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2011 Term Dates

Term 1:
- Monday 24th January to Friday 1st April

Term 2:
- Tuesday 19th April to Thursday 16th June

Term 3:
- Tuesday 12th July to Friday 16th September

Term 4:
- Tuesday 4th October to Friday 25th November

Dates To Remember

**Years 6 and 7**
Canberra Trip
11-16th September

**Year 2**
Overnight camp
Underwaterworld
15/16th September

From the Principal

Most readers of my newsletter and blog will know that I don’t normally dwell on the darker side of life. Like many of you, I know that bad things happen but sometimes, I prefer not to know all the details and certainly don’t want to alarm people by elaborating on unpleasant and unsavoury events unnecessarily. However, this week I feel compelled to write about a difficult topic: child abduction and child safety. This is because firstly, it’s Child Protection Week this week and secondly, because of recent tragic events on the Sunshine Coast.

Every person in Queensland would be aware of the disappearance of Daniel Morcombe and the long painful quest to find out what happened to Daniel. It is every parent’s worst nightmare to discover that their child is missing. Sometimes, there is good news when a child is found safe and sound, but occasionally we know that parents’ worst fears are realised. Our hearts go out to the Morcombe family and most of us silently say, “There but for the grace of God go I.”

Abductions of children while not common on the Sunshine Coast are still a huge cause for concern given what we have witnessed recently. Only last week the school received reports of attempted abductions at nearby schools in Caloundra. It is essential that everybody makes child safety a priority and the helpful tips below come from a very useful website:

http://www.reallifesolutions.net/family/abductions.html

Here are some of the realities of child abduction:

- The majority of children who are reported missing have run away, or there has been a misunderstanding with their parents about where they were supposed to be.
- Of the young people that are truly abducted, the majority of them are taken by a family member or an acquaintance; only 25% of children are taken by strangers.
- Almost all children kidnapped by strangers are taken by men, and about two thirds of stranger abductions involve

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CAR WASH SENIOR FUNDRAISER
13th & 14th September
For details see Senior School Leaders article below.

Last day of Term 4
16th September

Junior Athletics Carnival postponed till 7th October

Marathon run for Melanoma Research

CCPS parent, Ali Roper is running in the Sydney marathon next weekend to raise much needed funds for Melanoma Research. Please donate at http://www.gofundraise.com.au/page/reopera if you’d like to support this worthy cause.

Strategies for Preventing Abductions: Parents often do not provide their children with safety information that could help prevent an abduction.

These strategies may help:

• Make sure custody documents are in order.
• Have ID-like photos taken of your children every 6 months, and keep these readily accessible.
• Keep your children’s medical and dental records up to date.
• Make online safety a priority. The Internet is a great tool, but it’s also a perfect place for predators to stalk children. Be aware of your children’s Internet activities and chat room “friends,” and remind them never to give out personal information. Avoid posting identifying information or photos of your children online.
• Set boundaries about the places your children go. Supervise them in places like shopping centres, movie theatres, parks, public toilets, and don’t let your child do fundraising door to door.
• Never leave children alone in a car or stroller, even for a minute.
• Choose caregivers - babysitters, day-care providers, and nannies carefully and check their references. If you’ve arranged for someone to pick up your children from school or child care, discuss the arrangements beforehand with your children and with the school, kindergarten or the early learning centre.
• Avoid dressing your children in clothing with their names on it - children tend to trust adults who know their names.

Talk to Your Child About Strangers

Talk to your children often about their safety in different places – at home, at the shops or out playing, or coming from and going to school. Give your children the basics on how to avoid and escape potentially dangerous situations.

Teach them to:

• Never accept sweets or gifts from a stranger.
• Never go anywhere with a stranger, even if it sounds like fun. Predators can lure children with questions like “Can you help me find my lost puppy?” or “Do you want to see some cute kittens in my car?” Remind your children that adults they don’t know should never ask children to help or to do things for them.
• Run away and scream if someone follows them or tries to force them into a car.
• Say ‘no’ to anyone who tries to make them do something you’ve said is wrong or touch them in a way that makes them feel uncomfortable.
• Always let your children know it’s OK to tell you even if the person made them promise not to or threatened them in some way.
• Always ask permission from a parent to leave the house, yard, or play area or to go into someone’s home.

Keep these other tips in mind, too:

• Make sure younger children know their names, address, phone number including area code, and who to call in case of an emergency.
• Review with your child how to use ‘triple 0’ – what to say, what information to give.
• Discuss what to do if they get lost in a public place or store – most places have emergency procedures for handling lost children. Remind your children that they should never go to the parking lot to look for you. Instruct your children to ask a cashier for help or stand near the registers or front of the building away from the doors.
• Point out the homes of friends around the neighbourhood where your children can go in case of trouble.
• Be sure your children know in whose car they may ride
Prep Father’s Day Celebrations

and in whose they may not. Teach them to move away from any car that pulls up beside them and is driven by a stranger, even if that person looks lost or confused.

- Teach your children not to ride with anyone they don’t know.
- If your children are old enough to stay home alone, make sure they keep the door locked and never tell anyone who knocks or calls they are home alone.

Parents, as a school we do whatever we can to ensure your son or daughter’s safety. All teachers have spoken to students about the importance of being safe and staying safe while away from their parents. We have also spoken to children about road safety too and given the recent accident and death of a cyclist not far from the school, this has brought home how important it is for young people to take good care while riding bicycles or walking and from school.

What can you do once a precious life has been taken forever? Accidents happen in the blink of an eye. Once the damage is done, nothing can turn back the clock and make it right again. Lives are destroyed. Heartache and remorse follow and for some families the healing process takes a long time; sometimes the pain stays with them all of their lives.

Let’s do all in our power to keep our young people safe and conscious of some of the dangers in life, without overwhelming them with frightening stories. Sensible strategies are a good starting place for discussion with our sons and daughters. Remember: ‘forewarned is forearmed’.

Karon Graham
Principal

STOP PRESS:
New Traffic Flow Conditions

- New traffic flow in the car park to facilitate faster pick up and drop off starting on Monday. The drop off and pick up zone will be protected by a barrier wall so that all cars must move forward into the zone for picking up and dropping off children. No cars can be parked or left unattended because it will block all other cars in this zone. Two way car flow will still exist alongside the Drop and Go Zone.
- Parents might consider arriving at the school a little later for the pick up zone, to give children enough time to get their bags and be at the Drop and Go Zone for parents expected arrival time.
- Any parent wishing to park must do so in the designated car parking zones. For students meeting parents in the main car park, please note the following:
  - All Junior school students must use the pedestrian crossing at the northern end and Senior students will use the southern pathway and crossing in the main car park.

New Absentee Line

- Parents can now ring and leave a voice message for your son or daughter’s absence. The new Absentee Number is: 5437 5888
- Parents are reminded to leave a message before the commencement of school – 8.30am. If the school has not heard from a parent by 9am, a SMS message is sent and the school would appreciate a phone call to confirm your child’s absence.

Principal’s Acknowledgements:

Congratulations to Annie Fraser who played and won in the Sunshine Coast Junior 2nds and also Women’s 3rds hockey semifinals last weekend. A great effort Annie.

Congratulations to Jess Hoskins for placing second (by one second by a 15 year old) in the U15 3000m track.
The Athlete's Foot

Ask about their $5 rebate to CCPS for every pair of shoes purchased by CCPS families.

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Board Shorts

News from the CCPS Board.

On behalf of the Board, I would like to congratulate and thank all of the parents who go out of their way to help the school and support the school. The school has a fabulous group of parents who pitch in to organise fetes – like the upcoming Festive Fair at the end of the year – Father’s Day stalls and the like. These parents are raising thousands of dollars and providing some great resources for students. Printing press for art, musical instruments, chess sets, world globes for each classroom, umbrellas for the Senior tables and seating area and a host of other smaller items on teachers’ wish lists are just a few of the useful and practical resources that they have spent their fundraising money on in recent months.

Some parents might have the view that it’s the Board who should provide all of the resources and facilities in the school but this is not possible and in reality, it’s a team effort – parents, staff and the Board working in concert to provide the very best that we can for the students at CCPS. Parents you can really make a difference by jumping in and supporting the P & F in all of their fundraising ventures.

From the Board to all parents helping in a small or big way, thank you.

Until next time.
Roy Henzell
Board Chair

Senior School News

by Amanda Stuart, Head of Senior School.

It was a pleasure to see so many parents and students at the recent Subject Information Evening. This process is an important one as students embark on their Intermediate Years of schooling. This night showcased the excellent opportunities that exist for our students at this school. It is important that we reflect upon the information provided so
that we don't take our School and its wonderful teachers and programs for granted.

**World Vision 40 Hour Famine**

Many of our students have been involved in the World Vision 40 Hour Famine, in response to some of the clips shown during Senior Assembly by Mrs. Tralau. This year, students surpassed their goal of $2500, raising a total of $3335.50. 42 students participated from Years 6-12, going without either food, furniture, electronics and speaking to raise money for people living in poverty.

Raising concerned, empathetic children is a necessity for the future. Studies have found that teenagers who were involved in helping others felt very positive about their lives and had high hopes for their own futures and there are many documented accounts of people gaining physical, mental and emotional benefits from doing good.

Congratulations to Mrs Tralau and the students who participated.

**SAVI - Active Volunteering**

We are excited to announce that our Year 10 students are now offered the chance to gain a Certificate II in Active Volunteering (CHC20208) and that this is now a part of our core curriculum.

This course is a pathway for students wanting to study or work in a range of industry areas including community services, sport and recreation, conservation, arts, emergency services and human rights/justice sectors. It is also a welcome addition for a student's CV for any prospective employers.

There are a range of implementation models that we could offer; however, we will be offering it as a 'stand-alone' option and linking it to a targeted cohort of students in Year 10.

This qualification covers people working in a volunteer capacity and builds on the foundation skills required by all volunteers, to deliver competency outcomes including:

- Undertaking administrative tasks that involve basic operational knowledge, accessing and recording information and making choices between a limited range of options relevant to the job
- Acquiring strategies that will assist them as volunteers to communicate more effectively with clients and be able to apply known solutions to a limited range of predictable problems
- Engaging in safe work practices, and applying basic operational knowledge in a moderate range of areas relevant to the job
- Developing a defined range of skills that will assist them as volunteers to work effectively with colleagues (paid and volunteer) and take limited responsibility for their work output and learning.

Many thanks to Mr. Barry Pederson for organising this exciting new initiative in our Senior School.

**Junior School News**

*by Catherine Green, Head of Junior School.*

**Culminating**

This week has seen the commencement of culminating events for a number of Junior School classes. It is most rewarding to observe the children grow in skill and confidence with public speaking. When visiting the Year 4 class I was most astounded at the Australian History that the children had retained. You may have read in the media, that there is a much greater emphasis on History in the Australian Curriculum. This is already being reflected in the classroom teaching and the study of Federal government is a primary reason behind Year 6 now visiting Canberra.
Canberra
Next week I will be in Canberra with the Year 6 and 7 staff and students. The students are most excited about this visit. If you would like to track our trip and view the highlights of each day, please view the blog which you will find at www.ccpsontour.blogspot.com

Athletics
The Prep to Year 3 Athletics Carnival has been postponed due to the recent wet conditions which have prevented us from using the oval. The Carnival will now be held on Friday 7 October, which is the Friday of the first week back in Term Four.

Year 2 UWW Camp
Next Thursday evening our Year 2 students will be camping at Under Water World. The children are greatly looking forward to this experience which is always a highlight of their time in Year Two. I am sure that they will return with many stories about their adventure.

End of Term Reports
Term Three reports will be available through Parent Lounge from Friday 16 September. Please ensure that you check that you are able to log in and that you have your password details before the end of term. Please contact Ms Desley Grant, preferably email dgrant@ccs.qld.edu.au by Wednesday 14 September if you have issues with accessing Parent Lounge.

Excellence Project
On Wednesday afternoon the students who have been involved in the Excellence Project this term presented their findings. The students were provided with the scaffolding and outline to complete an engineering construction. Throughout this process they had to research their construction of choice, detail their plans, obtain appropriate materials and construct their object.

The constructions included a:
- Model house – Ryan Brodie
- Straw Bridge – Ryan Whelan
- Pull-Along toy – Kallyn Van Wyk
- Catapult – Kane Butcher
- Publishing a Book – Briana Keegan
- Solar Cooker – Connor Dines
- Solar Cooker – Zac Parrott
- Waterwheel – Jasmine Foley

Many thanks to Mrs Frisby for her guidance and leadership of the children. This has been a most enriching experience and I would encourage more students to apply for this opportunity in the future.

Pyjama Day
Today Junior School students came to school with pyjama tops and dressing gowns which they wore during class time to support The Pyjama Foundation. The students contributed a gold coin as a donation to the Pyjama Foundation who support children in foster care.

SRC
The students in the Student Representative Council have recently been actively involved in collecting appropriate toiletry items which could be utilised by people who may suddenly find themselves in a women’s shelter. These items are being collected by the Lions Cub in conjunction with Mrs Bertram. Thank you to everyone in our school community for supporting this worthwhile initiative. The students have gained great pleasure from finding a practical way of assisting those in need. Congratulations to the SRC for their efforts with this project. Our SRC consists of the following students:
- President: Mikayla Coleman
- Vice President: Amy Linderberg
- Secretary: Chelsea Dear
- Treasurer: Alexandra Henzell
- Committee Members: Paris Carreira, Olivia Johnson, Zac Lenkeith, Brianna Comblas, Samantha Hood, Stephen
Honeysett and Kirra Cairns.
• Luke Frisby and Sofia Drew Pepe

**Roller skating**
Students in Prep to Year 3 will be attending an afternoon of roller skating next Wednesday during their Sport time. This event had been scheduled for the end of Term 2; however, the Rollerdrome was not available for roller skating at that time. The students are greatly looking forward to this end of term activity.
As I will be in Canberra next week, I would like to take this opportunity to wish families a safe and happy holiday and to thank all parents for their support of our school this term.

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**Library and I.T. News**

**Student Reports - Parent Lounge**
It’s that time of year again. If parents find they do not have their login details to Parent Lounge to access their child’s reports, please contact me, preferably by email dgrant@ccs.qld.edu.au before next Wednesday 14th September as I will be unavailable over the holidays.

**Holiday loans**
Students are permitted to borrow books for the holidays. Overdue notices will be handed out during the next week to students who have overdue books. Congratulations to those Year 1 students who have progressed to Chapter Books this term. It’s wonderful to see so many budding readers emerging from our younger levels.

**Quote of the week:** Small children almost never misquote. In fact, they usually repeat word for word what you shouldn’t have said ~ Etienne Marchal

**Sport News**

**Cricket News**
On Thursday September 1st, the Caloundra City Private School Junior Cricket team competed in a match against St. Andrew’s Anglican College at Sunshine Beach. Our Year 4-7 team performed very well and were narrowly defeated by 6 runs on the day. All the boys have been training hard during lunch on Wednesdays and they displayed great skill and sportsmanship in their performance.

Simon Scott, Jackson Hood and Ishnum Akram all took wickets and some fantastic catches were taken in the field. Zac Lenkeith and Ishnum Akram were our top scoring batsmen.

Congratulations to all the boys and we look forward to more great results in their next game. A big thank you to Amir Akram and Wendy Williams for their support in transporting the boys to and from the ground.

Parents & Friends Association
Meetings
Please note change of times for P & F Meetings!
Meetings will now be held on the second Friday of each month
at 8.30am in the library
Next meeting Friday 16th, 10am in the library
Come and enjoy a coffee with friends.
All welcome.

Email: pandf@ccs.qld.edu.au

P and F Association News

Woollies points Tally = 6421
Coles points Tally = 14000

Festive Fair - Saturday 26th November, 1pm - 6pm
Preparation and planning is well underway for our major fundraiser for the
year. The organisers are preparing gift packs (as pictured) by requesting
designated items from each class. The class groups are as follows:

Prep - Baby, 1FS: Toys (0-6yrs) including books, 1JH -Christmas, 2KC - Toys (0
-6yrs) including books, 2/3LT - Cooking, 3/4/5GF - Picnic, 4KR - Beauty, 5NB -
Dad, 6ND - Cooking, 7KB - Gardening.

Ford House - Christmas, Munns - Gardening, Henzell - Beach, McLean - Beauty

*****PARENTS AND FRIENDS’ meetings will now move to Friday
mornings to help allow more parents to attend.*****

Senior School Leaders News

This week on our Whole School Assembly we, along with our Senior School teachers
had the opportunity to showcase some of the work students have produced whilst we
talked about our opportunities at Caloundra City Private School. We thank everyone
for attending these presentations as it shows the commitment they have to their child’s
learning and reflects the passion shown by our teachers.

Next Tuesday and Wednesday we (Year 12’s) have our fundraising events for Term 3. A
bake sale (Tuesday), Sausage Sizzle (Wednesday) and a Car Wash on both days. We
would very much appreciate support for our cause.

We are fundraising for our Big Day Out and would like this to be a fantastic event and celebration of Year 12 for us.
For information about our Car Wash please see Administration.

Car Wash -Tuesday 13th and Wednesday 14th September 3:30 - 6:00
Wash (Exterior Only) $10
Wash with Vacuum $15
Full Wash and Interio r$30
More information available from admin or just turn up
Bake Sale – Tuesday 13th Lunchtime (from $1)
Sausage Sale – Wednesday 14th Lunchtime ($2)

We look forward to the end of term and wish everyone a fantastic last week of term.

Until Next Time,
Rhiannon, Alex, Olivia, Jake
Caloundra City Private School Captains
**Student Banking News**

**Tip of the week:**

If your child receives pocket money, get them to allocate some money towards their school banking deposit for their savings. Tell them you'll match their deposit amount dollar for dollar.

**We have three random prize draws from this week’s student’s deposits which will be announced and handed out on Assembly next week.**

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