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LEARNING = Middle Orange Prep / 1
CITIZENSHIP = Middle Blue Yr 3/4

Principal’s Award: Middle Blue for settling in so well with new class teacher.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Term 4 week 2

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17/10/14 – 28/11/14
Prep – Year 2/3
Swimming
Yr 5-7 Surfing elective

Tuesdays starting 14/10/14
After School Sport P-3
Gymnastics / Circus
3:15pm-4:15pm

Wednesdays starting 15/10/14
After School Sport 4-7
3:15pm – 4:15pm

16/10/14
Nude Food Day

20/10/14
Pupil Free Day

21 - 25/10/14
Life Education Van Visit

22/10/14
Middle Gold Excursion
Crossing Supervisors assembly
PREP 2015 Parent Information 1:30 or 5:30 pm

24/10/14
World Teachers Day
Day For Daniel
P-2 Swimming
Surfing

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Scottish Delegates Mr John Doig & Ms Elinor Middlemiss meet with Declan M. who was born in a town in Scotland just 6 miles from where Ms Elinor lives and Max whose family came from Scotland. Mr Doig has the art work depicting the Gold Coast that our students did which was presented to him at the Glasgow Commonwealth Games handover and has it hanging in his office. Ms Elinor represented Scotland in 4 Commonwealth Games in badminton, winning bronze on 2 occasions. They presented our school with a replica of the black Scottish Terrier that led each country out on the track at the Glasgow Opening Ceremony. Kiara is holding him. We are having a competition to name the toy dog.

Value of the Week - RESPONSIBILITY

Each of us has a responsibility to do the best we can to make our homes, school and community the safe, respectful and happy places that we want them to be. We act responsibly when we keep the rules and do what we are expected to do and keep our agreements. When we take responsibility for our own actions, others can trust and depend on us.

School Wide Positive Behaviour Learning Focus: Be on time to class & Line up responsibly.

Social & Emotional Learning: Mental Health is as important to look after as our physical health. Healthy eating, drinking lots of water, being active, being social, having positive relationships and learning something new every day contributes to good mental health. We also need to feel loved, respected and valued for the person we are and know that we can always ask for help.
Dear Parents / Caregivers,

We welcome our many new families to CSS and Ms Scales to our teaching team.

Learning & Achieving – It’s our job; every day. At CSS we instil that the classroom is a place to work and learn. We expect responsible classroom behaviour to enable everyone their right of learning and doing their job. A term 3 behaviour report will go home within the next week. This report is the student’s own self-evaluation of their behaviour- in class and the playground and validated by the class teacher. We want all our students to self-manage their own behaviour with little intervention from the teacher because they know expectations and keep the rules. For the minority who find it harder to make right behaviour choices, we expect that they learn from their mistakes with the support of staff and their parents.

School Sign: Thank you P&C for putting in the new school sign at the front of the school so we can post messages for students and families. The welcome message wished students a deadly, awesome term 4. The word 'Deadly' is a modern colloquialism used by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders to indicate 'cool, rockin’, fantastic’

Payments: Unfortunately a number of payments are all due at the same time: P-2 /3 swimming, surfing, life education, & Middle Gold excursion and though these were advertised last term, we understand that budgeting is not always easy. If you are finding it difficult to manage all at once, please contact the office so a payment plan can be negotiated with expectation that paid in full


Prep 2015 Parent Information Sessions next week. Please advise any families you know who have a child who will turn 5 by 30th June in 2015 that there will be information sessions either 1:30 – 2:45 or 5:30 – 6:45 on Wednesday 22nd October in our resource centre. Each session will inform parents about Coolangatta SS in general and the Prep Year in particular.

We want each child to have a great start to ‘big’ school – a big step on their learning journey. Following the Parent Information session, new prep students are invited to come to our prep class on several occasions before the end of the year to work and play and to familiarise themselves with their new setting. It is such an exciting time but it also can be an anxious time. Being familiar helps develop confidence.

Transition to high school: All year 6, 7 students should by now have filled out their enrolment forms for their ongoing secondary school. They will receive an invitation from the school they will be enrolling in next year to attend an orientation day. I encourage students to take up this offer. The student will be marked as attending an alternate program for the day on our school roll. If your child is not yet enrolled I encourage parents to visit the schools they are interested in, meet with administration and make an informed choice that best meets your child’s school needs.

World Teacher’s Day: Next week is International Children’s Week and fittingly on Friday 24th October, the day is designated as Teacher’s Day. Please take the time to have your child’s teacher a special note of appreciation. Like you, their teacher has your child’s best interest at heart and works hard for them to be the best person they can be.

Warm regards and best wishes for a great week,

Sharyn Mahony

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P&C NEWS: P&C President Sue Elliot

Starting next week the tuckshop will be closed on Mondays and open Tuesday through to Friday. The new menu items will include the following:
- Bacon & egg muffin with cheese $3.50.
- New snacks include: Shapes $1, Veggie chips $1.50, fruit twisters $1, fruit salad bites $1, soy crisps 50c-$1, pretzels 50c-$1, cakes $1. Ice cream $1.50, fruit ice blocks $1, Jelly 50c (Thurs-Friday only).

Please support our new healthy menu.

Our tuckshop needs you! We have received funding to help with the payment of our tuckshop convenor’s wages however this funding will run out at the end of the year. As it currently stands, we will not be able to cover the convenor’s wages next year and our tuckshop may have to close. We have a brand new larger oven and cooktop and we are working on finishing the painting and general modernising of the tuckshop. This will all be in vain if we cannot get volunteers to help. It’s time to step up and not leave it to the same couple of people to put in more than their fair share of time and effort every week. YOUR SCHOOL NEEDS YOU. Please contact the office if you can help or Amy at the tuckshop on or 0418565829.

School banking is Fridays please leave your bank books at the tuckshop.

Smith Family Saver Plus:

Enrolment for Phase 5 is closing Join Saver Plus before 31st December to match your savings for school costs, dollar for dollar, up to $500. You may be eligible if you have:
- a Health Care or a Pensioner Concession Card
- some regular income from work (you or your partner)
- a child at school or study yourself

Contact Jasmin Dorrington your local Saver Plus Worker: 07 5536 5613 or 0417 485 477
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Saver Plus was developed by ANZ and the Brotherhood of St Laurence. Saver Plus is funded by ANZ and the Australian Government.

STUDENT COUNCIL:

Nude Food Day: This Thursday is Nude Food Day. This is a day to think about how we can reduce packaging which ends up in the waste bin which ends up at the tip. We pay for our waste bins to be emptied. Rubbish takes up a huge amount of landfill and produces methane gases. We can save money and help the environment if we can reduce waste.

On Thursday, do your best to bring your lunch in containers that you can take home and wash, rather than throw the wrapping or packet in the bin.

Alex & Kasey Maree, Enviro Captains

Chaplain’s Chat – Chappy Lisa

Calling all Year 6 & 7 girls! An exciting event is being planned just for you by Chappies and proudly hosted by Kings Youth! On Thursday November 13 all Year 6 & 7 girls from Coolangatta SS are invited to attend “Empowered—This Is Who I Am” along with girls from other Gold Coast State Schools. The evening costs $5 and includes a light dinner, snacks, pamper stations, prizes, a photo booth and entertainment. Last year our Year 7 girls had an awesome time – you won’t want to miss this!!! The official flyer will be coming home today with the newsletter – RSVP and payment by October 24th to Chappy Lisa.

P&G News
AROUND THE CLASSROOMS

Senior Green : Mrs Ireland
Refreshed after the holidays, Senior Green this week embarked upon new units of work. Especially exciting is our new English unit of work when our students will be creating an online picture book to present to kindergarten students. The students will use a range of visual and language features to highlight an endangered animal. Surfing on Friday’s commences this week, please ensure your student has returned their permission form.

Senior Purple : Mr Vogel
Senior Purple has had a good start to term 4 with strong attendance and participation in lessons. All students have now started using pens for writing, in preparation for High School. A reminder to parents that students need a hat every day at school. If you can please discuss with your son / daughter the importance of looking after their hat it would be much appreciated.

Middle Gold : Ms Cronin
Middle Gold have jumped into their new Literacy and History units this term. The Literacy unit relates to a quest novel “Rowan of Rin”. We have read 3 chapters and it is very interesting, with unusual characters and a Riddle that needs to be solved. Students have started blogging their thoughts on an Edstudio and this has proved to be an interesting and fun experience. In History we are studying First Contacts, regarding the Aborigines before Europeans arrived and just after they arrived. This week we have looked at where the first Aborigines are thought to have journeyed to Australia and how there were land bridges. We have also started some Aboriginal style art. We hope families can join us on Assembly this week for our presentation.

Middle Blue: Ms Scales
Middle Blue has made a great start to term four and been incredibly welcoming to their teacher! We have started our new literacy unit based on a Quest novel, which will take us on an exciting journey this term! Expecting great things from Middle Blue.

Middle Purple : Mr Stringer and Mrs Duffy
Welcome back to Term 4! Thank you to Middle Purple for a great start back. Last week, I noted students were in correct uniform and that most had brought new pencils and supplies to see them through until the end of the year. Great to see they are ‘ready to learn’. Hopefully you will have all received a term 4 newsletter informing you of what we are covering over the next ten weeks. Last week students looked at position and location in maths and applied their knowledge by designing their own Treasure Island map using grid referencing to plot landmarks. We have started a new art unit which looks at self-portraits. We will be particularly looking at proportion and shading.

Junior Blue: Mrs Calder
This week we welcome back Mrs Hodgson, who will be doing her teacher internship in Junior Blue over the next four weeks. Swimming begins this Friday. It would be unwise for those students going to swimming to order a tuckshop lunch on Friday owing to the fact that we leave at 11:15. A sheet advising our studies for this term accompanies this newsletter.

Junior Green: Ms O’Callaghan
Welcome back to another fantastic term! Students will start swimming this week on Friday. Students will need goggles, towel, thongs/sandals and rashie (optional) and a plastic bag for wet items. Please ensure all of your child’s belongings are clearly labelled with their names.

Junior Purple: Mrs Waldon and Mrs Winder
Welcome back to Term 4. We have started our new English unit this week and have written a procedural text about how to make a cup of cordial. We have also started a new unit in maths collecting data, and look forward to swimming lessons this Friday. A more detailed class newsletter outlining this term’s learning will be sent home early this week so look for it in your child’s school bag.

Junior Orange: Ms Schmida
Welcome back to Term 4. Please support your student in preparation for moving up to Year 1 by ensuring that they are practising their sounds and sight words, and by taking advantage of every reading opportunity – signs, labels, front covers of magazines, notice boards etc. Homework/Catch up club (OLD LIBRARY –before school from 8:00am ) is a wonderful opportunity offered by our school! Mrs Burton is also outside clss Tues , Wed & Thurs to paly learning games with students. Parents are welcome to help. Also, please ensure your child is looking after their belongings. This term, please refrain from entering the classroom in the mornings, and say your good-byes at the door, and allow the children to be organised for their own school day. We are striving to develop their independence, autonomy and readiness for the more formalised schooling year ahead of them. LASTLY, SWIMMING BEGINS FRIDAY!

HPE: Mr Stringer
This Friday is our first week of the Term 4 Surfing Program. Students who have made payments by this Thursday will assemble at 1:20pm in covered area with wide brim hat, thongs, appropriate clothing and board if applicable and will walk via the pathway and traffic lights to Kirra Beach returning at 3pm. Students who catch the bus at 3pm may require alternate arrangements but we endeavour to arrive back at school as close to 3pm as possible. Parents very welcome and are encouraged to help with safety supervision of the 3 different ability groupings. Please see surfing letter.

REMINDERS
Please remember money days are Tuesday & Thursdays so all swimming deposits and surfing deposits have to be paid on Thursday 16/10/14 or unfortunately students don’t attend. Other payments are also.
- Life Education: Prep – Yr 7: students attend a subsidised lesson from well-known Life Education Van Wk 3 at cost of $5 which includes a workbook.
- Yr 6, 7 Graduation: $ 22 per adult.
- Middle Gold Excursion $25.00 due by this Thursday 16th.

If you have recently changed your phone numbers could you please let the office know in case of an emergency. Also your address details if they have changed. It is important to keep our data base up to date.

See this Tuesday’s Gold Coast Bulletin – TXT4U where our school features on page 28.