Middle Sub School Newsletter

August 2014

Dates to remember:
- Fri 8th Aug—Freddo Frog payments due
- Fri 8th Aug—Book Club orders due
- Sat 16th to Fri 22nd Aug—International Book Week
- Wed 20th Aug—CHPS Athletics Carnival at Ballam Park (note change of date)
- Fri 22nd Aug—2015 Foundation Transition Session 1
- Sun 24th Aug—Term 3 Working Bee
- Mon 25th to Sun 31st Aug—Literacy and Numeracy Week
- Fri 29th Aug—CHPS Art Show
- Mon 1st to Wed 3rd Sep—Level 4 Golden Valley Lodge Camp
- Thu 4th Sep—Book Week Incursion: Perform Musicals ‘Worlds Apart’
- Fri 5th Sep—Father’s Day Stall
- Thu 18th Sep—Level 3 sleepover
- Fri 19th Sep—Fun Food Day
- Fri 19th Sep—Tabloid sports
- Fri 19th Sep—Last day of Term 3, 2:30pm finish
- Mon 6th Oct—Term 4 starts

START OF TERM 3
The Middle school have returned from their winter holidays refreshed and have settled in well to Term Three. This term, English lessons will be driven by our Inquiry topic ‘Sustainability- What we do affects our environment’ and we kick started our studies by going on a local excursion to the Edithvale Wetlands and Education Centre. Big thanks to Rochelle and Carol for helping out during the excursion, your support is greatly appreciated.

MATHEMATICS
We began the term by learning about Statistics and Probability. Students looked at the different ways data is collected and how this can affect the outcome. They also looked at a variety of ways data can be presented and determined which methods were more effective. In week three students moved onto the challenging topic of Multiplication and Division. We will begin by looking at how multiplication is connected to repeated addition and how this can be displayed as an array. Helping students to understand this concept and realising what times tables really mean is extremely important. Please feel free to contact your child’s teacher if you would like to gain more of an insight as to how you can support your child.

COMING UP NEXT
Term Three is often a popular term in the Middle School as students countdown the days until their school camps. Level Threes will participate in a school sleepover, which gives students the opportunity to encounter there first camp like experience, by eating together, camping out in the hall, participating in activities, watching a group movie and pitching in and helping out.

Level Fours will head to Golden Valley Lodge at Flinders on the beautiful Mornington Peninsula, for their 3 day camp. Not only is this camp set in stunning surroundings with kangaroos hopping around outside the cabins, beautiful creeks and rolling hills with plenty of native birds, it also allows students to experience exciting activities such as the flying fox, the big swing, archery, bush hut building as well as kite making and other team building activities. These activities and the sleeping and eating arrangements give the students the perfect opportunity to display the school values of respect, responsibility and cooperation.

ASSISTANCE NEEDED
Please contact your child’s teacher if you are able to help out with the Level Three sleepover, (cooking, night walk, breakfast etc.) or attend the camp as the teachers rely on volunteer support in order for the camps to go ahead.