PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE

Dear Parents,

Welcome back. What a superb start to Term 4! Everything is in full swing with many staff on leave at the moment. Thank you to our great staff and community for assisting with individual students and classes. Mrs Williams will be taking leave as of this Friday for a week, Mrs Black (Miss Dean) will be taking White class during this time.

Mr Wynn sends a warm hello from overseas. He is enjoying his trip and will be back in Week 6.

Welcome back to Mrs Crisford one of our excellent SLSO’s Student Learning Support Officers. Mrs Crisford is working with students in our QuickSmart program and doing a tremendous job.

Swim Scheme has started and the students were enjoying the warmer weather of last week. Behaviour at the pools has been highly praised by the Pool staff and the teachers attending.

Kindergarten Orientation is commencing on the 29th October with an Information Session and a classroom visit for all the new Kindergarten students of 2015. There will be a Teddy Bear Picnic to follow on the 19th November. These events are important to assist in the transition of your child to their new school environment.

Our local pre-schools have started their transition programs to our great school. Mrs Patrick has done a wonderful job coordinating this.

We have new visitor passes set-up at our front office for everyone entering our school during the day. You will NOT need the pass when the gates are open for drop off and pick up times.

Therefore any visitor wishing to enter our school grounds/classroom during class times will need to sign in at the front office and wear our new Visitor Pass. Please follow this process as it ensures the safety of our school for both students and staff.

Enjoy the rest of your week and keep up the great work at Cambridge Gardens Public School.

Rel. Principal

Mr Denis Morgan

Stage 3 Excursion

Stage 3 camp is during Week 5 of this term. All outstanding money, code of behaviour and medical notes need be handed in to the office by Friday 17th October 2014. Your ongoing assistance is very much appreciated.

Eaglehawk accommodation has also notified the school that no bed linen is required to be brought in by the students as they have all of that provided.

A “PG” Permission Note regarding viewing a movie on the Stage excursion, will be going home today for parents to return to school by Tuesday 21st October 2014.

If there is anything further the school may assist parents before the camp please do not hesitate to call and speak with Mrs Ptolemy.
CAMBRIDGE GARDENS FANTASTIC BOOK FAIR

I would like to thank the students, their families and community members for supporting our annual Book Fair. I have had some amazing feedback. The successful outcome of the Book Fair was that we were able to receive $600 worth of books for our library.

In addition, I would like to thank the following students and families for donating books to our library.

Tevita Fusitu’a, Koby and Jarrod Holmes, Alexis Sergiou, Emily Smith, Caitlyn and Austen Gollner, Emerson Chivas, The Waterhouse Family, Kaitlin Reed, Dylan Ivimey, Ben Roughley and Sophia Verwey.

Merryn McArdle
Teacher/Librarian

Get active each day
Be healthy – be active
Children and adults need physical activity every day. Activity helps build better bones, muscles, joints and helps maintain a healthy weight. Physical activity can also reduce the risk of heart disease, type 2 diabetes and some cancers. Get active anyway you can - walking, riding, swimming, and playing active games such as Duck, Duck, Goose or Bull Rush.

Easy ways to add physical activity to your day:

✓ walk to the store, the school or the playground instead of using the car
✓ allow time for children to play outdoors
✓ park the car away from the shops
✓ get off the bus one stop earlier
✓ don’t use the remote control
✓ plant a veggie garden
✓ take the stairs instead of escalators or lifts
✓ schedule regular time each week for your family to be physically active together
✓ limit television time to no more than two hours per day or 14 hours a week.

Encourage fair play
Sport and games are a great way for children to learn about teamwork, rules, winning, losing as well as providing invaluable physical activity. Parents can encourage fair play by:

◎ Emphasising effort and having fun, not just winning.
◎ Cheering and acknowledging good play by both teams.
◎ Talking about the game not the result.

Kindergarten 2015
Students enrolling in Kindergarten 2015 MUST turn 5 before 31 July, 2015. Please visit the office to obtain enrolment forms. The forms should be returned as soon as possible so that we can notify prospective parents of information and orientation sessions to take place in term 4. Please inform neighbours if they have children due to start school next year.

Government Selective High Schools for Year 7 entry in 2016
Applications for placement in Year 7 at a selective high school in 2016 will be open to parents of students in Year 5 from 14th October to 17th November 2014.

Multiple copies of an application information booklet
will be sent to public schools around 14 October 2014 for distribution to parents along with a template letter to parents that can be used by schools to ask parents to express their interest in applying for selective high school placement for their children.

**Direct Deposits to school account:**
When making direct deposits to the school account for excursion and activities please ensure that you include your child’s name and a description of excursion. e.g. J. Smith Carnival Westpac – BSB 032001 Account No. 163318. All canteen and P&C activities need to be paid in cash. No direct deposits to the school account should be made.

All payments and permission notes need to be handed in at the office.

Thank you for your assistance. If you have any questions regarding payments please contact the office.

**Attendance Reminder**
Please be reminded that if your child is absent from school, you will need to provide a note, stating the reason for absence, to the school promptly. Regular attendance at school is essential if students are to maximise their potential. If you have concerns in this area, please see or contact Mr Tucker on 47301201.

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**Absence note**
Name _______________________________
Class _______________________________
My Child was away from ___________ to ____________.
Reason for this absence was: ______________________________________________________________

Signed ____________________________________________

Parent/Guardian _________________________/___/___

Please enter my details on the Cambridge Gardens Public School P & C helpers’ data base. I consent to being contacted by a member of the P & C Executive committee regarding my availability to help at various P & C events.

**P & C News**

**Next Meeting**
Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday, 28th October at 2pm in the staffroom. Everyone is welcome!

**School Banking**
School Banking is this Friday, 17th October. Please make sure you complete the deposit slip and secure your money in your banking wallet. All bank books are to be taken straight to the office.

**Scholastic Book Club**
Please return your order forms and payment by Thursday, 23rd October. Remember to write your name and class on each order form please.

Signed: ________________________________