

SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Term 2, Week 6, 2nd June 2023

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Creswick Primary School's Vision is to create a respectful and welcoming environment where parents, teachers and community members nurture students to achieve their best on an academic, social and emotional level.

CALENDAR

Monday 5th June Friday 9th June

Monday 12th June

Thursday 15th June

Friday 16th June

Thursday 22nd June

Thursday 22nd June to Friday 23rd June

Ecolinc Senior Unit Incursion

Sporting Schools

Kings Birthday Public Holiday

School Photos

Sporting Schools

Prep, 1, 2, 3 and 4 Sovereign Hill Excursion

Grade 5/6 Camp

From the Principal's Desk

After today there is only 3 weeks left in this term. Where has the time gone? It's hard to believe that the first 6 weeks have been able to go past so quickly, but with everything going on within the school it just makes the time fly. This week saw our Grade 3's head off to Log Cabin Camp in Creswick. Luckily I had the opportunity to head out there a couple of times to visit and I can't express highly enough how well they all handled themselves. A huge thankyou goes out to Lyn, Mrs Davies and Miss Sutton for attending the camp and making sure our students had an amazing experience. Without our dedicated staff, we aren't able to run extra-curricular activities such as camps and excursions, so if you get the opportunity, please thank all of our staff for the extra things that they do.

An update on everyone's favorite Friday Assembly game...at Assembly last week, I scored a very respectable 11 out of 13! Given that the students that I had to identify were ALL OF THE TWINS in the school, I feel that's an effort worth acknowledging. Of course when I inevitably fall back into the usual performance after last week, I won't necessarily be announcing it to you all!

Unfortunately, due to reasons out of our control, we had to cancel our school photos. This is a friendly reminder that they will now take place on Thursday the 15th of June, so plan you hair appointments accordingly.

It's important to still be aware, that given the weather, Covid is increasing again. One school in Ballarat last week had 50% of the students away last week due to Covid. Whilst not at that level, we do have it going around our school too, please be vigilant and if you need some RAT tests, we do have some at the front office.

As part of the school council's responsibility, we have been reviewing all of our operating expenses across the school. Like everyone's budget, we have to make decisions on what provides the best opportunities at school for our children and have had to make a difficult decision to cease operating the canteen from the beginning of term three. The cost to run the canteen has continued to increase over a number of years. In the current economic environment, canteen is not sustainable or viable at this point in time.

We are incredibly grateful to our canteen manager, Cate Walker, who has managed the canteen for the past five years. Cate's passion for engaging and welcoming all the children is a credit to Cate and she is well loved by all. A very big thank you to Cate!

Special lunches and other activities will still be offered at different times throughout the year. Whilst we appreciate that this may be disappointing for your children, we are looking into options for external providers to provide canteen style lunches. We will be approaching local businesses in the near future to see what they may be able to offer. We will ensure that we keep you informed once a decision has been made.

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

TERM 2 WEEK 4











RESPECT

SAFETY

GRADE 3/4D	STUDENT Zek	VALUE Resilience
3/4S	Reagan	Personal Best
3/4S	Nixin	Personal Best
5/6H	Kieran	Personal Best
5/6K	Lainey	Resilience
5/6H	Calen	Respect

REASON

For showing persistence when solving subtraction problems with renaming.

For putting in a terrific effort to find information on camel's for her information report.

For always using his time efficiently in class to complete work to a high standard. $\,$

For using his prior knowledge and evidence to make inferences about the Gold Rush.

For taking on feedback to improve her Creswick Cemetery recount.

For collecting his information about the miners from the first Mining Disaster at the Creswick Cemetery in a respectful manner.

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK TERM 2 WEEK 5





GRADE

Prep S





RESPECT

includes fingers spaces.

REASON



SAFETY

For being a focused learner during our Earth Ed

For working hard to write a Webex narrative that

For consistently remaining a focused and active

For consistently giving 5 in all learning situations.

BEST

STUDENT VALUE William Respect

1/2B Vasilije Personal Best

1/2C Jack Q Respect

3/4S Kye Respect

learner during whole class discussions and always using beautiful manners.

5/6H Tilly Resilience For her ongoing commitment towards her Maths

development.

5/6K Joshua Resilience For taking on feedback to add more detail in his letter

to Sovereign Hill.

PE SNR Reagan Resilience For completing the Beep test after a rough morning.

ART JNR 1/2B Respect For all being AMAZING cleaners at the end of each Art session.

SESSIOI

ART SNR Billy Respect For asking relevant but respectful questions regarding National Sorry Day.



Values

The Values Winners have demonstrated our School Values

Winners

- Personal Best - Respect

- Safety

- Resilience

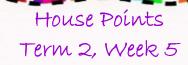
Term 2 Week 5



Breakfast Club

Term 2, Week 5







If Your Child Is Sick...

If your child has a sore throat, runny nose, cough or other cold/flu like symptoms

PLEASE DO NOT

send your child to school.

Where there are signs and symptoms of Gastro, there is a 24 hour exclusion period where your child

MUST

be kept at home.



VALUES TROPHY Term 2, Week 5





GOLDFIELDS ATHLETICS DAY

On Friday we had 47 students qualify for the Goldfields District Athletics Championships from our House Athletics. All students did extremely well, with many achieving their Personal Bests. From this level of competition we have had at least 14 students qualify for the Eureka Division Athletic Championships in September. As the 9 year olds do not go any further in the competition levels, we had another 5 students who would have qualified at a higher level, so our future athletics 'stars' are looking very promising. Well done to all our students who competed, you did your school proud!











TERM 2 CRESWICK PRIMARY AFTER SCHOOL NETBALL



Another Term of After-School netball has started up on Wednesday nights at Ballarat Netball Association. This term we have 19 students playing, 17 from CPS and 3 from CNPS. Schools we have played so far include Newington & Siena PS.

Every student has represented our school with pride and displayed our four school values of Respect, Resilience, Personal Best and Safety.

If your child is in the Senior Unit (Years 3-6) and wishes to join our After-School Netball side, please contact Miss Katelyn Sutton for more details. All welcome. No prior experience required.



<u>INDONESIAN NEWS</u>

Why learn another language?

Learning another language fosters students' ability to think and reflect about the workings of language, and to develop mental flexibility and problem-solving strategies. It also increases opportunities and abilities to develop interpersonal skills and cultural awareness.

Why Indonesian?

Indonesian language skills can open doors to a wide range of employment opportunities in areas of government, education, business, tourism, travel, translating and interpreting, the military, medicine, law, engineering and journalism. South-east Asia has undergone enormous change over the past thirty years and as Australia's nearest Asian neighbour Indonesia is a fascinating and affordable country in which to travel, study or work. It is interesting to know that Indonesian and Malaysian are a little easier for English speakers to learn than some other Asian languages.

How do we learn Indonesian at Creswick Primary School?

By having fun! The best way for a student to acquire language is to make it enjoyable. We sing, colour, draw, share cultural stories, perform, make, play games – lots of games! – and we are learning all while participating as a team, class or individual.

Over the next few newsletters we will be sharing our language learning with you!























National Sorry Day is a day to acknowledge the strength of Stolen Generations Survivors and reflect on how we can all share in the healing process. Students in Years 3-6 spent time learning about the significance of National Sorry Day and reflecting on how they can contribute to the healing process.







Meet your School Council Members

Hi Everyone! I'm **Julia Cornwell** and am fortunate to be your School Council President for 2023. My daughter, Audrey, is currently a student in grade 3. Our older children, Charlie and Emily, graduated C.P.S. in 2012 and 2014. I have been involved with school council for a number of years and look forward to working with you and our school council to support our children.

Hi all, I'm **Ben Gallagher** and I am the current Acting Principal at Creswick Primary School. I am excited to be a part of this very enthusiastic school council. I have 2 children that are in secondary school at Damascus College in Ballarat, one in Year 9 and the other in Year 12.

Hello, my name is **Jaclyn Hand**, I'm currently the Vice President of school council. I'm mum to William in grade four and Annabelle in grade two.

My name is **Megan Jackson**, I am the lucky and proud parent of Lucy (Grade 5), Holly (Grade 3) and Ted (Prep). All three of my children have enjoyed their time at Creswick Primary and we have been grateful to have such a positive and supportive school. I am a parent member of school council and I look forward to supporting our school in being an enjoyable and supportive place for all who are involved.

Hi everyone my name is **Karina Pring** and I have the privilege of being a parent member on the school council. My daughter Penny attends CPS and is in grade 1 this year.

My name is **Tahlia Horsburgh**, I am the Parents and Friends representative on our School Council. I have two children at CPS Nixin in grade 4 and Maicee in grade 1.

My name is **Bec Grigg** and I am currently a parent member on the Creswick Primary School Council. I have two sons that attend Creswick PS, Charlie in Grade 4 and John in Grade 2.

Meet your School Council Members

My Name is **Chris Geljon**. Im the father of 2 children Elliot who is in grade Prep at CPS and Zarah who is 2. I'm looking forward to being involved in the school community and supporting our students. I work in operations with the state government and in my spare time I enjoy getting outside and tinkering in my shed.

I'm **Jane Neville** - since joining our school in 2012 I have taught in different roles, most recently as art teacher. I also spent 20+ years in the corporate sector. I "retired" from teaching earlier this year, but have recommenced as a CRT, and am looking forward to contributing to the wellbeing of the school in my new role as a community member on the council.

My name is **Nick Whitear** and I have been a teacher at Creswick Primary School for the last 13 years. I have been a member of school council for much of my time at C.P.S. and am excited to continue in the role. Outside of my time at C.P.S. I enjoy playing soccer and watching my favourite footy team the Fremantle Dockers.

My name is **Katelyn Sutton**, I am currently teaching Grade 3/4 and have been on School Council, as a Department of Education member for 5 years. I was very fortunate to begin my teaching career here at C.P.S 8 years ago.

My name is **Jaye Kennedy**, I am currently teaching Grade 5/6, am a Learning Specialist and am excited to become a new Department of Education member on the School Council. My two children are now attending high school in Ballarat, however, were previously students at Creswick PS and loved their time here.

Please don't hesitate to reach out to any of the School Council Members if there are any school council matters you would like to discuss. You can catch many of us at school drop off and pick up. Alternatively, please leave your details with the office and our School Council President will be in touch.

Values Trophy — Term 2, 2023

Week	Value	Area	What We Are Looking For:
1	Respect	Play Areas	Displaying manners and sportsmanship towards others when playing games outside eg. through actions, speaking nicely, etc.
2	Safety	Near classrooms	Lining up safely and respectfully when coming in from recess and lunch time.
3	Personal Best	Classrooms	Having the cleanest classroom.
4	Resilience	MPB, outside playing areas	The grade demonstrating the most resilience in PE during classes.
5	Respect, Resilience, Personal Best & Safety	Classrooms	The grade with the most Positive Behaviour awards in the room.
6	Respect	LOTE Room	The grade demonstrating the most respect in LOTE during classes.
7	Resilience	Tech Room	Working as a team in Tech.
8	Respect	Art Room	The grade demonstrating the most respect in Art during classes.
9	Safety	Courtyard, Inside, etc	Walking through the courtyard, office areas and inside buildings



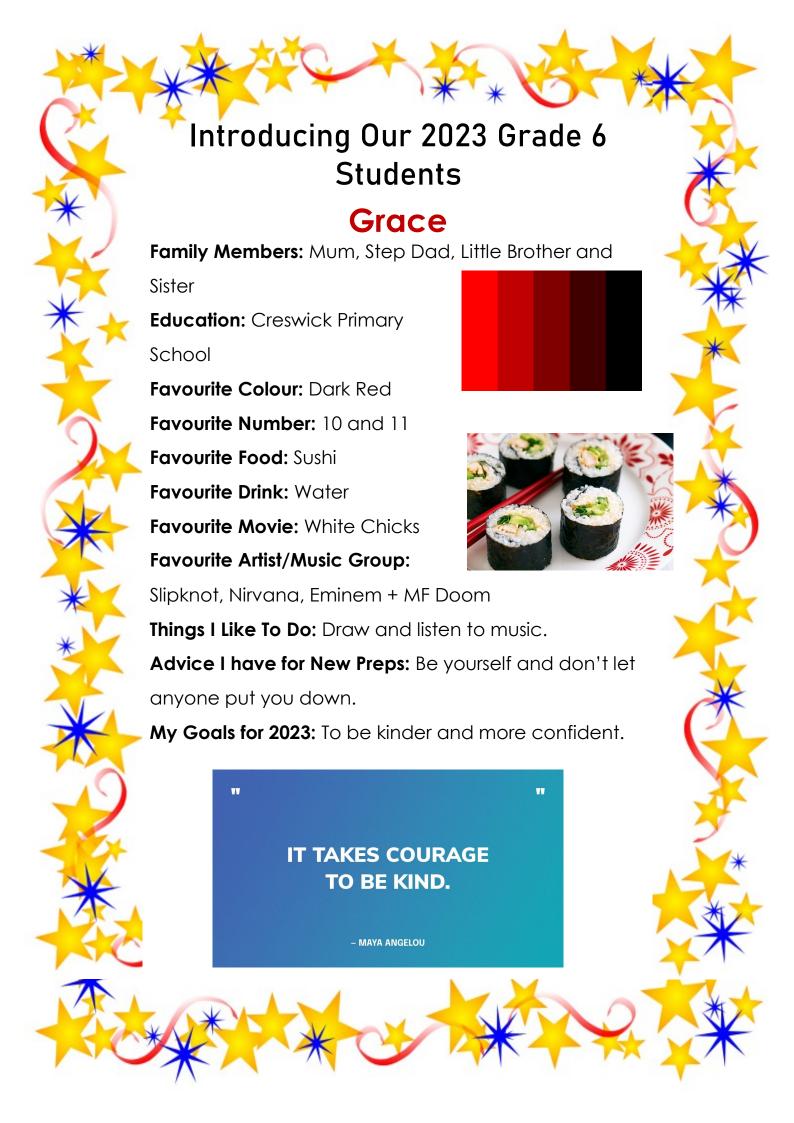
VALUES TROPHY



Our School Captains will be looking for students who demonstrate the following values:

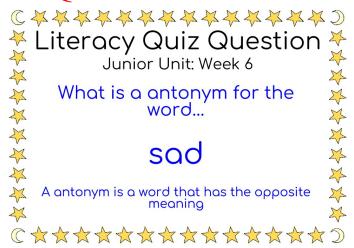
WEEK 7	VALUES Resilience	WHAT WE ARE LOOKING FOR Working as a team in Tech.

8 The grade demonstrating the most Respect respect in Art during classes.



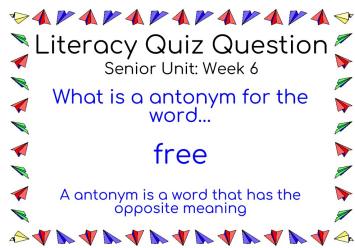


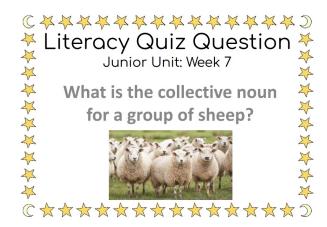
LITERACY QUESTION OF THE WEEK

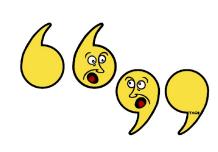




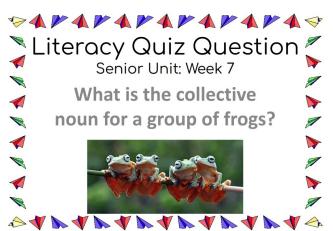














Respect Personal Best Safety Resilience

Late in Term 2 Creswick Primary School was announced as the recipient of the Bronze Award for their School Wide Positive Behaviour (SWPB) program. This award is in recognition of achieving the incremental (Blue through to Gold) Bronze level standard of this program. Creswick PS has been part of the SWPB program for the past 6 years, lead by Ms Oriana Colangelo as the co-ordinator. Oriana had been a key person with SWPB at her previous school and was the driving force in in making it an initiative at our school. This has involved forming a 'School Wide' team and liaising with the Regional Coach, currently Martine Wakeham, who has worked closely with staff at Creswick, by conducting Professional Development sessions across the school.

The program can be defined as strategies that are adopted across an entire school with the aim of setting clear, consistent expectations and positive values. It is an evidence-based behaviour support for all students.

As part of the SWPB program we use a variety of structures within our school to foster a positive environment with all stakeholders (students, staff, and parents / carers) having a clear understanding of expected behaviours. We consistently reward positive student behaviour both in the classroom and outside in the yard. Students receive 'raffle tickets' and these 'raffle tickets' are drawn out each week at Assembly and may include: Ollie time (time spent with our school dog), the class receiving a 30 minutes game, having lunch in the staffroom, sitting in the teacher's chair for the day and so on.

The consequences of inappropriate behaviours are also clearly displayed in flow charts, ensuring that students and staff fully understand what behaviours accepted and what is not.

As we are the only school in the Region to hold this status, we will now be open to hosting other schools in the area to share our journey and assist them in making links within their own schools. We have also been asked to make a sequential and clearly detailed presentation to a larger education forum during Term 2, to share our journey and key ideas, including celebrations and challenges, that we had encountered

along the way.







NEW RESIDENTS WELCOME EVENT

Saturday 3 June at 3 pm

Senior Citizens Centre - Water St Creswick

Register: railwayworkshops@gmail.com or SMS 0407 622 463

OR Register in person at the Creswick Shire Hub / Library

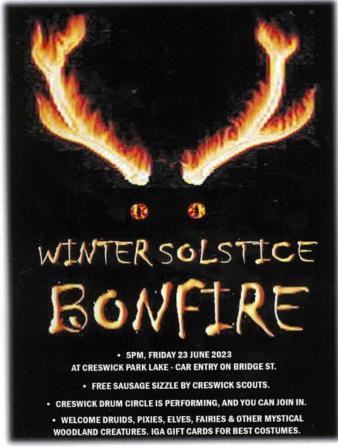
Representatives from the CFA, SES, Parks Vic and Victoria Police present useful information about their respective Agencies, take questions and spend time chatting after the presentations. The Hepburn Shire Council is represented as a sponsor via a Community Grant. Community Groups are showcased with key members present to detail the range of activities on offer to the Community. There is an activity to meet the needs of most locals, from social to sporting!

Local Real Estate Agents have supported this Welcome Event for many years by donating gifts for a Lucky Door Prize. In addition, our local IGA provides a Gift Voucher to each new resident. Afternoon Tea will be supplied by a local Café and is always delightful.

The Free Event is facilitated by the Creswick Railway Workshops Assoc Inc., (CRWA) together with the University of the Third Age (U3A)



"It was very informative and wonderful to meet so many people who volunteered their time to promote organisations and groups around Creswick. I feel very welcomed!".























STRAP YOURSELF IN FOR EXTEND'S GALAXY OF FUN

Explore the far reaches of space with sci-fi and science themed incursions and excursions!

Have a blast with a variety of team games, science experiments and more at every service!

CREATE THE GREATEST
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INCURSION FOR YOUR SERVICE!
DISCOVER ENLIDESS FUN THESE SCHOOL
HOUDAYS WITH EXTENDE

For FANTABULOUS FUN book your School Holidays at extend.com.au

Book 14 days in advance to receive the Early Bird Rate

SCHOOL PHOTOS

Due to School Photos being postponed, they will now be held on Thursday the 15th of June. Order forms have been sent home, if you are missing one or still need one, please contact the office.





FROM THE OFFICE Voluntary Fees

Voluntary Fees can be paid at the office by cash, credit card or via BPay. The fees are:

- \$95 per child for Grade Prep,
- \$125 per child for Grades 1-2
- \$115 per child for Grades 3-6.





Looking to get some cricket in this winter? Why not join in the fun at the Renegades School Holiday Program in Ballarat, held in the comfort of the local Indoor Centre.

MELBOURNE RENEGADES SCHOOL HOLIDAY CAMPS - AGES 7-10

Major League Ballarat - Ballarat Monday 26 June 2023 Time 9.00am - 3.00pm

Cost: \$99 - Renegades member-only price: \$74 (check your member emails for a promo code)



Designed for Junior Gaders aged 7-10 years old, this one-day camp will feature fun, fully supervised cricket activities, games, giveaways and more!

Places are strictly limited at each camp. Please note that we do not operate waiting lists for these events - it is first in, best dressed until the camp is sold out!

Participants will need to bring their own food & drinks to the camp. Note that no nut products are permitted to be brought to the camp. There will be a fully supervised lunch break on the day.

Parents/guardians do not have to stay for the entire day. Any Renegades player appearances are subject to availability.