



### PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE - SHELLEY DIAMOND

#### Mother's Day Celebrations

What a wonderful week of stalls, breakfast and well wishes to the loved women in our lives. Thank you to our amazing P&C and volunteers for the beautiful stall, all set up for the children to go shopping, They **LOVE** shopping for you! The gifts were lovely and we hope you all enjoyed the surprises. The annual Mother's Day breakfast was attended by over 250 people on Thursday morning. We drew on canvasses, ate, played games and of course our tradition "the Chippo dance off". Thank you to everyone who came along and the kind feedback. The team involved – Mrs Mags, Mrs El Saj, Mrs Armstrong, Mrs Cheung, Mrs Hennessey and all the staff who helped set up and pack up...just amazing!





### **External Validation**

Tomorrow is a **BIG** day at Chipping Norton. We will have an external panel visit the school between 9-12pm to do a walk around, and then sit with the External Validation team to look at judgements of our school based on the SCHOOL EXCELLENCE FRAMEWORK and the supporting evidence included to validate our decisions. We are excited and very proud of our submission. Many, many hours of work has gone into the submission and it has allowed us to see the progress and improvements we have made over the past 5 years, since our last validation.

### **Interrelate Education Sessions**

This Wednesday evening starting at 6pm in the school library we have two sessions with Interrelate running. The first session is for Stage 2 students (Stage 3 are welcome to attend also) titled “Where did I come from?” and the second session from 7pm is for Stage 3 students, “Preparing for Puberty”. I cannot recommend these sessions enough. Whether you think your child is ready or not, puberty and growing up happens to all children. Interrelate is run by professional educators, who make the session fun but also comfortable for all. We only have 9 families from 100 families attending. Think seriously about this wonderful opportunity. **\$35 per family – payments MUST be made tomorrow!**

### **Zone Cross Country**

Wishing the best of luck to all 57 students attending the Zone Cross Country carnival at South Park on Tuesday 23 May. GO CHIPPO!

### **Queen’s Jubilee Planting Day**

You might recall last year, we received a grant for the Queen’s Jubilee celebrations. This included over 300 plants for our school. We invited local State Minister Dai Le to plant the first of these. Next Thursday 25 May we will be planting all of these, with all children able to plant one plant in our school. I would like to thank Grant from Georges River Environmental Education Centre, and Mr Bao for their organisation and preparation for the big day.

### **Staffing Update**

I would like to warmly welcome Mrs Despotov (Mrs D to the students) to the role of Teacher Librarian in 2023. Mrs Despotov has come to us from Carlingford Public School, replacing Mr Mifsud. She will be relieving in the library for Mrs Washington this year. Here are some interesting things about Mrs D:

- She loves the library
- Loves Lego and photography
- Has two children
- Mrs D has a Grand Ecletis parrot called Astro Boy
- Her favourite food is pasta and noodles.





### **Sydney Opera House Project**

It is exciting that we are embarking on our 7th year with the Sydney Opera House, in the Creative Learning project. 5/6 Japan and Mrs Dore are off to the Opera House this Wednesday to see the live show “We come from Far, Far Away.” Enjoy!

### **Attendance Updates**

Please ensure your child is at school every day they are well enough to attend. You must have a Doctor’s Certificate if your child is away for 3 consecutive days. Please provide specific reasons why your child is absent – not just sick or unwell, please be more specific. We thank you for your assistance. **100% attendance badges will be handed out at the end of this term at assembly to students who have attended every day in Semester 1.**

Have a great fortnight! There is lots of sickness around, so please take care.







## Getting Along

Getting Along is shown when young people work cooperatively with each other, resolve conflicts by discussion rather than fights, manage their anger, show tolerance, and follow school and home rules and expectations, including making responsible choices so that everyone's rights are protected. Getting Along also involves young people making positive contributions to helping others and to making the school, home, and community safer, healthier, and good places to live and learn.

### Practical Things You Can Do to Help Your Child Get Along

- Acknowledge and praise your young child when he/she is demonstrating good getting along skills.
- Do not use sarcasm, put your child down, communicate with a negative tone of voice, or become furious when your child misbehaves.
- Teach your child what to say when he/she meets someone new (introduce himself/herself by name, say "hello", smile).
- Teach your child to take turns when playing.
- Teach your child the importance of telling the truth, not saying mean things to someone else, and doing something nice for someone who has hurt feelings or is sad.
- Avoid placing your child together with a child who does not get along well with others.
- Provide opportunities for your child to share his/her toys with another child. Then praise your child for doing so.
- Provide opportunities for your child to experience taking turns with someone when doing something he/ she likes to do. Acknowledge his/her patience in waiting his/her turn.
- Always communicate in a friendly, kind manner with your child.



## **Classroom Spotlight - K Korea**

It has been an incredible Term 2 already for K Korea and the term is only going to get busier, with students already making such huge progress! I can't wait to continue to watch our little Kindies blossom to the clever kids that they are!

K Korea really are shining, and I am so proud of everyone's accomplishments! In saying this, what a great way to start the busy term celebrating 50 days of Kindergarten, proving that we are 50 days smarter! Kindergarten had the opportunity to think creatively and dress up in a 50s outfit and parade for everyone to see. Everyone looked fabulous! Congratulations to Allen who won the 'best dressed' award. He was so happy! K Korea received their certificates, completed fun activities with their Year 6 buddies and enjoyed delicious cupcakes. It was a great day!

In literacy, students have been challenged to begin writing in their writing books. Their first task was to write a recount of our 50 days of Kindergarten celebration. I am so pleased to say that K Korea have been so engaged and hardworking! Everyone has been so persistent, using their known sounds and butterfly chart to help them spell tricky words. We have also been looking closely at nouns, verbs and adjectives! In addition, students have been participating in guided reading and have been so engaged with our phonics program. K Korea LOVE to read and brainstorm words that begin with the learnt phonemes (sounds) and graphemes (letters).

We have mathematicians in K Korea! Students have explored volume and mass and have been participating in a range of engaging numeracy rotations. Students are developing their mathematical thinking by being able to explain their mathematical reasoning to their peers. K Korea also loved experimenting with water and chickpeas to measure volume and used the strategy 'hefting' to compare the mass of two objects. We even had a paper plane investigation involving mass! Who said Maths can't be fun?

I have loved seeing K Korea embracing their talents and collaborating with one another! We have been practising a class item with K Vanuatu, ready to present at our Week 7 assembly! Kindergarten have been extending themselves and are really enjoying the music and dance component involved. We can't wait for everyone to see!

K Korea, you are all such great learners as you all have achieved so much already! I am so proud of every single one of you! Keep up the brilliant work.

Mrs Kim



## P & C News

Hello CNPS families!

We hope all our families had a wonderful Mother's Day, celebrating the special women in our lives! I'm sure there were some very happy mums opening their special gifts so carefully chosen by the kids from our amazing Mother's Day stall! Thank you to all the volunteers who made the stall so special!

We'd like to invite you to our next **P&C meeting this Wednesday 17 May at 7pm**. This week our meeting will be held in the staffroom.

Please come along and find out about all the exciting things coming up at CNPS! Hope to see you there.

### Upcoming dates

- 16/5 External Validation
- 17/5 Interrelate Night Session
- 17/5 P & C meeting
- 18/5 SRC Mufti Day for the Children's Hospital
- 23/5 Zone Cross Country
- 24/5 Parent Forum Homework
- 25/5 Kindergarten 2024 Open Day
- 27/5 Cinema under the Stars



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