Principal’s Message

The heavy rainfall couldn’t stop Campbellfield Public School from having a smooth return to Term 2! Our staff, students and families enjoyed a wonderful holiday break and were ready to get straight back into learning.

Baby News

I am pleased to announce that Mr and Mrs Callan welcomed a healthy baby boy into the world. Evan Callan was born on the 4th April 2015. Both mum and bub are doing well. We look forward to Mrs Callan bringing baby Evan into school for a visit later in the year.

School Improvements

Across the holidays we have had some major work done to 1/4 Emerald’s classroom. The thatched ceilings that lined these classrooms have now been removed and replaced with modern ceiling sheets. Not only do these look better but they are much healthier for our students and staff. The total of this public work cost over $40,000 and was funded 50:50 by the school and our Asset Management Unit.

Our school is also looking at purchasing a large number of literacy, numeracy and technology resources this term. Every classroom will be flooded with quality numeracy resources such as dice, mini whiteboards, cards, dominoes, counting objects & mathematical games. We have also purchased a large library of quality picture books to support reading and comprehension across K-6. Students will benefit from the purchase of new innovative apps and improved access to ipads through greater wireless connection. We are also looking into the cost of upgrading our projector screen in the hall. All of these new resources will support personalised teaching and learning for your child.

School Vision Statement

This term, the school will push forward with our new school plan. Our school vision statement will be at the heart of everything that we do.

Campbellfield School Vision Statement

Campbellfield Public School’s community is committed to providing a dynamic, innovative, challenging and inclusive learning environment. Together we support students to become socially and globally responsible, reflective and resilient citizens, who continually strive to achieve personal excellence.

I look forward to working as a school community to achieve this wonderful vision for every child.
A calendar of Term 2 events has been attached to this newsletter.

Warm regards,

Ms Nicole Wade

**School Banking Day Reminder**

Don’t forget that Thursday is School Banking day and students should bring in their weekly deposit. For every deposit made at school, no matter how big or small, students will receive a cool Dollarmites token. Once students have individually collected 10 tokens they can redeem them for an exclusive School Banking reward item in recognition of their continued savings behaviour. Thank you for supporting the School Banking program at Campbellfield Public School.

**Application for opportunity class placement in Year 5 in 2016**

If your child is seeking Year 5 opportunity class placement in 2016 you must submit the application online between **Monday 27 April 2015 and 15 May 2015**.

There are 75 primary schools with opportunity classes across NSW. Successful students attend the opportunity class full-time for the duration of Years 5 and 6 at the primary school with an opportunity class. It is a two-year placement program. In the majority of cases students who accept a place in an opportunity class will leave their current school to attend the school with an opportunity class. Parents normally apply when the students are in Year 4. There is no provision to apply for Year 6 placement.

The application website is at [www.schools.nsw.edu.au/ocplacement](http://www.schools.nsw.edu.au/ocplacement)

If you would like more information about the Opportunity Class Placement, feel free to speak with Mr Hawkins or your child’s classroom teacher.

**Spellcheck**

Is your child learning to spell? Struggling with the weekly spelling lists? Here are a few strategies that will help:


**SRC for Term 2**

During this upcoming term our SRC have decided to focus our fundraising for Stewart House. Past and present students of Campbellfield have used this outstanding and unique educational resource.

On Friday 8th May (Week 3) the SRC have decided to have a ‘Wear your Favourite Footy Colours day’. This can be a jumper, hat or socks of your favourite sports team colours. For example: I’ll be wearing blue, black and white for the Sharks. There is a gold coin donation to be dressed in Mufti on this day and all proceeds will go to Stewart House.

Our SRC members and myself will be selling high bounce balls every recess. They cost $2.00 and all proceeds will go to Stewart House.

If your child has been selected by their peers to be an SRC representative of their class, they will be meeting with me every fortnight to discuss ideas about other ways we can assist people not as fortunate as ourselves and develop leadership skills. These sessions will begin on Thursday 7th May.

Thanks,

Mr Hawkins

**Mother’s Day stall next Thursday 7th May.**

All gifts are wrapped. Prices will start at $1.00 and go up to $10.00.

Please send your child with a plastic bag to ‘hide’ their special gift.

*Wishing all our mums a very happy Mother’s Day*
**BOOK CLUB**

Book club went out last Wednesday and is due back by Tuesday 5th May. Please have your orders into the office by then. Thank you for your continued support. Mrs James

**National Family Reading Month**

National Family Reading Month - Scholastic is holding a reading challenge through May with prizes up for grabs and Campbellfield Public School is joining in. Each student will receive a reading log to fill in each day as they read – parents will need to monitor their reading and at the end of the month students can enter to win prizes. For more information go to http://www.scholastic.com.au/nfrm Mrs James

**Stewart House Day Donation Drive**

Envelopes for $2 or above donations went out on Wednesday last week. Please return those by 8th May so we can send them off to Stewart House and you could win a $4000 Family Holiday. Stewart House is a charity our community has benefited form in the past and is always well supported by our school community. The SRC will be holding a gold coin donation Mufti Day – Wear your favourite footy colours on the 8th May with the money to go to Stewart House. Mrs James and Mr Hawkins

**Stewart House Clothing Appeal**

Red Stewart House bags went out last term and will be need to be returned by Monday the 18th of May. Hopefully you had a clean out in the holidays and are ready to part with some good quality clothing for a great charity. Please ensure the garments are decent and washed. There are spare bags in the office or Mrs James has some in the library. Bags can be left at the front office.
**Kickability** is a specialised Aussie Rules program designed to allow all boys and girls with a disability the opportunity to be involved in Australia’s game.

**What is Kickability?**

Kickability is a club run Aussie Rules program which has been developed by AFL NSW/ACT for children with a disability between the ages of 5-17 years. The sessions are conducted by trained coaches with an understanding of the limitations that each child with a disability may encounter. The focus is on the development of fundamental movement skills as well as teaching the players basic AFL skills.

All activities are non-contact simulated games that will teach the basic skills of the game in a fun and safe environment. The children are grouped according to their ability and will participate in skill-based activities aimed at improving their skills, coordination, fitness and team work.

To find out more about Kickability or to register your interest contact your local club.

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