesday & Thursday)
3BM	Mrs Linda Bett (Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday) & Mrs Adrienne Meer (Thursday & Friday)
3P	Mrs Wendy Punay (Tuesday – Friday) & Mr Paul Carron (every Monday)
4N	Miss Amanda Neary
4J	Mr Simon Judkins
5Y	Mr Chris Young
5WT	Ms Ilana Tusia (Monday & Tuesday) & Mrs Sarah Woods (Wednesday – Friday)
5/6H	Mr Ben Heys (Tuesday – Friday) & Miss Tennille Anderson (every Monday)
6Y	Mrs Wendy Yoong
6N	Mrs Sharyn Newstead

As a part of their Learning Specialist roles across the whole school Mr Ben Heys and Mrs Wendy Punay will be working with teaching staff across the school every Monday. To ensure we have consistency of teachers in these classrooms Miss Tennille Anderson will be teaching 5/6H every Monday and Mr Paul Carron will teach 3P every Monday.

Specialist Programs for 2020

Physical Education	Mr Paul Carron
Visual Arts	Mrs Mary Katsigiannis
Performing Arts	Mrs Mary Katsigiannis (Foundation – Year 3 classes) Ms Rosemary Thom (Year 4 – 6 classes)
French	Ms Rosemary Thom
EAL	Mrs Leilani Burgess

Principal	Mr Matthew Coney
Assistant Principal	Ms Helen Thomas
Business Manager	Mrs Christine Chara
Student Administration	Mrs Kerryn Wardle & Mrs Tracy Davidson
Education Support Staff (Integration Aides)	Mrs Jo Hewett Mr Andy Pullar Mrs Fiona Schwass Mrs Deb Oakey

Productive Partnerships

Camelot Rise Primary School staff are looking forward to a productive partnership with you to ensure all children can achieve their highest potential. We recognise that in order to be successful in school, our children need support from both the home and school, knowing that a strong partnership with you will make a great difference in your child's education. As partners, we share the responsibility for our children's success and want you to know that we will do our very best to carry out our responsibilities, asking that you guide and support your child's learning by ensuring:

- *Attendance at school daily and arrival on time, ready for the day's learning experience*
- *Supporting the school values*
- *Daily reading to develop a love for literature and to improve critical language skills*
- *Sharing school experiences with you so that you are aware of his / her school life*

Working and 'learning together' we can achieve great results.

Curriculum Day

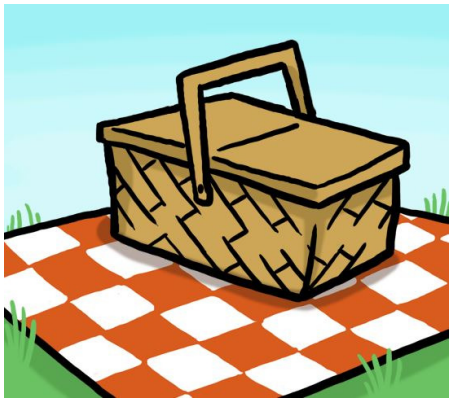
Friday, 7th February is a Curriculum Day (Pupil free day) at Camelot Rise Primary School. As part of our ongoing professional learning our teaching staff will be working with Mardi Gorman (Educational Consultant) with a focus on developing the teacher capacity in the area of Reading. During the day the teaching staff will further develop their skills and knowledge in this area.

Our Education Support Officers and Integration Aides will be visiting another school to look at strategies used to support the learning of students that they are working with in 2020.

Welcome Back Basket Tea

On Thursday, 6th February we will be holding a 'Welcome Back Basket Tea' between 5.00pm – 7.30pm. We invite all families and community members to bring along their dinner and picnic rug and share a relaxed evening with other members of our school community. Our PE teacher, Mr. Paul Carron (with the support of our Year 6 student leaders) will have set up a number of fun activities that we invite families to participate in. On this night we will have a Coffee van and Ice Cream van for our community to purchase goods from on the night. The Nunawading Spectres Basketball Club is also providing an inflatable basketball activity for the children to use on the night. This is the same one that the students used during last year's Fun Run.

We look forward to a fun evening with members of our community.



Information Nights

Our Parent Information Nights are scheduled for the following days:

- ***Monday, 17th February – Year 3/ 4 @ 7.30pm – 8.30pm***
  Year 5 /6 @ 6.30pm – 7.30pm

- ***Tuesday, 18th February – Foundation @ 7.30pm – 8.30pm***
  Year 1 /2 @ 6.30pm – 7.30pm

Additional information about these nights will be sent via Compass.

Ready to learn at 9.00am!

To ensure that we maximise learning time for all students at Camelot Rise Primary School there is an expectation that all students are seated ready to learn at 9.00am. Our students can enter their classrooms at 8.50am. This is the time when students will be putting their bags on hooks and preparing for the day ahead. Parents who are helping in the classroom as a 'Parent Helper' will be encouraged to stay in the class and assist when requested by the classroom teacher.

At 8.50am students have the opportunity to complete a 'Start of Day activity' (SODA). These SODA activities are fun activities that will get the students thinking in preparation for their day of learning.

Parent Teacher Interviews

'Getting to know you interviews" will be held on **Thursday, 13th February** in your child's classroom. Information about how to make a booking will be sent via Compass. You will be selecting a time via our Compass platform.

All classes except for 3BM will conduct their interviews on Thursday, 13th February.

3BM (Mrs. Bett and Mrs. Meer) will conduct their interview on Tuesday, 11th February.

The purpose of these interviews is twofold. Parents and guardians are encouraged to attend to:

- *Meet their child's teacher to begin an effective home/school partnership.*
- *Provide information to teachers regarding their child's strengths, talents, issues or concerns.*

Information shared by parents to teachers will assist us to plan for and work as effectively as possible with you and your child throughout the year.

'We are Learning' Boards

Each term our teachers carefully plan what the students will be learning in all curriculum areas for the upcoming term. This is based on the Victorian Curriculum. The Victorian Curriculum F–10 sets out what every student should learn during their first eleven years of schooling. The curriculum is the common set of knowledge and skills required by students for life-long learning, social development and active and informed citizenship.

The Victorian Curriculum F–10 incorporates the Australian Curriculum and reflects Victorian priorities and standards.

Our staff carefully plan the content of what is taught based on the learning needs of the students, prior knowledge and student interests. These planning documents our teachers produce will now form part of our **''We are Learning'** Board that is displayed in the foyer of our school.

We invite parents to look at our **'We are Learning'** board that clearly articulates exactly what is being taught in all class and specialist classes this term. The class and specialist teachers have prepared this information. As a parent it is invaluable to know what is taught at school so you can assist and support your child / children at home. This information will be updated each term. Thanks to all of the teachers for the amazing amount of work, they have put into this display!

We encourage all parents to look at this board and see what exciting learning adventures your child has to look forward to this term.
All of these 'We are Learning documents' will be sent out to all families via Compass by the end of Week Two each term.
These termly overviews will replace the fortnightly news as we can now provide families this information for the whole term.

Welcome to our new Foundation (Prep) students

We are thrilled with the way our 2020 Foundation (Prep) students have settled into schooling life. It was a pleasure to see so many smiling faces. I would like to thank Miss Lonsdale & Miss Jacobs who have created wonderfully attractive classrooms for these students and the look of excitement on the faces was priceless.

Accident insurance

The Department of Education and Training (DET) does not provide personal accident insurance for students. Parents are generally responsible for paying the cost of medical treatment for injured students, including any transport costs. Ambulance cover could be one consideration as the school will not hesitate to call an ambulance if we are concerned for a child's wellbeing.
The Department of Education and Training (DET) states that reasonable low cost accident insurance policies are available from the commercial insurance sector. For those parents who seek personal cover, details of an insurer who offers individual accident insurance for $29 for the year is:

EBM INSURANCE BROKERS and the link is https://www.ebminsurance.com.au/personal-cover/student-cover.php

Personal goods brought to school at owner's risk

The Department of Education and Training (DET) does not hold insurance for personal property brought to schools. Principals are requested to remind students and parents/guardians of this at the beginning of each academic year and to discourage parents/students from bringing any unnecessary or particularly valuable items to school. Please, try and avoid bringing these items as it can be most upsetting for all concerned when items do go missing.

Mobile phones:

Readers of the newsletter last year would be aware of the introduction of the state-wide policy on Mobile Phones in Victorian Government Schools. All students are required to turn off and hand in mobile phones to prevent usage during school hours.
We have purchased electronic safes to secure the phones. These safes are located in the Year 5 / 6 classrooms.
Phones will be placed in the safe at the start of the day and collected at the end of the day.
Last year our School Council approved our new Mobile Phone policy to ensure it is aligned to DET directives. A copy of this policy is available on our website.
To date this new process has been very successful.
We thank you for your support in this area.

Student Leadership badge presentations

On **Friday, 14th February at 2.45pm,** Mr. Neil Angus MP (State Member for Forest Hill) will be attending our whole school assembly to present the badges to our 2020 Student Leaders.
Mr. Angus will be presenting badges to the following students:

- School Captains
- Vice Captains
- Sport Captains
- Visual Arts Captains
- Performing Arts Captains
- French Captains
- Environment Captains
- Resource Captains
- Wellbeing Captains
  House Captains (Avalon, Galahad, King Arthur & Chivalry)

We invite all family members and friends of these students to attend this very special assembly.

2020 Parent Payments Reminder

Parent payments are an essential source of funds for a school to operate effectively. Without student fees schools would not be able to provide the many programs and resources we provide for the students at Camelot Rise Primary School. We would like to thank the parents that have already made these payments.

Working with Children Checks (WWC)

We encourage and value parental and community support at Camelot Rise Primary School. There are many ways that parents, grandparents and friends can assist at our school. We encourage all parents to obtain a Working with Children's Check that will allow you to be very involved in your child's education. These checks are free for volunteers. Once you have your WWC please come to the office so we can photocopy this and we will add your name to our list of parents who have a current WWC check.

2020 'Teacher Professional Practice Days'
Message form the Department of Education (DET)
Teacher Professional Practice days

In the Education State, we achieve excellence by consistently focusing on improving the achievements of learners across Victoria, whether it is through improving the quality of educational services or changing the way we teach.
The most important thing we can do to improve student outcomes is to develop and improve the skills of our teachers.
The Victorian Government will continue to provide opportunities to develop professional, passionate teachers and principals and equip them with the right knowledge and skills for a modern classroom.
To ensure we support the learning and development of not only our students, but our teachers too; we are committed to providing professional development opportunities for our teaching workforce.

What are the professional practice days?

As part of the Victorian Government Schools Agreement 2017, teachers will receive four days per year when they are out of the classroom to focus on the improved delivery of high quality teaching and learning.

What this means for your child

Your child's teacher will spend four days per year further developing their skills in areas that are aligned to the school priorities. Your child will directly benefit from these improvements in their daily learning.
On these days, an alternate teacher will be provided with the learning plan for the day and be well equipped to assist your child with their learning needs.
If you would like more information on the professional practice days and when they are planned, please contact the Department of Education.

Literacy Parental Engagement and Activities

We have listed below a useful Department of Education website that provides parents with many activities that parents and children can participate in to help inspire and boost their Literacy & Numeracy skills.
https://www.education.vic.gov.au/Documents/school/teachers/teachingresources/discipline/english/literacy/LiteracyandNumeracyTipstoHelpYourChild_Final.pdf

Home-school communication

Both my door and Assistant Principal Helen Thomas' door is always open should any parent need to chat. Our number one priority is the engagement, wellbeing and care of all students at Camelot Rise Primary School and we are always happy to hear feedback on the improvements we are making and what we can do to better assist our students. Helen and I are always available to speak to parents in relation to any feedback you can provide us that will ultimately benefit the students at Camelot Rise Primary School. Please feel free to drop in at any time or contact us to arrange a suitable meeting time.
Please come and see us for a chat!

Matthew Coney

From the Assistant Principal

Welcome Back!

I hope that everyone enjoyed the Summer school holidays and managed to enjoy some down time! I managed to rest up a lot, spending time with family and friends and more landscaping of my backyard and a few days down at the beach. It is great to be back at Camelot, the students have settled well and 2020 promises to be another great year. A huge welcome to all of the 'new' and 'returning' faces.

School-wide Positive Behaviour Support (SWPBS)

This year at CRPS will be the first year of implementing this program at our school. This program will complement our restorative practices and our student engagement and wellbeing policies.
The SWPBS team is Helen Thomas (Team Leader) and representatives from each team across the school. Ashleigh Jacobs (Foundation), Amanda Curtain (1/2) Amanda Neary (3/4), Sarah W and Ilana Tusia (5/6), Paul Carron (Specialists), Andy Pullar (Education Support). We will be attending our first workshop next week with a two-day professional learning at the regional office. We have been assigned a DET external coach to support us with the implementation and his name is Gerard Pearson.
We will be involving parents in the conversations and the implementation of the program as well. If you are interested in attending a meeting at least once a term, we have an opportunity for two parents; please contact Helen Thomas if you are interested.
SWPBS is a framework that brings together school communities to develop positive, safe, supportive learning cultures
SWPBS assists schools to improve social, emotional, behavioural and academic outcomes for children and young people.
When SWPBS is implemented well, teachers and students have more time to focus on relationships and classroom instruction.
Students and staff benefit from:

- increased respectful and positive behaviour
- increased time focused on instruction
- improved social-emotional wellbeing
- positive and respectful relationships among students and staff
- increased adoption of evidence-based instructional practices
- a predictable learning environment with improved perceptions of safety and increased attendance

SWPBS can be implemented in any school setting to support students from Foundation through to Year 12. The framework supports schools to identify and successfully implement evidence-based whole-school practices to enhance learning outcomes for children and young people.
Information will be provided through Compass and in the newsletter however more information is available on the DET website, go to;
https://www.education.vic.gov.au/school/teachers/management/improvement/Pages/swpbs.aspx

Child Safe Policy and Code of Conduct

At CRPS, we are committed to ensuring all of our students are safe and that our school complies with the compulsory minimum standards for all Victorian early childhood services and schools, to ensure they are well prepared to protect children from abuse and neglect.
As part of the Victorian Government's commitment to implementing the recommendations of the Betrayal of Trust report, which found that more must be done to prevent and respond to child abuse in our community, there is a new regulatory landscape surrounding child safety, underpinned by the Child Safe Standards.
Over the coming weeks there will be more information available through the newsletter.
Foundation and new families to the school will receive a notification through Compass for you to read and acknowledge that you have read the policy documents.

Helen Thomas

PROTECT

Everyone has the right to be safe and be protected from abuse.

No one should behave in a way that makes you feel unsafe or afraid, including anyone in your family, anyone at school or anywhere else in the community.

Tell a teacher or any adult at your school if you feel unsafe.

It's everyone's responsibility.

Adults at school must listen and respond to concerns about child abuse.

If you suspect abuse of any child or young person, you have a responsibility to report it, even if you are not sure.

Further information & resources
www.education.vic.gov.au/protect

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Camelot Rise Primary School is committed to implementing a culture of child safety, inclusive of all school environments, in and outside of school hours and practices zero tolerance of child abuse.

Camelot Rise Primary School

Invites ALL Families to a

WELCOME BACK BASKET TEA

(BYO Picnic - Food and drinks)
Coffee Van, Ice Cream Truck, Jumping Castle

Thursday 6th February
(night before the scheduled Curriculum Day on 7th February)

Where: School oval

Time: 5.00pm-7.30pm

Equipment will be set up around the oval for families to play.

Come along have a chat, get to know new families and staff.

Welcome to 2020

Camelot Rise Community Association

Invites you to the

Annual General Meeting

On

Tuesday February 25th at 9.15am in the School Library

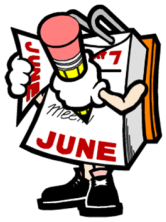
Come along and hear about all the exciting community events and activities and ways you can assist at the school.

This is a great way to meet new people and be involved at Camelot.

Looking forward to seeing you there.

PIANO LESSONS AT CRPS

Private piano lessons are offered at CRPS during the school day. Ilona Wright is a fully qualified and experienced teacher, and has been teaching piano at CRPS for over 20 years. If you are interested in your child taking piano lessons, please contact Ilona on 0421 070 840 or email riteoh@optusnet.com.au for more information.



Camelot Rise Primary School Dates for the Diary

Book Club due date	Friday 14th February
School Banking starts	Thursday 20th February
Twilight sports	Tuesday 17th March
School Photos	Wednesday 18th March
Mother's Day event	Friday 8th May
French Day	Thursday 16th July
Father's Day event	Thursday 3rd September

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Thank you to all the wonderful parent helpers who have already volunteered to assist in the school **canteen** on a regular basis!

We are still on the hunt for additional helpers on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Even if you can assist every fortnight, it would be helpful.
Canteen is open during lunch time from 12.50pm to 1.50pm.

All you need is a valid Working with Children Check which is free and can be obtained from
https://www.workingwithchildren.vic.gov.au/

Please contact Apana on 0419940331 if you are able to assist or if you have any further queries.

Without your help we would not be able to provide this service for our students.

School Banking newsletter.

Term 1 update.

CommBank Bushfire Support

In light of the recent devastating bushfires, we want to share how we can help. Applications are now open for Bushfire Recovery Grants to help rebuild community facilities, schools, fire brigades and replace lost or damaged equipment. Please encourage your local community groups to apply by 31 March 2020, for grants of up to $50,000. If you're a CommBank customer and you've been affected, we can also give you a hand with your finances.
commbank.com.au/bushfirerecovery

2020 Treetop Savers Adventure.

This year, the Dollarmites (Pru, Addy, Spen, Lucas and Pat) are ready to take children on a Treetop Savers adventure to the enchanted Treehouse of Savings. Here they'll discover lots of fun financial activities and rewards for saving.

Many surveyed parents think it's important to make learning about money engaging and to reward good saving behaviour*. And this year, we're changing our School Banking rewards for the better. We're introducing new eco-friendly and reusable rewards, alongside other rewards that encourage creativity, as well as indoor and outdoor play.

Activity 1: Add up Addy's pocket money

Addy gets $2 pocket money every time she does a job in the Treehouse of Savings. If she does 9 jobs, how much will she have earned?

A: $_____.

Activity 2: Find and count how many frogs and butterflies you can see

A: _____ Frogs and _____ Butterflies.

Term 1 Treetop Savers rewards

When your child makes 10 deposits with School Banking, they can redeem one of our Treetop Savers rewards. Term 1 rewards are available now, while stocks last.

Terry Denton's Activity Book

Mini Soccer Ball

Any questions about the School Banking program? Ask your School Banking Co-ordinator for a parent's pack or visit **commbank.com.au/schoolbanking**

*Parents of Australian primary school children, School Banking Research, conducted by Fifty five5, May–June 2018.
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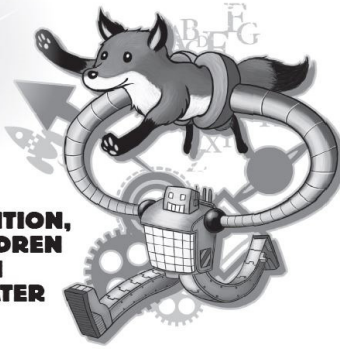

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