

SCHOOL  
CALENDAR

Term 4 Week 7

Tuesday 21

- Volunteer's Afternoon Tea
- Scripture

Thursday 23

- Sport Fun Day
- Student Banking

Friday 24

- Year 6 Mini Fete
- Sport

Week 8

Tuesday 28

- Scripture

Thursday 30

- Student Banking

Friday 1 December

- Athon Day
- Sport

Week 9

Mon—Fri Swim  
Scheme

Tuesday 5 December

- High School Orientation
- Scripture

Wednesday 6 December

- Year 6 Farewell

Thursday 7

- Student Banking

Friday 8

- Sport

# Central E-cho



TERM 4 WEEK 6

17 NOVEMBER 2017

## Principal's News—Deniz Leslie

### Staffing update

Mrs Sarah McCloud has accepted an offer of a year's work at Empire Bay Public School in 2018. Although this is sad news for our school community, we are excited for Sarah's next professional adventure. Mrs Deborah Bannerman, our wonderful teacher's aide, has also been offered a full time position during 2018 at another school. It's important to inform the school community of this news so that there is enough time for families to offer their best wishes to both Sarah and Deb. I will keep you updated on staff replacements in the near future. The 2018 class structure will also be confirmed during the coming weeks.

### Parent Information/Forum Session

My many thanks go to the parents who attended the information afternoon on Tuesday to find out how comprehension is taught in classes and to help evaluate the current school plan in readiness for the development of the new 2018-2020 school planning process. Parents left the school with a deeper understanding about what's happening in classrooms and some of the possible future directions for the school.

### Drill

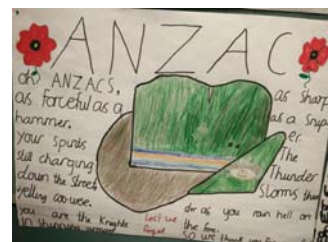
Students and staff participated in a Lock Down drill on Wednesday afternoon. The students were prepared for the practice during the week and carried out the lockdown with maturity and responsibility. It is reassuring to know that in the unlikely event of an emergency at school, all students and staff are fully prepared.

### Afternoon Tea

The staff will be hosting a thank you afternoon tea in the school library next Tuesday at 2pm to say a huge thank you to all the parents and family members who have volunteered their time to support the students, teachers and the school during 2017. Your assistance has been invaluable and we look forward to working with you all next year. If you have volunteered/assisted at any level during this year we would love to see you there.

### Remembrance assembly

I was extremely proud of the student leaders and CM3 for holding our Remembrance assembly in honour of all the service men and women who have lost their lives for their countries. Below are a few of the Remembrance poems that CM3 composed for the ceremony. Students read and discussed the well-known "Ode of Remembrance" and began to write out their own ideas for their own Odes. Mrs Henderson discussed similes, metaphors and personification. Here is a sample of CM3's Remembrance Day poetry. Most of the poems are displayed in the school office foyer. I'm sure the students in CM3 will appreciate you taking time to read them.



Education



### **Kindy transition**

Our 2018 kindy transition program is now completed. I have been extremely impressed with how our future students have settled in to the transition program thanks to the warm welcome from Mrs Pugh and our current kindies. I'm sure the little ones are just as excited to come to CMPS in 2018 as we are to have them. See you next year Kindies!

### **End of Term 4**

As we near the end of the term and academic year, it becomes quite busy here at CMPS. Teachers will continuously inform parents about what is happening to ensure that students do not miss out on one of the many events happening over the next few weeks.

Below are some reminders. Please contact the office or your child's class teacher if you need further information with regards to the above events.

## **Niagara Park Stadium Sport Fun Day — 23 November**

All students in Years K-6 are invited to attend a fun sporting day at Niagara Park Stadium. Transport will be by bus and students are to wear full sport uniform and a school hat. Sausage sizzle lunch is being provided but students are to bring morning tea/snacks and a water bottle. Permission notes are to be returned to school by Tuesday 21 November. Parents are invited to meet students there.

## **Year 6 Mini Fete — 24 November**

Next Friday 24 November, Year 6 (with some Year 5 helpers) will be holding their annual Mini-Fete. The students have organised various activities for all students in Kindergarten to Year 5 including: a Guessing Competition, Treasure Hunt and Face Painting. There will be 9 different activities/stalls to participate in. \$10.00 token booklets can be pre-purchased before next Friday. Coupons can also be purchased on the day of the Mini Fete. We are looking forward to having a great day raising money for the Year 6 Farewell Gift that they will purchase for the school.

## **Athon — 1 December**

Notes were sent home last week in relation to our Challenge-a-thon fundraiser. Please assist your child in obtaining sponsors and sending the sponsor card back to school on the day to be stamped for each activity they participate in. Students are to return their sponsorship cards and money to school by Friday 8 December.

## **Swim School — 4 to 15 December**

Students in **Years 2-6** will be attending a 10 day swim school program from 4-15 December. Full Payment and permission notes for the Swim School program are due before 20 November. Please also return the form if your child is NOT participating in this program.

Lessons will run from 10:15am to 11am each day. Transport will be by bus leaving the school at 9:15am each morning.

## **Year 7 2016 High School Orientation Day — 5 December**

Year 6 students attending public high schools will be attending their chosen High School's Orientation Day on 5 December. Students are to make their own travel arrangement to and from the school.

## **Year 6 Farewell Dinner, Disco and Games Night — 6 December**

The Year 6 Farewell is coming up fast. The Farewell will be held at the Mangrove Mountain Memorial Club on Wednesday 6 December. We have already started preparing the evening through organising games, decorations and activities for the night. We look forward to seeing all our Year 5 & 6 students dressed smartly ready to celebrate together. More information will be coming home soon about the evening's events.

# Reminders



Included with this weeks Central E-cho is an invitation to our Presentation Night on 14 December.

Please RSVP to assist us with planning for the evening.

★ Central Mangrove Public School ★  
2017 Presentation Night

★ The Students and Staff of Central Mangrove Public School invite families and friends to celebrate the excellent academic, sporting, environmental and social achievements of our students and to farewell our Year 6 students. ★

★ On Thursday 14 December 6:00pm in the Peats Ridge Public School Community Hall ★

## 2018 Anticipated Student Numbers

Our class planning has commenced for 2018. Parents and community members can assist in this process by notifying us of their future plans in regard to attendance at this school. Having this type of information now allows us to project student numbers for 2018 which can be critical in determining our staffing and other entitlements for the new year. Finalising student numbers is a critical process and one which can have a significant impact on other areas of school management. So, if you are considering a move out of Central Mangrove PS or know of someone moving into the Central Mangrove school community, I would appreciate you speaking to me as soon as possible.

## From the Students

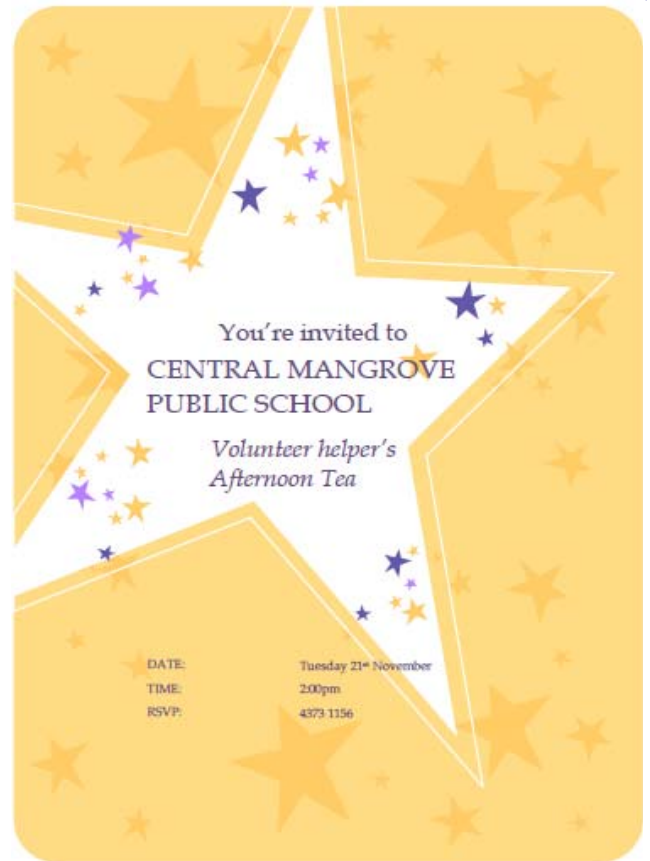
Below is a photo of some of the yummy vegetables that students have grown at CMPS. They enjoyed eating the spring onions and fresh green beans!



NB: **TUESDAY** is Uniform Shop Day



~Order Forms available at School Office.  
 ~ Please forward completed order forms with cash payment to the School Office.  
 ~Orders will be processed the next Uniform Shop day.  
 ~Thank you.



### TEACHERS' AWARDS TERM 4 WEEK 5

CM1	
Sarah	Being a great friend to the new Kindy Students.
Austin	Trying hard to improve his writing
Leo	Trying hard to improve his writing
CM2	
Patrick	Writing an interesting cinquain
Jemil	Improvement in presenting his work
CM3	
Nicholas	For his continued enthusiasm in times tables challenges
Ajay	For excellent work with his ode
Catherine	For perseverance with her Remembrance Day ode

### PRINCIPAL'S AWARD Term 4 Week 5

CM1	
Hayley	Completing the Sight Word Program
Connor	Improved Handwriting
CM2	
Kieryn	Great visualisation of Macavity's Cat
Evie	Wonderful understanding of chance and probability
CM3	
Emma	For always making sensible choices

### Scholastic Book Club Orders

Orders and payments are due 1 December. Orders can be completed and paid online using the scholastic online payment system: Friday 1 December.

**School Security Hotline**  
**1300 880 021**

### Future dates for your calendar

- Term
- 14 December—KMHS Band Visit
- 14 December—Presentation Night
- 14 December—Reports
- 15 December—Students last day

- Term 1 2018
- 30 January - Students return
  - 27 February - Small Schools Swimming Carnival