Principal’s Message:

Welcome back to our continuing families and welcome to our many new families in 2014. All classes are settling into a new year which promises to be a busy and successful one for all in our school community.

This year is a review and planning year for our school. Currently we are revisiting and further developing the many structures and strategies that are in place across our areas of major focus-literacy, numeracy, student behaviour and support for students. During the year, our school will undertake a Teaching and Learning Audit and a Discipline Audit. The findings of these studies will contribute to a Quadrennial School Review (QSR) later in the year. This is a process we successfully used in establishing the four year plan from the period 2010-2014.

Our school is currently part of an exciting leadership coaching project whereby a seconded Principal will visit our school this term for the equivalent of one day per week to further develop the leadership throughout our school and contribute to the development of structures and processes to support student learning. The focus here is on how all leaders in our school from Principal to teachers as leaders in their classrooms can be most effective in driving the learning agenda.

As a school, our core business is learning. We are a learning community with an unrelenting focus on improvement in student learning. In last year’s parent opinion survey, 100% of those surveyed considered our school to be a good school. But no matter how good we might be, there is always room for improvement.

This is why our teaching staff attended student free days from Tuesday to Friday last week to participate in a range of presentations and workshops focussed on school improvement in our key focus areas. Further newsletters will outline the many initiatives our school has planned to further enhance student learning. There will be opportunities for parents to also contribute to our school development as we welcome parent and community input in the process of review and improvement.

Jon Simpson  
Principal
Parking in Burrel Street

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.**

Resource Fees Scheme

**Resource Scheme Fees**

Notes have been sent home regarding the Resource Fees Scheme.

**Your contribution of $40.00** towards your student’s education will provide:

- Maths and English materials;
- Equipment and resources to support literacy and numeracy activities;
- Funding for a variety of activities such as craft, cooking, art & science experiments;
- Information Technology resources including – software and web based personal licences;
- Reproduced learning resources to support personalised learning;
- Relevant teaching and learning resources.

The scheme supplements the teaching and learning for your child / children at Collingwood Park State School by enhancing instruction, through the provision of resources that enable challenging, interesting and differentiated programs and resources that might not otherwise be available.

A payment scheme is available; should you require a different payment plan, please do not hesitate to contact the school and arrange this with administration.
Your Child’s Safety is our Priority!!

Ipswich City Council proactively monitors parking at schools to help improve your child’s safety.

Council’s ‘Safe Parking at Schools’ initiative aims to ensure people park safely and legally, improving community safety through education of your school community rather than focusing on enforcement.

The initiative also includes the use of patrolling Officers, Automatic Numberplate Recognition camera cars and remote movement activated cameras to capture parking offences.

Safe and legal parking is generally located within 300m of a school. Please drive and park safely around your school – it’s your child’s safety.

Council works with your school through the Healthy Active School Travel Program to encourage families to walk and cycle to and from school and improve health and road safety. For more information about safe travel routes contact your school or contact Ipswich City Council on (07) 3810 6666.
Who Am I at CPSS?
I greet you with a smile each day...
My uniform is bright and colourful...
I work in all weather conditions—sunshine, wind, rain and storms...
In my job, I keep you safe...
I see you safely across the road each day...

Who Am I at CPSS?
I have been at CPSS for 10 years and have taught year 1, 2 and 4.
I love reading.
I have a Shih Tzu called Hermione.
You might say I am a fan of Harry Potter books.
This year I travelled to France and Italy.

Who Am I at CPSS?
First job was working at Big Rooster
I represented Qld in Netball and Softball when I was in primary school
I didn’t always work at a school
I have two teenage children

Welcome to new staff!
A very warm welcome to our new staff members for 2014. We welcome Miss Jessica Gillispie who will teach 2A and Mr Andrew Downes who will teach Physical Education this year.

We also welcome Ms Leisa Hayes (Guidance Officer), Kay MacNamara (ESL) and Lauren Miller (Speech Language Pathologist).

We welcome them all to our school community and trust that they will enjoy their time at Collingwood Park State School.
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