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CSPS Chatterbox Week 2 Term 1 2021

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Welcome back to another exciting school year of learning and growing.

It is wonderful to see all of our families back safe and well. A very warm welcome also to our new families and friends. I hope you all had a restful break.

Staff began the year working with the SLEC Team (School Learning Environments and Change). Over the course of the two days staff learnt more about open learning and flexible environments to support their teaching practice in preparation for the new school build.

While staff are preparing for future spaces, as a school we are trialling this practice in many current rooms and have again this year changed the physical learning environments in the school for Stage 1 and Stage 2.

Moving forward Block G is no longer the library but an open flexible classroom for 3/4T and 3/4B.



Our library is now in a demountable. Class teachers with their classes will visit the library weekly to borrow and return resources. This year we will not formally have a librarian, however, we have decided to engaged a teacher fulltime to run robotic lessons during release from face to face (RFF).



Building Update

What exciting news our Development Application is finally approved and a Tender awarded!!!

This week you would have noticed that early works have started with hording as well as covered walkways erected. Due to the hording, the school has lost access to Napier Street playground.

As a staff we have at length discussed ways to ensure students have access to play areas.

This means that all staff have a full playground duty load of one duty every day. Staff will be posted on France Street to watch students come and go up and down the hill while two staff members will be on duty on the hill. A Risk Assessment has also been completed with the support of our WHS consultant.

At recess ONLY students from Year 3 to Year 6 may choose to play down the hill while all other students are able to use all areas available to them throughout the school. There will be no designated area for any grade.

At **lunchtime** students from Year 1 to Year 6 may choose to play down the hill while all other students are able to use all areas available to them throughout the school. There will be no designated area for any grade.

Our Kindergarten

All Kindergarten students started school on Friday last week and have settled nicely into 'big school'.



Classes 2021

This year student enrolments were able to be finalised earlier than predicted and students have been put into their classes for 2021. Teachers look forward to getting to know their students in the lead up to our Meet the Teacher event. (We are still discussing how this will be delivered)

Kindergarten	KK	Miss Klironomos
Kindergarten	KR	Mrs Rigby - Assistant Principal
Year 1/2	1/2C	Miss Sotelo
Year 1/2	1/2E	Mrs Micallef
Year 1/2	1/2F	Miss Fifita - Relieving Assistant Principal
Year 3/4	3/4B	Mr Gifford
Year 3/4	3/4S	Mrs Soulemezis
Year 3/4	3/4T	Mrs Tran – Assistant Principal
Year 5/6	5/6D	Mr Dimitrakas
Year 5/6	5/6G	Mrs Sotelo - Assistant Principal
Year 5/6	5/6M	Mrs Mills

EAL/D	Mrs Bozinoski
QTSS	Mrs Ortiz and Mrs Bozinoski
LAST	Ms Casey, (Wed & THur) and Mrs Pierou – Learning and Support
RFF	Miss Stavrou - Relief from Face to Face
SLSO	Mrs Fraser – School Learning Support Officer
SAO	Mrs Morrison – School Administration Officer
SAO	Mrs Tsoutsouras – School Administration Officer
SAM	Mrs Martin – School Administration Manager
GA	Mr Cvetanovski – General Assistant

K-2 Pick up and drop off

A reminder that from 8 February staggered drop off and pick up for K-2 students at CSPS WILL NO LONGER BE IN PLACE. In line with Department protocols parents will no longer be able to come onto school grounds.

Due to COVID-19 restrictions and the commencement of building works students will not be assembling in the mornings. Students entering either France Street, High Street or Napier Street gates from 9.00am will continue to proceed to their classrooms where their teachers will be waiting. There is no teacher supervision of students in the playground before 9.00am. If your child needs to arrive before 9.00am please call the office to let us know. They will be seated under the COLA outside Block D.

All students will be dismissed at 3.15pm from their rooms to walk out either of the three gates. Please make sure you have had this discussion with your child prior to next week.

Remember that penalties apply in school zones. Council Rangers and Highway Patrol will be increasing their patrols around schools at drop off and pick up times. <u>Please choose safety over convenience.</u>

If you see an incident or are concerned about adult behaviour, please feel free to report it to the council.

Communicating with the School

Communicating with the school is extremely important, necessary and certainly welcomed. There are school communication protocols that need to be followed in order for transparency and appropriateness.

Should you need to speak with your child's teacher you can:

- 1. Request to make an appointment to see the class teacher at a mutually convenient time via the front office.
- Send an email using the school email canterburs-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au Please refrain from sending emails directly to the teacher. All correspondence should be via the school email account and attention it to the teacher involved.

Teachers deal with student issues on a daily basis as part of what we do. Please do not expect a call every time your child is spoken to. Parents will be contacted if and when required.

The correct channel for any concerns begins with the classroom teacher.

The Assistant Principal will be referred to as the next point of contact.

Unresolved matters will only then be escalated to the Principal.

It is important that you do not approach other children or parents yourself.

At Canterbury South we are always here to support the wellbeing of our students and their families. We are aligning our protocols to the Departments new Community Charter

attached to this newsletter. You will also see these displayed around the school.

	Phone call to the front office	Emails	Social Media - Facebook groups, See SAW	Face to face appointment	On Site	Web Site, Calendar, SZapp, DOE on the web newsletter.
Concerns about your child; social, emotional and educational needs. Concerns about other children.	Yes, please call the front office to make an appointment with your child's teacher first. Teachers may have to call back when they are not supervising children.	You can email the front office to make as appointment with your child's teacher and briefly outline your concerns. Email to teacher may take 48 hours to answer.	ineffective please de not use.	Arrange a meeting with your child's teacher first. Please give a brief outline of concern, so the teacher can be prepared. This can be organised by a phone call or email.	1:1 meetings with classroom teacher first. If matters need greater intervention, the AP, teaming and Support teacher or counsellor may be called to attend.	Check the Department site for general information. "School A to Z" is a reliable source.
Questions about classroom routines, mufti days, excursions.	Yes - To the office, often repeat questions lead to a school broadcast.	Main office - there may be a delay in getting an answer. Please call for urgent matters.	Yes - another parent may be able to answer your question or share a school pick up/drop off.	Yes, If it is adversely offecting the child, og - nervous about camp.	Ask the front office or a teacher (if they are available) Please do not ask during teaching times.	These are great places t get current information
Concerns about teachers or other staff members. Concerns about teaching and learning.	Call the office to make an appointment to see AP.	Email to make an appointment.	Ineffective please do not use.	Make an appointment to see the AP on the stage first. If matters are not resolved, then seek an appointment with the principal.	You may be able to catch a teacher, AP or the Principal. Unless it is an emergency, an appointment is best.	Please try to resolve matters locally first. More information is available on the DOE Compliments & complaints webpage
School Systems and Departmental systems; School fees, composite classes, sport, coursions, casileen, school events.	To the front office for clarification.	Piease email the Principal to get the most current information, or make an appointment.	Ineffective Please do not use. Social media around these topics may provide misinformation.	Call or email the office to make an appointment with an executive staff member.	Ask the front office or an AP (if they are available) You may need to make an appointment.	Check the School Website, Newsletter an the Calendar for genera Information. Check the NSW DoE site
Lost Property	Call to the office if your child cannot locate an item, some expensive items are handed in and kept here.	The office and classroom teachers are not responsible for your child's belongings.	Yes this may be useful if it is a bag mix up or something like a lost scooter.	Please do not ask teachers to find your child's items.	Ask your child to find the lost property box. Come on site and look in the lost property box.	N/A

Students and staff with flu-like symptoms will need to be tested and provide a copy of a negative COVID-19 test result and be symptom-free before being permitted to return to school.

Students who do not undertake a COVID-19 test will not be permitted to return to school for a 10-day period. Additionally, they must be symptom-free for at least 3 days prior to returning to school.

Students who have seasonal allergic rhinitis or another condition that presents similarly to flu-like symptoms are still required to get tested for COVID-19 and return a negative test result. Where their symptoms continue beyond 10 days, students should provide documentation from their GP confirming their symptoms are typical for their condition. If the student develops new or changed symptoms, they should get tested for COVID-19.



OFFICE

Office Hours

The office hours are 8.30am -3.30pm daily. Due to COVID protocols all payments should be made online and notes handed in to the office via your child.



Any parent dropping off or collecting a child will need to come to the office to sign them out. Anyone visiting the office MUST check in using the school QR code and sign an External Visitors form.

Should you be running late to collect your child/children, please contact the office prior to the 3.15pm bell so we can advise your child/children to come and wait for you in the office after school.

ATTENDANCE

NSW

School

Community Charter

Regular attendance at school for every student is essential if students are to achieve their potential, and increase their career and life options. Schools in partnerships with parents are responsible for promoting the regular attendance of students. Should your child be absent from school, please call the school office to let us know or alternatively, provide a letter of explanation upon your child's return. Absences are closely monitored by the Home School Liaison Office.

Please refer to the DoE Attendance in Government Schools Policy.

During this period of COVID it is important to adhere to the guidelines stated below.

Students should be at school unless:

- they have a medical certificate which states that they are unable to return to school due to an ongoing medical condition and the expected timeframe
- they are currently unwell.

Smart Phone APP



In order to stay up to date and receive school communication for excursions, instant notifications, the school newsletter, Interview bookings and even absentee options. download our app, Szapp. The app is suitable for both Android and Smart Phone users.

To use the app you simply need to follow these steps:

- 1. Search App store (Apple dvices) or Google Play Store (Android devices) for SZapp
- 2. Download and install SZapp
- 3. Select region Asia Pacific
- 4. Search for Canterbury South Public School

 Before you can add the school, you will need to register. Register using your email address or sign in with Google or Facebook and create a password
Manage notifications accordingly

School Gates

Napier Street and High Street gates will be unlocked in the morning from 9.00am to 9.30am every morning and reopened again at 3.00pm regardless of what is happening in the school. All access outside of these times should be via the pedestrian entrance on France Street which will be open from 7.00am and closed but not locked.

If you are using the before and after school care service with Teamkids, pick up and drop off will need happen via France Street gate as Napier Street gate will be locked to ensure the safety of our community.

Canterbury South Uniform - Wear it with Pride!



As you know, when our students wear full school uniform, they feel a sense of pride and belonging to our school. Please help support our goal of having students in full school uniform by ensuring they wear the correct uniform, including black shoes (white sport shoes for sport days) and their Canterbury South hat.

Uniforms can be purchased from Lowes, Campsie. Secondhand uniforms can be purchased via the P&C. Due to COVID, orders can be purchased via email uniform.csps@gmail.com Orders will be packed for collection from the office.

New sport shirts and skorts can be purchased directly from the office.

Email

Please ensure that all contact details held at the school are up to date including email addresses. This year we will again distribute the majoriy of information to our community via email.

If you need to make any changes, kindly contact the school office on 9789 5255 from 8.30am - 3.30pm.

Lost Property

The lost property tub (GREEN) is located under the display board outside the Hall space located in Block F. Please ensure you check for your belongings as it will be emptied at the end of each term and items will be donated to the secondhand uniform store.

FEES

An invoice detailing school fees and resources will be emailed to your nominated email address this week.

Don't forget, you can now pay online for amounts owing for students via a secure payments page hosted by Westpac. Payments can be made using either Visa or Mastercard.

If you require assistance in making these payments, please contact the office.

POP Payments can be made via the link below;

<u>Note:</u> Please ensure a signed permission note for all payments is sent in to the School office. No note no participation

SCHOOL BANKING

Banking this year will be on Friday 12 February. You can drop off your bank books to the front office from 8.30am to 9.15am from Wednesday each week. Banking will be processed and bank books returned to your child's class on Friday.

If you would like to start banking, please contact your local Commonwealth Bank branch to fill out an application to set up an account for your child. Once completed a banking book will be issued to your child.

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P&C NEWS

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WELCOME BACK!!! And a special hello/welcome to the new families who have joined CSPS in 2021! We hope you have a wonderful year filled with amazing memories.

P&C MEETING

We would like to invite families to join us for our first P&C meeting to be held on <u>Tuesday 9th February at 7pm</u> via Zoom.

During this meeting we will cover:

- Update from Ellen Paley, Team Kids Operations Manager
- President & Treasurers Update
- Principals Update
- Update on school build from Naz Fadel
- Initiatives that the community would like to focus on in 2021

This is a great opportunity to meet other members of our community, support your child/children and have your say in their school journey.

Zoom Meeting ID: 891 694 9457

Passcode: 712074

SECOND HAND UNIFORMS - ONLY \$2!!!!!

We have a HUGE selection of 2nd hand school uniforms in fantastic condition (some never worn!) for sale at only \$2 a piece! Not only does this money go back to the school to support our students, but it also keeps unnecessary waste from our landfills – WIN WIN!

Email uniform.csps@gmail.com to place your order.

Also a friendly request to please donate any non-branded CSPS items to your local charity shop/bins – thank you!!

CANTEEN

Welcome back parents and students, we hope you had a great holiday!

Canteen opening times: Monday to Friday 8.30am- 2.10pm.

Lunch orders/online ordering:

For your convenience lunch orders can be placed two ways. You can order in person at the canteen by writing a lunch bags (free, available on table outside canteen) and pay at the counter. Alternatively you are able to send orders with payment with your child to bring to the canteen. We have an online ordering system, Flexi Schools. You can then place orders at any time before 9.00am on the day the order is required for lunch. Any order placed after this time will not be recorded by the canteen.

Please see the Flexi Schools website www.flexischools.com.au for further information.





TEAMKIDS



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