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Principal: Mrs Anne Hewson

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Keeping Safe

It is always timely to remember some of the important things we need to do to develop safe and appropriate practices for our children. Where children are hearing the same messages and expectations at home, at school and from all the important adults in their lives, the greater the likelihood that these messages will be heeded.

Please make some time to make sure your children are regularly reminded about the following safe behaviours:

- **Travelling to and from school.** Students need to be trained to only make their way home in the way permitted by their parents or carers. They should not walk a different route, detour to a friend’s house, go home with the family of a friend etc without the express permission and knowledge of their parents. The school must also be notified in advance if someone else is collecting your child from school. Parents need to determine that their children have the maturity and skills to make their way home responsibly without an adult, and behave appropriately and respectfully with members of the public. This also applies to students who travel by bus. Any senior student who has the permission of their parent to ride a scooter or bike to and from school must complete and comply with the Code of Behaviour available on our website.

- **Mobile phones at school.** As per the policy detailed on our website, students are not to keep mobile phones with them during school hours. If parents determine that a child needs a mobile phone for safety while travelling to and from school, the phone is to be left at the office on arrival at school and then collected when leaving. Just as we would not allow unsupervised or indiscriminate access to your child by people arriving at school in person, so we need to protect access to your child via unsupervised technology. If parents need to convey vital information to their children during the school day, messages can be left at the office.

Value of the Week

This week, our Core Value of **Excellence** is from the Personal Values category, with emphasis on “reaching personal best performance”. No matter what our ability, we can always strive to do and be the best we can. When we look at elite sportspeople, their measure of success is improving their own performance, not merely doing better than a competitor. It is important for all of our children to develop this ethic and to not judge themselves by comparing themselves to others. For gifted students, this can result in coasting and underachieving, because they are doing better than others with perhaps a reduced effort. For children who are less able, comparing their achievement to others can lead to frustration and “giving up”.

Truly recognising and valuing individual differences; helping our children to set achievable personal goals; and refraining from comparing and focusing on the success of others will help foster commitment to achieving personal best.

Dates to Remember 2011

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School Council

We received two nominations for the two vacant parent representative positions on our School Council. An election is therefore not required. We welcome Diana and Greg, and thank them for their willingness to contribute to Connells Point Public School in this way. There was one staff vacancy, which has been filled by Hendrika Green.

Our School Council for 2011 is Poppy, Diana, Greg (parent representatives); Sue (P&C President); Soula (community representative); Joanne Crouch, Narelle McCain, Hendrika Green (staff representatives); and Anne Hewson (Principal and executive officer). Our next meeting, the AGM, will be held on 2 May at 6.00p.m.

Our thanks go to all members of the School Council for making themselves available to work for our school and its students.

CPPS Newsletter via our Website

Each week, our newsletter uses at least 840 double sided A3 sheets of paper – that’s 33,600 A3 sheets each year, just for the newsletter!

In an effort to significantly reduce our paper usage, we have decided to distribute our weekly newsletter via email, as well as our website, to as many families as we can. The printed version of our newsletter will only be supplied to families who do not have email or internet access, either at home or at work.

Next week, we will give you all the details you need to register, free of charge, for this wonderful new service which sends you an email with the newsletter attached. For those without email, the newsletter will still be available each week on our school website.

To make a real environmental, time and cost saving to our school, we ask that every family with the capacity to forgo a paper copy of the newsletter, does so.

Only those families who DO NOT have access to email or the internet, at home or at work, are asked to fill out the form below and return it to school by Friday 8 April.

This is one way in which we can all make a difference to our environment.

Please complete and return to school by 8 April 2011

CPPS NEWSLETTER VIA OUR WEBSITE

I/We do not have access to email or the internet and therefore need to receive the newsletter on paper.

Name: .............................................................................

Eldest Student’s Name: ...........................................................

Eldest Student’s Class: ...........................................................

Signed: ...............................................................................

THE CONNELLS POINTER
**Eggs**hibition will be on show in our new library Thursday and Friday (7 and 8 April). The library will be open until 3.45pm on Thursday 7 April.

**K-2 Easter Hat Parade**

Parents are invited to attend the K-2 Easter Hat Parade to be held on **Friday, April 8, 2011**. The parade will take place at 10.30am in the 3-6 assembly area.

We ask parents to assist the children to make a simple hat, or headband, to wear in the parade. All children will be parading and NO PRIZES will be awarded. Children are to bring their hat to their classroom on the morning of the parade.

Following the parade, parents are invited to have morning tea with the children. The P & C will be providing tea, coffee and hot cross buns for purchase from the hall kitchen.

J. Scally
Assistant Principal

**SRC News**

Raffle tickets are on sale

50c for one
3 for $1.00

Be in it, to win it!

Primary raffle will be drawn on Thursday 7 April.

Infants raffle will be drawn on Friday 8 April

“Eggs”hibition will be on show in our new library Thursday and Friday (7 and 8 April). The library will be open until 3.45pm on Thursday 7 April.

**Principal’s Awards**

Principal’s Awards have been received by:

- Christyn
- Oliver
- Priya
- Paris
- Sophia
- Bilal
- Annabelle

Congratulations to these students for consistently displaying our Values in Action.

**Sports News**

Huge congratulations to Scott who was part of the Sydney East All Age Relay Team which came second at the NSW PSSA Swimming Championships on Monday, 28 March. Scott also came 11th in the 10 years boys’ freestyle.

Congratulations also to Matt who was selected to play in the Southern District Union Rep Team. Well done Matt!
Volunteers Needed

Our school’s Learning Support Team is very keen to have interested community members – parents, grandparents, neighbours or friends – who would be willing to give a regular time each week to work with a child who needs one to one assistance. We currently have children in Years 1, 2 and 3 who would benefit from this type of intensive assistance.

The amount of time can be as short as 20 minutes, to as long as you are able to give. You would not be working with your own child, and would need to be able to come without pre-school children. Obviously, any work that you do with the child would be confidential, discussed only with the class teacher. The type of work depends on the child, but could include flash-card sounds or words, counting, reading a book together, assisting with a worksheet, writing a story that the child dictates to you, and educational games.

As most volunteers usually prefer the beginning or the end of the day, please consider whether you would be able to come during the day instead. All volunteers need to complete a Prohibited Employment Declaration, as part of DET child protection protocols.

I will collect names during the next week and contact you by the end of Term 1, with the aim of beginning at the start of Term 2.

Mrs G. Anderson
Learning Support Team

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Please return by Wednesday 6 April

LEARNING SUPPORT TEAM

Dear Mrs Anderson,

I would like to assist a child during the week. I am available at

(Time) ___________ Monday or
_________________ Tuesday or
_________________ Wednesday or
_________________ Thursday or
_________________ (Before 11:3) on Friday

My child is ___________________________ of class ____________ OR my association with the school is
through ___________________________ whose child _______________________ attends the school.

Signed ___________________________
I collected an impressive 4,669 coins over the last two weeks. Our kindy classes brought in so many coins I had to collect them twice! Special thanks to Ashton, Victoria, Caleb and Kristian from KS and Ali, Ayman and Jaidyn from KM for bringing in so many coins, I needed a trolley to take them all to the bank! Don't forget to ask all your relatives and friends to save their coins for us!

### Collection by Class

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**Main Target:** 1,000,000 Collected 259,999 To Go: 740,001

**2011 Target:** 300,000 Collected 10,118 To Go: 289,882
Election BBQ

Thank you very much to Barbara, Diana, Kate, Melinda, Paul, Karmen, Jonathon, Kathy, Leasa, Maggie, Helen, Matthew, Ella and Lara for all helping out at the Election BBQ on Saturday.

Although not the best weather wise, the hot plate was sizzling! We sold 400 sausages, 100 kebabs, 10kg of bacon, 8 dozen eggs and around 400 bread rolls—voting obviously makes people very hungry!

It was a wonderful community day with a lot of people coming over to say how wonderful the school looks and they loved our new buildings.

Sue

Hot Cross Buns for Sale

Hot cross buns, hot cross buns. One a penny, two a penny, Hot cross buns!!

The P&C are selling delicious Bakers Delight
Hot Cross Buns for only $6.00 per half dozen.

Available in Mocha, Chocolate Chip and Traditional. Please fill out the order form below and return, together with your money, to the office no later than Friday 1st April. Orders will be delivered to your child’s class on Friday 8 April.

P&C BAKERS DELIGHT HOT CROSS BUNS

Name: ………………………………………………………………………

Child’s Name: ………………………………………………… Class:…………………

I would like to order:-

☐ Traditional - ………………. Number of 6 packs @ $6.00 each

☐ Mocha - ………………. Number of 6 packs @ $6.00 each

☐ Choc Chip - ………………. Number of 6 packs @ $6.00 each

Total number of hot cross bun 6 packs ……………….. Total $…………………………enclosed
P & C News continued

Canteen Reminder

Hot Cross Bun Special Day
Tuesday 5 April
(morning tea only)

Please note orders have closed

Canteen Roster

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Community News

Seminar 1 (FREE)
The Power of Positive Parenting
Duration: 1 1/2 hrs
Our hopes and dreams of being a parent, the tough part of parenting, creating safe, interesting environments, positive learning environments, assertive discipline, realistic expectations, taking care of yourself.

Seminar 2 (FREE)
Raising Confident, Competent Children
Duration: 1 1/2 hrs
Building for success: Importance of respect and consideration; good communication, social and problem solving skills; and encouraging independence.

Seminar 3 (FREE)
Raising Resilient Children
Duration: 1 1/2 hrs
Building emotional resilience; recognising, expressing and accepting feelings; positive outlook; coping skills, negative feelings and coping with stress.

Course (FREE)
Week 1: Positive Parenting
Week 2: Helping Children Develop
Week 3: Managing Misbehaviour
Week 4: Planning Ahead
Week 5: Using Positive Strategies
Week 6: Future Planning & Program Closure

Seminar 1
Date: Thursday 5th May
Time: 10:00am – 1:30pm or 6:30pm – 8pm

Seminar 2
Date: Thursday 12th May
Time: 10:00am – 11:30am or 6:30pm – 8pm

Seminar 3
Date: Thursday 19th May
Time: 10:00am – 11:30am or 6:30pm – 8pm

Course
Date: Thursdays
26th May – 30th June
Time: 10:00am – 12:00noon

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