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PLEASE PRAY

- *Pray for our Athletics Carnival this Wednesday*
- *Pray for all our students involved in the 'Little Shop of Horrors' production*
- *Pray for our new student who started today*

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Junior School Newsletter

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Week 7 of 10 Term 2

KidsMatter Launch

School is the most significant developmental context, after family, for primary school-aged children and it plays a crucial role in building children's self esteem and sense of competence. The first component of establishing the KidsMatter framework at CCS is 'Developing a Positive School Community'. In a positive school community, every face has a place, every voice is valued and everyone has something to contribute. All children need to feel that school is a safe place where:

- People care about them.
- Their needs for support, respect and friendship are met.
- They are able to get help to work out problems.

Our school already works hard to ensure that our culture is positive and inclusive. This year we have initiated the 'Being a Good Friend Program' for all of Year 2, the 'Strength Program' for Year 5 and later in the year will commence the 'Drumbeat Program' for our Year 4 students. These programs aim to teach social/friendship/resilience skills while also dealing with issues such as bullying and anxiety. We also have positive initiatives like the Bali Buddies and Better Buddies Mentoring Programs along with our school lunch time clubs. We'd love to hear ideas from students and parents about initiatives like 'You Can Sit With Me' and 'RUOK' for application at our school.

Are you worried that your child is having trouble making friends?

The long-term benefits of friendship and positive school connections are many. Through friendships, children learn to relate to others and foster a sense of belonging to a group – skills that will continue to serve them into adulthood. Plus, children with friends are more self-confident and perform better academically at school than those without friends. But friendships are not always easy. Your child may find it difficult to share their favourite toy or listen to another child's instructions during a game in the playground. Children who are bossy, aggressive or unable to say sorry can be difficult to get along with. The good news is that there is a lot parents and carers can do to help children make friends. You are one of the most powerful influences in your child's life, so make the most of it, and remember that children are learning social skills through their relationship with you and from watching how you relate to other people.

Our school launched KidsMatter Primary on Thursday 26 of May. From after lunch to pick-up time our students engaged in a variety of games and activities. Thanks to the large number of our parents who turned up and joined in, moving between activities with their children every 10 minutes. Parents were treated to free pancakes topped with our school's award winning honey and coffee needs were met by the Gera Gera Van. As a school we want to build upon our strengths while acknowledging that we can always improve. The KidsMatter approach is providing opportunities to collaborate with students, teachers and parents while striving to create the best learning environment possible for our children.

Paul Edwards
Supervisor of Student Behaviour Services



Week 7

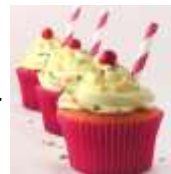
GRIP Leadership Conf

Our student leaders enjoyed a day at the GRIP Leadership Conference last Monday. Mrs Quayle and students said the day was very beneficial and will be something they will remember.



Biggest Morning Tea

THANK YOU to everyone who sent in goodies for our Biggest Morning Tea last Tuesday, and to all the students who brought money in to purchase a plate of yummy treats. We have raised about \$650.00 with some items still being sold through the canteen. What a great effort for such a worthy cause.



Update On Tracksuit Pants

Tracksuit pants can now be worn during Terms 2 and 3. Our school currently has tracksuit pants available and are priced at \$17. However, when this supply has been depleted the Junior School will transition to a new **'performance fleece' quality tracksuit pant**. The new style pant is designed for comfort and durability with a four way **stretch fabric which doesn't fade. They will be available from our Uniform Shop for \$38.**



Rocket! This years Rewards are the Wildlife Writing Set, Mud Splat handball and Outback Pat Bag tag. (The Flying Snake Tail is no longer available). Send in your Rewards Claim Card with your next deposit, and Miss Corbett will be happy to order it for you.



Hey Bankers, don't forget to claim your reward after 10 deposits. Items still available from last year are the Money Box, DVD, Frisbee and Intergalactic



Lots Of Waste!!!

Our Grounds men have reported seeing A LOT of uneaten food in the green bins, some still neatly wrapped in cling wrap. As this seems to be excessive, we are asking all parents to talk with their children about food wastage, and ensuring that they eat items packed for them.

Applying For A Bus Pass

As of 12 May 2016, applying for a Bus Pass is now to be done online. Brochures were sent home last week for Years 1-5, and will be sent to our Kinder classes when they arrive. It explained the new online process, so please keep it in a safe place for the next time this is required. The blue forms are now a thing of the past, however you will need to print your application and bring it in to school for endorsing.

Term 2

Wed 8/6 - Yrs 3-12 Athletics Carnival
Tue 14/6 - Assembly
Fri 17/6 - K-2 Athletics Carnival
Thu 23/6 - Yr 5 to Little Shop of Horrors Production
Fri 24/6 - Last Day Term 2 for Students