Compton Primary School Newsletter

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## Shared Values - Respect, Perseverance, Resilience, Kindness

|  | WHAT'S ON |
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| WEDNESDAY: | Drinks Day, Hot Lunches |
| THURSDAY: | Pie Drive Orders Due |
| FRIDAY: |  |
| MONDAY: | Muffin Monday, |
| TUESDAY: | Choir Rehearsal |
| WEDNESDAY: | Drinks Day, Hot Lunches, <br>  <br> Choir Performance |
| THURSDAY: | PJ Day, Pie Drive Delivery |
| FRIDAY: | Show Day- School Closed |
| MONDAY: | Muffin Monday, |
| TUESDAY: |  |

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## GIVEN TO STUDENTS

Crystal Creations Fundraiser- Expression of Interest School Photo Order Envelopes

## Welcome to Week 1 Term 4!

How in the world did we get here this quickly? It has been lovely to chat to the kids about their break and whether they were happy to be back at school!

## Mt Gambier Choir Performance

Good luck to our choir students who are performing at the Sir Robert Helpmann Theatre next week. I am sure they will have an amazing experience. Just a reminder that there is no choir practice next Monday, instead - a combined school practice will take place on Tuesday the 19th of October from 9:45am.

## Review

Compton will be involved in an External Review as per our three year improvement cycle. This means that a review officer and like principal will visit the school on Monday the $1^{\text {st }}$ of November to visit me, the classes, teachers, SSOs and parents. There will be two lines of enquiry in which they will look for

| IMPORTANT DATES |  |
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|  | November |
| Monday $1^{\text {sT }}$ | Review |
| Tuesday $2^{\text {ND }}$ | School Photo, Finance, Governing Council \& Fundraising, Meeting |
| Wednesday $10{ }^{\text {TH }}$ | Pupil Free Day |
| Friday $12^{\text {TH }}$ | Purple Day (remembering Mrs Dawe) |
| Friday $26^{\text {T }}$ | Small School Sports Day |
| Monday $29{ }^{\text {TH }}$ | Year 6 Transition day to High School |
| Tuesday $30^{\text {TH }}$ | Year 7 Transition day to High School |
|  | December |
| Wednesday $1^{\text {sT }}$ | Transition day |
| Thursday $2^{\text {ND }}$ | Transition day |
| Friday $10{ }^{\text {T }}$ | End of Term 4, Early Dismissal 2:25 |

## TERM DATES FOR 2021

Term $319^{\text {h }}$ Jul $-24^{\text {th }}$ Sept Term $411^{\text {th }}$ Oct $-10^{\text {th }}$ Dec
TERM DATES FOR 2022
Term 1 31 ${ }^{\text {st }}$ Jan $-14^{\text {h }}$ April Term $22^{\text {nd }}$ May - $8^{\text {th }}$ July Term $325^{\text {h }}$ Jul $-30^{\text {th }}$ Sept Term $417^{\text {th }}$ Oct $-16^{\text {th }}$ Dec
evidence and report on and this information will set a direction for our next three year improvement cycle. If you are a parent who would like to be involved in the process, talking about their experience at Compton and are free from 2:30-3:10pm, please let me know this week. These reviews have been a good experience in the past and I am certain it will continue to be a pleasant process this term.

## Important Dates!

Please pop the following dates in your calendar:
Next Thursday the 21st October is PJ Day an event to raise awareness and funds for children in Foster Care. Students can wear their PJs, dressing gowns, Oodies, night caps and slippers to school with a gold coin donation. Students are asked to bring outdoor footwear on the day if wearing slippers. (Please note that is was originally
scheduled for Friday but has been changed.)
Next Friday the $\mathbf{2 2}^{\text {nd }}$ of October is our annual 'Day of Local Significance' and will be a school closure day.
The Wednesday of week 5, (10th November) will be our last Pupil Free Day for the year where staff will undertake data analysis and planning for 2022.
Lastly, Friday the $\mathbf{1 2}^{\text {th }}$ of November (week 5) will be our annual 'Purple Day' for the Cancer Council, in memory of Mrs Dawe. Information is attached to this newsletter (Crystal Creations) and has been printed and given to your eldest child.

## Pie drive

We would like to thank the Ok Pie Shop for helping us with our current pie drive fundraiser. You can buy family size sweet and savoury pies and pasties, along with small pies and sausage rolls. Orders need to be placed by this Thursday the $14^{\text {th }}$ October, for delivery next Thursday.

## Book Fair/ Pop Its

Thank you to all of the families who purchased a book, stationary or a toy from our Book Fair in term three. We were able to raise $\$ 140$. for the school, which is a fantastic effort! Please note that the last key ring Pop Its are for sale in the Front Office. See Mrs Lennerth if you would like to purchase one.

## Baby photos

It is that time of the year when we are starting to organise Graduation Night! We ask that families of our 6/7 students to please select some photos for our surprise presentation on the night. With so many students, we ask that you keep to 4 photos maximum which we can select from when we know how much time we can devote to the PowerPoint considering we have 31 children graduating! You can bring in original photos for us to scan or you can send them in on USB or email them. It is nice to have a variety of shots from throughout their life especially one as a baby. It is lovely to watch the faces of the students when they see the surprise presentation.

## Bec Keeley

# Pastoral Care 



Don't Compare Yourself! Oscar Wilde once said, 'Be yourself! Everyone else is already taken!

When we are growing up, we might start to compare ourselves to the friends around us. EVERYONE is very different and that is perfectly OKAY!
Don't compare yourself to other people. FOCUS on YOURSELF, on your own goals and accomplishments. If you need to compete, compete with yourself. Strive for constant self-improvement - to be the BEST VERSION of you.
When you compare yourself to others, you lose confidence in yourself.
There is no comparison between an apple and an orange. They are both unique, have different textures, different flavours, different colours. YOU are UNIQUE too, so be the BEST VERSION of you today.
Enjoy your time over the school holidays and stay safe.
Pam Young
Pastoral Care Worker

## Leadership

Welcome back everyone we hope you had a wonderful holiday!
This week all the classes are taking part in the Footsteps Dance program to get us back into school routine.
This is a great way for us to start Term 4.
We hope you are just as excited as us to be back, finishing this amazing year of learning!
Thank you to everyone who brought from our Bookfair last term, we greatly appreciate it and I expect that you all enjoyed your purchase.


1 of the epic things that is planned for this term is our PJ Day which is next Thursday 21st October.

We encourage everyone to come in their PJs and make a gold coin donation which goes to the children in Foster Care.

Hot Lunches - Every Wednesday
Orders can be made via message on Facebook or Email to betty.lennerth10@schools.sa.edu.au
payment must be made by Tuesday on our website. www.comptonps.sa.edu.au If you don't know your family ID just put your family name.
Twista Pasta $\$ \mathbf{3 . 6 0}$
Fried Rice $\quad \$ 3.60$
Beef Lasagne \$3.60
Pizza Singles \$2.50



## Drinks Day

Every Wednesday the Year 6/7 Class run a 'Drinks Day' shop at the beginning of lunch. Items available are:

Jelly Cups @ \$1.00
Flavours-
Tropical
Raspberry
Mango

## Zooper Doopers @ 40c

## Dried Fruit @ .80c

## Flavours - Sultana \& Cranberry Sultana \& Apple Sultana \& Apricot Sultana

## Frozen Yoghurt @ \$2.00c

Flavours - Stawberry Mango

Popcorn @ 50c
Fruit Box @ \$1.10c

## Muffin Monday



Sara Lee Choc Chip Muffins and Blueberry Muffins are available to order for Recess EVERY Monday. Only \$2.20 each!
Payments can be made at the Front Office by the Friday PRIOR to Muffin Monday or online at www.comptonps.sa.edu.au
Online payments need to be completed by Sunday and please message your order via our Facebook page.


Japanese Showcase
In the last week of Term 3, students cooked Okonomíyaki, a Japanese style, savoury pancake to celebrate our learning topic on Japanese food. The word 'yaki' means to fry or grill and 'okonomi' means 'however you prefer it' or 'whatever ingredients you like'. Students worked respectfully in small groups, sharing the tasks to add or mix the ingredients and flip their pancakes. They were pleasantly surprised how yummy they tasted. Most of our students have only ever tried sweetened pancakes topped with honey, sugar and jam.
Students learned about the cultural expression 'itadakimasu.' This means to give thanks to the person who prepared the meal. This polite expression is used when receiving a meal in Japanese culture. I would like to express my gratitude to both Pam and Shirley our wonderful SSOs who assisted and supported in the
preparation and supervision during cooking. Thank you for making our sessions run smoothly.
Our Japanese showcase was held on the Wednesday afternoon in Week 10. The 6/7s were in charge of facilitating origami (paper folding) tutorials and they did an amazing job, so thank you all for your wonderful leadership skills. The 6/7s assisted small groups of students with following step-by-step instructions, taking photos and operating the IWB.
We had the opportunity to make three origami creations - a samurai helmet, a Pokemon bookmark and a fox. We liked the way the samurai helmet transformed into a fish when you folded it a different way. This was a very enjoyable and successful afternoon that we hope to do again in the future.
Mrs Ashby


## UPPER PRIMARY 6/7

This week the $6 / 7$ class have been enjoying dancing in the 'Footsteps' program. We will be performing 4 dances on Friday. We had a great holiday and have come back to school ready to learn in our final term at Compton PS. We learnt to write procedural texts, and how to find the mean, mode, median and range; and made chatterboxes to help us practise.

## Mia, Georgia, Paige \& Lauren

## MIDDLE PRIMARY 4/5

A big welkome back to Term 4! We have a busy and exciting term ahead of us!
Maths: This term in mathematics we are continuing to learn strategies to solve multiplication and division problems. We will also be investigating measurement and geometry.
Writing: Through writing lessons students will be learning about a new text type, 'poetry'. Over the course of the term students will have the opportunity to write a range of creative poems for a variety of purposes. We are continuing to focus on our self and peer editing skills also.
Science: This term the area of focus is 'Earth and Space'. Students will be learning about our Earths changes overtime, as well as our solar system.

## Miss Gaffney

JUNIOR PRIMARY $\mathbf{2 / 3}$

## Welcome to Week 1 Term 42021.

I hope everyone's two-week break has been restful and fun. We all are going to have so much happening in the next nine weeks!

Here are some pictures of us loving our healthy brain break. Our class skip counts by $8 s$ each time an apple is cut with the apple cutter into 8 pieces.

8, 16, 24, 32, 40, 48, 56, 64, 72.
$9 \times 8=72$
Our class has got up to 12 students having an apple one morning. Apples have definitely been the flavour for last term!


In Art, last term we all enjoyed making and designing our own crystal creations. We are loving having them hanging in our class. Another art activity of designing a bird with different materials of flowers saw all children's creativity being used.


Mrs D

## JuNIOR PRIMARY R/1

## Reflection from Miss Perryman

While on placement, I have been working alongside Toni Hamilton in the Reception/year 1 class to cover a range of units across the curriculum.
Our health unit allowed children to explore how they had already grown and changed from birth to now and to describe the ways they may continue to change. It was wonderful seeing so much of the children's personalities and individuality shine through in their responses from dying their hair as teenagers to walking around with a walking stick and drinking tea as an elderly person.
During PE, students demonstrated their personal and social skills to play highly competitive games of poison ball. Focussing on safety and the fundamental movement skills they would use during a game, we started the unit teaching effective ways to throw balls
of varying sizes and practicing using our locomotor, and non-locomotive movement skills to solve movement challenges.
The foundation children were introduced to explaining the duration of events by using specific mathematical language such as seconds, mínutes, hours, days, weeks, months, years, and seasons. During this time, the yearl used this language to explain the duration of events. This tied in well to their science unit.
The children observed and developed their skills in describing how the landscape and sky changes. We did this by participating in daily weather observations where they drew what the sky looked like in the morning and afternoon. They then had to communicate the changes that occurred in the weather and sky during the day. The children loved drawing an outfit appropriate for the weather for each day and sharing their predictions with their peers.
During music the children loved learning about soundscapes and how they can use natural, vocal, and instrumental sounds to create a soundscape. They worked on moving away from relying on their voices to recreate sounds and explore high level sounds such as using a drum for footsteps or beanbag for leaves rustling.
Finally, our art pieces linked into our science as we explored how trees change throughout the year depending on the season. They explored using different techniques such as creating collages, painting using pompoms and broccolini and using crayons to draw their tree trunks. Our responding activity showed that the children loved using the new techniques such as pompoms in paint and the broccolini to create their trees.
I would like to say thank you to all the families at Compton for being so welcoming during my placement. I have made so many precious and wonderful memories with your children over my time at the school and I cannot be more grateful for this. I hope everyone has a wonderful rest of 2021 and I hope to see you all soon! All the best,


## The Compton Chromícles

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"I began my journey at CPS in 2000. I remember meeting Geoff Munt as I arrived at the school in 1999, to apply for the School Choice position. Later that year I attended the production of Grease to view the school's first production and remember all the sets of twins that I would later go on to teach.

I started as the R/1/2 teacher and our class was where the library is now. I was privileged to work with Geoff for a few years before he retired in 2005. He was definitely one of the kindest people who loved being at work and was all about the children.

Sandy Mullen continued to lead and share her passion for curriculum. We were lucky enough to work together for 10 years and continue our friendship today. Many principals took over and we were fortunate to have Bec Keeley join us 9 years ago, and she took on the principal position 4 years ago. Bec is the most caring, kind, empathetic, inspiring, patient individual who impacts our students and staff positively each and every day. We are lucky to have her led our school.

I was blessed with my two beautiful sons, Josh and Liam, in 2001 and 2003. I choose not to return full time into the classroom and took on different NIT roles. I enjoyed each of these opportunities and really enjoyed the Healthy Lifestyles from R-7.

I have taught many different year levels over the years up to year 5 . I have found my passion as the $2 / 3$ teacher over the last 10 years because I share the Junior Primary area with my work bestie, Toni Hamilton. Toni and I are a team with the same beliefs and ideas about learning and this makes each day feel as though we aren't even at work.
I was privileged to work alongside the amazing Kristyn Dawe over the years in my class. All her efforts each day will never be forgotten. Kristyn's passion was Maths as she worked with many students extending different children in this area, and others.

Being in the one school, I have worked alongside many teachers, SSO's, principals and have seen many changes to the school. I have many fond memories working alongside colleagues over the last 20 years. I have developed many long lasting friendships to this day. I have enjoyed working closely with Mrs Roulstone and Bett Lennerth as they have been alongside me for this time also.
My favourite memories have been many. The ones that stand out are the R-3 Glow Stick Dance in 2015 and Art Show in 2016. Every single year, 'Book Week' is a huge focus and are highlights to each year.

I have been on many camps from Pendleton Farm, Grampians, Portland, Cooriemungle and the latest amazing camp to Tarooki, Robe.
I love being with my class every day. Our classroom is our home. We all feel safe to learn, make mistakes, take risks, grow and bloom. I love to learn new things and I am grateful for my role as a teacher, as I aim to inspire, motivate, challenge and encourage each child every day.
I have a strong passion for learning and I heart every child that enters my room each year. I love watching them grow as they move through each level of their schooling and lives."

Mrs D x


