WELCOME BACK!
Welcome back to an exciting Term 3! I hope you all had a wonderful break from school and are ready for 10 weeks of fun and learning; we’ve already had two - How fast a term goes! This term will bring a few changes to how we communicate as we launch our school newsletter completely online. As you can see we’ve changed the design and the contents will also differ from what you’ve been used to in the past. All classroom teachers will be posting weekly updates on Compass for their class goings on so the newsletter will be used for whole school activities and information. The Compass Calendar will now be updated regularly so please refer to this often for upcoming events and activities.

WHAT’S HAPPENING IN OUR SCHOOL THIS TERM?
This week, to start off the term, all students saw a production of ‘The Huff’ by Meerkat Productions. Feedback from students was extremely positive of the event and I enjoyed it immensely too! This production was an adaptation of the book ‘The Huff’ by Anne Walker.

Our always popular Victorian States Schools Spectacular is on again and our first Melbourne rehearsal will be on Wednesday 10th August. Jacki, Ms Blucher, Mr Fitch and Jo have begun rehearsals with students involved and we are looking forward to the ultimate experience in performing arts when the show is finally on in September.

Parent/Student/Teacher Interviews will be held on Thursday 11th August and parents are reminded that timeslots can now be booked online through the School Compass Portal. If you are having trouble or are unsure how to do this please speak to your child’s classroom teacher.

2017 ENROLMENTS
A reminder to all our families and potential enrolments that your early enrolment for next year (2017) is greatly appreciated as it gives us plenty of time to ensure that we have the best possible classroom structure in place for next year. In recognition and thanks for your early enrolment, those prep students enrolled by Monday 1st August, will receive a $50 uniform voucher, redeemable at the commencement of 2017. It is also a good time if anybody knows they will not be here next year to let us know.

2016 PARENT OPINION SURVEY
The parent opinion survey will be conducted during this term from 22nd to 29th July. It is an education department requirement that all schools participate in the survey; it is a very important part of how we find out what parents are thinking and to assist with future planning and improvement.

A random list of parents has been selected, using the Department CASES21 system, to receive the survey which was sent out on Wednesday 20th July. The survey is confidential and is designed to protect the identity of respondents.

Please return these confidential surveys by Friday 29th August and thank-you for participating in this important process in ensuring CPS is the best it can be.

STAFF CHANGES THIS SEMESTER
We have wished Mrs Burke a fond farewell for now as she awaits the arrival of her baby. We can’t wait to meet him/her as she has promised us all she’ll come up to the school later in the year to say hello with the baby.

In her absence Mrs Duncan will be taking our Art program on Thursday and Fridays (The art room is looking amazing - thanks so much Mrs D and family) and Mr Ron Barnes will be taking PE on Wednesdays and Thursdays. Mr Barnes is an experienced teacher and comes with great knowledge of Physical Education. (He even taught PE to my own children quite a few years ago and they remember him fondly)! Welcome to our school Mr Barnes!

I hope you all enjoy your weekend and look forward to the next few weeks ahead,

Susan Gilmore