Dear Parents and Carers,

This term (and the year) seem to be flying but there are still so many wonderful events planned.

The Family Bush Dance is on September 13. We hope to see you all there and I’d like to thank the Kidsmatter action team for, once again, working hard to plan this fantastic community event!

The grade 6 team are off on camp on Monday. This camp is such a highlight of the students’ time at primary school. Again a BIG thanks to the grade 6 staff and parent helpers for putting in so much extra time to provide this great extracurricular opportunity for the students.

Footy Day is planned for the Thursday September 15. We ask that everyone gets into the spirit of Footy Day by dressing up in their footy colours (all codes). Please note, as we will be having an assembly on Footy Day, there will NOT be assembly on Monday September 12.

It seems like only yesterday that we started the 2016 school year and here we are now planning for 2017. We are currently in the early stages of organising classes for 2017. If you are leaving the area and your child will not be attending Cambridge Primary School next year, please let the office know so we can plan using accurate student numbers. If you have a prep child starting next year, these enrolments should have already been finalised but if not please get these in as soon as possible. Will we start planning our grade structures and staffing early next term based on our projected numbers and after this we will be placing students into grades and then assigning teachers to classes. When we place students in classes we are looking to create the best learning environment for all students. Our decisions focus heavily on educational outcomes and overall group dynamics. Our criteria for placing students are:

- Educational needs/outcomes
- Behavioural needs/outcomes
- Overall group dynamics – creating a positive and supportive group
- Friendship needs – if relevant in supporting student learning
- If you have any information about your child’s educational needs that you have not already discussed with their class teacher please let me know in writing no later than Friday October 7th.

This process is designed to gather information in order to create a positive learning environment for all students. It is not a process for self selection of classmates or teachers. Thank you for your continued support of this complex process.
News from Nadia cont.

Extra Curricular and Student Voice
We received some lovely news about some outstanding student achievements this week and last:
The 2016 Australian National Taekwondo Championships was held in Bendigo last weekend on the 26th to 28th August 2016. It provided the opportunity for Taekwondo exponents to challenge themselves against Australia’s best athletes from all states. Wana (Grade 4F) and Wani (Grade 4C) were selected to represent Victoria in the national championships after winning their respective events during the state selection. They did us proud when they won gold in the pair "poomsae" (Taekwondo pattern of movements) event in their age division (10-11 year old). In the individual category of their age group, Wani won the silver medal and Wana won the bronze medal, with Queensland getting gold.

• Last Thursday the zonal qualifier for the Victorian Chess Championships was held at CPS. We were challenged by a strong contingent from Alamanda College in Point Cook but in the end we won 25 points to 24!! This is the 3rd consecutive year we have won the trophy for best western suburbs school!!
• Cambridge school also came 2nd in the chess tournament conducted at Werribee secondary school. Ruthvika, Anu, Kevin and Aditya from Cambridge were the participants who brought this success. With this Cambridge qualified for state tournament to be conducted on Oct 23rd.

The school will be having a pupil free day on October 31st to plan for full implementation of the new Victorian curriculum for 2017.

Finally I’d like to thank our amazing mums (and staff) for helping to set up for, and sell gifts at the Fathers’ Day Stall this week. We wish all of our dads, grandads and special blokes a VERY HAPPY FATHERS’ DAY on Sunday!

Have a great week. Nadia
Social and Emotional learning for students

Learning to make good decisions helps children become more independent and responsible

A good decision is one that, on balance, is most likely to lead to a positive outcome for everyone concerned. Learning to consider the situation carefully and weigh up the options before coming to a decision helps children make better decisions. It also helps them to understand and take into account others’ views when making decisions that affect them. Here are some ways to assist children to reflect upon good decision making.

- **Allow children to practise making choices** – giving children choices helps to build their sense of responsibility as well as their decision-making. It is important that the choice is really theirs, so provide options that you will be happy with no matter what they choose. Showing interest in their choices helps to reinforce that you see their decisions as important.

- **Talk about everyday decisions** – Involve children in your own decision-making. For example, you might say, ‘I’m trying to decide whether to take up a sport to get fit or go to a dance class. Which do you think I should do?’ Talk through the advantages and disadvantages of each suggestion so your child can learn how to thoughtfully evaluate different options.

- **Support children to use decision-making steps** – As children develop their skills for thinking through decisions, teach them the steps of decision-making and show them how to use them effectively. Decision-making steps: 1) Identify the decision to be made, 2) Think of options, 3) Evaluate the options and choose the best one, and 4) Put your choice into action and check how it works.

- **Ask questions that promote thoughtful decisions** – ‘What makes this the best option?’ ‘How would this work?’ ‘Can you think of any reasons why…?’ Asking questions that prompt children to think through their reasons for choosing a particular option help[s them learn how evaluate options and think through consequences.

- **Encourage children to set achievable goals** – setting their own goals to work towards encourages children to plan and think ahead. It helps them understand the link between making decisions and taking action. Appropriate goals for children to choose include developing a new skill, improving performance at school. It is important that the goals set are achievable and motivating for the child. Describe the steps needed to reach the goal ensure each step is manageable for the child. Provide praise and encouragement along the way as progress is made.

- **When children make poor decisions.** – Everyone makes mistakes sometimes. Allowing children to experience the consequences of their decisions can provide useful lessons in responsibility. Talk through good and poor decisions. Children learn best when they are calmly helped to think through the outcomes of their decisions. Helping them to accept responsibility for mistakes and plan how to improve the situation teaches skills for more effective decision-making.


**Presents**

A community event **BBQ and Bush Dance**

*Tuesday September 13th, 2016 for Barber (Green house) and Dowling (Red house) 5 - 6.30pm*

*Followed by Westmill (Yellow house) and Carruthers (Blue house).*

*7 - 8.30pm*

Big Gymnasium

*(Cost $1 per sausage & $1 drinks)*

RSVP with number of people attending by Friday September 9th 2016.

**KidsMatter Community BBQ & Bush Dance**

My family……………………………………………….. would be happy to attend this event. We will be at the

☐ Barber & Dowling houses bbq/Bush dance
☐ for Westmill & Carruthers houses bbq/Bush dance

There will be....................people coming to the BBQ and we will need.................... sausages and..............drinks.
Administration News

PLT 6 & family photos

We have booked our PLT 6 & family photos for October 19th. Unfortunately this will clash with our PLT 4 camp. We are asking families to please let us know at the office or by email, if this clash of dates will affect too many families.

Communication & Correspondence

We would like to remind parents & carers that if you need to collect your child from school early our procedure is that you need to come to the office & collect an early pass to take to your child’s teacher in the classroom. Sending the teacher a note to ask the child to wait at the office isn’t part of our procedure anymore as it takes other students out of the classroom and away from their learning. We thank you for your support with this.

Our office hours are 8.30am till 4.30pm everyday except we will be closing the office at 3.45pm on Thursdays and 4.00pm Fridays. This allows us to have staff meetings and staff training.

We are trying to minimise messages passed to students in the classroom. We understand that sometimes emergencies happen and you need a message passed to your child. Any late bookings for After School Care will be announced at the end of the day.

Payments

The second payment for grade four camps are now due.
The second iPad payments are due September 9th.

Hats on September 1st

We have slouch hats available to buy at the office. They are $15 each. At the moment we don’t have any legionnaire hats.

School Banking

Student banking is every WEDNESDAY.
Please remember to hand your Commonwealth Bank deposit to the office before 9am.
For any account information please visit your nearest Commonwealth bank.
News from the Professional Learning Teams (PLTs)

School Values:
- Caring
- Positivity
- Respect
- Honesty
- Resilience
- Love of Learning

This week’s value is: Respect

PLT PREP
Term three has been another busy and productive one! Book week last week was a fantastic success and it was wonderful to see so many imaginative and clever costumes. The prep team would like to give a huge thank you so all the time and effort families put into these outfits. The students had a great week completing many different book week activities such as making a book with their buddies, starting progressive stories for the other grades to finish and lots of fun book-related craft activities. Please remember that from the 1st of September the students will need to bring their hat to wear at recess and lunch time so that they can play outside in the sun.

PLT 1
Hello grade 1 families and friends!
The last few weeks of term three are full of exciting things for grade ones! This term we have been learning about different sea animals habitat, diet and appearance. To complement our learning, the grade ones have their Marine Life Incursion over Thursday and Friday.
Next week it is also planning week. This term classroom teachers will be out planning for term four on Wednesday.
Just a reminder! It is now September, so students need to be wearing their hats when they are outside. If they have no hat they cannot play. Please discuss this with your child and ensure that their hats are clearly labelled.
Thank you!

PLT 2  The grade 2s had a great time participating in Book Week. There were great costumes on the dress up day and the students had the chance to explore lots of Australian Stories throughout the week. It was great to see their enthusiasm when reading books about Australia and how interested they were in the topic. They have been doing fantastic work in their classrooms around the Inquiry Topic – Wyndham: What remains of the past, what has changed and why? They have been using a lot of the information that learnt at the excursion to the Werribee Mansion in their historical narrative writing, which gives it great detail!
**PLT 3**  
The entire grade threes participated in a marvellous Book Week. The week was packed full of many different activities and celebrations. Our grade three students looked amazing in their book character costumes which we paraded at our whole school assembly. Students also completed the rotation activities, book swap and in class activities related to Australian literature throughout the week. This week we had our incursion, when Judith Dalton-Walsh shared her stories about her Aboriginal culture and family history. Next week is our excursion to the Royal Botanic Gardens. There will be a note home to clarify the excursion day and what students will need to bring along on the day.

**PLT 4** has had a very busy but exciting couple of weeks. The excursion to the Immigration Museum and Sandridge Bridge was a great success. The students loved exploring the museum and learning about the reasons why people leave their countries and why they are drawn to a new one. Well done to our students who were very respectful, well behaved and represented our school beautifully. Thank you to all the parent helpers who assisted us on the day, these types of events could not happen without your help and support.

More information about camp will be coming out soon, please keep an eye out for that soon.

**PLT 5** The Grade 5 students are enjoying a very busy term learning about Colonial Australia. They have been taking part in weekly DCT (Design, Creativity and Technology), Geography and Economics rotations. The activities have included designing an egg drop carrier, researching Australian towns and cities, and economic challenges. They have one IIIP remaining, which must be related to the Inquiry Unit. The source sheet is due on the 6th September and the IIIP is due on the 13th. Recently we enjoyed a fabulous book week which included dressing up as our favourite characters and a book swap. Many grade 5s were also involved in the recent athletics carnival and inter-school chess competitions, where Cambridge came first in both!

**PLT 6** The big week arrives on Monday! (Camp that is.) You should have received a final reminders’ note from your child. **This will have also included a medication note, if you need the medication form please fill this in carefully and clearly to avoid any confusion. This needs to be handed directly to the teacher in charge of medications for the bus your child is on. This is Miss Cain for bus 1 and Mr Wimshurst for bus 2, they will be located in the Science Room. You can follow what is happening at the camp through the blog, if you have not received this information, please ask your child. The teachers and students are all looking forward to a fun and frantic week. Just be prepared for a weekend with a sleepy child. A big thank you to all the teachers and parents who have kindly given up their time to attend the camp, without them we would be unable to offer this amazing experience.**
District Athletics

Cambridge Primary School won the District Athletics!! On Tuesday August 30th, Cambridge sent a strong team of 70 students to the VU track to compete in the District Athletics. We are pleased to report that we won the shield for the second year in a row. As well as winning we had some fabulous results with setting several new district records.

We will now be sending a team of 28 students to the Divisional level on Tuesday 13th September. So we would like to wish our team good luck for their events. Our team is Matthew 3C, Jake 4B, Ruth & Sana 4C, Trya 4D, Zac 4E, Alexander 5A, Anthony & Jacob 5B, Gus 5C, Saint, Vaishu, Jye & Rylee 5D, Lewis, Sa’ad & Claire 5E, Jessica, Linda & Jasmine 6A, Monique & Jerome 6B, Matthias & Dulansa 6C, Thomas, Evan & Naturelle 6D & Clarissa 6E

Korean Cultural Camp

Our flights have been booked, our itinerary set & we are finalising our accommodation plans. Our Korean Cultural Camp is only four weeks away. Everyone should have received their information pack with what to pack, permission notes and medication forms. Please have permission notes & medication forms back to the office as soon as possible. Your child’s travel insurance should be nearly sorted as well. Thank you to our families who came to our information night. If you have any more questions please come and see Mr Jarred our camp co-ordinator.

Mr Jarred, Mr Payton, Ms Yon & Ms Kelly
Preparations are well underway for this year by the Fete Committee, with many exciting things planned. We will once again have our major raffle, rides, showbags, face painting, entertainment, a photobooth, grade stalls, lucky dips, onesie vote, animal farm and much more.

Funds raised from the fete will be used to install more synthetic grass as well as tables and chairs near our rotunda.

Keep an eye out in the School Newsletter and our Facebook page for regular updates.

**FETE WRISTBANDS** and **FETE CASH** are available for pre-purchase once again this year

OR they can be purchased on Fete Day from our ticket booths.

Purchasing a wristband entitles the wearer to unlimited access to the rides (height/age restrictions may apply to some of the rides), the petting zoo and the photobooth.

(Wristbands are NOT to be shared between individuals)

Wristbands pre-purchased prior to Wednesday 12th October will be $35 each or $30 each for 2 or more.

Wristbands purchased after this date will be $40 each.

Fete cash is used for all grade stalls, the sausage sizzle, face painting, Devonshire teas, showbags and more.

**External food vendors will be the only people to accept cash**

***PRE PURCHASED WRISTBANDS AND FETE CASH WILL BE DISTRIBUTED TO STUDENTS IN THE WEEK PRIOR TO THE FETE***

| Student Name: ___________________________ | Grade: ______________ |
| Single wristband: $35.00 OR ____ wristbands @ $30 each = $ ________ |

Please issue me with $ ___________ of Fete Cash (pre-purchase amounts in $10 denominations)

TOTAL of wristbands and Fete money: $ ___________  Paid by: CASH/EFTPOS

**WANT TO GET INVOLVED?** - Many hands make light work, so if you are interested in helping out with the organising by joining our Fete Committee, join us at our next meeting. Tuesday 6th September at 6.30pm in the Staff Room.

We will also be looking for volunteers to help in the lead up week and on the day. If you would like to assist please leave your name at the office or look out for the note that will be sent home soon.

**MAJOR RAFFLE** - once again we have organised for the Gold Coast holiday raffle, this is a major fundraiser for the event. Books will be sent home to families in September and will need to be returned to the school office by Friday 7th October.
CAMBRIDGE BEST IN THE WEST (again!)  
The zonal qualifying competition was held last Thursday, where local schools had the chance to challenge Cambridge for the title of best chess school in the western suburbs, and qualify students for the state semi-finals. Alamanda P-9 College strongly challenged Cambridge for the title, but we won 25-24! This is the 3rd year in a row that we have won this tournament. As a result, Cambridge now has 14 students qualify for the state finals: 

There are 11 boys who will represent CPS in the Victorian semi-finals at Kingwood College on October 25. They are:
Grade 6: Marc, Kevin, Dasula, Matthias
Grade 5: Alexander, George, Aaron, Amir, Benjamin, Ali
Grade 3: Kemindu

The 3 girls who qualified all go straight through to the Victorian Final (there are no semi-finals for girls because fewer girls play the game). The Victorian Final will be held at Lauriston Girls Grammar in October. Notes with specific information will be sent home shortly. Congratulations to all the students who have represented CPS and who qualified for the state finals.

Some students missed out on making the state finals by one point or less. They are: Kirulu, Aditya, Casaya, Ehsaas, Dayton, Ganindu, Shannon, Cooper, Tarik, Ruthvika, Rylee and Wani. They were sooo close to making it. Better luck next year guys!

We are offering coaching Monday afternoons in term 4. Please see Mr Jarred for a note. There are only 20 spots available so get in quick. If you secure a spot $80 coaching fees will need to be paid by October 3rd, first day of term four.
**OSHC News**

Term 3 Vacation Care program & enrolment forms are now available from OSHC, on our website or the administration office. These holidays we will be visiting Healesville Sanctuary, Fairy Park, Amaze N Games, Sun Theatre to see a movie as well as school based activities. A reminder there is a public holiday on Friday Sept 30th for Grand final eve & the program will be closed for this day. A $50 deposit is required with each enrolment to secure a spot & enrolments close Friday September 9th, 2016.

Thank you

The OSCH Team

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**Canteen News**

All footy day lunch orders must be in to the Canteen by Wednesday 7th September. Due to the large number of orders to collate & sort we are unable to accept any late orders.

Jasmine & Lily

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**Community News**

Parish of St James Apostle are currently undertaking a Sacramental Program for children in the parish boundary who attend schools other than the Catholic primary schools of St James the Apostle, St Francis of Assisi & St Clare’s. If you would like any further information about the program, please feel free to contact Rachelle Revell, co-ordinator on 0411 774 636 or on rachelle.revell@gmail.com.
Dear Parents,

Cambridge Primary School now has a sister school in Italy. Notes have gone home to our grade 3 & 4 students with information of how we will be communicating with them via email. Please send the permission slip so we can start as soon as possible.

We use the iPads as a working tool in our Italian lessons so we kindly ask that you please remind your children to bring their iPads to school everyday, fully charged.

We would also like the students, especially those in grade 3 and 4, to have the Keynote app on their iPads.

Some reminders:
* We now have an Italian edublog where you can check out all that’s happening in your child's Italian lessons and the language that is being taught.
  - https://cambridgeprimary.edublogs.org
  - Password: CambridgeltItalian
* Students can email us with any questions regarding the work in class at
  - cpsitalian@gmail.com

Grazie

Signora Tregilgas and Signora Antonello
INDOOR SOCCER

"Form a team with your friends and come join the action @ Werribee Indoor Sports Centre"

Clinics from 5yo – 10yo
Competitions from U10 to U18

Teams or Individuals welcome
Competitions open to both boys and girls
To register simply call the centre on 9741 5122

We also offer Sports Birthday Parties AND Inflatable World Birthday Parties

BOTH located at:
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23 Riverside Avenue, Werribee 3030
Tel: 9741 5122
www.werribieindoorsports.com.au
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info@werribieindoorsports.com.au

VicHealth HEALTH THROUGH INDOOR SPORTS
Community News

We’re participating in National eSmart Week. We are committed to improving cyber safety and wellbeing in our community. Ask us how.
COME AND TRY DAY

T-Ball
Boys, Girls | 4 - 10 Years

Where:
Werribee Giants Baseball Club,
Presidents Park, McGraths Road
Wyndham Vale.

When:
Saturday 10th September
10.30 - 12 pm // 1 - 2.30 pm
and
Sunday 11th September
11 - 12.30 pm

Little League Baseball
Boys, Girls | 8 - 13 Years

Where:
Werribee Giants Baseball Club,
Presidents Park, McGraths Road
Wyndham Vale.

When:
Saturday mornings 9.30 - 11.00 am
August to mid September 2016

For more information:
Belinda: 0457 755 550   belinda.greendavis@icloud.com   www.werribee.baseball.com.au
Wyndham’s pet & animal EXPO

SUNDAY 11 SEPTEMBER 2016
10 AM - 4PM
WYNDHAM VIC CENTRE
45 PRINCES HIGHWAY WERRIBEE

A Free Wyndham City Event

FEATURING
Nick Jr.’s, PAW Patrol Ready for Action Show

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### SAVE THE DATE
Cambridge Fete  
Saturday 15th October  
10am—3pm  
Everyone Welcome