The Connection
Coldstream Primary School

Diary Dates
TOMORROW
Parent Club Meeting
No Preps
Monday 8th
Prep Students here to 3.30
Wednesday 10th
No Preps
Wednesday 17th
No Preps
Wednesday 24th
No Preps
Thursday 25th
Sausage Sizzle
Monday 29th
Excursion Levy Due

SUNDAY MARCH 6
HARVEST MARKET

From The Principal’s Desk
Although I have had the opportunity to meet with many parents and grandparents over the last few days, I would like to formally introduce myself to the school and local community. My name is Lisa Branch, I am the new Principal of Coldstream Primary whilst Peter Donaldson is on leave for 12 months. I come to Coldstream from Toongabbie Primary School in Gippsland where I was Principal for four years, prior to then I have worked in Government and Independents schools, mainly in the secondary years. I am very enthusiastic about the opportunities and possibilities available to Coldstream Primary and have been very impressed with the enthusiasm and work ethic of the staff here. Thanks to those in the community who have already made me feel very welcome, I look forward to meeting more of you in the following weeks.

We have had a wonderful start to the 2016 school year, with most if not all students excited about returning to school after the long break. It is great to walk around the school and see students engaged and interested in what they are learning. Physical Education classes are offered this year with teacher Elli Hewitt, Elli’s energy and enthusiasm will be of great benefit to the school. Rachel Blake has already started teaching Music classes and School Wide Positive Behaviours Support (SWPBS) classes (explanation inside). Rachel is a very experienced teacher who is committed to developing positive social change within our school through the implementation of SWPBS.

If there is a time when you would like to speak with me, please feel free to make a time with Janet in the office or call in.

Kindest regards,
Lisa

Excursion Levy is due 29th February 2016
$100 Prep to Grade 2 $110 Grade 3 $130 Grades 4 to 6

Meet our School Captains for 2016

Nathan
Bethany
Cooper
Shelby (2014)
What is SWPBS???
School-wide Positive Behaviour Support (SWPBS) is an evidence-based framework for preventing and responding to student behaviour. It aims to create a positive school climate, a culture of student competence and an open, responsive management system for all school community members. SWPBS is successfully used in schools worldwide to assist individuals achieve their potential and create positive learning environments.
As part of our SWPBS approach we will be developing the school community values and designing our behavior management approach to suit our school needs and reflect the values. We will also be collecting data on student behavior that will assist us in targeting issues and planning future work.

CSEF
The Camps, Swimming, Excursions Fund is an allowance you may apply for if you are the holder of a Health or Pension Card that was valid on the 27th January this year. This is a Federal Government initiative to assist families with payment for excursions, camps, swimming and the like.
If you are yet to complete an application to obtain the $125 to credit to your child’s account please call into the office ASAP.
If you have any questions I should be able to assist you.
Janet

OOSH NEWS
Welcome back to OOSH.....We hope you all had a wonderful break and are excited as we are to see what the New Year brings.
There are a couple of family accounts that need to be cleared before their child will be able to attend OOSH this term. Statements go home each Monday night. If you are having difficulties settling your account please come and speak to Denise or Janet so we sort out a payment plan for you. This year we will not be able to have debts carry over at end of the term.
A huge thank you to the Batty family for their kind donation of craft items we loved them and promise to make good use of them.
The good news is we have found a Co-ordinator to take over the program when Denise retires. Denise’s last day will be Friday 26th February.
Denise, Leanne and Barb

Parent Club News
NEXT MEETING: Wednesday 3rd February, 7.30 in the staff room everyone is welcome so please come along, meet some new friends and lend a hand to our wonderful school.
SAUSAGE SIZZLE: Our first BBQ for 2016 will be on Thursday 25th February. We are asking 5/6M for donations to the treat stall. 2016 Price list will be sent home shortly.
COMING UP – Harvest & Craft Market!

Uniform Shop
The shop will be open Wednesday mornings from 8.45 to 9.15. At any other time you may leave an order and payment at the office and your order will be sent home with your child. We have a lot of second hand items for sale at extremely low cost, so feel free to come and have a browse.
Laura & Emily
The school is using an app to send out the general updates, reminders, events and more. The app is called tiqbiz and is available on iPhone, iPad, iPod, Android Phone, Android Tablet and Windows phone devices. If you don’t have a mobile device, there is also an app available for computer, both Mac and PC.

We kindly ask that you download tiqbiz to one of these devices, register a free account then find and tick the school.

When you are ticking the school boxes, please make sure you tick on “Whole School” and the specific grades/years that apply to your family.

You’ll receive all the information with a push notification – much like a text message directly to your device. Any last minute changes or reminders, we’ll be able to can reach you to keep you completely informed and up-to-date.

The app has some great features that will allow us to get information through easily and quickly, you’ll be reminded about important calendar dates 24 hours before, and everything we post can be translated into one of 81 languages!

We hope you will enjoy using this great communication tool.

_Have you changed your child’s grade for 2016 so you can keep up to date with any information that is posted?_
Welcome to our new Prep Students
Zooper Doopers will again be sold by our Grade 6 students at lunch time for 50 cents on days forecast at 30° or more.

Music Lessons
By Alana Conte

Fun and Enjoyable Keyboard and Guitar Lessons.

Lessons are held at your school (if enough students are interested), but I also offer private lessons outside of school hours.

Lesson Types:
- Keyboard
- Guitar
- Music Theory
- Piano (Based on school availability)

Instruments are provided by me if students cannot bring their own.

School Lessons:
$240 ($30x 8 weeks) for private lessons
One on one lessons with me - half an hour

$160 ($20x 8 weeks) for shared lessons
Shared lessons with one other student - half an hour

Teaching term runs for 8 weeks
Lesson availability based on numbers

Outside of School Lessons:
$300 ($30x 10 weeks) for private lessons.
One on One lessons with me - half an hour
Teaching term runs for 10 weeks. (Term length can be negotiated if necessary)

Can offer 45 or 60 min lessons if wanted. (Contact me to organise)

Private lessons beginning from January 4th onward.
If you have any questions please feel free to contact me at any time.

Contact Details
Alana Conte
Call or Text - 0433010629
Email - conte.alana@gmail.com

Conditions of payment – Full payment to be made by the first lesson, if you require to pay in instalments please contact me for arrangements.

‘Where Fun Meets Academic Excellence’
## UNIFORM ORDER – NOVEMBER 2015

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