GENERAL NEWSLETTER – TERM 1 WEEK 5 2015

For copies of the school newsletter by email please advise the school at the above email address.

From Week 5 the newsletter will be distributed on Tuesdays. Distribution of the newsletter on Tuesdays will help reduce the high number of notes that often go out at the beginning of the week.

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SCHOOL CALENDAR
School Calendar also available on the website

Term 1
March
6-10 Book Fair
6 Book Fair launch and BBQ – 5.30-7pm
12 P&C Disco
13 Gold Assembly cut-off date
19 P&C Meeting – 7pm
20 Fete Mufti Day
24 Gold Assembly – 11.35am

April
1 Grandparents’ Day
2 Fete Day
24 Gold Assembly – 11.35am

Multiplication Times Tables
Does your child need encouragement? Explain to them that learning times tables = instant, painless recall in exams. Here's School A to Z’s help sheet:

A Thought
Courage is not simply one of the virtues, but the form of every virtue at the testing point.
C S Lewis

Andrea Lester
Principal

From the Deputy Principal

At CVPS, we are Responsible in the playground.
We:
- play in a friendly way
- return all equipment to the correct place
- follow the school rules

Attendance
As previously mentioned in newsletters, the guidelines that govern school attendance come from the Department of Education and Communities. In the last couple of weeks new guidelines have been sent to schools regarding ‘Compulsory School Attendance’. In particular, leave for family holidays/travel now needs to be applied for. An interview has to be held with the principal and an ‘Application for Extended Leave-Travel’ form completed. An information factsheet is included with this newsletter. Further information regarding school attendance can be

From the Principal

An Honour
As part of the 100th anniversary of the ANZAC landings at Gallipoli, The Mudgee Guardian invited school students to recite a poem around the ANZAC theme – the students were filmed and will shortly appear on the Guardian’s web site.

Paris Pritchard represented CVPS with her moving recital of ‘Sir’ by Damian (Dib) Morgan.

Paris Pritchard with her father, Ethan Pritchard (picture courtesy of Ben Palmer, Mudgee Guardian)
2015 Grandparents’ Day and Fete
This year we are breaking with tradition in the way we are celebrating our popular Grandparents’ Day. On Wednesday 1 April we will hold our Grandparents’ Day. This morning event will include a concert, open classrooms, morning tea and an Easter Hat Parade for our Early Stage 1 and Stage 1 students. The next day, Thursday 2 April, we will hold our very popular school fete. A flyer will be sent home this week with additional information about these events.

Wendy Hogben  
Deputy Principal

Computer Corner
What a fantastic start to the year it has been in the CVPS computer room. It has been a pleasure to meet and work with all the students at CVPS over the past weeks. In my role as the school computer coordinator, I want to keep parents up to date with what is happening in the computer room. The information below outlines the main ICT skills to be taught during the course of the year, plus the main concepts I am aiming to teach in Term One for each stage. Each week in the school newsletter I will pass on tips and hints on how to use ICT, both in the home and at school. If you have any questions regarding ICT, please do not hesitate to contact me at school.

Thanking you
Stephen Armstrong  
CVPS ICT coordinator

The six skills that students will be exposed to and taught throughout the year in the Computer Room are:
1. Managing and operating ICT.
2. Communicating with ICT.
3. Creating with ICT.
4. Investigating with ICT.
5. Ethics of ICT.
6. Integration of ICT into core curriculum areas.

CVPS ICT (Information and Computer Technologies) Skills Term 1

Term 1 ICT skills for Early Stage 1
- Rules and procedures of the computer room.
- Identifying the major parts of a computer.
- Learning how to use a keyboard.
- Introduction to Microsoft Word.
- Introduction to Kid Pix.
- Introduction to the Internet.

Term 1 ICT skills for Stage 1
- Rules and procedures of the computer room.
- Logging on and off the computer.
- Introduction and extension of Microsoft Word.
- Introduction and extension of the Internet.
- How do we use Google?
- Cyber bullying.

Term 1 ICT skills for Stage 2
- Rules and procedures for the computer room.
- Introduction and extension of Microsoft word.
- Extension of the use of the Internet – how to use Google more effectively.
- Websites – how can we evaluate websites?
- Introduction to BlogEd, Edmodo, Powtoon and Animoto.
- Cyber bullying.

Term 1 ICT skills for Stage 3
- Rules and procedures for the computer room.
- Extension of Microsoft word.
- How to use Google efficiently.
- Effective evaluation of websites.
- Introduction and extension of BlogEd, Edmodo, Powtoon and Animoto.
- Cyber bullying.

Library News
Welcome back to a fantastic 2015! We have had so many enthusiastic students coming to the library each day to read, draw, use the computers and just ‘hang out’. Kindergarten started borrowing last week and are enjoying being part of the school community.

Our exciting news is that the first book fair for the year will be held next week (Week 6). For those new to our school, we hold two Scholastic Book Fairs per year. These book fairs help to
raise funds for your school library, introduce students to a wonderful array of books and resources and bring our whole school community together. The theme this term is ‘Knights, Kings and Queens’. This is a fantastic opportunity to dress up and enjoy a wonderful night. The P&C will be holding a sausage sizzle on the night as well.

The book fair launches on Friday 6 March 5.30-7pm in the library and continues on Monday and Tuesday at lunchtime. Flyers with just a few of the books available will accompany the newsletter. For those new to the school, the books arrive next week and all students will have the opportunity to view them. A ‘wish list’ will go home with the students. Remember, these are only wishes. Hope to see you there.

Happy reading
Mrs Russell

**Merit Certificates**


**Gold Certificates:** Layla Gaffney, Kelly Kurtz, Brodie Sargent, Tayissa Lucas, Shelby Jamieson, Nikolai Evanoff, Hartley Lucas, Maree Ioane, Lucy Sebetic, Beau Rohr, Millie-Di Simmonds, Ella Callaghan.

**Canteen News**

**This Week:**
- Tue 24 Katrina Mills
- Wed 25 Judy Hopson
- Thu 26 Renee Bridger
- Fri 27 Jen Keyssecker, Trish Harrison

**Next Week:**
- Mon 2 Bec Callaghan
- Tue 3 Judy Hopson
- Wed 4 Verrell Barnes
- Thu 5 Renee Bridger, Christie Holt
- Fri 6 Natasha Roe, Clare Edenhofner

**P&C Meeting**

The next CVPS P&C general meeting will be held on Thursday 19 March at 7.00pm in the school staffroom.

All interested parents and community members are welcome to attend.

**Notes sent home last week:** Stage 3B, 3D, 3J, 3P, 3W Class letter, Canteen Meal Deal, Stage 2 Lake Burrendong Camp Expression of Interest, Stage 2 and 3 Internet permission, Early Stage 1 Parent/Teacher interviews.

**Garden Club News**

It’s time to sow winter seeds and to even get some of the longer maturing winter veg like Brussels sprouts in the ground. It is counter intuitive, especially while the weather is so warm but winter veggies do need some growing time before the cold sets in. This time of year you can be sowing broccoli, cauliflower, cabbages, leek, kale, carrots, beetroot, parsnip, turnip and swedes and plenty of other veggies that will be just perfect for warming winter soups, casseroles and roasts.

The Kitchen Garden children have just completed their first round of winter crop seed sowing and their seeds are now growing in their self-watering propagating boxes.

They have also sown peas and carrots directly into the garden bed. Next on the list is to build trellising with stakes donated by the Nicholson family, to keep those peas reaching for the sky.

The children and staff sampled some Cudgee Condiments made by volunteers. They were a big hit and we will be posting recipes on the kitchen garden page on the school website. The page is still under construction and should be live this week.

Our garden shed will be installed during the school holidays and we need to fill it. Donations of large tools such as spades, shovels, rakes, wheelbarrow, buckets, garden forks, etc would be greatly appreciated. Sturdy second hand gardening gear will be put to good use by the
students around the school. We are also looking for donations of glass jars with their lids. No bigger than 300ml please, so we can preserve our summer crops and keep making Cudgee Condiments. Place the cleaned jars in the flexi tub in the front office reception area.

Our next meeting is March 3 at 3:15pm in the veggie gardens behind the staffroom. All welcome.

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**Junior Soccer**

Registration days for junior soccer will be:-
Mudgee- Glen Willow
7th, 14th and 21st March 10am -2pm
Rylstone Showground
5th and 12th March 4-6 pm
Gulgong- Billy Dunn Oval
12th March 4-6pm
14th March 10am -12noon

To register, log onto My Football Club and follow the prompts, PRINT out confirmation and then attend one of the 'rego' days and pay to consolidate registration.

Payment can be made by cash, cheque or EFTPOS (Mudgee only)

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**Mudgee Rubgy Club**

Mudgee Rugby Club will hold its registration days for both junior and senior players on Friday 27th February from 3.30pm – 5.30pm and Saturday 28th February from 9.00am – 1.00pm.

The location is the Rugby Club in Denison St Mudgee.

Intending players are requested to take advantage of the registration days and assist the committee as team nominations need to be made.

Registrations after these days will incur a “late surcharge”

**Sub Junior and Junior players that did not play last year are requested to bring proof of age documentation.**

For more information please contact Brett Cooper (Registrar) 0407136129.

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**Mudgee Junior Rugby League**

MJRL will be holding registration on Friday 27th February 2015 between 5pm & 6pm at Cahill Park. Registrations can also be done online at Mudgee Junior League Sporting Pulse.

Registration fees are U6’s to U9’s $70.00 & U10’s to U16’s $90.00 all registered players receive shorts, socks & training singlet.
Absence Note

Child’s Name: ________________________________ Class: __________________

Absence Dates: __________________________________________________________

Reason for Absence: ______________________________________________________

Name: ___________________________ Signed: ___________________________ Date: __________

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