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Environmental Captains- all students who pick up papers without being told.

PRINCIPAL’S AWARD – Senior Blue – for 100% attendance on 14/10/13.

TWILIGHT CARNIVAL

Value of the week: RELIABILITY
Being reliable is doing something that you have agreed to do or are expected to have done in a responsible way without forgetting or having to be reminded or without making excuses. When you practice reliability you really care about what you said you would do and your commitments. You bring forms and payments in on time; you have your homework done on time; you arrive at school on time; you follow directions first time and keep the rules; you do your work the best you can each time. Being reliable means others can depend on you.

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Dear Parents / Carers,

Term 4 is off to a great start. There is much enthusiasm and excitement and business!

Welcome: Today, our Lions friends who work with targeted students each Tuesday afternoon in the woodwork ‘Shed’ or craft program bring Lion’s visitors from Denmark to show them the partnership that exists between Lions and our school and the great outcomes that this relationship brings.

Prep 2014: This week we commence our transition program to Prep. Children who turn 5 by 30 June 2014 are eligible for the Prep year. Parent Information Sessions occur this Wednesday at either 1:30pm or 5:30 pm and will be followed by several student orientation mornings where we invite prospective new students to become familiar with our school thus helping them be ready for the new experience of a full 5 day a week learning program where they learn to read and write. It is such a big milestone in a child’s life and we want to give them the best start that we can.

Payments: Thank you parents for having forms and payments in as required and having paid up all moneys owing for this school year. This includes all money from the School Resource Scheme which for the year was $100 for Prep and $40 for Year 1 – 7 as this was required to be paid in full by the end of term 3. Where payments have not been received, students will not be eligible to participate in nominated activities as we as a school and families who have paid, are not in a position to carry the expenses of others. As a school, the money we ask is very reasonable.

World Teachers Day 25 October: Next week we acknowledge the work of our teachers with a special assembly on Wednesday and celebrations on Friday. I invite students and families to take the time to give a special thank you to the teachers at CSS; a simple card or note expresses so much.

Day for Daniel, Fri 25 Oct: The Daniel Morcombe Foundation has provided educational material to support schools and families to teach students personal safety. Students are invited to wear red on this special day to promote this message. We will be taking the opportunity to reinforce associated skills through school activities.

Year 7 to high school in 2015: Parents of year 5 students as well as year 6 students need to be aware that next year will be their child’s last year at primary school as across Qld all Yr 7 moves to high school in line with NSW and other states. Decisions are currently being made around senior graduating school shirts, school captain positions and school camps.

Mental Health Week: This statement from the World Health Organization emphasises how mental health involves everybody. Mental health – the way we think or feel about ourselves and what is going on around us, and how we cope with the stresses of life – affects our sense of wellbeing as well as our physical health. In this sense everyone has mental health. Good mental health is vital for learning and life. Children who are mentally healthy are better equipped to meet life’s challenges. They also learn better and get on better with others. Good mental health helps children enjoy and benefit from their everyday experiences, have positive relationships with their families, friends and school staff, and contribute to their community in ways that are appropriate for their age. Good mental health in childhood provides a foundation for positive mental health and wellbeing, now and into the future.

Warm regards and best wishes for a great week,
Sharyn Mahony

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**P&C News**

**Tuckshop** open this Thursday 17th & Friday 18th.

**School Banking:** This Friday, please drop your books off at the tuckshop before 9am.

**Funds Raised at Twilight Carnival by individual classes**

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**Grand Total - $2690.25**

The raffle raised some $533 with a very BIG thank you to local businesses. Their support was amazing. Thank you everyone for all that you did to make our first Twilight carnival such a success.

**Great News:** we have been successful in gaining a $30 000 gaming grant to make one of our tennis courts into a multipurpose court with basketball and netball facilities.

**Chaplain’s Chat: Chappy Lisa**

**Yr 7 Girls Empowered Event:** I am very excited about this event being held on Thursday night. It has been offered to all Yr 7 girls from a number of southern Gold Coast state schools and is being run by the school chaplains from those schools along with a team of people from C3 Church at Currimbina (however there will be no religious content). It should be a great night of fun, pampering, food and hanging out with both old and new friends.

**Yr 7 Boys Team Challenge Event:** Yr. 7 boys should now have received an invitation to this event being held on 2nd November, 3-6pm Qld time. Like the girls event, it is being run by the chaplains of southern Gold Coast state schools. This is the first of what we hope to be an annual event. A great opportunity for the boys to get together and hang out with each other, play sports and meet boys from other schools they may see at their new high school. The event is being held at Tweed Super Sports and is not a religious event. The evening is great value, only $5 per student which includes all food, drink and activities. Return note and money to Chappy Lisa by Oct 22.

**GO Club:** Due to the GO Club leaders assisting at the Yr 7 Girls Empowered Event, GO Club will not be on this Thursday, but will resume on October 24th.

**Library News:** Mrs Marshall

Order your book club for Christmas! Book club is due back on THURSDAY 25th October. Please ensure your book club orders are returned to Library as all orders will be placed on this day.

Our ‘Scribes and Scribblers’ writing group will continue to be held on Mondays at first break, students interested in attending should see Mrs Marshall or Ms Schmida. Congratulations to Osa and Basia who submitted their writing to the ‘Words Out’ Children’s creative writing competition. This term our focus will be on Seven Steps to Writing Success. The first few weeks we will concentrate on “Sizzling Starts”.

**Saverplus to assist you with Education costs**

You may be eligible for up to $500 toward education costs including uniforms, text books, laptops etc. You may be eligible if you have a Health Care Card or Pensioner Concession Card, and are at least 18 yrs old & have some regular income from work. To find out more, call or sms your postcard to 1300 610 355 or email saverplus@bsl.org.au
Senior Green & Senior Purple : Mrs Ireland & Mr Failes
Welcome back from holidays! This term is a very exciting. We have a lot of special events including the year 7 graduation. We have two student teachers joining us for the next 4 weeks, Miss Sullivan and Miss Hayer. This week in maths we are looking at chance and probability. In literacy we are analysing song lyrics and poems. The year 6’s have started their historical enquiry assessment on different migrant groups in Australia. The year 7’s will start their historical enquiry assessment on Ancient China next week.

Senior Blue: Mrs Keil
In our classroom, Senior Blue are undertaking an English unit, comparing the novel and film versions of “Red Dog”. In this unit, we are examining the text structure, language features, visual features, multimodal features, purpose and audience of narrative texts. In Maths this week, we are ordering chance events, expressing probability on a numerical continuum, applying probability to games of chance, making predictions in chance experiments. If you have any concerns about your child, please make a time to speak with me.

Middle Purple: Mrs Cecil & Mr Stringer
Middle Purple students have been using noun groups to improve descriptive writing. We are proud of all student efforts and share two samples of work below.

The Alley
Strong, blue waves roll into shore subtly mounting foamy salt mounds onto the ever going stretch of soft, white sand. The sight of beautiful whales playfully jumping out of the salty water entertains the people passing by the beautiful beach. The sharp brown and grounded down rocks laying just above the elegant waves of lifeless waves marks the eclipse of the alley and Currumbin Beach. The surfers ride on the blue, rolling waves coming into the salty shore of the beach. by Taiti A

The Gap
You can hear the lovely colourful birds tweeting incessantly as you drive down the four-wheel drive beach entry. Crash! The waves would yell as you get to the beach. Once you hear the waves crash you know you’re here- You’re at The Gap! It’s as peaceful as a sleeping baby here’s you get to the clear, blue water; you feel all your worries fly away. The sand comforts your feet as walk along the peaceful, sunny, protected beach. The beach is protected by a massive bushland which shades you like a massive umbrella. It’s like heaven here. The beach doesn’t have any rocks so you don’t have to worry about cuts on your precious body parts. That’s The Gap – Gods own beach. By Austen Y

Middle Blue: Mrs McEwan
Middle Blue have been practising their Sizzling Starts in the classroom over the last week to get better at writing interesting introductions to a persuasive text. This week we are going to begin lessons in the lab about coding with a program called Scratch. Please keep an eye out for the Parent Teacher Interview letter and Term Outline letters issued this week. Please ensure also that your child has paid for swimming if in Year 3. We look forward to completing out artworks inspired by Andy Warhol and having them ready for the Art Show later this term.

Junior Gold: Ms Cronin
Junior Gold would like to say a very big THANK YOU to all parents who contributed to the very successful Cards and Cakes stall at the Twilight Carnival. We were inundated with cakes, cupcakes, slices, muffins, cheesecakes and sweets. We made a huge $435.40 as part of our contribution to the P&C. Last week we welcomed Mr Nathan Craig to our classroom. He is completing his studies to graduate as a teacher this year, by completing a 4 week Internship with Junior Gold. We look forward to interesting educational activities during the next 4 weeks. A note went home explaining the curriculum focus for this term. We have started a very interesting Australian Poetry unit in English. All students are now searching for a favourite poem to present to the class. Swimming begins this week on Tuesdays. Congratulations Junior Gold on a massive result for everyone in spelling last Friday, with 95% of the class hitting their Spelling Targets or beyond.

Junior Blue: Mrs Calder
Welcome back to all the families of Junior Blue students. Term 3 is a long term with much to achieve. Reminders about doing homework every night are often needed. Students must also be learning their addition and subtraction facts. The knowledge of these is much more important than times tables at the moment, as this is what is letting otherwise competent students down in maths.

Junior Green: Miss Alvea O’Callaghan
Welcome back to Term 4! I hope you all had a happy and safe holiday. This week in Mathematics we will be focusing on 2-digit numbers. Students will explore counting sequences on a number line, identify the positions of numbers and will position numbers in relations to other numbers. As part of our Science unit students will explore the way that light can come from a variety of sources and can be observed.

Junior Red: Mr Vogel
Junior Red is having a great time finding poetry online and sharing it with each other. We are also analysing poetry and learning about rhyme, verses, rhythm and purpose. In maths students are discovering multiplication and division with hands on activities. Our reading boxes are filling up and the class is improving their silent reading stamina, concentrating for longer and reading more deeply. Finally this week in art we made colour contrast flags. Come on in and check out our new brighter classroom.

Junior Purple: Mrs Winder & Mrs Waldon
Welcome back to the last term of the year! We trust you all enjoyed a fantastic break. This week was bit of a short week, but we are back into the swing of things. A note will be going home this week with some further details about what is happening in our classroom this term, including swimming which starts this week! Towards the end of last term students entered a Spring Fair Art Competition at the Kirra Hill Community Centre. Congratulations to Daisy and Aalyrah who were very successful in the competition.

Junior Orange: Ms. Schmida
I would like to extend a warm welcome back to term 4 and extend many thanks again for such a successful Twilight Fair! I hope you all had a lovely relaxing break. A class newsletter and parent/teacher interview note should have come home this week. Please come and see me if you have not received this information. We are revising and consolidating this week and further developing readiness, independence and autonomy in preparation for more formalised learning for grade 1 next year.

HPE News: Mr Stringer
Friday Sport will start this week including surfing. If you have returned your permission note including experience with swimming and surf you would have received your notice if you are in the team. Please ensure you have all the correct equipment for this Friday’s first session or you won’t be able to participate. Surfing can be one of the best things you might ever do living near the beach however safety is always the focus with this sport. Junior swimming lessons begun this week at Billabong Pool for year’s P-3. Keep bringing in your weekly payments if you have not paid in total and have a safe and fun learning experience over the next seven weeks. Swimming Carnival is on in the last week of term so keep up the swimming stroke improvement if you have access to pools with adult supervision at all times of course! The goal is to get every CSS student swimming to the best level they can achieve, both junior and senior school.

Nude Food Day – Wednesday 15 October.