From the Principal’s Desk...

Nationally Consistent Collection of Data

Collecting data on school students with a disability helps teachers, principals and education systems support the participation of all students in schooling on the same basis. All Australian Governments have agreed to work together on the annual collection of data on school students with disability.

Over the next ten weeks, our school – and cluster schools – will be participating in the nationally consistent collection of data process. Please be reassured that the Department will not provide to another organisation any data that can identify an individual student. The only data being collected at the school level to be reported nationally is the:

- Number of students in the school who are provided with an adjustment to address a disability;
- Level of adjustments we provide for those students; and
- Broad category of disability.

Consultation with parents is important not only for the data collection but also to ensure you are aware of the adjustments being provided to support your child. We will therefore continue to consult with you throughout this process, if your child is noted as receiving adjustments.

All students in the school will be subject to data collection processes, meaning that all students will be considered to see what adjustments (if any) we are providing for them and the disability that these adjustments address. Should you not want your child to participate, there is an opt-out consent process available. Please contact the school to discuss this process if you do not want your child to participate.

Further information and fact sheets are available to help you make a decision from the:


NAPLAN Testing this week

NAPLAN is an annual assessment for all students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9. It tests the types of skills that are essential for every child to progress through school and life. The tests cover skills in reading, writing, spelling, grammar and punctuation, and numeracy. It has been really pleasing to see our students putting in a fantastic effort for these tests. We look forward to seeing more great results in September when the 2014 data is released.

Supporting your P&C

Our P&C often struggles to get workers for a range of fundraising activities for the year, including our Fete and also the Show Bar at the Charleville Show. Our P&C raises funds to directly support your children – by way of significantly reduced uniform prices, and camp donations amongst many other subsidies. The P&C often has to decline fundraising activities throughout the year due to a lack of parent volunteers to help out. Without volunteers, our fundraising efforts are at risk of being stilted. So my challenge, and the challenge from the P&C is that each family volunteers at one event a year. With approximately 380 families. We should be able to achieve about 180 volunteers throughout the year, yet we struggle to have 30 regular volunteers to help out. Please consider how you might help out – it ultimately ends up helping your kids!

Regards,
Justin Kummerow
This week our students have been completing the NAPLAN testing as all students around the country are too. It has been exciting to see our students confident in their ability to have a go and do their best work. It is an opportunity for students to show what they know and can do. As the results are only returned to parents so late in the year it isn’t as useful for parents to see what their child is able to do, but rather indicated to parents how far their child has progressed in the two years following their child’s last NAPLAN tests. In the case of Year Three students, it is the beginning of marking their achievement that may be compared with their Year Five results in two years’ time. Well done to our students for doing their best!

I’d like to wish everyone a lovely long weekend- enjoy the Charleville Show and the time spent with your family!

Angela Everitt

Students of the Week Week Beginning 12/05/14

Prep Annabell Collins
Prep/1 Andrew Socko
Year 1 Alii Combe
Year 2 Gabriella Bennett
Year 2/3 Siara Mason
Year 3 Sebastian Leleca
Year 3/4 Alaene Whitt
Year 4/5 Duyen Nguyen
Year 5/6 Henry Lo
Year 6/7 Mirri-Mae Burnes

Reading Rocks
Week Beginning 12/05/14

Prep A Skytia Garnham
Prep/1 Hannah Burns
Year 1 Thomas Russell
Year 2 Luke Cavanagh
Year 2/3 Cheyenne Cavanagh
Year 3 Latiqua Coveney
Year 4/4 Angus Scheerer
Year 4/5 Brodie Goodman
Year 5/6 Whole Class
Year 6/7 Cody Brayley

MEAL DEAL

Wednesday 21 May 2014

Chicken & Gravy Roll and ice block $5

Orders MUST be in by Tuesday No orders taken Wednesday Morning

Slushies $2
This year in the Art room we have been learning about Visual Art and Music! Last term the students explored the elements Line and Colour in different Artworks. They created many pieces using these elements and found that they could all be creative in one way or another. The Year 5/6 and 6/7 classes were treated with drawing lessons from local artist Loretta Flanagan. They have gained many skills and we are grateful for the inspiration Loretta has given our talented sketchers. The students decided that they should enter some of their work into the local show this year. Be sure to head to the Arts Pavilion sometime this weekend and check out their fabulous work!

This term, we have started our Music units. The lower school are enjoying learning about rhythm and using their ‘singing’ voices. The middle years are challenged with creating a ‘soundscape’ using a variety of percussion instruments and the upper classes will have plenty of laughs as we ‘Beat to the Box!’
Term 2 has certainly kicked off with a bang and what a jam packed term we have had so far! Within the PE area of the CSS community we've witnessed some great participation and sportsmanship throughout our two Cross Country Carnivals.

CSS overall House winners were King with 156 points, GREAT WORK KING!!

Girls 8 Years: 1st Mamie Briggs  2nd Kitarna Gorringe  3rd Laura Sorrensen
Boys 8 Years: 1st Dylan Blackman  2nd Tallis Richards  3rd Bligh Palmer
Girls 9 Years: 1st Malissa Yard  2nd Sophie Baker  3rd Lailani Burns
Boys 9 Years: 1st Kipp Singleton  2nd Lacey Cavanough  3rd Jayme Bryant
Girls 10 Years: 1st Jasmin Woodman  2nd Michelle King  3rd Cassie Owczarek
Boys 10 Years: 1st Clay Usher  2nd Tyrees Gorringe  3rd Ty Percival
Girls 11 Years: 1st Matilda Vaggs  2nd Hayley Capewell  3rd Sophie Kelly
Boys 11 Years: 1st Aiden Webb  2nd David Wakefield  3rd Kye Smith
Girls 12 Years: 1st Kirra Halford
Boys 12 Years: 1st Trae-dee Gorringe  2nd Nash Kennedy  3rd Jacob Hammonds

Congratulations to all the students who participated and to the 10, 11, 12 Year olds who are eligible to participate at the Charleville and District Cross Country Carnival, held in Augathella on Wednesday 21st May. A huge thank you to Mick Donnellan, Justin Kummerow, Carley McCormack, Katrina Dunn, Tash Richards, Moera Hammonds and to the rest of CSS staff for their support and help on the day. Thank YOU!

District Sport

District Netball

Two of our CSS students, Amy Hammonds and Mimi-Maia Burns competed in the Charleville and District Netball Carnival in April on Sunday 27th April. Although these girls were unfortunately not selected to progress, there were some encouraging words that were passed on by the Manager, Nicole Reilly (Tambo SS):

"Nine games were played throughout the day. The girls got better and better as the day went on. They won two games and drew one. Outstanding performances by Amy Hammonds (CSS) & Lucy Frousheger. Well done girls on your effort!"

District Rugby League

Our CSS boys certainly made an impact at the South West District Trial Carnival, held in Roma on 27th April. Well done to Mr Kruger and to the boys who participated and played hard throughout the day – Cody Brayley, Mitch Walker, Nash Kennedy, Harry Springall, Charlie Richards, Brock Campbell and Jacob Hammonds. Best of luck and well done to Charlie Richards who has been selected as a shadow player to represent the South West Regional Team. Great work boys!