Values in Action

Playing sport is a great way for children to develop many skills that will serve them well in other areas of life. Apart from developing fitness and coordination and providing enjoyment, team sports provide valuable lessons in cooperation, following rules, accepting the umpire’s or referee’s decisions and accepting both winning and losing with grace and good sportsmanship.

Certainly, the sports in which our PSSA teams compete have sportsmanship as a key component. Our coaches teach our children that poor sportsmanship has no place - on or off the playing field —and that we prize team spirit, fairness, effort and improvement above winning. If winning happens alongside these more significant values and attitudes, then that's a bonus!

Often, the examples our children see in professional sport are not the role models we would wish them to have. Players disputing line calls, arguing with the ref, or showing violent outbursts of disappointment and aggression are all too prevalent. Coaches and managers can also provide poor examples of how to deal with disappointment, anger or frustration.

School sport is very much about teaching values. PSSA sport is run by teachers for children. Often in schools, teachers offer to coach a sport because no one else wants to do it, or because the other staff are already carrying a large additional work load. In many schools, younger, less experienced teachers volunteer as sport coaches and bring great enthusiasm to their roles. Sometimes they are learning as they go, and may not necessarily have experience or expertise in the game they are assigned.

Connells Point Public School has a long and proud tradition of success in sporting events. We encourage, and wish to model for our children, the values we believe are more important than winning. We encourage any and all parents who attend sporting fixtures to be supportive of all referees and coaches, and the efforts of all players on all teams.

To assist coaches and supervising teachers to manage their groups safely at sporting venues, it is our policy that children travel to and from venues with their teams. If it is essential, for some unusual reason, that children need to be collected from the venue, written permission must be sought and obtained by the day prior to the event.

Resolving Issues

Sometimes, issues arise between children that causes concern for parents. Our policy is that any intervention that is required must be done by teaching staff.

Parents and carers must not approach other students to discuss their behaviour or chastise them for their mistakes. Such approaches leave these parents open to accusations and can frighten students, as well as escalate the problem.

If you have concerns about another child’s behaviour, please speak with our teachers or me, so that we can deal with it appropriately on your behalf.

Dates to Remember 2010

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**CPPS K-2 Athletics Carnival**

Parents are invited to attend the K-2 Sports Carnival.

- **Date:** Tuesday, 21 September, 2010
- **Time:** 10.00am—1.20pm
- **Venue:** CPPS Oval
- **Events:** Relays, bean bag/ball games, races including age races and skipping.
- **Please note:** Children are to wear school sports uniform including hats and joggers. Children may sit with parents during recess but must sit and remain in class groups during events.

**CPPS Public Speaking Competition**

Connells Point Public School will be holding its annual Public Speaking Competition on **Tuesday, 14 September, 2010**.

All stages will be competing during the day at the following times:

- **Stage 3** (Y5-6) ....... ....... ....... ....... ....... 9.45am
- **Stage 2** (Y3-4) ....... ....... ....... ....... ....... 12 noon
- **Early Stage 1 and Stage 1** (K-Y2) .... 2.15pm

The winner from each stage will continue on to the District Public Speaking Competition.

Parents, family and friends are welcome to attend. A gold coin donation would be gladly appreciated. This will go towards the adjudicator’s fee.

We hope to see as many people as possible to form our audience.

**SRC News**

Thank you to the people who have already returned their Stewart House bags. There are more clothing bags in the office. Please remember to leave your donations on the hall verandah by **Thursday, 2 September**.

Many thanks for your ongoing support.

**Band News**

We wish our Senior Band all the best as they head off to camp on **Monday, 30 August to Wednesday, 1 September**.

As Mr Skues and Mr Dickson will be involved in tutorials on those days, there will be no rehearsals for bands or tutorials which are normally held by these tutors on those days. All other tutorials will be conducted.

**P&C News**

**Election BBQ**

The election BBQ was a fantastic success. We raised just over **$1,100** which was a huge effort. We started barbecuing at 7.30am and didn’t stop until around 3.30pm.

Many thanks to the people that gave up some of their precious weekend to help out – Shiwani, Alison, Rob, Alex, Rosie, Jenny, Tom, Taylor, Kate, Leasa, Diana, Pip, Patrick and Attila and of course, thank you to all those people who supported us and bought from us.

Special thanks to Peter for coming up and securing the guttering on the hall after a strong wind displaced it.

**Father’s Day Stall**

This year’s Father’s Day Stall will be held on **Thursday, 2 September**. Please see the Father’s Day Stall note enclosed in this newsletter for gifts available for purchase at the stall.
P&C News continued

P&C Treasurer Position Vacant

At the end of this year our Treasurer will be leaving the school so to avoid the new Treasurer coming in cold, we would like to start the recruitment process now so that an appropriate handover can occur.

Ideally, we would like an Accountant or Book Keeper who is proficient in MYOB. The P&C turns over approximately $200k per annum.

The Treasurer is responsible for handling the accounts and books for the Uniform Shop, Canteen and P&C Association.

Their responsibilities are:
- To pay the accounts for the Uniform Shop, Canteen and P&C Association.
- To pay the canteen staff wages, superannuation.
- To present the accounts to the P&C every month.

If you would like more information on this very important job, please contact Sue.

Canteen Roster

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Family Portraits

$20.00 Family Portraits – August 2010

It is not too late to book your family portrait.

For only $20.00, you will have a half hour photography session with Blue Flash Studios and, at the end of the session, the best family photograph will be selected and you will receive it in an 8”x12” frame in a few weeks time or you can buy the complete package (as detailed on the brochure).

To book a time for your family portrait, please fill in the form below and return it to the school office addressed to Sue Szalay, Family Portraits. We will then call you to make a mutually convenient time for your session.

$20.00 Family Portraits—August 2010

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

Phone Number:..............................................................................................
P & C News continued

2010 CPPS Trivia Night
On Saturday, 11 September, the P&C are holding a TRIVIA NIGHT

Where: School Hall
Time: Starting time - 7pm for 7.30pm
Cost: $15.00 per head
Theme: Come dressed in sporting attire
BYO: Food & Drinks

Please complete the form below and leave it in the school office addressed to Sue – Trivia Night.

2010 CPPS Trivia Night

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

Contact phone number: ........................................................................

No. of people:.......................  

Name for table:..........................................................  

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Community News

BUILDING STRONG & RESILIENT YOUNG PEOPLE
A PRACTICAL AUSTRALIAN MODEL FOR BUILDING RESILIENCE

Brought to you by GRC Hurstville Boys’ P&CP&C Association:

DATE & TIME: Wednesday, 15 September, 2010
Tickets available 7.00pm & session will start at 7:30pm
LOCATION:
The Bini, School Hall, Georges River College
Hurstville Boys’ Campus, Kenwyn Street, Hurstville
COST: $10 per person (including tea, coffee, & cake)

Bookings are essential
RSVP - Olfat Chok resilienceathurstville@gmail.com

St George Futsal Spring Competition 2010
Limited spaces are available for U/9-U/10 teams interested in playing Monday afternoons at Mortdale.
Games held between 5-6:30pm
Competition starts 6 September.
For more information contact Moya Judd on 9547 0277