Staffing 2016
It is with great excitement that I announce we have been officially notified that a third Assistant Principal will be appointed to Canterbury South in 2016. Throughout 2015 we have been able to keep our enrolments above 255 and I anticipate that we will grow to 270 in 2016. This could potentially see CSPS grow to 12 classes.

As part of our annual planning process, it is important that we ascertain the number of children who will be enrolling at Canterbury South PS in 2016 (except Yr 6). Enrolment numbers need to include all students from Kindergarten to Year 5 who are presently enrolled and will be returning next year, and all new enrolments for 2016. To assist us with this important task parents are asked to notify us now if they know their child/children will not be attending Canterbury South PS in 2016. If you are aware of any families who wish to enrol their children at Canterbury South PS next year, please ask them to contact the school on 97895255.

Kindergarten Transition Program
In Term 3 and 4 there will be a Kindergarten Transition Program for children who are starting Kindergarten in 2016. The program is designed to familiarise students and families with Canterbury South PS and ensure a smooth transition to school. Parents who already have enrolled their child for 2016 will be receiving invitations to our Kindergarten Transition Program later this term. If you are planning to send your child to Kindergarten next year it is important that you enrol your child immediately if he/she is to be invited to the Transition Program. Enrolment forms are available from the office and Mrs Martin is happy to answer any questions you may have.

Car Park
The safety and wellbeing of every member in our school community is everyone’s concern.

The staff car park is for STAFF ONLY. Please refrain from entering the car park and from blocking the driveway to pick up and drop off your child. All children MUST use the pedestrian gates. Please take the time to ensure that your child is safe by modelling the correct road safety behaviour.

Until next time......have a great fortnight!

Daniela Frasca - Principal
ART SHOW
Our annual Art Show this year will be on Thursday 10 September. We would like to promote our fantastic show and outstanding student talent to our wider community. We would like your help with a letter box drop to the streets surrounding our school. If you would like to support Canterbury South and help promote the Art Show, please see Rose in the office where the map and flyers will be available for you. Thank you for your support.

Extra Curricular Recorder Groups
Beginner Recorder Group – Friday Mornings 8:45am in the 2SY Room
This group is open to beginner recorder players but is also differentiated for intermediate players who need to learn to read music from the stave without letter names. It is open to anyone in the school so feel free to join.

Opera House Repertoire Group – Thursday Mornings 8:35am in the 2SY Room
This group is open to students who wish to work on the Opera House repertoire. It will consist of students who will be playing at the Opera House and students who are working towards playing in future years. Next term we will begin work the Opera House repertoire for 2016. Each year there are only 14 spaces available for students to attend the Opera House so it is advisable to start in Term 4 if you are interested in auditioning for one of these places in Term 1 2016.

TELL THEM FROM ME SURVEY
The Tell Them From Me student feedback survey
I am delighted that this term, our school, like many other public schools in the state, will participate in a Department of Education initiative: the Tell Them From Me student feedback survey. The survey aims to help improve student learning outcomes and measures factors that are known to affect academic achievement and other student outcomes. The focus of the NSW-wide survey is on student wellbeing, engagement and effective teaching practices.


The survey is a great opportunity for our students to provide us with valuable and quick feedback on what they think about school life, how engaged they are with school and the different ways that teachers interact with them. Schools in Australia and around the world have used the Tell Them From Me survey to help improve how they do things at school.

I want to assure you that the survey is confidential. The survey is conducted online and will typically take less than 30 minutes to complete. It will be administered during school hours between 17 August and 16 October. Participating in the survey is entirely voluntary.

A consent form and FAQs for parents/carers about the survey has been sent home with students. If you do not want your child or children to participate, please return the form to school by Friday 21st August. Copies of the form and FAQs are available from the website above.

The Partners in Learning parent feedback survey
Our school will also be participating in the Partners in Learning parent survey, another part of the Tell Them From Me suite of surveys (student, teacher and parent surveys) on student engagement. The survey asks parents and carers questions about different factors that are known to impact on student wellbeing and engagement.
Running this survey will help our school understand parents’ and carers’ perspectives on their child’s experience at school. These include: communication between parents/carers and staff, activities and practices at home and parent/carer views on the school’s support of learning and behaviour. This valuable feedback will help our school make practical improvements.

The survey is conducted entirely online at home or on public computers. The survey will typically takes 15 minutes or less to complete and is completely confidential. The parent survey will be conducted between 17 August and 16 October. Participating in the survey is entirely voluntary, however, your responses are very much appreciated.


School Zone Road Safety

Please take extra care when driving and parking in school zones. Please ensure you read the following information to ensure you understand the current road rules around school zones. If you break the traffic rules in a school zone you are putting children at risk.

Safety Tips for driving around school zones

- You must always stop for pedestrians at a crossing.
- Always drop off and pick up your child from suitable and legal parking spots and never double park.
- Never park across a pedestrian crossing.
- Never park in driveways, even those belonging to the school.
- Never perform a U-turn in close proximity to the school, or over double lines, or on a pedestrian crossing.
- Make sure all children use the footpath side door when getting in and out of a vehicle.
- Always ensure children are secure in their appropriate for age restraint.

Festival of Instrumental Music, Sydney Opera House

Two weeks ago 14 incredibly excited and talented musicians represented Canterbury South Public School for the first time at The Festival of Instrumental Music at the Sydney Opera House. The concert opened with our recorder players playing an arrangement of Dance of the Tumblers, Rimsky-Korsakov's vibrant and lively theme from The Snow Maiden. They also played Rondo from Purcell's The Fairy Queen, a traditional Baroque work to showcase the recorder's lyrical beauty. The concert finale was magnificent! Elise, Thea, Amy, Imogen, Yesmien, Barbara, Clara, Sabrina, Jack, Jerry, Keane, Andreas, David and Daniel played recorder alongside 700 NSW Public School students and a further 200 students on strings accompanied by Fort Street High Schools Percussion Ensemble. They played The Swans of Lir by Stephen Chin which was an evocative and thrilling conclusion to the concert. I think everyone watching (and involved) was overwhelmed by the brilliant performance of this piece.

The students worked extremely hard over the year on this diverse and challenging repertoire and need to be congratulated on their dedication and countless hours of preparation. Well done to all involved!

If any parents have photos/ video footage of the evening they could share please send them in on a USB for Ms Young to copy. Thanks.
**TunED-Up ToppED-Up Sydney Symphony Orchestra Scholarship**

In the mid school year holidays Ms Young joined 46 other music teachers from all over NSW and spent a further two days in training brushing up on classroom music skills and techniques in the beautiful St Mary’s Cathedral Chapter Hall with some of the best music educators in the country. They attended choir boot camp and learned oodles of fun music games and activities to take back into the classroom. For this very scholarship, the Sydney Symphony Orchestra has been announced as a finalist for the 2015 Art Music Award for Excellence in Music Education. Ms Young feels very privileged to have been a part of such a rich professional leaning experience and is very excited about ‘road testing’ her new lessons with the students of Canterbury South. Photos by Tim Walsh

**POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING (PBL)**

Positive behaviour for Learning also known as PBL is an evidence based, whole school process to improve learning outcomes for students. It is team driven, using a problem solving approach (data, systems and practices) that engages students, parents and all school staff. It establishes positive social expectations for all in the school community and provides a framework for the school and its community to collectively support the wellbeing of every student.

At CSPS we have begun the process by forming a committee. Staff have also attended professional development and devised an action plan. You may have noticed in all of our school settings the THREE new school rules.

- We are safe
- We are respectful
- We are learners

Parent will have another opportunity to be part of this whole school process when matrix of expectations are set out for each of the school’s settings. Staff will begin to use consistent language around these three rules. It is hoped that the same language will also be used at home to support PBL at CSPS.

**3/4A—SOLE LESSON**

This term 3/4A has been learning about the establishment of the first British Settlement in Australia at Sydney Cove. The effect of this settlement on the local indigenous population proved disastrous. The students were asked to research the question “who was Bennelong?”

This is the information they presented.

Bennelong was an indigenous Australian born around 1764.

He was a senior member of the Eora, the indigenous people of the Port Jackson area, at the time of the First British Settlement.

Bennelong was captured by the British in 1789, who hoped to learn from him more of the natives customs and language.

Bennelong became a mediator between the indigenous people and the British.

In 1791, a brick hut was built for Bennelong in an area now called Bennelong Point, which is where the Sydney Opera House now stands.

Bennelong travelled to England in 1792 and met King George the Third. He spent three years there but hated the weather. Bennelong died in January 1813.
GREEN DAY

On Thursday 13 August you might have noticed our red uniforms replaced with a sea of green. It was our very first Green Day and we used the opportunity to run this special day in place of Schools National Tree Day. Rather than plant a tree, we wore green and everybody brought in a gold coin as a donation. Classes also took the opportunity to go to the garden where we planted a frangipani tree for our good friend and student, Zac Hronopoulos. We raised $284.95 which is being donated to the Sydney Children’s Hospital Cancer Ward 2. This is the ward that cared for Zac. Thank you to everybody for wearing something green, and for being so generous.

A big thank you, from the SRC.

CANTEEN NEWS

Eating healthy
Parents, our canteen is promoting healthy eating by teaming up with Sydney markets. Every time your child buys a piece of fruit they will receive a sticker. Once they have purchased two pieces of fruit they will receive a free pencil and a chance to be in a draw to win other prizes.
I am pleased to see that children are consuming more fruit and vegetables since the promotion started. Keep it up kids!
The draw will take place in October. If you have any questions please come and ask.

Lunch orders
Parents please be aware that lunch orders must be paid for on the day the lunch is ordered. If your child does not have lunch they will be sent to the office where parents will be notified before lunch is given at the canteen. Please ensure you follow up payment if this is the case.

Friday morning rush
If you are in a hurry and don’t have time to wait in the queue and have your lunch order bag ready with the correct money, you are more than welcome to put it in a box provided at the window. Please ensure the correct amount of money is in the bag if lunch is to be prepared.

GARDEN BEE
We need your help to plant 150 plants!!
WHERE: Canterbury South PS (High Street garden)
WHEN: Saturday 29th August
TIME: 8am—11.30am
BYO: Garden tools
Morning tea will be provided.
Selecting delicious fresh produce

Here are some tips on choosing the best fresh fruit and vegetables for taste and storage:

- select fruit and vegetables that feel firm, smell nice and look fresh
- small or medium size fruit make good choices for children

Play cricket with Summer Hill

Cricket Club

Summer Hill Cricket Club is currently taking registrations for the coming season for children aged 7 and up who would like to play club cricket and join the kids from your school who already play club cricket as well as PSSA cricket. We play on Saturday mornings at grounds in the Canterbury Council area and we will also have the introductory format - Milo In2cricket for ages 4 to 7 at Pratten Park on Fridays from 5.30. For further information or to register, visit our website at http://www.summerhillcricketclub.org.au/ or contact the Junior coordinator Alan Arthur on 0402637615 for further info.

SHCC is part of the Inner West MILO T20 BLAST For girls, It is a modified form of cricket designed to introduce girls 8 to 12 years old to the game in a safe, fun and dynamic environment. There's music, dancing and CRICKET! It will be played at Petersham Oval on a Friday night starting at 5.15pm. This will be a girls only centre and is for girls who have not played before. It will start on the 16th October when we will have a come and try night. Contact Deb Smith - 0417 483 188 for further information.

Netball Success

Congratulations to the Junior A, Junior B and Senior B netball teams who played in the semi finals and finals on Friday 14th August at Clemton Park Netball Courts.

All girls displayed outstanding team work and sportsmanship on and off the courts. The defence and attack was exceptional in all games as well as the pride the girls showed in representing our school.

The final results are as follows:

Junior A - 4th
Senior A - 3rd
Junior A - 4th.

A special thanks to Mrs Bodell and Mrs Rigby who coached the teams throughout the session.
How Can You Maximise Your Child’s Learning At School??

Make sure they sleeps well.
The brain needs rest to work properly. It is then able to focus on tasks, put emotional experiences into context and create controlled and appropriate responses.

How much sleep do we need?
Primary students need 10-12 hours a day
High school students need 9-11 hours a day
Adults need 7-9 hours a day
♦ Parents can help by insisting on set bedtimes.
♦ Make sure their use of technology is appropriate
The amount of time children spend in front of a screen (computer, tablet or phone) can affect attention, concentration and mood. There can be a negative impact on children if too much time is spent using technology.

How much screen time is acceptable?
This depends on the purpose of the activity, but for non-learning activities up to 2 hours a day is fine - beyond that is leading to potential internet misuse.

How can I help as a parent?
No technology in bedrooms after a certain time, usually an hour before sleep.
Set the internet to cut off at a reasonable time if necessary.
Set up a charging point (maybe in the kitchen) for everyone’s device to charge overnight.
Encourage a balance between real world and virtual-world by encouraging friends, social activities and sports activities.

Checkout www.cybersmart.gov.au for ideas.

UNIFORM

As we move through the cooler days of August I continue to remind students and parents of the uniform requirements.
Canterbury South has a long tradition of high uniform standards and we ask that parents continue to support staff to ensure these high uniform standards are maintained.

Kindergarten 2016

If you have a child who is due to start school in 2016, please collect an enrolment form from the Office if you have not already done so. Don’t forget you need to include a copy of your child’s birth certificate or a valid passport, utility bill or rental agreement as well as an up to date Immunisation Certificate from Medicare.

TOYS

Over the past few weeks I have managed to accumulate a rather large collection of toys, mainly bought in by K-2 students. While these toys are a lot of fun to play with at home they are causing issues at school both in the classroom and in the playground. Please support us by not allowing your child to bring their toys to school. If you believe I may have your child’s belongings stored safely away in my office, you are welcome to come and collect them.
Music: Count Us In – GOLD
29 October 2015 – 12:30

71 Days to go! In 71 days we will be singing the same song at the same time together with 500,000 students across Australia. This year the song is called GOLD. Everyone is welcome at this community event in the Canterbury South Public School Hall at 12:30pm on Thursday 29 October.

Parents, students and friends... there is plenty of time to learn the piece so if you play an instrument grab a music score from Ms Young (she has them for just about every instrument imaginable) and come and be part of the fun. Do we have any bass guitar players or vocalists in our community? If so please contact Ms Young. If you would like an MP3 copy of the song please send in a USB in a named envelope and place it in the note box in the front office. For more information about this wonderful Music Program go to https://musicaustralia.org.au/program/countusin/

Music education has been proven to improve students’ literacy, numeracy, school attendance and confidence. Music: Count Us In brings teachers, parents, students and the music industry together in celebration, as more than half a million people unite to sing the same song at the same time, right across the country.
### BRONZE AWARDS

- Serina Allouche, Isa Withnall, Weskerr Alamgir, Darcy Brooke, Charlotte Hughes, Marco Sui—KA
- Nathan Duong, Luccas Afonso Lira—KL
- Jake Kennelly, Crystal Vu—1G
- Arshveer Singh Girn, Simeon Wood—3/4A
- Grace Meade, Khiem Tran, Ashley Howard—3/4S
- Sabrina Rando—4/5M

### SILVER AWARDS

- Elizabeth Turner—KL
- Sasha O'Keeffe-White, Leilani Kama—3/4S
- Yesmien Soeker—3/4A

Congratulations to our award winners!
Awards will be presented at the School Assembly on Friday 21 August 2015.

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**From the P&C**

**Upcoming Events – save the dates!**

- 50 cent Cake Stall – 4/5M is baking and selling this Friday 21st August
- Fathers’ Day Stall – 4th September. Interested in helping on the day?

**WOW WOW WOW WOW WOW**

You are an amazing team of fundraisers. More than 100 students brought back money from Kindergarten to Year 6. Thank you to every person who contributed.

- Girl who raised the most money—Charlotte Hughes—KA ($467)
- Boy who raised the most money—Owen Hume—1G ($385)

**CLASS PIZZA PARTY WINNERS— KA!!!!!!**

The P&C are still collecting!

Please drop at the front office.....

- Any clear empty plastic washing up bottles
- Take away boxes for the cake stall

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**Fathers’ Day Stall – 4th September 2015**

Buy the Dads a gift at the Father’s Day stall – loads to buy for $3, $5 & $10. Lots of handcrafted items again this time. Can you help? See Naz to offer suggestions or volunteer your time on the day.

**1C’s Cake Stall – possibly the fastest sell out EVER!**

Some amazing goodies from 1C – thank you so much for fabulous contributions which disappeared in minutes! ≈$130 raised.

**Next Term – Term 4**

Crazy Camel – look out for this 1st day back Term 4 questions feel free to ask.

**Christmas Raffle – thoughts, ideas, donations wanted**

- What do you think the P&C fundraising should be for?
- The P&C have been fundraising to improve the High Street playground and preserve the tree roots. That is a massive task and we are about half way there. After achieving that goal what would you like the P&C to do next?

**Final shout out regarding the Racecourse offer – Sunday Markets....**

Canterbury Race Course has new weekly Sunday markets and has approached the P&C offering a weekly stall. If there are a group of parents interested in coordinating a Sunday market stall or parents, staff etc with goods they would like to sell contact Sarah on csps.pandc@gmail.com for details.

**Uniform Shop – This Friday 21 August - only $2 per item!** Would you like to help?

**NEXT MEETING – Tuesday 1 Sept 2015 - 7pm in the staff room**

**Did you know?**

After every P&C meeting the meeting minute notes are typed up and available to be read. The notes detail everything that was discussed, so even if you can’t be at the meeting, you can read what happened. Interested? Pop your email address in the P&C box and we’ll sign you up to receive the minutes and agendas.

**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 Woggio!
ASHBURY FETE
PUBLIC SCHOOL

Trevenar St Ashbury

Saturday 29 August 10am-4pm

Buy plants, 2nd hand toys and books and homemade cakes, jams and craft
Win on the silent auction, raffle and tombola
Dine on delicious BBQ, soup and Indian
Ride the giant slide, zorb balls, tea cups, jumping castle and dodgem cars

CANTERBURY SOUTH PUBLIC SCHOOL
Art Show