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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE:

Information for Parents about Class Structures— On Page 3 of this newsletter you will find a letter explaining the way we have structured classes. This is in response to some questions asked by parents and also a way to explain a little about how the stages of learning work in our NSW Schools. Please read the letter and feel free to see me if you have any questions.

Leadership Induction Assembly—The school celebrated the student leadership roles across the school with a special Induction Assembly last week. Students who have leadership roles in SRC, Library Monitors, Sports House Captains, School Captains and Student Leaders and Ministers of Parliament were all presented with their badges and then enjoyed some lovely refreshments provided by our P&C. Thanks to all parents and family members who were able to attend. Thank you to Amanda, Katrina and the P&C for the lovely food. Please check our school website for photos that have been shared from this assembly.

Anti-Racism Contact Officer (ARCO) - Mrs Ah Young Shelton is currently appointed as Campbelltown Public School's Anti-Racism Contact Officer (ARCO). This role comes with specific training. The Department of Education is committed to anti-racism in each school. The NSW Department's Anti-Racism Policy States that "No student, employee, parent, caregiver or community member should experience racism within the learning or working environment". Mrs Ah Young Shelton, in her role as ARCO, will work within the school to ensure everyone feels comfortable and safe by promoting a culture of respect and understanding.

CPS Goes ONLINE for NAPLAN! - This year our school will complete all NAPLAN tests online for the first time. In the last two years we have been involved in practice for this—with another practice scheduled for 28 March. The full NAPLAN will be conducted next term in Week 3.

Anna Butler
Principal

Principal's Certificates

Drashtant Rajput Præet Kaur

Betty Robertson

Anushka Ghose

Anthony Tuivale

DATES TO REMEMBER



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Please note that the School's Office hours are between 8.45am—3.30pm.



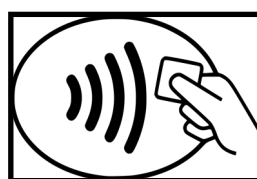
Fri 8th March	Zone Swimming Carnival
Tues 19th March	Assembly 2.15pm
Thur 21st March	Harmony Day
Fri 22nd March	Gala Day
Tues 26th March	Year 1 Vision screening

White Ribbons

Adam Bassal	Kira Duggan	Lochlan Sagigi	Lucas Chen
Sajad Kumail	Zephaniah Leupolu	August Paleeya	Brayan Binu
Deacon Henson-Grandison	Paige Jimenez	Zaiyden Osborne	Amari Aigaga-Liko
Sarah Bassal	Saja Hadid	Maddison Hallett	Imogen Kell-Marshall
Aries Mekaio	Eli Paulo	Ronald Roebeck-Sio Vaifale	Eva Boggian
Brayden Cox	Anushka Ghose	Heath Willis	Te Kaea Gordon Delamere
Zakariya Halabi	Amelia Hu'akau	Simapreet Kaur	Chayse McFarlane
Mikaela Reynolds	Moana Saumamao	Kristina Denny	Natolie Chan
Sharnay Gardner	Castella Moeka'a	Reva Mohan	Phoebe Mulipola
Lisa Thammavongsa	Nyle Wood	Zachariah Rodwell-Nelson	John Seufale

SCHOOL STUDENT BANKING EVERY WEDNESDAY 9.30 am

Drop bank book in the purple bin in the front office.



Eftpos is available at the School Office for Excursions and Uniform payments.





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Class Structures at Campbelltown Public School Information for Parents

In our NSW Public School system, we are required to follow certain policies and procedures for the structure of classes and groupings. These policies and procedures are there to ensure we have the optimum ratio of teachers to students according to age and development. An example of this is that our kindergarten classes 'need not exceed' twenty students, our Year one & two classes 'need not exceed' 25 students, and all other classes 'need not exceed' 30 students.

Due to the policies and procedures, it is often necessary for us to combine students from different grades to form composite or multi-age classes.

At Campbelltown Public School, we have formed many composite classes this year and for many years previously for various reasons. The main reason is to distribute the number of students according to Department policies.

However, the second reason is that we find it provides more cohesive and harmonious classrooms for students if we ensure the best possible *social mix* in all our classes. To do this we combine students of the same stage of learning together. The stages of learning, as per the NSW Curriculum, are over two years (except for kindergarten) and are as follows:

Early Stage 1 - Kindergarten

Stage 1 - Year 1 and Year 2

Stage 2 - Year 3 and Year 4

Stage 3 - Year 5 and Year 6

Very occasionally, we need to combine classes from two different stages. This is because we need to meet the number requirements in the lower grades; however, the mix is still based on social cohesion. *We have not structured our classes based on academic achievement, extension or remediation.*

What does all this mean for your child? Whether your child is in a regular grade class, a stage composite class or an across stage composite class their learning is expertly assessed and addressed by our teachers who cater for students as individuals within their class. Teachers are able to access curriculum from the full continuum of Early Stage 1 through to Stage 3 to fulfil learning needs of all students within their individual classrooms. Within each class, teachers are able to provide learning support and extension where required.

I hope this helps to answer some questions for parents. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any further questions.

Anna Butler—Principal



CAMPBELLTOWN OUTREACH EVENT

MONDAY 18TH MARCH, 10.30am – 1.30pm
@ HURLEY PARK HALL
161 DUMARESQ STREET, CAMPBELLTOWN

Families experiencing financial hardship can attend to;

- Pick up toiletry packs, nappies, and other essentials
- Collect pre-ordered food packs (these must be booked in advance by texting 0402 787 571)
- Receive free resources to help with family budgeting and managing finances
- Order in advance an item of need or a birthday gift for a child (for eligible families only)
- Learn about other support for financial hardship

NO CASH OR VOUCHERS WILL BE AVAILABLE

Sydney Help Hub is an initiative of



For further information call 0402 787 571 or email
mail@prosperprojectaustralia.org

