DIARY DATES- TERM 2—2015

Tuesday 19th May
Second Hand Uniform Shop 3.30pm


Wednesday 20th May
School Council Meeting 7.30pm

Friday 22nd May
Walk to School Day
Australia’s Biggest Morning Tea 9.30am
In the hall
Cupcake Sale at Recess

Thursday 28th May
Curriculum Day-student free day

Wednesday 3rd June
ICAS-Science

Thursday 4th June
School Photos

Monday 8th June
Queen’s Birthday Holiday

Tuesday 9th – Friday 12th June
Grades 5 and 6 School Camp

Thursday 11th June
Second Hand Uniform Shop 9.00am

Tuesday 16th June
ICAS—Spelling

Thursday 18th June
Guitar Concert 7pm School Hall

PRINCIPAL’S REPORT
GROWING WITH THE COMMUNITY
Welcoming, Engaging and Achieving

Our mission is to inspire the self belief and motivation in students that will enable them to achieve and grow.

THE WEEKS THAT WERE!
We are very proud of our school and it is with pride that I have seen and been involved in so many terrific activities and programs over recent weeks. In particular, I have:

😊 Been very proud to be part of our Prep 2016 Expo at Carnegie Primary School. This was an excellent opportunity to showcase what Carnegie Primary School has to offer prospective parents. Thanks to Angela Thompson for her fantastic organisation and to Liz Harley and staff for their wonderful displays in the hall. Many of our senior students did a great job taking tours and talking to future parents. Once again our guitarists and violin players performed beautifully, sharing their talents confidently. Special acknowledgement needs to go to Rebecca and Amelia Bannister and Andy and Stephan, our instrumental music teachers.

😊 Enjoyed the opportunity to take some time to see bookwork from year 2, 3 & 4 students. Much learning in a school day is supported by ICT and whiteboards but the more traditional book work still has a place. Each week I try to take the time to see students’ work and provide a little feedback to them. The students often choose what they’d like to share and recently the older students often write a reflection on their learning to me, asking me to focus on a particular area of their learning. Their thoughts were very well considered and it’s terrific to see them challenging themselves appropriately and setting purposeful goals.

😊 Proudly observed our Little Scientists doing their thing. (See next page)

It is wonderful to see so many smiling faces each day, enjoying learning together. At Carnegie Primary School we value the opportunity to provide a rich,
engaging curriculum for our students but it is extremely important we acknowledge the efforts of staff and parents, many of whom put in hours of their personal time to ensure such terrific programs and activities occur. How lucky we are to have so many amazing people at CPS.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR LITTLE SCIENTISTS
During term 1, four of our grade five students, Charlotte H, Angus N, Noah W and Leah S, (pictured above) had the opportunity to participate in the ‘Little Scientists’ program at the John Monash Science Centre. Mrs Allan, our Science and Sustainability leader, generously coordinated this program. I had the privilege of joining them recently when they shared their personal projects with many other budding scientists from a number of primary and secondary schools. Leah focussed on how birds fly and the science behind this. Charlotte undertook an investigation to see if there was evidence supporting boys or girls being better at multitasking. Angus shared detailed information demonstrating how the wings on planes work and the engineering behind this while Noah presented comprehensive information on how snake anti venom is made and stored. How clever they all were and what fine ambassadors they were for CPS! I know they gained much from this opportunity and I certainly learnt a great deal from their presentations. They will have an opportunity to share their knowledge further with their peers.

NAPLAN – NATIONAL TESTS
Our grades 3 and 5 children completed their national tests in reading, writing, maths and language last week. We wish to congratulate them for taking this important work in their stride. They have worked very hard practising over the last few weeks and did their best each day. The classroom teachers are very proud of their efforts. Their work is now sent in to be centrally assessed and results will be forwarded to the school to distribute to parents some time later in the year. Whilst this is considered an important assessment tool, we must remember it is just one snapshot on a given day. Classroom teachers are undertaking a range of ongoing assessments to provide comprehensive evaluations of each student’s learning in order to inform their future teaching and to provide a report to parents.

HALF YEAR STUDENT REPORTS & PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS
All our teachers are presently finalising their student assessments in order to produce both comprehensive and easy to understand individual student reports for parents. Ongoing formal and informal assessment of students is an integral part of our teaching and learning. All areas of the school have a very strong team focus with children often working with their homeroom teacher but also working with other teachers and Education Support Officers particularly in the most focussed literacy and numeracy teaching times. Your child as a learner is known by a team of people. CPS staff are passionate about teaching, growing and learning together to be the best they can be individually and collectively support the needs of our students. Class teachers know your child the best and are the ones who are currently writing their half year report and will meet families for a
parent/teacher interview later in term 3. If you’re talking to your child about school, make the time to chat about their learning and who they worked with today.

**FEDERAL ELECTORATE OF HIGGINS ANZAC CENTENARY MEMORIAL MAP**

Today families should have received a copy of the Federal Electorate of Higgins Anzac Centenary Memorial Map that has been produced as part of the Anzac Centenary by the Federal government and sent to us by Kellie O’Dwyer the member for Higgins. This map lists the many World War One memorials in the Higgins Electorate and has been produced to help honour and pay respect to those men and women who served our nation. If you didn’t receive a copy and would like one please call into the office.

**PARENT FORUM – IMPACT OF VIDEO GAMES ON OUR CHILDREN - TONIGHT**

Founder of www.videogames.org.au and author of the *Video Games Report* Steven Dupon will present on the positive and negative impacts of video games on children of all ages. While promoting healthy video game play, Steven will explore the risks of excessive video game use and their addictive nature; the increasing convergence of video games and gambling; and the inappropriate content (e.g. sexism, violence) featured in video games. Parents will learn how to use video games as a positive contributor to their child’s development; how to avoid video game addiction; and how to keep their kids safe online. They will also get advice on how to deal with inappropriate content that often features in video games. The parent information session is being held TONIGHT, Tuesday 19th May from 7pm–8.30pm at Carnegie Library. Bookings are essential. For further information and to make a booking, contact Council’s Service Centre on 9524 3333. SORRY for the late notice.

**CURRICULUM DAY NEXT THURSDAY - NO SCHOOL**

Thursday, 28th May is an approved Curriculum Day. There will be no school for children on this day. Youth Leadership will be offering an OOHSC program on this day but bookings are essential.

**SCHOOL PHOTOS –Thursday 4th June**

School Photo Day for 2015 is Thursday 4th June. Envelopes and information will be sent home to all families shortly. So book in for those haircuts and spruce up for this important event on the Carnegie school calendar.

**HEAD LICE ALERT**

I’m afraid we have again had several incidences of head lice in the school recently. I ask parents to check your child’s hair regularly and treat it if necessary. A head lice treatment fact sheet is available at the office. It would be appreciated if girls tied their hair back in a ponytail or plait to minimize the risk of spreading.

**WORDS OF WISDOM – Remember that what you have now was once among what you hoped for. ☺️**

*Linda Jones and Michael McCarthy*

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**Mega Maths Mornings**

Did you know that maths games can help children develop high level thinking, sustained focus, abstract thought and greater understanding of key mathematical concepts? They are also fun, challenging, promote mathematical discussion and help children to be positive and motivated maths learners.

Next week (25th-29th of May), Carnegie will open its doors every morning to invite parents to join students for some fun maths learning. All classrooms from Prep to Grade 6 will be open to parents each morning for approximately 25 minutes of maths games. Come and join students as they practise their maths skills and teach you how to play some of their favourite maths games.

The Mega Maths Mornings will begin on Monday the 25th of May straight after assembly and continue each morning at 9am (excluding the Curriculum day on Thursday). Please note that if your child usually has book bag reading on any one of these mornings, they will be doing maths games instead during this week.
Do less, not more, for your kids

With school-aged children we can find ourselves making lunches, getting kids out of bed and cleaning out schoolbags rather than giving these basic tasks of living over to them. The basic task of parenting, whether you have a two year old or a twenty-two year old, is to work yourself out of a job at the first possible chance. REDUNDANCY should be the aim of the game!

You can teach your child the healthy habit of walking more by:
- Walking with them the whole way to school
- If they get the bus or train, walk past your usual stop and get on at the next stop
- If you have to drive, park the car a few blocks away from the school and walk the rest of the way.

Regular exercise like walking with your child not only helps them (and you!) beat chronic problems like obesity, heart disease, behavioural and mental health issues and diabetes. It also gives you a great opportunity to teach your child safe ways to behave around roads and traffic. Remember, Active Kids are Healthy Kids so get planning your own Walk Safely to School Day journey for Friday 22 May 2015!

For more information, visit www.walk.com.au

PARENTING ARTICLE BY MICHAEL GROSE - Do less, not more, for your kids

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The basic task of parenting, whether you have a two year old or a twenty-two year old, is to work yourself out of a job at the first possible chance. REDUNDANCY should be the aim of the game! We never become redundant in a relationship sense – the emotional connection between our children and us is never severed. In a practical, physical way we need to make children less, rather than more, reliant on us. Developing independence is really about stepping back to allow children in. Doing less rather than more! We develop greater independence in our kids one job at a time.

We easily take on children’s responsibilities

It is easy as parents to take on the jobs and responsibilities that really should belong to our children. With toddlers it is so easy to dress, feed and clean up after them rather than give these jobs over to them. With school-aged children we can find ourselves making lunches, getting kids out of bed and cleaning out schoolbags rather than giving these basic tasks of living over to them.

TIP NO. 1 for developing independence:
Be clear about who owns jobs or tasks in your family and never take on a child’s job, or part of a task, unless there is extenuating circumstances such as illness.

TIP NO. 2 for developing independence:
Never be more worried about a child’s job than they are, otherwise it becomes your job, not theirs. The school holidays provide a good opportunity to reflect on the whole notion of job-sharing. It’s also a good time for kids to increase their job load when they are not burdened with schoolwork and extra-curricular activities.

Here’s my challenge for you: Think of a job that you regularly do for your child that he or she can do for him or herself. Then step back and enable your child to do that for themselves on a full-time basis. Do less not more for your kids. If you do that, then you can congratulate yourself as you have moved one step more toward REDUNDANCY.

Visit: www.parentingideas.com.au for more ideas from Michael Grose
Year 1 Classroom Music Program

The year 1 students have just completed a Music program that began last term. We have been learning about elements of music such as beat, rhythm, dynamics, pitch and melody through singing games, songs, movement activities, listening activities and playing percussion instruments. We have created group compositions using voice and percussion instruments to represent a playground scene.

I learnt to play instruments and about pitch. Lila
I learnt how rhythms go and about high and low notes. Nicholas C
I learnt how to sing the Boom Di-ah-da song (I like the flowers). Adam
I learnt to sing properly with high notes and low notes. Polly
I learnt about tempo, and how high music can go and how low. Dharshan
I learnt how different sounds can be when you do the beat or the rhythm. Instruments can play both but rhythm and beat are different. Max C
I like to sing the circle game, Jump Jump Josie. Druva H
I like to play the games and do singing and dancing and play the instruments and know how to play them properly and how to play the correct rhythm in the right parts. Will

Here we are in action!

![Images of students engaged in music activities]
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<td>For your very creative and highly descriptive Pet Story. It’s your Personal Best writing for the year. Super effort!</td>
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<td>For your super efforts during our writing sessions. Your Hero Award persuasive piece was inspiring to read and had us all convinced!</td>
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<td>For your incredible enthusiasm in our inquiry topic and songs. Superstar!</td>
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<td>For being a kind, respectful and positive member of the grade 5 team. We are all grateful for the chance to work with you (From all the grade 5 teachers)</td>
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<td>Stella H</td>
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<td>For always being reliable, hard-working, kind and for being such an incredible asset to our grade 6 family.</td>
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<td>Ben C</td>
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<td>For years of perfect courtesy, thoughtful and helpful classroom manners and an Outstanding attitude to language learning (Japanese)</td>
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OUR EXCEPTIONAL TEACHERS
Congratulations to Domonique Oosterbaan (Prep C) and Sue McGregor (6B) who were recently awarded for being outstanding teachers by Officemax. They were nominated last year by teachers and parents along with hundreds of teachers from other schools. Only a few awards were given out and we're very lucky to have two of them at Carnegie PS! Well done ladies!

BIRTHDAY BOOK CLUB
Thank you for these great books and many happy birthday wishes from all at Carnegie Primary School.

Chloe T Prep D
The Circus Under the Sea
The Castle That Jack Built
Clever Rabbit and the Wolves

Rosie W Prep D
Shoes from Grandpa

Claudia W 2 A
A Very Merry Christmas

Oliver C 1 A
Just Crazy
Just Disgusting

Charlotte F 2 B
The BFG
Boy

Joshitha Prep A
Hurry Up, Birthday!
Can’t Catch Me!
Little Whale’s Song

Charlotte B 2 C
The 52-Storey Treehouse

Toby W Prep A
The BFG
Puff the Magic Dragon
Being a new teacher at the school, no one really knows anything about you so in 25 words or less can you give us your life story?!
Born and raised on a sheep and cropping farm in the New South Wales Riverina. I went to boarding school in Geelong for my last years of school. After finishing school I moved to Melbourne to attend university.

How are you finding settling in to a new school?
Everyone at Carnegie Primary School has been extremely supportive and caring, which has allowed me to settle in really quickly.

We love hearing about the teachers’ nicknames. Do you have one you’d like to share with us?
I know it is boring, but the best that I get is simply Brownie.

When you were young, what was your favourite pastime?
I spent a huge amount of my time driving around the farm in my light green mini. If I wasn’t doing that you could have found me in the pool or shooting hoops.

If you were able to go back and give your 9-year-old self advice, what would it be?
Be positive, work hard and things will fall into place.

How do you “chillax” after spending the week with a class of Grade 3s?
I love to get some takeaway Thai or Indian food and watch a movie on the couch on a Friday evening. I also enjoy going for runs on the weekend and catching up with friends for dinner.

What is something that people would be surprised to know about you?
I loved athletics at school and my best events were the 100m and 200m sprints. My best time in the 100m was 12.8 seconds.

Do you have any secret talents, like singing, juggling, playing the spoons?
Apart from being secretly skilful in playing the spoons, I have been known to be quite a good dancer. (I hope my year 3 students don’t think otherwise 😊).
If you could have dinner with 3 famous people from the past or present, who would they be?
Prince Harry, Beyoncé, Oprah Winfrey
If there was one thing you could make sure your students learnt from you, what would it be?
To have a positive and enthusiastic outlook on life.

Miss Browne in 30 Seconds…

Favourite food: Roast lamb
Footy team: Essendon
Favourite band/singer: Beyoncé
Favourite TV show: Louis Theroux’s Documentaries
Favourite Movie: Bridget Jones’ Diary
Ideal Holiday: Anywhere with a beach and plenty of sun
Siblings: Older Brother (James)
Pets: Dog (Jack)
Hobbies: Shopping
House Cross Country

Congratulations to all members of our District Cross-Country team. We did a wonderful job throughout the day and everyone pushed themselves beyond their limits. We sent a very strong squad of 54 students down to Caulfield Park and we saw some great results, which included 5 students who finished inside the top 10! These 5 students will now be representing our school at the Division Cross Country on Wednesday, 3rd June at Cornish College. We wish all our representatives the very best of luck as they continue to do Carnegie proud:

**Leah O** (1st in 12/13yo girls)  
**Harriet R** (2nd in 9/10yo girls)  
**Luca T** (3rd in 11yo boys)  
**Tom M** (6th in 11yo boys)  
**Charlie C** (6th in 9/10yo boys)

Special mention to **Saskia C** who finished in the top 12 in the 12/13yo girls event and is now an emergency for the event.

Congratulations again to all participants.

Joel Pollard  
Sports Co-ordinator

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SUSHI DAY– Wednesday 27th May
Next Wednesday 27th May is SUSHI DAY! If you would like some delicious Sushi for lunch that day, order forms are due in by THIS FRIDAY 22nd May. Extra order forms are available at the office.

AUSTRALIA’S BIGGEST MORNING TEA/ CUPCAKE DAY
This Friday May 22nd we will be holding our annual morning tea to help raise funds for the Cancer Council. Parents are invited to stay after assembly on Friday and enjoy a cuppa and some delicious morning tea.

We will also have a cupcake sale on at recess for the students. They can purchase cupcake for $1 with all funds raised going to the Cancer Council.

BAKERS NEEDED!
If you are able to help bake a batch of cupcakes or something for our parents’ morning tea, please contact Leesa Needham via: leesa.n@optusnet.com.au or 0408 556 669. Thank-you in advance!

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS
Forms went home last week for pre-ordering of this year’s Entertainment books. You can buy either the book or the digital version. There are more order forms at the office as well as a copy of this year’s book for you to have a look through. CPS receives $13 from every book sold! Get on board!!

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Carnegie Primary School OSHC

Opening Hours:
Before School Care 7am-8.45am  
After School Care 3.30pm-6.30pm  
Vacation Care 7am-6pm

Contact Information:
For bookings ring Vicky (co-ordinator) on 0402 043 810  
Account queries or change of bookings please call Rachel:  
on 0499 777 601 or email: rachel@ylv.com.au

A copy of the enrolment and booking form can be downloaded through our website on:  
www.ylv.com.au

Prices for the Program:
Before School Care: Permanent Booking: $11.50  
Casual Booking: $12.50  
After School Care: Permanent Booking: $14  
Casual Booking: $15

After School Care News:
CURRICULUM DAY-THURSDAY 28TH MAY

PLANNED ACTIVITIES FOR THE DAY
Art: Assorted Winter Crafts/Igloo Making  
Cooking: Making Rice Bubble Marshmallow Slice  
Afternoon Tea: Cup of Hot Chocolate with Marshmallows  
Games: Wacky Silly Indoor/Outdoor Games
End the Day with a Dancing Competition- Children can bring their favourite CDs

Please advise the OSHC program if you intend for your child to utilise the service on this particular day.

OSHCE TEAM
FREE PARENT SEMINAR

Melissa Anderson presents an essential evening for parents

BULLYING
Coping skills for children and their parents

- Who are the bullies and why are they targeting your child?
- How to equip your children with the skills to be assertive and flourish in the playground and in life.

Applicable to boys and girls. Adults will also find it relevant.

Melissa Anderson is a counsellor, pharmacist and the Director of SHINE Academy for Girls and LONGFORD & FRASER Leadership Academy for Boys.

Wednesday 27 May 2015
Rosstrevor Hall,
Brighton Grammar School
(Cnr Allee and New Streets, Brighton)
7.30pm-9.00pm

Children aged 10 and above are welcome.
This is a FREE event, however a gold coin donation to charity is greatly appreciated.

For bookings phone (03) 9592 4948