Calendar of Events

Thursday 10th December
Essential Booklist items payments due

Friday 11th December
Year 6 Graduation Day out.

Last canteen day for the year

Friday 18th December
The canteen is not open on the last day of school.
Assembly begins at 1.45pm.
Assembly item—Year 6 Graduation Song

Last Day of the 2015 school year
2.30pm finish

Every Friday
Parent’s Coffee & Chat from 2.35pm in the SLC Café.
Breakfast Club is in the MPC each morning 8.45-8.55 for toast with Tony in case you didn’t find the time for breakfast.

Every weekend
A reminder to please check your child’s hair for head lice to help stop the problem from becoming worse.

Term dates 2016:
Term 1: Thursday 29th Jan till Thursday 24th March
Term 2: Monday 11th April till Friday 24th June
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Principal’s report:
Over the past few weeks, students have participated in whole school transition activities and have had the chance to get to know the various teachers across the school and learn what other areas of the school are like. Hopefully this will dissolve any fears or anxieties about the new year ahead.

Next Monday and Tuesday, students will be placed in their 2016 classrooms to spend two days with their new teacher and classmates doing some ‘getting to know you’ activities and begin to plan their 2016 journey of learning. We hope this will help them to become less anxious about starting the new year and allow them to prepare their rooms and develop friendships prior to the end of the year.

Some students are beginning to get a little anxious about their movements for next year. We consistently remind students that the work and social expectations are the same no matter what time of year it is or who their teacher is and that we continue to have high expectations of behaviour and effort so not to let themselves and parents down in the last few weeks.

This Friday our year 6 students are off to Extreme Air for their graduation celebrations day. On Wednesday 9th December they dressed in their best clothes for their Graduation presentation evening held at River Gum Performing Arts Centre. See Page 2 for further details. Student reports have been sent home today along with class placements letters for 2016 year.

The sad part of this year is that we begin to say goodbye to some members of our school community. Not only do we farewell our year 6 students, but we will also farewell some staff and families at the end of each year. Ian Morris is moving interstate, Katya Silva is going off on maternity leave and Kelly Stevens has accepted an Arts positions elsewhere. We wish these staff members every success and thank them sincerely for their time and efforts. We also welcome some new staff and returning staff to Coral Park. All staff and classroom placements will be listed in next week’s newsletter.

Regards
Gill Gray, Principal

Christmas is only 3 weeks away........

Great Christmas Gift idea—now only $5
Coral Park’s Recipe Book, ‘From My Country to Your Plate!’ was created in 2015. During Cultural Week last year, families were invited to submit their favourite family recipe for the book, along with a brief snippet of their journey to Australia or life in Australia. Thank you to the many families who put in some fabulous recipes. These are now on sale at the office for a bargain at $5 each. There’s not many left!
On Wednesday 9th December the grade 6 students participated in their graduation night at River Gum Performing Arts Centre. All of our students looked fabulous and shared great feelings of pride from both parents and staff. Throughout the night, visual presentations that were created by the students were viewed, students were presented with their graduation certificates and the evening finished with the graduation dance. On the night several $100 Scholarship Awards were presented. We acknowledge and thank the following sponsors for their support throughout the year to the school and their kind donations supporting the success of our students, without their support, these scholarships wouldn’t be available. : ACE Foundation (x 5), The Very Good Cleaning Company (x 2), Mululu Plumbing (x2), Total Pest & Weed Control, Horizon Security, LJ Hooker, PG Hunt Electrical Services, Primary School Wear, Robertson Coatings, Anthony Byrne MP, Hampton Park Secondary College and our own CPPS School Council (x2).

Congratulations to all of our students for their fabulous academic achievements and all round learning efforts.

This year’s grade 6 students were a fabulous cohort having shown excellent behaviour and attitudes to school. We congratulate them all and wish them the very best for their years ahead at Secondary College. We hope they continue to enjoy their learning journey, aim high and achieve their dreams.

Well done to our $100 Scholarship winners:

Learning Domain, Scholarship Winner & Valued Sponsor
- English - Monika S10 & Tamara S10
  Sponsored by The Very Good Cleaning Company
- Mathematics - Agam S13 & Hema S11
  Sponsored by Mululu Plumbing
- Science - Sumeet S13
  Sponsored by Total Pest & Weed Control
- Humanities - Marwah S11
  Sponsored by Horizon Security
- History - Justin S13
  Sponsored by LJ Hooker
- The Arts - Jessika S12
  Sponsored by Primary School Wear
- Health & PE - Dorothy S11
  Sponsored by Robertson Coatings
- ICT - Melissa S12
  Sponsored by P Hunt Electrical

Coral Park STARS Awards - Romney S13, Eldon S10, Vicky S11, Denishia S11 and Gilberto S10
  All sponsored by Ace Foundation

Johanna Murray Leadership Award - Nathan S13 & Bunrany S12
  Sponsored by Coral Park School Council

Community Spirit and Leadership - Naomi S11
  Sponsored by Member of Parliament Anthony Byrne

HPSC Academic and Leadership Award - Lauren S13
  Sponsored by Hampton Park Secondary College
On Tuesday 15 December the Grade 6 students have organised a 'mini fete' with a variety of different stalls.

The mini fete will be held in the morning during school time, and visited by the whole school and any parents who would like to attend. All monies raised from the fete will go towards equipment for social and wellbeing programs for Coral Park students in 2016. We hope that you can come on the day.

Students will visit the stalls during the following times:

- **2016 Preps**
  - 9:30 - 10:00
- **2016 Juniors**
  - 10:05 - 10:50
- **2016 Middles**
  - 11:30 - 12:15
- **2016 Seniors**
  - 12:15 - 1:00

Some stalls include soak the teacher, biscuit and badge decorating, coin toss, guess the lollies in the jar and many more. Popcorn and icy poles are also available to buy on the day.

Make sure you bring 10c, 20c, 50c, $1, & $2 coins as we can not guarantee change on the day.

Uniform Aid to help Victorian Year 7 students

For the first time State Schools' Relief (SSR) has received government funding so that it can help more families in need, and ensure no one is left behind. As part of the Victorian government's Affordable Uniform Program, SSR will offer a free uniform pack to all 2016 government school Year 7 students who are Camps, Sports and Excursion Fund (CSEF) recipients. Almost 14,000 students will be able to apply for the package from 1 December, and applications will be handled through their 2016 secondary school. Once the application is approved, a voucher is dispatched electronically to the uniform retailer, uniform supplier or school. The school will then provide the voucher to the parent/student to present at the uniform retailer (not at SSR).

Eligible parents who have already purchased their child's uniform for 2016 are entitled to a winter package available next year. If you would like a Parent Fact Sheet about this program, please collect one from the school office.

Canteen News

The last canteen day for 2015 is TOMORROW. The first canteen day for 2016 is Friday 5th February

Birthday Books

Thank you to Devon, Zainab and Gabriel for donating great new books to our library. We hope you had a very happy birthday.
LJ Hooker, proud sponsors of Coral Park and other local schools, are running a Christmas Colouring Competition. The colouring competition will be split into two groups, one for preps to grade 3 and the other for kids in grade 4-6. The prizes are $50.00 ‘Toys r Us’ vouchers for the winners. All entries are due by the 18th of December. These can be left at the school office by Wednesday 16th December, otherwise they must be dropped off at the LJ Hooker office, next door to the Commonwealth Bank in Hampton Park by Friday 18th December. Winners will be announced on the 21st December. Colouring sheets can be collected from the school office. Only one entry per person.

SECOND-HAND BOOK & UNIFORM SALE
Is your child attending Hampton Park Secondary College next year? Would you like to purchase some of the following books and current uniform at a little over half price? Blueback (novel), Schoolmate dictionary, Rowan Of Rin (novel EAL), Tapis Volant 1 (French text) (save $25.00 on the cost of the French text alone), also lots of school uniform available. The Second-hand Book/Uniform Sale will be held in A7/8: enter via the gate near the school crossing in Campbell Drive on: Saturday 12th December 8.00am – 10.00am ** CASH ONLY ** (NO CHEQUES OR EFTPOS) Please choose carefully - NO refunds or exchanges

YMCA School Holiday Program – Book now!
The YMCA will be running a Summer School Holiday Program at Strathaird Primary School, offering heaps of awesome activities, including Splash into Summer, Robert Gordon Pottery, Tenpin Bowling, Laser Tag, and more! For full details and to book, visit: www.childrensservices.ymca.org.au.

Term 1 2016 begins:
Wednesday 27th January for teachers
* The first day of Term 1 is a student-free day in all government schools to allow for appropriate planning to take place for the arrival of students.
ALL students return to school on Thursday 28th January 2016
Preps finish at 1.30pm.
Some parents feel that as we begin with a two day week, their children can have these days at home. It is imperative that ALL students are here for the first two days so as they have a shorter start back and begin to get used to the daily routine of school life again. All students MUST be in class by 8.55am ready for learning time to begin at 9.00am sharp. All absences must be explained, this is a legal requirement.
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