Principal’s Message:

As mentioned in previous newsletters, our school is having Teaching/Learning and Discipline audits on Wednesday and Thursday this week. From these audits the school will be able to identify the areas where we are performing well and the areas that can be improved or developed. Both audits are invaluable for the development of our strategic plan for the next four years.

The reports of the audits, available in about two to three weeks, will be shared with our school community and contribute to our school’s Quadrennial School Review which informs our strategic plan.

P&C MEETING

Our next P&C Meeting will be held on Tuesday 09 September at 7.00 pm in the seminar rooms of the school library. All parents are invited to attend.

MID YEAR SPORT

Mid-year sport continues this Friday with the part-day of finals. Three boys’ basketball teams are in the finals at Bundamba Stadium. All girls’ basketball teams and the remainder of year 5 boy basketballers will play social games at the Redbank/Collingwood Park Sports Complex.

ATTENDANCE

Congratulations to students on their improved attendance at school. Last Friday saw our school with its best attendance yet with over 97% of students at school. Keep up the great work!

Jon Simpson
Principal
It’s time again to put your walking shoes on. WALK/RIDE TO SCHOOL DAY is on again on Wednesday, September 3.

This time we are hoping for our talented families to provide a **new, healthy, interesting breakfast from other countries**. All costs will be covered, we just need your time and amazing cooking skills. The smoothie bike will also make a special appearance again. More details in the next newsletter.

**HELP US MAKE THIS BREAKFAST EVEN MORE SPECIAL.**
Please contact the office or Ms Angela Schabrod in 5A.

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**Eisteddfod News**

Last Tuesday the Junior and Senior Concert Bands competed in the Silkstone Eisteddfod, held at Glebe Road Uniting Church. Both bands were awarded a ‘Silver’ for their spirited performances. I was very impressed with our schools’ performances and attitude throughout the day. Many thanks to all students involved for their hard work, Mrs. Ping for helping out on the day, and all the family and friends who were able to attend and support the bands.

Instrumental Students are next invited to play at the ‘CPSS Country Markets’ next Saturday 30th August. A ‘Buskers corner’ has been arranged for Instrumentalists, and students are encouraged to step up and perform either solo or with a small group. Mr. Bignell will be there to help any students with accompaniment. Students wishing to play are to arrive on the day and choose a free time slot (timeslots will be between 10am - 1pm of any length students are wishing to play). Students must also be supervised by a parent. Any money collected from our busking will be put towards the school’s Instrumental Music Programme and a small tuckshop credit for those who perform. Last year we were able to raise over $100 of which we donated half to charity and half to purchasing new music textbooks and percussion equipment. A note will be handed out this week with more details.

*Mr. Scott Bignell*
CPSS Instrumental Music Teacher
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Just a bit late doesn't seem like much...

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What a difference a day makes...

- Missing one day a week for 10 years = 400 days = 2 years of school!
- Missing one day a week for 8 years = 8 weeks
- Missing one day a week for a term = 2 weeks
Enrol for Prep 2015 Now!

Enrolments are now being taken for Prep for 2015. Children are eligible to enrol in Prep in 2015 if their birthday falls in the period **01 July 2009** to **30 June 2010**.

The school would like parents to enrol their children eligible for Prep in 2015, as soon as possible, so that forward planning can be undertaken. We will then contact parents about our information sessions and transition program in order to provide each child with a smooth entry to our school.

If you have a child who will commence Prep in 2015 or know of anyone in the area who has an eligible Prep child, we would like to have them enroll as soon as possible.

Although our school is enrolment managed, we currently have space in Prep. Each year a number of children from outside our catchment are enrolled in Prep to keep our total school enrolment at an optimum size.

Maintaining our enrolments at the current level assists the school to provide the many enhancement programs for each and every student and maintains staff numbers to support the many curriculum initiatives and programs of excellence for which our school is renowned.

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Year 7 & 8 enrolments for 2015 taking place now!

Enrolment sessions are now taking place for students commencing Year 7 & 8 in 2015. All enrolments processed before the end of Term 3 will be eligible for the early bird enrolment incentive, a $10 discount will be applied to the school’s resource hire scheme fee upon completion of the enrolment session. Enrolment packs can be picked up from Redbank Plains State High School’s office.

Both you and your child must book into and attend an enrolment session before your child commences school next year. Interviews take place every week on a Wednesday and Thursday as follows:

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To book your child’s enrolment session please phone Redbank Plains State High School on 3432 1222.

**Scholarship Opportunities at Redbank Plains State High School**

Is your child acing NAPLAN and school report card results? Does your child excel in extra-curricular activities?

If yes, you should consider applying for a Redbank Plains State High School Scholarship for your child starting Year 7 or 8 in 2015.

Redbank Plains State High School makes a limited number of scholarships to candidates who are about to enter our school in Year 7 & 8. These scholarships are to recognise excellence and potential in a range of areas of importance to our school which include - Academic, Sports, Instrumental Music & Performing Arts.

Scholarship packages include one year of school resource hire scheme fees paid and a full set of school uniform provided to each scholarship student.
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.

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

Raspberry and Peach Iced Tea is now available - 250ml for $1.50.
Organic Yoghurt is now available—$1.50

Please Note:
- No watermelon until Term 4 (after September holidays).
- Payment by CASH ONLY - NO CARDS
- Online Ordering closes at 8:50am. Orders received after this will NOT be processed.
- If your child has no lunch at school they will be sent to the tuckshop and will be provided with a jam, vegemite or cheese sandwich and a piece of fruit for both lunches. The cost to the parent will be $4.80 and must be paid for the following day.

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**Collingwood Park State School**

**P&C Presents**

**DISCO NIGHT**

**Friday 22 August 2014**

6.00pm – 8.00pm

**Pre Paid Tickets Encouraged**

Pre-paid tickets available from the Uniform Shop

- Single Entry $3.00
- Entry & Meal Deal $8.00

Entry only tickets will be sold on the night at $3.00, food will be available from the canteen separately.

Collingwood Park Students Only
Country Markets
The Country Market Day is less than 3 weeks away!
Have you got your form in yet to secure yourself a stall?
Be quick so you don’t miss out! 3mx3m sites are only $20. Forms can be collected from the uniform shop, or email boyter4@optusnet.com.au

DISCO NEWS
We have another Disco coming up on Friday 22nd August 2014.
Pre-paid tickets are available at the Uniform Shop.
We encourage you to purchase pre-paid tickets to help keep queues to a minimum.
Single Entry tickets will be available on the night for $3.00.
Meal deal tickets WILL NOT be available on the night but food will be able to be purchased from the canteen.

We will set up a table at the hall on the Wednesday, Thursday and Friday morning prior to the Disco.
Time 6pm – 8pm, as previous Discos.
(We will be trialling a Junior and Senior Disco for the next Discos, so keep your eyes and ears open for news on that in the near future).

CHOCOLATE DRIVE:
This year’s chocolate drive commenced on Monday, 18th August 2014 and will finish on Monday, 8th September 2014.

Chocolates have been sent home with the eldest child in each family.

If you do not wish to participate in this years Chocolate Drive Please return your box of chocolates to the uniform shop as soon as possible.

Chocolates are selling for $1.00 each. $50.00 a box
Please return Money and unsold chocolates as soon as possible.

SCHOOL BANKING
School Banking started last Friday with a BANG. We had so much interest from students and parents, which is GREAT. If you haven’t yet opened an account and would like to, just come and see our School Banking Co-ordinators in the hall on Friday mornings, starting at 8.00am.
Account deposits can be from as little as just $1.
With every account that is opened, the school will receive money, which will go back into the school to support your children. School banking is available for existing Commonwealth Bank account holders also.

Don’t forget that FRIDAY is School Banking day and students should bring in their weekly deposit.

For every deposit made at school, no matter how big or small, students will receive a cool Dollarmites token. Once students have individually collected 10 tokens they can redeem them for an exclusive School Banking reward item in recognition of their continued savings behaviour.
Country Market Day is less than 2 weeks away!!

Saturday 30th August 8am – 1pm

Have you got something to sell? Remember someone’s trash is another person’s treasure... Handcrafts, Small Business, clothing, books, toys and so much more.

www.facebook.com/countrymarketcpps

Stalls still available – get in quick!

Forms available at the Uniform Shop or email bovtier4@optusnet.com.au

Pet Parade @ the Country Market Day!

Do you have a prize winning pet, maybe a talented one or one that loves dressing up! Bring them along to the Country Market Pet Parade.

Entry forms available at the Uniform Shop.

Entries close 10am Saturday 30th August

Judging commences 10.30am Saturday 30th August

Prizes for all winning pets!

Entry forms available at the Uniform Shop.

Parents and Citizens Association News

Next P & C Meeting:
Tuesday 9th September 2014
7.00pm – Seminar Room (5Cay)
All Welcome

Have you ever wondered “how can I find out what goes on at my child’s school”? Then please, Come Along to a P & C Meeting – Share and Create ideas

“Make It Happen” – Get Involved

Telephone 3381 4330 for more information.

Disco – The next Disco will be held on 22nd August. Pre-sold tickets are available from the Uniform Shop. $3 Entry Only. $8 Entry and Meal Deal. We encourage pre-sold tickets to help keep queues to a minimum. Entry only tickets will be sold on the night. Food will have to be purchased from the canteen separately.

Country Market – the Annual Country Market will take place on Saturday 30th August from 8am to 1pm. Site booking forms are available from the Uniform Shop and School Newsletter.

ORDER TUCKSHOP ONLINE - available by clicking on the ‘order online’ link at the facilities section of the school website www.cpsps.qld.edu.au

- Online orders close at 8.50am.
- Tuckshop is CASH only – no EFTPOS available.
- No phone orders.
- No Watermelon available.

The P&C would like to thank Mrs Margaret Llewellyn for her kind donation that helped purchase a new oven for the Tuckshop.

Thank you to Kmart Redbank, McDonald’s and Springfield Tavern for supporting our event.

UNIFORM SHOP

UNIFORM SHOP HOURS

Monday
8.15am to 11.10am - 3.15pm to 4.15pm

Tuesday and Wednesday
8.30am to 12.00pm

Thursday
Closed

Friday
8.30am to 12.00pm

For uniform orders please collect an order form from the office, fill it out and attach payment. The office will then pass your order onto the Uniform Shop and they will fill your order and send home the order and the receipt with the eldest child of your family.

Winter Madness

- All Long Sleeve Polo Shirts $35 – buy one get one free!
- School Socks $5 – buy one get one free!

Hurry limited stock only

Hair Accessories - are available for purchase in the Uniform Shop. Prices start from $3.00 each. Current stock includes 10 piece Hairbands, Scrunchies, Ribbon Bows and Alice Bands. All come in the school colours of either Blue or Maroon.

A Mart Allports Community Rebates Program

Our school has joined this program so next time you shop at A-Mart Allports be sure to join yourself and receive preferred pricing, exclusive offers, VIP shopping nights and member only competitions. Let them know you are from our school and our school will receive 5% back on member purchases.

Breakfast Club 2014

Breakfast Club runs on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday mornings from 8am to 8.30am in the Hall. It is important that children have a good breakfast to get their learning day underway.

Breakfast Club is funded entirely by donations (money or non-perishable groceries) and volunteer workers. This allows breakfast to be provided free of charge. Can you help?

Donations are kindly accepted at the Tuck Shop or Uniform Shop.
This week is Children's Book Week. Our library will be celebrating this important week with Book Week library lessons for Preps – Year 2, a Story Sports competition for Senior students plus lunchtime activities for all interested students. Some Yrs 6 and 7 student leaders will also be in the library at lunch to assist younger students with activities.

The theme for Children’s Book Week is “Connect to Reading” and our school places a strong focus on our students connecting with reading. We encourage them to identify connections between what they read and their own lives. We want them to understand the importance of reading in their lives and to both enjoy reading and develop reading skills.

Did you know that research shows that by:

JUST ADDING 10 MINUTES A DAY TO A CHILD’S READING TIME MAKES A BIG DIFFERENCE OVER THE YEAR.

The more minutes children read per day, the more fluent their reading becomes.

FROM 5 MINS. TO 15 MINS. PER NIGHT THERE IS AROUND A 200% INCREASE IN WORD EXPOSURE PER YEAR.

WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS?

Improved performance in verbal fluency, reading comprehension, vocabulary and spelling.

SO….. Let’s Connect to Reading every day!

Mrs Harrington

Teacher Librarian, Premier’s Reading Challenge Co-ordinator.

We’re on the Web........

www.collparkss.eq.edu.au