

Welcome back Term 2

We had a great beginning to the new term. It was so enjoyable to see the students smiling faces and enthusiasm as they returned to school on Monday. All the children settled in immediately and demonstrated that they were ready to start their learning again after a well-deserved two week break. A special thanks to all our staff for ensuring that we had an excellent start to term.

On the first Thursday back we held our **ANZAC assembly** which was ably led by our Year 6 Student Councillors. This was a very well conducted assembly and our student leaders, and every student in general, should be commended for their attention during the assembly and the respect that they showed. I would like to thank Flight Lieutenant Lorschky for coming to our event and addressing our school and community. 2021 is the 100th anniversary of the formation of the Royal Australian Air Force which made his attendance even more significant.

We would like to thank our school community for observing the WA government directive to wear a face mask in public as part of the latest COVID 19 restrictions. Your efforts have been greatly appreciated.

School Development Day Friday 23rd April

Our School Development Day focussed on 'Peer Observation'. This specific professional learning is developing the skills and knowledge of our teachers in observing each other when delivering lessons. It assists our teachers to continually reflect upon and improve their professional practice to ensure that teaching at CVPS is of the highest quality and always improving.

Our Education Assistants focused on the school's positive behaviour support, our reconciliation action plan and working with children with additional needs (in particular children on the Autism Spectrum).

At Caversham Valley Primary School, we have the expectation that everyone continues to learn and improve, whether they are students or staff.

P&C AGM

The P&C held their AGM on Wednesday the 21st April. Kohana Cliffe has once again taken on the Presidents role. As the P&C president Kohana has set a very solid foundation which will enable this very important parent body to make a significant and positive impact for our children. If you have not yet connected to the CVPS P&C Facebook page, please do so as it is an easy way to keep up with all the wonderful work they are doing.

Pre-primary to Year 2 swimming lessons

We have had confirmation with the Swim and Water Safety team that we can continue with our swimming lessons next week, giving our students the opportunity to learn and fully demonstrate the skills required for the particular swimming stage they are participating in.

Students in B3, B4, B5, B7, D3, D4, D1, D2 and W4 will continue to participate in swimming lessons next week, from Monday 10th May to Thursday 14th May, completing the scheduled 9-day program. The session times will remain the same.

Students in these classes will need to continue to bring their swimming equipment to school Monday to Thursday next week.

NAPLAN 2021

During weeks four and five of this term, children in Year 3 and 5 will participate in the National Assessment Program Literacy and Numeracy. This is conducted in schools throughout Australia over the same assessment period. Information has already been sent home to parents about NAPLAN. If you have any further inquiries, please contact Mrs. Walton at the school.

Semester 1 Reports

Reports will be sent out via Connect/email at the end of Term 2.

It is essential that all your details are correct in our system in order to access your child's report through Connect.

Please advise the office as soon as possible if you need to be added to Connect or are having difficulties logging on to the Connect CVPS Parent Space.

For those very small number of families that have no or very limited internet connectivity, please contact the school for the possible provision of a hard copy report.

Kindy 2022 Enrolments

Kindy enrolments for 2022 will open on 10 May 2021.

Kindergarten is a non-compulsory year of schooling and once our Kindy classes are full, we will be unable to accommodate late applications, even if the student is living within our local intake area.

Places for Kindy in 2022 will be limited, so we recommend that you submit your application to enrol to the front office as soon as possible once applications open.

Please be aware that enrolments cannot be accepted until the school has sighted all original documentation as outlined in the enrolment section on our website. <https://cavershamvalleyps.wa.edu.au/>

Plastic bottle tops

Please be aware that the school can no longer collect plastic bottle tops/lids as the recycling facility for these items has closed.

George Craig
PRINCIPAL

Term two report from our Student Councillors

This term got off to a great start, with our Anzac Service and the extra-long weekend. Looking forward, we have NAPLAN, Reconciliation Week, Winter Lightning Carnival and Cross Country coming up.

During the last school holidays, we all had an awesome time. Visiting family, friends, and places, it has truly been an amazing 2-week break, especially with Easter and a lot of chocolate. "I love the holidays because we can go to places and eat chocolate!" quoted Haryash Benipal from Balga 5. Georgia Stewart from Balga 7 states "I love the holidays because sometimes my uncle comes over." Similarly, "Holidays are the best because you can do whatever you want." quoted Leo Sharp in Djaril 2. It seems that everyone loves the school holidays. "Because I got to see some of my family," quoted Indiana Adamson from Wornt, "I like the holidays because I get to do more fun things like more family time." said Freya Wishart from Kardan 1.

Anzac Day, where we remember the sacrifices of those who died in the war for our freedom, falls on the 25th of April. This year was the first Anzac Service that Caversham Valley Primary School has participated in. This year because Anzac Day was on a weekend, we had our assembly on the 23rd April. Our school was incredibly lucky to have Flight Lieutenant Lorshy from the RAAF address us. Many students loved it when the Flight Lieutenant came and shared his words with us, such as Amelie Lehman D2 year 2, Shakeel Anzir W2 year 4, Crystal Itchon K1 year 5 and so many other students from this school. Having this experience was an amazing addition to our service.

There are more events coming this term. For example, the year 3's and 5's are doing NAPLAN. Most of the year 5's stated that they "feel ready" or "fine", but some of them are still nervous for the test, which is very normal, but they will all do fantastically! This year is also the first time ever that the year 3's have done NAPLAN, therefore most of them are still nervous about it, which is totally normal.

Another event coming up is the Winter Lightning Sports Carnival which students from year 5, 6 and some year 4's will be participating in. We will be playing 3 sports; Soccer, AFL and Netball, against other schools in our area. Everyone is "nervous" and "excited" about this event.

Finally, students from every year will be participating in Cross Country this term. The students will have to run laps around the oval, except the year 5s and 6s who will run laps around the entire oval, plus the school! These are just some of the events coming up.

Reconciliation Week is a week when indigenous and non-indigenous people come together to bond and celebrate the Indigenous culture. Our school will celebrate this week with some fun activities and lots of learning in class. Reconciliation Week is in Week 6, after Sorry Day on Wednesday 26th of May.

This term is going to be full of excitement! We have lots of fun events coming up and we look forward to chatting to you all about them. If you see us around in the playground, please come up and say hi, we would love to hear what ideas you have for our school.

Student Councillors

Agam, Sophie, Yashica and Arnesh