A message from the Principal

We have had a wonderful fortnight celebrating high quality education with our families. Grandparents Day was certainly one of this year’s highlights with many families joining us on the day. The day started with grandparents visiting their grandchildren in the classrooms. It melted my heart to see the joy that was on every child’s face as their grandparents sat alongside them. Grandparents shared their stories of what school was like for them - with many of them attending school overseas. The grandparents were thrilled to see how learning has changed across the years. They spoke about children being able to move freely around the classroom, the variety of furnishings, the use of technology and the vibrant nature of each classroom. After classroom visits, we all went outside for some good old fashioned games. We played hopscotch, skipping, ring toss, marbles and with hoola-hoops. The event concluded with a picnic lunch and special morning tea to say thank you to our grandparents for visiting. Many grandparents said that it was their first time visiting Campbellfield PS. I would like our grandparents to know that they are always welcome back! A huge thank you to Mr Chomicz for organising such a wonderful event.
Our Little Kindy students and parents have also enjoyed being welcomed into our school community. The program is just over half way with the Kindergarten Orientation Day being held on Friday 13th November. The children have been having lots of fun meeting new friends, learning early childhood literacy and numeracy concepts and singing and dancing. Last week, the Little Kindy group went on a special adventure to our school library and met Mrs James. They have had so much fun thanks to Mrs Hokin and Miss Michelle! If you know of a child who is ready for kindy in 2016 in our local area, please encourage them to pay a visit to our school office.

I am looking forward to seeing many families around the school in the upcoming weeks as we have so many events packed into our school calendar for Term 4.

Ms Nicole Wade
Principal

P&C News

Canteen News
The P&C would like to say a big thank you to the parents who have volunteered to keep our school canteen opened. The generosity of the parents who have come on board has meant that our children and families will benefit. With the change in availability of volunteers, the canteen days will be changing from Week 5 this term. The canteen will now be open every Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday onwards. The P&C apologises for the many disruptions to canteen this year and is now ready to go with our new volunteers. The P&C are also looking one additional parent volunteer for Tuesday each week. If you are interested in volunteering your time to help on a Tuesday, please see Jenni Hunt or Tash Singh. You can also leave your details in the school office. If we get one more volunteer - we can open the canteen full time!

Christmas Raffle
The end of the year will be here before we know it and the P&C will be organising a Christmas raffle again this year. The P&C are asking our school community if they can donate unopened toys and Christmas and food items to be included in the hampers. The donations will be due by Tuesday 24th November 2015. The raffle will be drawn on the 8th December at our Talent Quest. Please support this fundraiser by donating an item for the hampers. All funds raised will directly go back into supporting your child’s education at school.

P&C Annual General Meeting Notice
The P&C will be holding their AGM on Tuesday 24th November at 9:15am in the Community Room. All financial members are strongly encouraged to attend the AGM as voting will take place for the 2016 P&C executive. The following positions will be declared vacant and need to be elected: President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Uniform sub-committee representative, Canteen sub-committee representative.
Spooky Disco
We had a wonderful time doing the monster mash at our Spooky Disco yesterday afternoon. There were witches, zombies, vampires and ghouls having lots of fun out on the dance floor. We sang, danced, did the limbo and played Just Dance. Thank you to all of the families who supported our Year 6 by sending your child to the disco. Every child looked amazing! Also a big thank you to Mrs Forester for doing an awesome job organising this fantastic event.
Parent Survey Results

You might remember a few months ago we sent out a school survey to families. The goal was to 'research and evaluate community involvement and opinion of Campbellfield Public School.' 46 out of 122 families completed the survey. We had some great feedback that we wanted to share with you:

- **98% of families feel welcome at our school;**
  - “Approachable, friendly, lovely, nice & pleasant staff.”
  - “Office staff is welcoming & helpful.”
  - “Ms Wade is awesome.”
  - “My kids have teachers who care.”

- **43% of families said they would use a community room;**
  - Things people want to see;
  - “Milo, coffee & tea.”
  - “Reading area, information books & studies, computer.”
  - “Comfortable seating”
  - “Newspaper.”
  - “Uniform prices, upcoming events, children's work examples.”

- **67% of parents look at the school website;**
  - Parents said they would like to see the school calendar updated.
  - They also said they would like to see more regular updates as it appears outdated.

- **Suggestions to improve the relationship between Campbellfield and families;**
  - “More excursions & hands on social events.”
  - “Cooking/ baking & social events.”
  - “Community fruit & veg garden.”
  - “Crafts”
  - “School Band”
  - “Parent teacher interviews should be after the report card is handed out so the parent has the opportunity to discuss it with the teacher.”

From these responses we have;

- Created a community room on school grounds open from 8.30am-9.30am and 2pm-3pm school days.
- Updated the school website and created a committee to keep it updated regularly.
- Looked into purchasing the app ‘School Bag’ to increase communication between school and home.
- Look into offering parent workshops in 2016.

*Thank you for your ongoing support we look forward to continuing to improve Campbellfield Public School.*
The 2015 Little Kindy Readiness Program has been a wonderful success. Children have enjoyed socialising, participating in activities and getting to know CPS.
Returning to Campbellfield Public School in 2016 Survey

Term four is an important term as we start planning the staffing and class structures for our school in 2016. To assist with this process, we are asking for families to complete the form below if they are NOT RETURING to Campbellfield Public School next year.

We look forward to keeping as many of our students and families as possible as we continue to strengthen our Campbellfield community.

Please complete and return the form below if your child(ren) WILL NOT be returning to Campbellfield in 2016. Do not include current Year 6 students.

STUDENTS NOT RETURNING TO CAMPBELLFIELD PUBLIC SCHOOL IN 2016

My child(ren) will not be returning to Campbellfield in 2016:

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Reason(s) for leaving:

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Contact name and telephone number:

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