Principal’s Message:
Each year, schools must return their enrolment numbers on Day 8 of the school year. These numbers are used to determine the number of teaching staff, teacher aides and office staff. We have had a small reduction in the number of students this year, with our expected enrolment on Day 8 (Thursday, 2 February) to be approximately 560 students. This enrolment should entitle us to maintain our 23 classroom teachers. There will be no impact on our current classroom arrangements.

You are Invited!! Twilight Picnic on the Oval.
On Tuesday 7 February, we will be holding a Twilight Picnic on the oval. We began this less formal approach to meeting the teachers and welcoming families last year and hope to make it a Collingwood Park SS tradition. Classrooms will be open from 4:30-5:00pm and parents are welcome to visit their child/ren’s classrooms. From 5:00pm, teachers and families will move up to the oval for a picnic, with picnic games. Parents are welcome to BYO picnic food and drinks, rugs etc. The P&C will have food and drinks available for sale. Following the Twilight Picnic, we will hold the first P&C meeting for the year, in the hall (we are hoping for a huge turnout!)

Central District Swimming Carnival
Next Tuesday 7 February, our school will be represented by a number of swimmers at the Central District Swimming Carnival at Bundamba Swimming Pool. Students involved in the carnival will have received the necessary information. We wish them luck!
SCHOOL LEADER INDUCTION CEREMONY
Our school leader induction ceremony will be held in the Hall at 9:30am on Friday 24 February. Parents of school leaders are invited to a special morning tea following the ceremony. We congratulate our school leaders and wish them every success as they perform their roles in 2017.

RELIGIOUS INSTRUCTION
Again each class from Year 1 to Year 6 will be offered the RI course. Children enjoy the programme which includes songs, storytelling and creative work books. We welcome back a great team of volunteer instructors: Mrs Kirsten Anstey, Mrs Rita Kennedy, Mr James Barlow, Mrs Lynn Anstey, Mr Paul Hodgkinson and Mrs Christine Hodgkinson (coordinator). Classes will begin in the third week of term. A letter has been sent home this week asking parents to sign and return.

VOLUNTEERING AT OUR SCHOOL
Very soon, there will be invitations from teachers and from support staff for volunteers to support student learning. **Before you commence working with students, you need to attend the mandatory information session.** All new volunteers will need to attend the Induction Workshop prior to working in the classroom or tuckshop. All experienced volunteers who have previously attended an Induction must attend an Induction session annually, but may commence to support teachers in classrooms immediately with the understanding that participation in an induction must occur by the last Induction session offered on Monday 22 February to be able to continue. There are a number of updates and mandatory requirements that must be delivered annually.

**Induction Session dates:**
Friday 3 February 9:30-11:00am; Wednesday 8 February 9:30-11:00; Monday 13 February 1:30 pm—2:55 pm

**Please phone the school office to register for an Induction Session.**

For any enquiries, please contact the school office.

NOTICE OF PARENTS AND CITIZENS ASSOCIATION ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
Notice is given that the Annual General Meeting of the Parents and Citizens Association for Collingwood Park State School, will be held on Tuesday 14 March 2017 at 7:00pm. At this meeting, all Executive positions and sub-committee positions will be declared vacant and a committee will be elected for 2017.

If you would like to be part of our community group, please fill out a nomination form for a committee position and come along to the Annual General Meeting. Nomination forms will be available on-line or at the Office from Monday 13 February 2017.

Positions for election: President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary.

NEWSLETTER FREQUENCY—This year, we will be providing school newsletters in Week 1, 2, 4, 6, 8 and 10 of each term. The next school newsletter will be emailed on Friday 17th February. In the interests of sustainability, paper copies will only be produced by written request. **If you would like to receive the newsletter by email, please send an email to dsunl1@eq.edu.au to subscribe.**

Meridee Cuthill—Principal
**Deputy Principal’s Message**

**Happy New Year!**

I hope that 2017 has started smoothly for you all. It’s wonderful to see students with renewed enthusiasm for their learning after the long break and with stories to tell about their summer adventures. It’s also great to have so many new families join our school. I look forward to getting to know you and your children over the coming year. I hope that new families will quickly discover what a friendly and welcoming school we are. A positive and close relationship between school and parents / carers makes a huge difference to the emotional well-being and educational outcomes of our students – your children. With this in mind, we hope that you will take advantage of the many opportunities on offer to come into school and get to know us. Next Tuesday, for example, we hope to see you at our **Twilight Picnic** - a huge amount of fun and a great opportunity to meet your child’s teacher and other staff members in an informal setting. Please also remember that you are particularly welcome to attend our Wednesday assemblies. Each day of the week, students meet in the Hall at 8.30am. Messages are announced and teachers collect their classes. Prep students currently go straight to their classroom but will join the rest of the school later in the term – date to be confirmed. Our Wednesday assembly however, led by our wonderful student leaders, is a special time when we come together to celebrate success with the presentation of Student of the Week Certificates and CARE Awards, enjoy performances by our Bands and Choirs and share in student learning with items presented by the classes or year levels. Teachers are currently signing up for an assembly date, when their class will present or perform during assembly. The dates, once finalised, will be published in a future newsletter and class teachers will remind you about their class’s assembly date so that you can make arrangements to attend if you can.

At each Wednesday assembly we also sing the first two verses of the National Anthem – usually accompanied by our wonderful instrumental students. You will find the words to the anthem in your child’s Communication Diary so you might like to help them learn and practice so that they can sing with confidence and pride. As a fairly new Australian citizen (2013), I am always moved by the second verse of the anthem which acknowledges, welcomes and celebrates the diversity of the Australian people – something that is also the case at Collingwood Park State School.

Assembly is also a time when we remind students about relevant procedures and expectations e.g. about behaviour in the hall. I have been particularly impressed by how quickly and quietly classes have left the hall each morning after assembly since the beginning of the term – demonstrating exemplary C.A.R.E. Crow behaviour and understanding of the Collingwood Park way of moving around the school. Thank-you to the parents who have moved quickly, out of the hall entrance, in order to facilitate the efficient exit of the students. We understand that sometimes parents like to stand by the door so that they are able to leave quickly. However, there are always plenty of seats available and space for prams so if you can stay longer we encourage you to sit down.

**Lunchtime Activities and Coding Club**

At CPSS, we also pride ourselves on being able to offer many different play options for students at break time. We recognise that some children like to run around on the oval, some prefer to play dress-ups while others enjoy craft activities. Each morning, in the hall,
students are reminded about the activities offered that day. These activities change through
the year and I am thrilled to announce that next week will see the start of a brand new option
– Code Club. We are planning to work towards three Code Clubs each week, providing an op-
portunity for 15 students per group to learn coding. There will be further information shared
with students in assembly and morning messages, so if they are interested, please encourage
them to be on time in the hall (8.30am) so that they don’t miss further information.

Jill Rutland
Deputy Principal

The Home Interaction Program for Parents and Youngsters (HIPPY) is a FREE
two-year school readiness program operating in the following areas:
Bundamba, Dinmore, Riverview, Goodna, Redbank, Redbank Plains, Colling-
wood Park, Gailes and Bellbird Park.

We provide activity packs, storybooks and support to families to build confidence
in learning, and help children make a successful transition to school. A home
tutor works with the parent to practice the activities in the pack and this assists the par-
et to confidently do the HIPPY activities with their child.

If your child is turning 4 in 2017, and you would like the opportunity to have fun learning to-
gether, please contact Mary 0428672956, myaxley@playgroupqld.com.au

Library News

Scholastic Book Club
At Collingwood Park, we offer the opportunity for parents to purchase books online from
Scholastic Bookclub via the Parent Loop section. Please note that we do not accept
cash orders so please do not send any cash orders to school.

Issue 1 Book Club catalogues were distributed to classes earlier in the week. A note from
Scholastic explaining the Parent Loop order system for Prep parents accompanied the Issue 1
leaflets that were distributed to all Prep students.

If you wish to order anything, you will need to order online via the Parent Loop – Linked
Online Ordering and Payment available on www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP or download the
LOOP Apple or Android app. Prior to placing your order, you will need to select the class
that your child is in. N.B. Prep Gold has Mrs Powell registered as the class teacher, not Mrs
Walker, whilst 2C has Mrs Yarrow registered as the class teacher, not Mrs Brice.

The cut-off date for Parent Loop online orders for Issue 1 is Thursday 16 February.
If you experience any problems when ordering or don’t receive your order, please contact
Scholastic Customer Service on 1800 021 233. You will need to have available all documenta-
tion regarding your order, when you ring.

Glenys Harrington
Teacher Librarian
Scholastic Bookclub Co-ordinator
Positive Behaviour for Learning

All students at Collingwood Park State School are expected to behave in a manner that reflects the four values of our school: Co-operate, Attend, Respect and Excel. Positive Behaviour for Learning is a behaviour support framework that clearly defines expectations for student and school community behaviour. The framework includes the explicit teaching of expected school behaviours, routines and procedures and frequent acknowledgement and reinforcement of positive behaviours.

This term, our school will continue to focus on the explicit teaching of our school’s expectations, routines and procedures. These expectations are outlined in the Expectations Matrix document which can be found in the C.P.S.S. Student Communication Diary.

Positive behaviours are reinforced and acknowledged through praise, individual and whole class rewards. Please refer to the diary for additional information regarding our positive reinforcement system.

If you have any questions regarding PBL, please contact your child’s teacher.

COLLINGWOOD PARK STATE SCHOOL
HOME OF THE C.A.R.E. Crows

On assembly this week, our C.A.R.E. Crows were officially introduced to our school community.

We are extremely excited to introduce our C.A.R.E. Crows...

Corvus

Corvus is a small constellation in the Southern Celestial Hemisphere. Its name means “raven” in Latin.
Traffic around the school

Please be aware that both the Police and Ipswich City Council constantly patrol around our school. Please avoid parking across driveways and on footpaths. Parking is also available on Collingwood Park Drive, with just a short walk to the school’s front gate.

Please remember that a bus zone has been designated outside Collingwood Park Dental Clinic on Burrel Street. This means parents/carers cannot park in that area between 2 and 4pm.

I appeal to all parents to be careful when driving around our schools, please obey road rules and demonstrate patience. There have been a number of incidents reported to the office regarding driver behaviour on Burrel Street in the afternoon.

Please do not exit your vehicle or stay longer than two (2) minutes in the drop off zone. Staff on duty are concerned for the safety and well-being of students. Please do not abuse staff who ask you to move on or obey road rules. It would be disastrous if any of our children were to be hit by your car.

Please see the attached map which clearly identifies the Loading and Bus Zones.
NEXT MEETING:
7th Of February 2017
7.00 pm in the library

CPSS P&C Association News!!

Email us: cpss-pnc-admin@bigpond.com

Sub Committees
- Volunteers Welcome -

Events Committee – we are looking for new members to join for next year @ email us
cpss-pnc-admin@bigpond.com

OSH C Committee – FRIDAY the 3rd of FEB - 4.30PM
@ OSHC – ALL WELCOME

P&C Meeting – 7th of February 2017

POSITION AVAILABLE –
Outside School Hours Care Coordinator
Permanent Part time position, team environment.
Please send your resume to
cpss-pnc-admin@bigpond.com

Tuck Shop
OUR NEW HEALTHY MENU OPTION
HAS BEEN AWARDED
5 GREEN APPLES
FROM QUAST
(TULAB ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOL TUCKSHOPS)
Great effort to offer our kids healthier options

CAN YOU HELP??

For the tuckshop to run smoothly we would love to have at least 2 volunteers each day.

We are looking for volunteers for Term 1 – if you can spare just a few hours please contact
Karen ☎️ - 0439830078

Tuck shop Online Ordering
If you are ordering tuckshop online please make sure that you have updated your student/s class

Uniform Shop is open from 8am every day!

Twilight Picnic
Come along to meet your child’s teacher and enjoy a drink and a sausage sizzle and have some fun on the oval while you’re there!

P&C AGM Meeting
Tuesday 14 March 2017 @ 7pm
Everyone welcome!

Uniform Shop

School Banking
Every Friday in the Hall
From 8.00am to 8.30am

Breakfast Club
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday.
from 8am in the hall
Sponsored by the Goodna RSL!!

Upcoming Events

OSHC

 Coordinator - Rebekah Goodie
 Phone - (07) 3381 4317
 Mobile Number - TBA
 Email - cpss-oshc@outlook.com

We have vacancies available in both before school and after school care. Please contact the centre to book your child’s spot!
For more healthy lunchbox information, visit


**Tuck-shop News**

- PREP STUDENTS CANNOT ORDER TUCKSHOP IN TERM 1.
- THE TUCKSHOP IS CLOSED ON MONDAYS.

**Online Ordering**

If you are ordering tuckshop online please make sure that you have updated your student/s class.

*If you can assist at tuckshop, please give us a call as we would really appreciate your help.*

Should you have a problem or cannot make your rostered day, please give the tuckshop a call with as much notice as possible.

Diane: (07) 3818 0687  
Mobile: (0403) 945 014  
Tuckshop: (07) 3381 4335

Download the **school star app** today and receive and send absence messages to school at NO COST TO YOU!