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Autumn Produce: chestnuts, eggplants, potatoes, apples, figs, zucchini, chocolate, hot cross buns and much more!

Market feed: Easter is covered with Flinders Sourdough hot cross buns, packed with local fruit and freshly ground spices. Chestnut season has begun and The Patch has fresh and roasted chestnuts ready! Have spare room in you backyard? Isa Hens from Hugh’s Hens are great family pets and fantastic egg layers. Go to www.hughshens.com to pre-order now!

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Three choirs participate in Sydney Rd Street party
Curriculum Day
Back to School Fitness Sessions for parents and community members
Special Lunch day – Chinese New Year lunch
Family Social Evening at Harmony Park
Farmer’s Market

Thank you to all the extra effort put in by teachers and parents to make this term an extremely positive start to the year. I hope that everyone has a very happy and safe Easter and school holidays. We will see you all back on Monday 11th April for the start of term 2.

SCHOOL ANNUAL REPORT
The Annual Report to The School Community for 2015 has been uploaded to the school website. Please follow this link to get the lowdown on 2015.

MARCH SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING SUMMARY
School Council met on March 15 which was the second meeting for the year and the first meeting of the new school council. Thanks to everyone who voted in the school council election - it was great to see so much interest and engagement with the process. It’s not too late to get involved and play a part in making great things happen at CNPS...see Helen or email school council president Jo Harrison at harrison.jo.j@edumail.vic.gov.au if you would like to be involved in a School Council Sub-Committee. Here’s some of what we discussed at the meeting:

- Election of office bearers and subcommittees:
  - 2016 Office Bearers are as follows:
    - School Council President: Jo Harrison
    - Vice President: Sebastian Furness
    - Treasurer: Paul Sutton
  - 2016 subcommittee structure was discussed and it was decided to align them in accordance with the strategic plan. New charters will be drawn up for some innovative action groups - stay tuned to the newsletter for more information about what the changes are and how you can get involved.
  - 2016 subcommittees are as follows:
    - Education - Benjy Lee (lead), Kyla Mamic, Carla Bruce-Lee, Georgina Swinburne, Genevieve Courtney, Amanda Tabone, Lewis Bainbridge
    - Planning, Buildings & Grounds - Sebastian Furness (lead), Owen West, Lewis Bainbridge, Helen Zull.
    - Finance - Paul Sutton (lead), Helen Zull, David Joyner, Debb Davis
    - Communication - Kerrie Thomson (lead)
    - Parents & Friends: Carla Bruce-Lee (lead) - Carla will act as the conduit between P&F and school council
    - Out of School Hours Program - Kerryn Cilia, Owen West, Amanda Tabone, Helen Zull, Claire Coulson, Rachel Fava

- Reviewed the financial position summary
- Reviewed reports including Principal’s report, Education report, Communication report, Parents and Friends, OSHP
- Ratified policies: Adverse Weather Event Policy; Communication of Policies Policy; Anaphylaxis policy ratification postponed for discussion
- Meeting dates were set for the year and are open to all. Meetings are held at 6:30pm on Wednesday nights in the staff room.
  - 27 April
  - 15 June
  - 27 July
  - 7 September
  - 26 October
  - 30 November
PREMIERS’ READING CHALLENGE

At the start of term 2 we will be launching into the Premiers’ Reading Challenge for 2016. It is a great scheme that encourages and rewards reading. Students from Prep to grade 2 are challenged to read or share 30 books (at least 20 from the Challenge list) while grade 3-6 students need to read 15 books (at least 10 from the Challenge list). Teachers from Foundation to grade 2 will be recording the titles of the books they are sharing. I will add them to your child’s reading list. Children who successfully complete the Challenge will receive a certificate, and have their names appear on an online Honour Roll (with consent).

If your child wants to take on the Challenge, Information/Consent forms will be distributed at the start of the term. Forms need to be returned to the School Office as soon as possible so we can register your child. Once registered you will receive the information you need to start recording books read. (Get a head start and make a list titles and authors of books being read now!)

Visit the Challenge website www.education.vic.gov.au/prc to find out more.

Beth (in the Library)

COBURG NORTH PRIMARY PRESCHOOL STORY TIME

Every Thursday morning commencing 14th April, from 9:00am until 10:00am
Come along room 13 with Michael.
and join in with stories, music, dance, play and craft activities.
Meet other parents and children in your local area.
This session is free and is run by a trained teacher.
Ring the school on 9354 1660 for more details

CODE CLUB

As we wind up the term I’d like to share with you a quick wrap-up of Term 1 Code Club at CNPS. There is fantastic enthusiasm in the class. I realised early on that I didn’t need to send a reminder the day before our 8am start on Wednesday mornings because each and every student is keen to attend.

Probably the best thing from my point of view is the chance to witness a figurative light bulb appear above a student’s head when they learn something new!

I’d also like to present our new blog where we will showcase student coding projects. This week we are showcasing Lost In Space project coded by Nicolas using Scratch in our Code Club class.

Paul Vella techincoburg@gmail.com
LOST PROPERTY

A watch has been handed in at the office if anyone has lost a watch please see the office staff.

Italiano a CNPS.

GOLDEN TIME ITALIAN

Questa settimana the rain kept us from l’orto and so instead of gardening we did some singing and dancing to some of our favourite Italian songs and then we made different greeting cards.

ITALIAN CLUB IN CUCINA

Questa settimana Il Club Italiano made and ate some pizza. Buonissimo!!

We rolled out the bases we had prepared and frozen la settimana scorsa (last week) and topped them with la passata, i pomodori gialli (yellow tomatoes), il formaggio (cheese), le olive, la bietola (silverbeet) e le erbe (herbs) from the school l’orto (veggie garden). Grazie Emma (la mamma di Annie) for helping.

For more photos visit our Italiano blog: http://cnpsitaliano.weebly.com/questa-settimana.html

INTRODUCING ELISABETTA – OUR NEW ITALIAN ASSISTANT

We are looking forward to the arrival of our new Italian Assistant, Elisabetta. Here is a note she sent to tell you a bit about herself.

“Ciao! Mi chiamo Elisabetta, ho 25 anni e sono italiana. Vengo da Cosenza, una piccola città del Sud. La mia famiglia vive ancora lì, mentre io vivo a Venezia, dove ho studiato Letteratura all’università. Le mie passioni più grandi sono studiare e vedere il mondo. L’anno scorso ho passato 3 mesi a Brisbane e ho scoperto un po’ l’Australia, una terra bellissima e piena di natura, con gli animali più strani del pianeta e con persone meravigliose, sempre allegre e molto amichevoli. Non vedo l’ora di ritornare per scoprire nuovi posti e conoscere nuova gente, e per parlavi un po’ della mia lingua e della mia cultura. Sono sicura che sapete già tante cose, ma c’è sempre qualcosa di nuovo da scoprire!”

Hello! My name is Elisabetta, I am 25 and I am Italian. I am from Cosenza, a little city in the South of Italy. My family still lives there, while I live in Venice, where I studied Literature at university. My biggest passions are studying and seeing the world. Last year I spent 3 months in Brisbane, and discovered a bit of Australia, a beautiful country full of nature, with the strangest animals in the world and with amazing people, always happy and really friendly. I am excited about the idea of coming back to discover new places and meet new people, and to tell you a bit about my language and my culture. I am sure you already know a lot of things, but there’s always something new to discover! “

Buone vacanze e a presto – Signora Jackie e Signora Sarah.
# RESPONSIBLE STUDENT AWARDS

## WEEK ENDING 11TH MARCH

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<td>2B</td>
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## Week 8 Ending: 18th March

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<td>FA</td>
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<td>Aminah</td>
<td>3/4C</td>
<td>Personally responsible - as much work as possible</td>
<td>celebrating her successes when completing Maths tasks</td>
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<td>Aria</td>
<td>5/6A</td>
<td>Communally Responsibility; safe &amp; comfortable at all times</td>
<td>stepping in to help defuse a misunderstanding between peers</td>
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<td>Maddy</td>
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<td>taking initiative to tidy up the computer room and plug in the computers.</td>
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<td>Sebastian</td>
<td>FD</td>
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<td>using the number chart to help him write numbers</td>
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<td>Amy</td>
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<td>Communally responsible - safe and comfortable</td>
<td>encouraging her peers to include others in their games at recess &amp; lunch.</td>
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<td>Mary</td>
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<td>Gabriel</td>
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<td>Sharing his thoughts and ideas during class discussions.</td>
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<td>Carefully editing her recipe for full stops and capital letters.</td>
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<td>Victoria</td>
<td>FC</td>
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<td>growing in confidence and asking questions</td>
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NATIONAL CLOSE THE GAP DAY - THURSDAY 17TH OF MARCH

We were raising awareness that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people can expect to live 10–17 years less than other Australians. Babies born to Aboriginal mothers die at more than twice the rate of other Australian babies, and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people experience higher rates of preventable illness such as heart disease, kidney disease and diabetes.

The mortality rates for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people is on par with some of the world’s most impoverished nations. The United Nations Report, The State of the World’s Indigenous Peoples (2009) indicated Australia and Nepal have the world’s worst life expectancy gaps between Indigenous and non-Indigenous people.

By students coming dressed in the colours of the Aboriginal flag (red, yellow and black), we raised $391 for Oxfam!

Well done and thank you to all that support us on this day!

BUDDY BEARS PICNIC!

If you went down to the oval on Tuesday, you’d have been sure for a big surprise. For every Prep and 3/4 there was, were gathered there for certain because that’s the day the teddy bears had their picnic!

We couldn’t have asked for better weather on Tuesday when the Foundation students enjoyed a Teddy Bear’s picnic on the oval with their 3/4 Buddies. The Big Buddies gave their Little Buddies a purple buddy bear, as a symbol for the friendship they have formed. We have been lucky enough to spend lots of time with our buddies this term, and the Better Buddies Program has been a fantastic transition for the Foundation students and an excellent opportunity for the 3/4 students to show leadership skills and reinforce the values of our school to their Little Buddies. We are all looking forward to spending lots more time together in Term 2 and doing lots of different activities! Please check out our class blogs for more photos of our Buddy Bears Picnic!
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2016 PREMIER’S ACTIVE APRIL - JOIN THE FUN!
Register your school for Active April and you’ll get loads of special offers and chances to win great prizes. Add your students, so you can get active together!

Reward your school with Active April
All Victorian primary and secondary schools will go in the running to win:
- a $500, $1000 or $3500 Sportsmart voucher if your school has the highest percentage of students to register in the small, medium or large category
- a $2,000 Sportsmart voucher for the most active school!
The more students and teachers who registered, the more chances your school has to win.

All-new Trophy Cabinet for 2016!
This year, students can now achieve online trophies with our all-new Trophy Cabinet!
Log 10, 20, or 30 days with 30 minutes of activity or more a day during April and you’ll achieve the Active April Bronze, Silver and Gold trophies available to print as rewards.
Once registered, start collecting your trophies by visiting app.activeapril.vic.gov.au
For more details on incentives and other benefits for your school, visit activeapril.vic.gov.au/schools

Get started now! activeapril.vic.gov.au

Premier’s Active April
Sport and Recreation Victoria
Department of Health & Human Services
Level 25, 30 Lonsdale Street, Melbourne VIC 3000 | GPO Box 4057, Melbourne VIC 3001
W: activeapril.vic.gov.au | E: activeapril@sport.vic.gov.au

*Terms and conditions for all prizes and offers apply. Visit activeapril.vic.gov.au for details. *Women receive two tickets to each of the 2017 men’s and women’s finals.
City Kids Holiday Program
GREAT OCEAN ROAD
Initiative of South West Local Learning and Employment Network

DATES:
Sunday 3rd to Saturday 9th of April

COST: $125 per day
$750 all inclusive (limited spaces)

AGE GROUP:
For Grade 5 and 6 Students

SEE BELOW FOR CONTACT DETAILS
We look forward to hearing from you

- Certified best practice
- Accommodation with onsite security
- Tower Hill
- Dairy Farm experience
- Movie night
- Port Fairy (beautiful fishing village)
- Great Ocean Road
- HOME OF ODDBALL

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City Kids Holiday Program - Great Ocean Road

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E: reception@swllen.net.au  www.swllen.net.au

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Starts Saturday 16th April 2016
8.30am to 10.00am

Boys & Girls Aged 5 - 8
All Welcome

Charles Mutton Reserve
Creedon Street Fawkner

Register online or contact
John Gioupas - 0405 443 838