What’s Happening at CPPS?

Don’t forget, every Friday Liz, our School Council President and the Student Leaders host Parent coffee & chat in the MPC from 2.35pm. Come along and meet with other parents.

Friday 7th October
Assembly, but no item

Thursday 20th October
Prep excursion to Myuna Farm

Friday 21st October
Assembly item with M16

Friday 28th October
House Meetings focussing on resilience

After school activities:

Homework Club
Each Wednesday in the library with Tony, Leanna & Mandy
3.30-4.15pm.
Parents must collect students by 4.15pm from the library.

Keyboard sessions:
run by Primary Music Institute each Tuesday after school. For prices and availability of session times please contact the office.

Kelly Sports
Wicked Winter Sports
Tuesdays in the MPC 3.30-4.30pm

I am Julie Kennedy and I will be Acting Principal for Term 4. Previously, I have been Assistant Principal at Strathaird Primary School in Narre Warren South for a number of years before becoming Principal at a Gippsland school at the start of 2015. Thanks to everyone for being so friendly and helpful in my first few days at the school. It is a wonderful school community and I am very much looking forward to getting to know you all and working with you during the term. Wishing everyone a happy and productive term. 😊

SCHOOL SELF-EVALUATION

Every Government school in Victoria undergoes a School Review every four years. Coral Park Primary School is due for its Review. The first part of the process is the School Self-Evaluation and this will occur during Term 4. The whole school community (students, parents and staff) will be engaged in a collaborative process so that everyone has the opportunity to have input and give feedback. In the coming weeks the staff will be involved in looking back over four years and evaluating various aspects of the school curriculum and practice. Students’ views and ideas will be gathered through surveys and focus groups. School Council and the Parents’ group will be involved.

It is important that all parents have the opportunity to provide input and feedback. We will providing different opportunities for parents to respond. Parents will be able to respond in one of the following ways:

- Attending a parent forum to be held at school at 2.20 p.m. prior to assembly in Week 3
- Completing a survey on Survey Monkey
- Through written feedback on a paper survey.

You will only need to complete one of these as they will all ask the same questions.

More details will follow next week.

The Self-Evaluation will be completed by the end of Term 4 and the School Review Panel days will occur in Term 1 next year. Once the Review is completed, the new Strategic Plan will be completed and this document will guide the school in its development over the next four years.

LAST DAY OF TERM DRESS UP DAY

“...What I want to be when I grow up”

Lots of students dressed up on the last day of term to share their thoughts on what they wanted to be when they grow up. We had a police visit to every grade and the students and teachers dressed up as police, firefighters, nurses, vets, computer software designers, astronauts, cheer leaders, rugby and AFL players, dieticians, teachers, lawyers, businessmen just to name a few. Well done and thank you to all those who dressed up and brought along a gold coin donation to help raise funds to our school community.

CONGRATULATIONS
Scorpions
Last week’s winning house!
Walk to School October

This month Coral Park Primary School is joining in with the "Walk to School" initiative being held throughout the month of October.

Every class has a poster in the classroom where students can tick if they travel to school by walking, bike or scooter. On Friday 21st October the school will be visited by the Walk to School team who are running a fun morning for all students with a visit from Melbourne City FC who are involved in the Walk to School program. The Coral Park Staff will continue to walk to school with students and parents every Friday morning from Peppercorn Park, James Wyman Park and Edeys Run Park from 8:35am. Looking forward to active travelling in October!

District Athletics 2016—Wednesday 5th October

A bunch of brave Coral Park Stars headed off on a chilly, windy day to represent the district at Casey Fields in track and field athletics. We participated in a total of 8 events and came home with a second — Teariki in the 100m sprint and 3 thirds — Geoffrey for shot put, Jamie for shot put and Teariki in high jump. Well done to all who competed and good luck to Teariki who will represent the Division at next week's Regional competition.

Cinquain Poems

Rain
Wet, Cold
Falling, dropping, splash
Making puddles for people
Water
Gail J1

Sun
Sunny, warm
Hot, sweaty, wet
Can burn your skin
Outside
Gail J1

Sun
Hot, yellow
Shiny, big, nice
Dry, warm for people
Hot
Petar J1

Are you moving house or school in 2016? If yes, please let the school office know as soon as possible to assist with our organisation of the 2016 school year.
Parent Fundraising News
Thank you for your fabulous support of our Cadbury Fundraiser. We had tremendous support from our families. A HUGE THANK YOU to Aaron from S14 (Phoenix Captain) whose family sold 19 boxes of chocolates! Other families also sold a few extra. That’s amazing, keep up the great work. Please remember to pay for your chocolates NOW, if you haven’t already. We will have a raffle draw this term for all children/families who return their money after selling a full box of chocolates and an extra raffle for the families who have sold 3 or more boxes.

We also have our 5c Fundraiser Jars in every classroom and at the office. Every classroom has a jar to collect as many 5c coins as they can. These coins don’t count for much anymore unless in numerous amounts. We would love children to bring in any 5c coins for their class coin jar and help to fill them up. All monies collected will go towards equipment to be used here at the school. Please continue to support us and pass on all those unwanted 5c coins.

Lots of students bring cakes or lolly bags to school to share on their birthdays which is lovely to celebrate with friends. Please, do not place party poppers inside lolly bags as they are a safety hazard. They will be removed before lolly bags are handed out so please do not include them.

Do you have a child beginning school in 2017? Enrolments are required before Friday 7th October. Prep Transition begins on Thursday 27th October. Only enrolled students can attend. To organise a tour, please contact the school on 9702 8398.

Coral Park Primary School conducts school tours every Wednesday morning at 9:00am.

Visit our prep blog to see all of the fun and exciting activities we do at school http://cppsprep.global2.vic.edu.au/

Birthday Books
Thank you to Matt, Solange, Liz, Pania Archer, Zach, Hailey, Chloe & Noah for donating a birthday book to our library. We hope you all had wonderful birthday celebrations.

Keyboard lessons run by Primary Music Institute are held each Tuesday after school.

For prices and availability of session times please contact the office.

Remember: September to May ‘No Hat = No Play!’
Please ensure your child’s name is clearly on their hat. Ripped or torn hats are unacceptable and must be replaced.

Blue broad-brimmed school hats are available at the school office for $10.

Parent Feedback
We aim to please so would love more feedback on how we can improve or what you feel we do well. We often ask for feedback via the Coral News or our website, we have even prepared online surveys to try and get responses from parents as to how we can improve.

Now, our School Councillors & Parent Volunteer Group would like to give you more opportunity. Each Friday, Parent members will be in the SLC Café from 2.40pm, before assembly for you to meet and chat with. There will also be feedback forms that you may complete, if you don’t wish to stop and chat, these can be placed in the red letterbox labelled Parent Feedback which is in the MPC. They can also be left in an envelope at the office.

Come along and join in with the many FREE activities.

Term 4 Lunchtime Activities
Monday:
Keyboard & Piano

Tuesday:
Guitar Club

Wednesday:
Zumba with the Parent Group
Recorder Group
Middle Soccer in the MPC
KidsMatter social chats & games

Thursday:
Band Practice
Knitting & Crafts in the library

THUMBS UP to the wonderful parents who surprised staff with a lovely morning tea to say good bye to Mrs Gray on the last Thursday of term 3.

Parent Fundraising News

Parent Feedback
CORAL PARK P.S. PLAYGROUP

Every TUESDAY in the Gym and Friday in the art room.
9-11am.
Come along and join us. It’s fun and it’s free!

School Uniform

Students are expected to wear school colours every day. Black pants, grey or black, etc. jumpers are not school colours. Students are expected to wear royal blue and yellow to school each day. Second hand jumpers are available each Friday afternoon from the MPC, for only $2 each.

This is not a choice, it is a school expectation. Please ensure your child is in the right colours daily.

Have you had breakfast today?

Breakfast Club is open between 8.30-8.50am each day. Students must sit and eat their breakfast in the breakfast club room.

Don’t forget, free breakfast is available in the art room each morning between 8.30am and 8.50am. Come along and see Tony or Sam for some morning fuel to energise your body, just in case you ran out of time to eat at home or forgot to have breakfast.

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Help us SAY NO to violence.

Every day in every school there are incidents of unrest and students behaving inappropriately. Generally, these are small incidents that are easily resolved. At times, they become bigger and some students react with violence. Violence will not be tolerated in any way, shape or form. We are a White Ribbon School, helping to promote the importance of stopping domestic violence and violence against women.

At Coral park, we do not condone any type of violence. There is no space for violence in our school.

Congratulations to Sean Alston, a former teacher at CPPS, who over the holidays cycled 1820km cycle from Byron Street in Elwood, Melbourne to Byron Bay in northern New South Wales to raise funds and awareness for the White Ribbon Foundation; Australia’s only male led campaign to prevent violence against women.

Great work Sean!

Notices and Reminders:

Have you changed your address, medical details or phone numbers recently? If so, it is vital that you provide updated details to the school.

Prep Myuna Farm permission notes and payments due by Friday 14th October.

To enrol your child into the Coral Park OSHC Program, complete an OSHC Registration Form which is located on the Camp Australia website - www.campausralia.com.au.

All bookings, cancellations and account changes can be done through the Parent Portal located on the Camp Australia website. Once enrolled be ready to get involved in FUN, QUALITY and ENGAGING experiences in a SAFE and HAPPY ENVIRONMENT.

If you have any queries please call Jess, the Camp Australia Coordinator on 0415 335 241 or drop in for a visit and see the programs in action.

Session times:
Before School Care 6:30am-8:45am
After School Care 3:30pm-6:00pm