## Principal’s Report

Last Friday, in the last session of the day, we conducted the first of three “Transition Through the School” sessions. These sessions have been initiated to assist our current students as they move into a new year level, and in some cases into a new section (junior, middle or senior) of our school in 2013. They spent the time in the team they will be with next year, but not necessarily with their 2013 classmates or teacher. We have simply taken the current class groups into a current class in the next level. Placements later in the year will naturally change student groupings and staff. The session was very successful, with students gaining an understanding and the “feel” of the area they will be in next year. I know they are looking forward to the next session.

**Count Us In** is the National sing along which we were part of today. The students had a great time joining many thousands of students online across Australia to sing the song ‘Different People’. Thanks to Kathryn Lane for organising this event.

Last night we held the Parent Forum for parents of current Year 4 students who will become part of our one2one iPad Program. It was terrific to have a strong turn out of parents, all of whom were very positive about the program. Final information will be sent to all students in Year 4 next week, outlining the purchase options available through the school.

Congratulations to our students, listed later in the newsletter, who performed so well at the State Athletic Championships. It is wonderful to have so many students make it through to such a high level of achievement.

As indicated in the last two newsletters, letters regarding placement for 2013 should be addressed to me before Friday November 2nd. That’s tomorrow! Details of what is appropriate to request are in previous newsletters and I know that parents will understand that not all requests can be granted.

Remember that school is on next Monday, the day prior to Cup Day on the Tuesday. We understand that many families take the opportunity to go away for an extra long weekend, but if you are still local then it should be a school day as usual for students.

Graeme Caudry - Principal

## Calendar

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**2013 Students begin Thursday January 31st**
Sports News

State Track & Field Championships

Congratulations to all the children who competed at the State Track & Field Championships on Monday. The new track at the Lakeside Stadium, Albert Park is a great venue and fantastic experience for the kids. Well done to Carli F (SRM) for qualifying in her 11 yr 100M heat and running in the final race and also for competing in the Long Jump and finishing in the top 8 in Victoria in both events. Well done to Jack P (SRD) for competing in the 11 yr Shot Put and also finishing in the top 8. Congratulations to Nathan H (SRLB) for winning a silver medal in the 12 yr Discus. Results from the Students in the Special Classification, Sean M (SRU) won a Gold medal in 12/13yr Shot Put and Carlee M (SRS) won a gold medal in the 12/13 yr 100M. Matthew S (SRLB) won a silver medal in the 11 yr Shot Put and Louisa T (SRD) also won a Gold Medal in the 11yr Shot Put. Congratulations to Louisa T and Nathan H for qualifying to compete and also being selected to attend the National Track & Field Exchange in Adelaide at the end of November. Sean and Carlee have both turned 13 this year, therefore they were ineligible to be invited to attend Adelaide. We hope that both Sean and Carlee will be able to continue to pursue their passion for sport in secondary school next year and in the years to follow.

Interschool Sports Finals

Last Friday our Volleyball team competed in the Division semi finals against Mullum PS. They won their game and then played the Division final against Yarra Valley Grammar. Next week, the team will be playing in the Region finals at the State Volleyball Centre. We wish you the best of luck.

The Boys Basketball team will be playing in the Division final this week against Yarra Road. Good luck boys.

Noreen McMenaman - Sport / PE

Music News

WOW!!!

GREAT SING, GREAT SOUND

Well, after weeks of counting down to the big event, lots of practice and excitement, it finally happened at 12.30 today. Children, staff and some parents joined together in the P.A.C. sang the song “Different People” at the same time as 600,000 other participants around Australia. There was a webstream that we watched from Parliament House Canberra and John Foreman counted down with a huge crowd of school children and a live band then everyone performed the song.

Here are some photos of this wonderful event.
CHOIR NEWS:
A notice has gone home today regarding two performances that are coming up in November:

1) Maroondah Festival 11.30 Sunday 11th November as part of a community choir made up of local primary schools
2) Croydon Centro 12 noon Saturday 17th November

Please return the notices to me now.
Thank you for your continued support of the performing arts program and don't forget to join the “Specialists” wiki.
Kathryn Lane

Library News

SCHOLASTIC BOOKCLUB UPDATE
Brochures have now been distributed to all classes and are due back TOMORROW – FRIDAY 2ND NOVEMBER.
Please make sure that they are returned to the office by this date so that the order can be completed and sent off as soon as possible. Thank you again for your support.
Sue Offer - Librarian

Canteen News

AFTERSCHOOL SALES – Effective Wednesday 7th November
During the warmer months the canteen will be open after school for 15 minutes for sales of drinks and frozen items only.

CUP DAY LUNCH – WEDNESDAY 7TH NOVEMBER (PRE ORDERED)
This year we will be offering our usual delicious ‘chicken and bubbly’ lunch, consisting of ¼ chicken, roast potato, lemonade and a treat for $6.50.
No other lunch orders will be available on this day

WACKY WEDNESDAYS Effective 1st November
The canteen will be offering a variety of specials on Wednesdays only, starting with Oak Flavoured Milk for $1.00 (normally $1.50). This applies to items purchased only over the counter, not on lunch orders.

WHAT’S NEW?
Gooey Toffee Apple Paddlepop - $1.60
Animal Cookies – 0.10c

DELETED ITEM
Cheesters, Gingerbread Babies and Number Cookies are no longer available.

MID WEEK SPECIALS
Tuesday only - Nachos with cheese, salsa and sour cream - $3.50
Wednesday only - Wedges with sour cream or tomato sauce - $3.50

ROSTER
Friday 2nd November – Rachelle Robertson, Lia Biasuzzo, Lucy McDaid, Wendy Hantzipavlis, Kylie Gaudion.
Monday 5th November – CLOSED
Tuesday 6th November – CUP DAY
Wednesday 7th November – CUP DAY LUNCH – Alisa Wills, Narelle Collins, Tracy Fearn.
Thursday 8th November – Jo Aldridge, Jessica Bell.
Friday 9th November – Danni Bennett, Sonia Newlands, Helen Thompson, Nicole Murph

Karen Cyster - Canteen Manager
Staff Profile:

Name: Kim Leong

What is your role at CHPS?:
School Councillor

What is one of your hobbies:
I have had many, but the long-term ones would be knitting, tennis and baking.

If you could change one thing about the world what would it be?
Remove discrimination and ignorance.

If you could visit one place where would you visit?
Apart from the most obvious two places, which relate back to our family’s heritage, which are China and Italy, I would love to visit Bhutan and the Galapagos Islands- I can’t choose between the two!

What is the funniest or most embarrassing thing that has ever happened to you?
Losing my car in a multi-storey carpark. I ended up running up and down the stairwell looking for it, and was in tears – it would have looked really funny on CCTV.

What is your greatest achievement so far?
Driving a Royal Australian warship through the Whitsundays and the Gulf of Carpentaria, while still being able to be a mum to my children, a wife to my loving husband and practice my profession as a dentist.

ANZAC Appeal - Remembrance Day Badges
A reminder that we have variety of poppies, wrist bands and badges – including traditional pin on badges and a new clip-on bag badge design – available for sale at the office. Prices range from $1 to $5, with all proceeds going to Legacy. Please support the Remembrance Day (11th November) appeal.

Middle School Bake Sale
A big thanks to the families in the Middle School who made our Bake Sale such a success. We raised well over $200. This money will support ‘Operation Christmas’. In our Level we have been looking at being ChangeMakers and we decided to prepare shoeboxes filled with presents to be sent overseas to children of similar age who aren’t as fortunate as us. All up the Middle School has raised about $1100 across the 5 classes. Congratulations to all the ChangeMakers in Level 3 and thanks to the parents for their support. Mr McInerney

CHRISTMAS CHOOKS – WE NEED YOU!
Our seven school chooks need a family, or families, to help them through the summer holidays. If you can provide holiday accommodation, or have space in your chook pen to take even one two, you will be rewarded with some beautiful eggs. If you can help, please see or call Ben Bruch (JBB).
Middle School
Christmas Shoebox Bake Sale
Congratulations to Chelsea and Mitchell!

Last term, the Senior School had a focus on Public Speaking.

The students experienced planning, constructing and rehearsing a 3 minute speech on a variety of different topics.

Each student had a chance to perform their speech to their class, who voted for their 2 favourite speeches according to the content and delivery of the speech, with a focus on eye contact, stance and use of visual aides.

Then as a level we held a Senior School Public Speaking Competition where we had 12 Finalists compete. All of 12 Finalists stood up and delivered their speeches to the entire Senior School (students and teachers). Their speeches ranged from their favourite places around the world, to someone they admire, what they would do if they were in charge of the country or the school for a day to how to make people happy. They all did a fantastic job to present to over 100 people and should think of the experience as an amazing achievement!

From the 12 Finalists Chelsea and Mitchell were chosen by the Senior School Teachers to go forward and represent Croydon Hills Primary School and compete in another Public Speaking Competition, which was held at Maroondah Secondary College.

On the night they had to compete against 20 other students from local Primary Schools on stage in front of a large audience of parents, teachers and judges.

Mitchell was called up as speaker number 3! He did a fantastic, passionate speech about “someone who he admires” Lionel Messi and how he has positively influenced his life today.

Chelsea was the 16th speaker and she did an equally amazing job, talking about the key to happiness, what happiness is and how to make someone else happy.

Both students were awarded for their efforts on the night and received a small gift for their participation. It was so exciting to see all the students grow through this experience and to have the confidence to speak in front of an audience, and we are particularly proud of Chelsea and Mitchell’s courageous effort on the night!
CHPS - Walks to School

Yesterday, Wednesday 31 October

Walk to School

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Next week is CHPS Recycle Right Week

CHPS Recycles Right

Telephone: 9725 1206  OHSC 9724 4514  web: www.croydonhps.vic.edu.au
Jump on the Bandwagon is a celebration of people of all ages playing music together. Led by Gillian Howell (gillianhowell.com.au) and working alongside some of Melbourne’s most inspiring and fun musicians, the Bandwagon is a music jam for the whole family. Everyone is invited, no matter what age or what level of playing ability - first-timers will have the unforgettable experience of being part of a large and powerful ensemble and more experienced players will learn some new music, invent riffs and rhythms or maybe improvise a solo.

**Age:** Family  
**Date:** Sunday 11 November,  
**Session times:** 11am to 12 noon and 2pm to 3pm  
**Cost:** $10 per family (up to 6 people)  
**BYO:** instruments (trumpets, violins, cellos, guitars etc) or sound-makers (kitchen implements, soft drink bottles filled with rice etc) and a big sense of musical adventure!  
**Bookings Essential:** [www.artplay.com.au](http://www.artplay.com.au) or 9664-7900

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**Foster Carers Needed!**

Have you ever thought of being a foster carer?

For more info contact  
Wesley Children Youth and Family Services  
Eastern Region  
(03) 9871 5333

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**Great Ryrie Primary School**  
**Fete**  
**Saturday 10th November**  
**12 noon to 6pm**

- Rides from 12 noon to 5pm  
- $5 each  
- Buy unlimited rides for $30.00

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**2012 CRESCENDO EXHIBITION**

You’re invited to come along and view a selection of Bilanock’s best work from Years 7 to 12, showcasing the breadth, variety of media and materials used within the Visual Arts and Technology Faculties.  
Works include: drawing, painting, ceramics, photography, sculpture, textiles, visual communication and design, woodwork, metal technology, printmaking, food technology, electronics and media.

**Exhibition Times:**  
**Thursday 8 November**  
8.00am - 4.00pm  
9.00am - 4.00pm  
**Saturday 10 November**  
9.00am - 1.00pm (Closing)

Artwork by Kali Jemol, Year 12
COME OUT AND PLAY!

RACV FUN & FITNESS ARENA

10am to 5pm - Town Park
Norton Road, Croydon

Come ‘N’ Try Sports Activities presented by our local sporting clubs. (Football, Soccer and Hockey)

Maybe tennis is more your thing? Visit the Tennis Victoria stand where you can try out your best shot on the mini courts.

Be sure to catch the mascot races at 12noon, 2pm and 4pm and take part in the kids races throughout the day.

There is also free bicycle valet parking located in the Fun & Fitness Area. The first 100 bike riders will receive a free show bag.

A minute’s silence in honour of Remembrance Day will be held at 11am.

For more information contact the Festival Hotline on 924 5064 or visit www.maroondahfestival.com

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