Message from the Principal

Last Monday night I had the pleasure and honour of being invited to the Canterbury and Strathfield Principal Network’s Public Education and Excellence Awards where Mrs Sally Hill was recognised and awarded for her achievements and commitment to Public Education.

Mrs Hill is a dedicated Classroom Teacher who has devoted 64 years to public education in Australia and New Zealand. In particular, she is a dedicated practitioner who has been committed to upholding the school values of Canterbury South Public School since 1982 where she has excelled in her many roles as Infants mistress, Relieving Principal, Assistant Principal, Classroom Teacher, Specialist Arts teacher and Learning and Support Teacher.

Congratulations Mrs Hill!!

In August this year Mrs Rigby and the executive put forward an application for the Community Building Partnerships Program 2015 with the focus on the High Street playground as this is the main entrance to our school. On Friday afternoon we were notified that our application was successful and we will receive a $24,000 grant to complete works.

Dates to Remember:

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We are extremely excited and look forward to the New Year where the school will undergo a significant transformation. Thank you to Mrs Rigby for her hard work and commitment in putting together the submission.

This will be the last newsletter for 2015. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the students, parents and especially staff at CSPS for their professionalism, hard work and commitment.

I would like to farewell Mrs Rigby who will not be returning in 2016. We wish Mrs Rigby all the best as she embarks on her journey of motherhood, a time that is indeed challenging but above all the most rewarding. We also congratulate Mr Mulhern and wish him all the best this Saturday as he celebrates his wedding day. To Mrs Ingham a sincere thank you for her contribution and service to the community of Canterbury South Public School over the past 8 years in her many roles. We wish her the very best in the future. Many thanks also to Mrs Bulai who has worked at the school as the Learning and Support teacher this year and over the past few years as a casual teacher.

School finishes for the students on Wednesday 16th December. Staff will be at school until the 17th December to plan for 2016.

Goodbye and all the best to our Year 6 students as they move on to high school in 2016.

I’d like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a safe and happy holiday and we look forward to seeing you all safely back again in 2016 for another successful year.

Daniela Frasca
Principal

Year 6 Fun Day

Thank you to everyone who supported our annual Year 6 Fun Day. This year saw some new stalls; Sam’s Tattoo Parlour, and Rhys and Blake’s Just Dance Studio! Everyone had a great day! Special thanks to Mrs Cole for supplying the jumping castle. As you know, the Year 6 Fun Day is the students’ fundraiser to buy a gift for the school. We raised $2260, and representatives from the school are now meeting with Mrs Frasca to put forward their suggestions for a gift.

Green Team

This week, Mrs Fraser discovered an early Christmas gift in our raised vegie garden; seven fully grown Lebanese cucumbers! We are all very excited with the discovery. The cucumbers were only planted in the first week of this term, and it seems like only two weeks ago they were in flower. It might be time to make a big tub of tzatziki!
End of Year Picnic
DANCE ACT SING 2016

Studio located @ 531 Illawarra Rd, Marrickville (next to Steel Park, just off Homer St)

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School APP

The app is a fantastic way to receive school communication for excursions, what’s happening in the school and even the newsletter will be available. The app is suitable for both Android and Smart Phone users. To use the app you simply need to follow these steps:

1. Download the free App from the Apple Store or Google Play Store
2. Search “CANTERBURY SOUTH” in the stores
3. Accept push notifications
4. Once the app has downloaded, sign in

User name: community
Password: canterburysthps

The calendar will be updated so please ensure you check the Calendar on the APP the week prior to returning to school.

Tony Bourke Christmas Card Competition

Congratulations to Anh Ho and Gemma Georges who were the winners in the Tony Bourke Christmas Card Competition. The girls fantastic drawings will now be made into Christmas Cards for Tony Bourke to send out to all his colleagues in parliament.

Well done girls!

School Uniform

The standard of school dress is set by the community. The staff will enforce this as much as they are able. If your child is not wearing correct school uniform then there is an expectation that an explanatory note will be provided. Students are expected to wear black shoes (leather is recommended). Nail polish, cosmetics and jewellery (other than sleepers) are not part of the school dress code. I have been impressed with the students’ standard of dress and I will discuss the exceptions on an individual basis. Please help us to continue promoting the dress code that is set by our community. There will be times when children may have to wear something other than the school uniform. Please send a note of explanation so that there is no misunderstanding. Thank you for the strong visible support shown at the commencement of the school year. The high standard of dress has been very evident. This standard is set by our community and, as staff; we will be doing what we can to enforce it.

Semester Two Reports

Reports will be sent home in Week 11 of this term.

These reports will help you understand the progress your child is making at school and if additional learning support is needed. These grades are different from the grades you might remember from your school years. The A to E system doesn’t rank your child in his or her class. Rather, the grades indicate whether your child is ‘on track’, and learning what is expected, doing better than expected or needs more help. Kindergarten students, students with learning difficulties and students who are learning English for the first time will receive a written report but without the A to E grades.
“C” IS TO BE CELEBRATED. The reports use an A-E grade for every subject that your child does at school. C means that your child is ‘on track’ in relation to what he or she is expected to learn. Other grades will indicate whether your child is doing better than expected or needs more help.

**Grade C** shows that the student has achieved all of the skills, values and knowledge intended by the teacher when they planned the learning program for the semester. This student may have required extra revision or individual teaching but he/she has understood the concepts and has demonstrated achievement of the learning goals. Parents should not be worried about a child’s progress if he or she has received this grade. **Your child is on track in this area. His/her performance is sound.**

**Grade B** shows that the student has performed very well with the work presented consistently achieving the skills, values and knowledge intended by the teacher when he/she planned the learning program for the semester. This student has demonstrated in all of the assessments and daily tasks that there is no difficulty being experienced in meeting the learning goals. **Your child is performing at a high level in this area.**

**Grade A** shows that the student is easily demonstrating the skills, values and knowledge intended by the teacher when they planned the learning program for the semester. In fact the student is showing far more than has been required. **Your child is performing at an outstanding level in this area.**

**Grade D** shows that the student is currently experiencing some difficulty in achieving the skills, values and knowledge intended by the teacher when he/she planned the learning program for the semester. There are some gaps in the understanding of the concepts that have been taught during the semester and there is evidence that this has been occurring in daily tasks and in assessments. **Your child is having some difficulty coping with the work in this area at this time.**

**Grade E** shows that the student is currently demonstrating a lot of difficulty in his/her daily class tasks and assessments. This student will most likely have had additional assistance from the school and will need ongoing support from home and school. **Your child is finding learning very difficult at this time in this area.**

While A to E grades are an important indicator of your child’s progress at school they are only part of the picture. Student reports will also include information on your child’s level of effort and teacher comments on progress. Teachers’ comments are just as important, if not more important, than the grade because the comment is the explanation behind the grade.

**Sample Report**

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**Canterbury South Public School**

**2015 - Semester 1 - Year 1**

Student: John Smith
Class: A1
Teacher: Ms. Jones

Department of Education

1. Language
   - Reading
   - Writing
   - Spelling
2. Science
3. Mathematics
4. History

**Commentary:**

- The student has demonstrated a strong understanding of the skills and knowledge required for the semester. The student has consistently achieved the learning goals set by the teacher and has shown a high level of effort in all areas.

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**Canterbury South Public School**

**2015 - Semester 1 - Year 1**

Student: Jane Doe
Class: B2
Teacher: Mr. Brown

Department of Education

1. Language
   - Reading
   - Writing
   - Spelling
2. Science
3. Mathematics
4. History

**Commentary:**

- The student has shown steady improvement in all areas. The student has demonstrated a good understanding of the skills and knowledge required for the semester and has shown a high level of effort in all areas.

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**Canterbury South Public School**

**2015 - Semester 1 - Year 1**

Student: Alice Green
Class: C3
Teacher: Ms. White

Department of Education

1. Language
   - Reading
   - Writing
   - Spelling
2. Science
3. Mathematics
4. History

**Commentary:**

- The student has shown some difficulty in achieving the skills and knowledge required for the semester. The student has shown a good understanding of the skills and knowledge required for the semester and has shown a high level of effort in all areas.

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**Canterbury South Public School**

**2015 - Semester 1 - Year 1**

Student: Bob Johnson
Class: D4
Teacher: Mr. Black

Department of Education

1. Language
   - Reading
   - Writing
   - Spelling
2. Science
3. Mathematics
4. History

**Commentary:**

- The student has shown some difficulty in achieving the skills and knowledge required for the semester. The student has shown a good understanding of the skills and knowledge required for the semester and has shown a high level of effort in all areas.

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**Canterbury South Public School**

**2015 - Semester 1 - Year 1**

Student:s: Sarah Brown
Class: E5
Teacher: Ms. Lee

Department of Education

1. Language
   - Reading
   - Writing
   - Spelling
2. Science
3. Mathematics
4. History

**Commentary:**

- The student has shown significant difficulty in achieving the skills and knowledge required for the semester. The student has shown a good understanding of the skills and knowledge required for the semester and has shown a high level of effort in all areas.

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**Canterbury South Public School**

**2015 - Semester 1 - Year 1**

Student: Tom Smith
Class: F6
Teacher: Mr. Miller

Department of Education

1. Language
   - Reading
   - Writing
   - Spelling
2. Science
3. Mathematics
4. History

**Commentary:**

- The student has shown significant difficulty in achieving the skills and knowledge required for the semester. The student has shown a good understanding of the skills and knowledge required for the semester and has shown a high level of effort in all areas.
much water do children need?
The amount of fluid that children need varies between individual children. The older the child, the more fluid they need. Children should drink approximately 1–1½ litres of fluid a day. Children will need more when they are physically active and on hot and humid days. Water is the best drink — for both children and adults — in all situations.

Water
Tap water makes the best drink!
Not only is it thirst quenching, but also contains fluoride which helps make teeth stronger. Here’s what water has to offer:

- it is cheap and readily available
- it doesn’t contain any kilojoules or sugar
- it encourages optimal function of the body

We should all aim to drink between five to eight cups of water a day. In the warmer months it is important to keep well hydrated. Always have water available when children are active. Encourage them to drink water regularly, even in cooler months.
Final Events

Pizza at the Carols night
P&C Raffle – Wednesday 16th December

Carols Night this Friday 11 December – Pizza available on the night

Due to last year’s overwhelming success there will be wood-fired pizzas available to order on the night.

$10 a pizza
Order at the pizza van on the night!
Choices are;
• Meat lovers
• Hawaiian
• Margherita
• Vegetarian.

The CSPS P&C gift stall will also be open on the night for those last minute Xmas gifts.

• Uniforms

Clearing out your uniforms at the end of term? Any suitable for re-sale can be left at the office. P&C will run the 2nd hand uniform sale again next year so all donations welcome. Profits go directly to school.

Raffle – Top Prize is $1,000 cash!

You have received your raffle tickets and letter by now. Remember:
1. Each ticket costs $2
2. Prize list displayed on the P&C noticeboard (we will keep updating this)
3. Write clearly on the ticket stubs
Re-gifting

So many presents at this time of year! Every now and again we get one too many gifts. If you find you have a spare present that you know you just don’t need, please consider giving to the P&C who will be able to use it in a raffle or stall next year. Leave any such gifts at the office for the attention of the P&C.

Next Year’s P&C

First evening meeting - 9^{th} Feb
First daytime meeting - 10^{th} Feb
AGM following the week after where voting takes place.

Do you want to be on the executive? President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Secretary? Come along to find out what’s happening or to get more involved. All are welcome at our meetings. Bring $2 to become a financial member and to get voting rights.

Contacts for the P&C - If you have views you can email the P&C at csps.pandc@gmail.com or speak to a member of the P&C or drop a note in the P&C box. For information sign up to Wiggio!

The P&C is proudly supported by LJ Hooker Dulwich Hill and Marrickville

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Thank you!

We were considering listing out here all the people who have helped this year, but the list was too big and there isn't the space. But you know who you are, we know who you are and everyone knows who you are, so to everyone who has pitched in, whether it was sizzling a sausage, carrying a table, baking a cake, painting nails, donating prizes, setting up, clearing away, liaising with local business, communicating ideas, turning up to meetings, being enthusiastic, joining in, loving the school and generally supporting, THANK YOU! It is the people who make events and fundraising a success and our school community such a lovely and supportive one. Have a great break, enjoy the holidays and see you at Carols Night for pizza. Oh and good luck at the raffle :)

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4. Return ticket stubs and money in an envelope with your name, class and amount raised to the P&C Box
5. The 5 children who sell the most tickets get a prize
6. If you need more tickets ask at the front office
7. If you don’t want to sell your tickets please return them to the front office
8. Sell at work and family events - $1000 cash irresistible!
End of Year Raffle Prizes

Top 3
1. $1000 cash donated by LJ Hooker Dulwich Hill & Marrickville
2. Aurea Designs Jewellery Gift Voucher worth $500
3. Painting by local artist and CPS Parent Gavin Poldavrin

Additional Prizes
- Michael Hussey signed commemorative block mounted photo donated by Commonwealth Bank
- Dinner for 4 including dessert at Pazar restaurant and Pure Gelato Voucher.
- 3 month membership at Canterbury and Roselands Aquatic Centre, Nino’s Grille Voucher and Pure Gelato Voucher
- Handmade quilt & Hand knitted Santa and Mrs Claus & large collage photo frame, and Nino’s Grille Voucher
- Sydney FC General Admission tickets for family of 4 and Nino’s Grille Voucher

Holiday Prize Pack: 1 week free vacation care donated by Canterbury South OSHC, 2 x Unlimited Ride passes for Luna Park, Canterbury Ice Rink family pass, Double pass to Event Cinemas & Pure Gelato Voucher.

Foodies Prize Pack: $50 Jack’s Meat Voucher & The Little Cup & Saucer Café voucher for 2 “Big Joe Breakfasts + 2 Regular Coffees”, Pure Gelato Voucher, Personalised cake from Leyla’s Cup and Cakes valued at $50 and Burwood RSL Voucher.

Business Prize Pack: Officeworks HP Smartphone and Tablet Printer with stationary pack, 12 month subscription to Money Magazine, Counting money box and 8Gb USB Stick

Entertainment Prize Pack: Glasshouse Fragrance diffuser Pack (As seen on the Block) with Large Vase & Hardcover Interior Design book, Picnic basket/hamper with handmade placemats and Christmas platter.

Movie Lovers Prize Pack: Steven Spielberg box set of Blu rays + DVD player, Assorted DVDs and 2 Double Passes to Event Cinemas

Home Improvement Prize pack: $100 Bunnings voucher, OfficeWorks donated Water cooler, Hard Cover interior design book, & Large collage photo frame

Celebration Prize pack: Swarovski Necklace, Champagne, Nino’s Grille Voucher, Pure Gelato Voucher

Plus a prize to the 5 children who sell the most tickets
(Containing cool stationary, lollies, chocolates, DVD, Pure Gelato voucher and Lowe’s Voucher)

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Thanks to our sponsors:
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- Money Magazine
- Glasshouse
- The Little Cup & Saucer Café
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- Burwood RSL
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- ANZ Mortgage Solutions

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Please remember all prizes are transferrable, so enjoy them yourself or gift them to family and friends.