Congratulations to Sam Ackland – Evans who came 2nd in the 1500m at the State Athletics Championships last night. It was such a close race with the top three coming within a second of each other!! Unfortunately the 1500m isn’t run at the National’s but well done to Sam on another remarkable achievement.

Congratulations to Jaimee Doyle winning the Junior Scholarship for the year in her drama group.

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

**MONDAY NOVEMBER 4**

Please note that, as per previous years, a modified curriculum program will operate next Monday.

Over the past 4 or 5 years there has been an increasing tendency for families to enjoy a long weekend by taking the Monday before the Melbourne Cup as a rostered day off and withdrawing children from school. Less than 50 students attended school last year. In the previous two years only about 100 attended. Teachers will however provide an interesting program for students who do attend and will be engaged in report writing preparation where classes are able to be combined for part of the day.

**SCHOOL WILL BE OPEN ON MONDAY.**

however regular classroom curriculum programs will not proceed. This situation will almost certainly involve the combining of classes and a range of art, music and sport activities will be provided for at least part of the day.

There is no need to inform the school as to whether or not your child will attend as in previous years such advice has not been comprehensive enough to pre-plan programs.

**SCIENCE CENTRE DONATIONS**

We are delighted and thank the many families who have decided to make a tax deductible contribution towards our new Science Centre. So far we have collected $54,650 towards the cost of the building.

Please contact Di Henderson or Nia Syrbopoulos as soon as possible if you would also like to make a contribution. This project is very much reliant on the generosity of our school community.
Music News

Special Country Blues Assembly

There will be a special Country Blues Assembly on Friday the 1st of November at 2.00pm. Professional musician Jeb Cardwell has been working with our grade 4 students on a unit of work on ‘Blues’, and the grade 4’s will be performing their class pieces at our assembly.

Jeb is a wonderful guitarist and banjo player and we are going to get him to both perform and accompany the students in a country sing-a-long. My husband has kindly agreed to come and play fiddle and mandolin, and Kim Wheeler will be playing double bass. All parents and interested members of our community are invited to join in.

African Drumming Ensemble Term 4

Mohamed Camara will be taking African drumming classes as he has done at CHPS for a number of years. He is a master drummer from Guinea in West Africa. (Website = http://www.rhythmoflife.com.au/)

Students in grades 3 - 6 who would like to participate are asked to come to the Music Room at 1.15pm each Friday, after they have finished their lunches. Students are expected to commit to the ensemble for the 6 week program, beginning on Friday the 18th of October.

The ensemble will be aiming for a performance at the School Fair on Saturday the 23rd of November at 10.00am.

The cost of each class is $12. If your child is interested in participating, he/she should ask their classroom teacher or the office for a notice and return it to the office asap.

Continuing Extracurricular Groups

Just a reminder that the following groups have resumed for term 4:

- Choir (Monday lunchtimes for grades 2 – 6)
- String Ensemble (Monday 2.45pm)
- Grade 6 girls singing group (Tuesday lunchtimes)
- African Drumming Ensemble (grades 3 – 6 Friday lunchtimes)

All groups are run in the music room. If you have any questions please email me.

Roz Girvan – Classroom Music Teacher (girvan.roslyn.j@edumail.vic.gov.au)
French Corner

Exhibition

The NGV International on St Kilda Road, is currently hosting an exhibition – Edward Steichen and Art Deco Fashion. It is running until March 2014 and includes photos from this celebrated photographer as well as examples of original garments from the era. A lot of the fashion on show comes from the top French designers of the 1920s and 30s – Chanel, Madeleine Vionnet, Madame Paquin and Callot Soeurs. For more information on opening hours and ticket costs: http://www.ngv.vic.gov.au/whats-on/exhibitions/exhibitions/edward-steichen-and-art-deco-fashion

Prep Portfolios

Just a small reminder to those families who are yet to return their child’s French workbook and folder to the French tub in their classroom – these were due back Thursday last week and are needed for work to be completed during the rest of this term. Any problems, please don’t hesitate to contact Madame Webb webb.penelope.a@edumail.vic.gov.au

Extra French chez toi

Don’t forget that a great way to bring a bit more French into your children’s lives is to simply choose French as the language when watching DVDs. Up to you whether you’re kind and put on the English sub-titles as well!

Combien de mots peux-tu trouver?
En français, bien sûr!

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A SLICE OF MANDARIN

China Trip in September

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In September, Xiăo Long and teachers at CHPS had a two-week fantastic China trip and we visited five different cities, Beijing, Xi’an, Shanghai, Huaibei and Kunshan. There were a range of tourist attractions in our schedule, including Forbidden City, Summer Palace, Great Wall, Temple of Heaven in Beijing, Terracotta Warriors, and the wall in Xi’an, the museum, French Concession and the Bund in Shanghai, and water villages in Kunshan. These historical sites record the rich Chinese history and its fascinating culture. The amazing skyscrapers presented the modern side of booming China. When you are in Grade 5 and Grade 6, you will be able to experience these beautiful cities by attending our school China Trip.

There were so many exciting things happening during our short trip, I do not have enough words to express how wonderful the experience is! Our most important stop was our sister schools Huaibei No.1 and No.3 Primary schools. We received warm welcome and were impressed by a few memorable events, such as Welcome Ceremony which we witnessed the massive sizes, well organization of schools, and happy students. And also a marvellous concert which students played traditional musical instruments and sung children songs. We also experienced extracurricular activities such as Chinese calligraphy and painting, paper cutting and clay sculpture, and visited a local museum which brought us back to the life of local people more than 2000 years ago.

The following pictures record our exciting and memorable China Trip.

These children in our sister schools are looking forward to see you in China one day in the future!
WANTED: LOLLIES!
We are collecting lollies to sell at the fair!
Please help us by picking up a bag of your favourite lollies when you do your next grocery shop. In particular, we are collecting packets of MIXED LOLLIES and SOUR STRAPS however any lollies will be gratefully accepted.
We have heaps of Chupa Chups already but other sorts of lollipops are appreciated. They can be dropped into your lunch basket in your classroom or at the office.
We will also be looking for volunteers to help make homemade treats for the lolly stall. If you can help out or would like to talk to us about what’s involved, please call, CLAIRE (3DN/5KK) at claire_bennett@iinet.net.au or 0403850127 OR KATHY (3DN/5DT) at cambro14@hotmail.com or 0438525950.

Please remember NO NUTS.

CALLING all parents of 4KW for Bottle Throw and Champagne Toss Stall 2013…
It’s on once again and after the great result last year it is back by popular demand…. The Bottle Throw and Champagne Toss for 2013!! Since this is a reasonably easy stall for the class to be allocated, with minimal setup and virtually no pack up, we are asking all parents of 4KW to please help out and donate one or two 1.25 litre bottles of soft drink (Aldi 69cents!) to support our stall. The kids love bringing the bottles to class so send them along to school with them and a box for the drinks will be left in 4KW class room. Also a roster asking for volunteers for the day will be emailed to each of the 4KW parents so please let me know what time suits to help out as this is a very busy but great fun stall to help out with. Thank-you, Bridgette Connor. (Abbie 4KW)

From all of us on the plant stall, our huge thanks in advance to Ange and Co at the Flower Jar for supplying beautiful cut flowers for the fair this year. For anyone who is looking for magnificent flowers for a wedding or other special event, you can find them in Richmond or contact them on hello@flowerjar.com.au
Gold Street Christmas Fair 2013

Back by Popular Demand - Limited Offer:

Delicious Homemade Christmas Cakes

Once more a dedicated team of parents from classes across the school have been baking for weeks to produce a limited number of sensational Christmas cakes. This is your opportunity to secure one prior to the Fair and avoid disappointment.

These cakes really are special. They are packed full of brandy-soaked fruit and baked slowly to produce a rich, dense cake that is moist and aromatic. Each is attractively wrapped and will make a wonderful gift for the festive season – or simply take one home to enjoy with the family!

100% of the purchase price goes direct to OUR school

For your convenience, we offer 2 cake sizes at competitive prices:

1. large (round/square) @ $50 each.
2. medium (log) @ $30

To ensure availability we ask that you order and pay for your cakes before Friday 8th November. You will be contacted when cakes are ready for collection.

1. Fill in order form below.
2. Include payment/cheque (made out to Clifton Hill Primary School).
3. Place in envelope and drop into school office.

CHILD’S NAME ..........................................................
CHILD’S CLASS ........................................

PARENT NAME AND EMAIL..........................................................

__________________________________________________________________________________

No:

______ Large round/square @ $50 each
______ Medium log @ $30 each

AMOUNT ENCLOSED $..........................

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Dutch Pancake Pink Ribbon
Fundraiser Friday 1st November 2013

On Friday the 1st of November we will be having a Dutch Pancake Pink Ribbon Fundraiser Stall at recess. Small serving sizes of Dutch Pancakes with toppings will be available to the students for a $2 coin donation. Cancer Council raises funds to help support the many thousands of women in Australia and their families who are affected by breast and gynaecological cancers. The proceeds from our stall can help with vital research, patient support, and information for health care professionals and patients. The stall will be near the canteen. We will have a small quantity of Gluten free Pancakes available - please notify before the day.

We are looking for lots of helpers. Please contact me if you are available.

Kind regards,
Melinda Wilson
School Fair Co-ord.
M:0414 278 479

Attention to all Grade 6 students!

Grade 6 Disco
When: Friday 13th December
Time: 6pm-9pm
Where: The multi-purpose room
Cost: $20

This includes a Professional Party DJ, Party Music, Disco colored lighting and a Smoke Machine plus Glow Bracelets & PIZZA

Please put $20 cash in an envelope with GRADE 6 DISCO on the front, your name & class to the office by Friday 29th November 2013

Any queries please contact
Natasha 0415 536 416 or Tania 0412 557 230
CHPS Survey regarding the East West Link

The survey recently distributed to all school families by the School Council was an attempt to understand how the school community feels about the impact of the proposed East-West Link on the school. Thank you to all of you who completed it.

We understand that a number of people are personally affected by the current proposal, however we can only represent the school’s interests. The survey was the first step in enabling the Council to seek positive outcomes for the school based on the views of the school community.

Support for the East-West Link
70% of respondents do not support the East-West Link in principle and 30% do.

Responses varied according to location, with 85% of respondents living south of Alexandra Parade opposed to the Link. 68% of those living within 500 metres of Alexandra Parade on the north side are opposed to the Link as are 64% of those living further afield.

72% of respondents do not support the plan and design of the Link. 14% support it with reservations, nearly 2% unreservedly and 12% didn’t know enough to comment.

30% of respondents would consider moving their children to another school if the project goes ahead (some because they would need to leave the zone).

Your Concerns
This was a multiple choice answer and people are generally more concerned about the disruption to the school during construction than after completion. The exception to this is air quality, where more people are concerned about air quality after completion.

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What you think the school should campaign for?
This was also a multiple choice answer and a majority of people who responded want the school to campaign on the following issues:

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<td>Minimising disruption to the school during construction</td>
<td>98%</td>
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<td>Air quality monitoring</td>
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<td>76%</td>
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CHPS Survey regarding the East West Link

Responses to “Other” included suggestions around campaigning for:

- Public transport options
- Investigation of the impact on the water table
- Filtering of emissions from the tower.

**Information**

Only 23% of respondents trust the State Government to do the right thing by the school and students as they implement the project.

Families were evenly split on whether they were well informed about the project and its potential impact on the school and students. Despite that, there is clearly a need for information sessions as 70% indicated they would attend an evening information session about the project and 41% indicated they would attend a daytime session.

**Conclusion**

As a result of your responses we are preparing a submission to be sent to relevant authorities requesting:

- assurances that the construction will minimize disruption to the school during construction including keeping Wellington St open and minimising noise and dust
- air quality monitoring at the school, beginning as soon as possible and continuing through the project
- moving the emissions tower further East
- moving the tunnel entrance further East.

We will keep you updated on the progress of any submissions.

We will also organise briefing sessions as soon as possible to ensure that everyone has an opportunity to learn as much as possible about the project.

### School Usage

These questions were designed to help us understand how much and for how long families would be involved with the school and how they access it.

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<td>Two children at the school</td>
<td>42%</td>
<td>Leave school within 6 – 10 years</td>
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<td>At the school for more than 10 years</td>
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A number of families use different forms of transport to get to school so had multiple responses (eg. Driving and walking/riding on different days).

- Walk or ride to school: 130 families
- Drive to school: 102 families
- Use public transport to get to school: 18 families
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The department of Languages and Linguistics at the University of Melbourne is conducting research investigating complex sentence structure in children with autism and typically developing children.

We are looking for families of children with high functioning autism and families with typically developing children aged between 4 years up to 7 years. Children with autism will preferably have had a cognitive assessment using the WPPSI.

How do we get involved?

You can contact us and let us know you are interested in our project. Participation in this project is voluntary and does not offer treatment. However, as a research project we hope the outcomes will help the general community understand the nature of complex sentences in children who have autism.

The tasks may take place over two sessions. In Session 1, which goes for 60 minutes, parents and children meet me for some assessments (language and cognitive) if they have not had them. In the second session, which will go for 30 minutes children will play with the toy animals in response to statements and get to tell a puppet how to play with the animals. The tasks can take place at home or school/kindergarten.

What do we get out of it?

All families will receive a summary of their child’s progress on the tasks and children will receive stickers and a book to thank them for participating.

Call: Rob Frewin (Speech Pathologist) on 0416839611
Email: rfrewin@student.unimelb.edu.au
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