**RECORD PROFIT - $90,352!**

We donned coats and umbrellas to set up in the rain and by the end of the day not only had things dried up… we also cleaned up!

Thanks to everyone who attended our annual School Fair on Saturday, both current families and old. We have raised an unprecedented profit of **$90,352** which will go to our new Science Centre.

What a generous school community we have.

A MASSIVE thank you is extended to:

Melinda Wilson - our tireless Fair Coordinator who manages all challenges with a smile. She is still in the office sorting through left over drinks!

The Fair Committee who have been garnering support and planning all through the year. Ros Rowlands who created a record breaking Silent Auction to behold - raising **$26,463** and spilling out of its usual location into an additional classroom.

The stallholder co-ordinators, volunteers and their families who helped run the stalls.

The CHPS Staff who co-ordinated stalls, organised students, and volunteered as money collectors on Fair day. The families that helped set up on the Friday and Saturday morning, pack up on Saturday evening, and those who came back for the cleanup on Sunday.

The students who helped out on the day.

To our wonderful sponsors; I am sure they would love our support in return.

A special thanks also goes to Nia Syrbopoulos who goes above and beyond throughout the day and year to ensure that everything runs smoothly.

We hope you and your families had a wonderful day. We have set the benchmark high for 2014!

Karen Dileo
This year, The Age is publishing the honour roll online. You will be able to view a personalised video as well as a personalised front page of The Age featuring a message from the Victorian Premier and the editor-in-chief Andrew Holden that’s yours to keep as a celebration of this year’s Challenge.

More than 231,000 children and young people took up the Challenge in 2013 and read over 4 million books! For the first time this year, the Challenge included young children from birth to five years of age.

Victorian Premiers’ Reading Challenge

The Victorian Premiers’ Reading Challenge (PRC) aims to encourage all children and young people to develop a love of reading with the support of their parents, teachers and early childhood professionals, schools and classmates. It is not a competition but a challenge for every child to read, to read more and to read more widely.

For more information visit www.education.vic.gov.au/prc

Favourite Books for 2013

The Hunger Games; Suzanne Collins
The 26 Storey Treehouse; Andy Griffiths; Terry Denton (ill.)
The Third Wheel; Jeff Kinney
The Hobbit; J. R. R Tolkien
Harry Potter and the Philosopher’s Stone; J. K. Rowling
Dog Days; Jeff Kinney
Cabin Fever; Jeff Kinney
Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows; J.K. Rowling
Matilda; Roald Dahl; Quentin Blake
Diary of a Wimpy Kid: A Novel In Cartoons; Jeff Kinney

The library will be closed for borrowing in the last two weeks for a complete stocktake and therefore we ask that all library books be returned on or before Monday December 2nd. Overdue notices will follow as we try to reconcile all books prior to the stocktake. If you know that you have lost or damaged a book, we ask that you pay the replacement cost so that we can reorder that title.
French Corner

Websites that students can use at home
Fun activities for students to do at home including creating their own comic strip http://www.educationscotland.gov.uk/c4modernlanguages/mimi/main/french_main_menu.asp
Students can choose different topics and click on speech bubbles to hear the spoken word http://www.education.vic.gov.au/languagesonline/french/french.htm
There are 5 different units within this website. Each unit has games and activities students can choose from http://www.learnalberta.ca/content/flbla/index.html?launch=true
Choose a character and play the games! http://lexiquefle.free.fr
Activities for Primary French students covering the basics http://www.francais-extra.co.uk/gateway/frxwb/frxjunior/frxjuniormainmenu.htm

Alliance Française Christmas Market
This will be the tenth year that the Alliance Française de Melbourne will be running a French Christmas Market in the grounds of their premises in St Kilda. There will be market stalls laden with French products, free trial French lessons, film screenings, face painting as well as a myriad of other activities for both young and old.
The market will be taking place over two days – Saturday 7 and Sunday 8 December.
Follow the link below for more information:

Cahiers coming home at end of term
As we approach the end of term, parents can expect to see French workbooks coming home in weeks 9 and 10. We realise that this is a very busy time of year for families, however, we would really appreciate it if you could take the time to go through their work with them, and if requested, fill out the parent feedback form and return it to school. Merci!
A SLICE OF MANDARIN

Chinese Zodiac Story

ńǐ hǎo! It’s your friendly dragon, xiǎo lóng. 😊 Today we are going to introduce Chinese Zodiac stories, there are many legends and mythology related to Chinese Zodiac and there are various versions and stories popular in different regions. Why were there twelve animals in the Zodiac calendar and where did the scheme order come from? Here is the most well-known story, as an important part of the Chinese Zodiacal culture.

The Jade Emperor (The Emperor in Heaven in Chinese folklore) wanted to select twelve animals to represent the different years as totems. Hearing this, all the animals on earth rushed to the call with each desiring to be selected. Finding no suitable method on which to base his selection, the Jade Emperor decided to have a tournament of physical skills and abilities.

The Jade Emperor appointed the Elephant to be the undisputed judge of this tournament. When this tournament and its rules were announced, the cat heard about it and went to tell this to the rat. In earlier times, both the cat and the rat were very close friends. The cat told the rat that he was eligible to compete because being an animal was the only necessary qualification. When the rat arrived, he saw that there was already a mighty strong ox posed on the tournament platform welcoming all challenges.

The brown ox was both large in size and extremely mighty. He thought little of having the tiny rat as his opponent. He was over confident as he stood boldly on the tournament platform. Reading himself for the battle, the ox raised his front legs and pawed and scratched on the ground as he was prepared to stomp on the rat and flatten him into a small meat patty. However, the rat was light in weight and quick and agile in movement so that he was successful in side-stepping the charging ox. The rat jumped onto his feet and catapulted himself onto the back of the ox. The ox was helpless to this attack and the pain inflicted caused him to scream out with an admission of defeat. The judge had no alternative than to award the rat with the coveted first prize. The ox was embarrassed and speechless to have lost to the rat.

The rest of the animals battled on and this is how the ranking of the twelve animals came to be: Rat, Ox, Tiger, Rabbit, Dragon, Snake, Horse, Sheep, Monkey, Rooster, Dog, Pig.
Did you visit Virtual Reality at the Fair?

A big 'Thank you' to Matt from Virtual Reality Party Arcade who donated his time and Virtual Reality rides to the fair this year. Everyone had a great time on the Roller Coaster and Helicopter rides, without leaving PNM. Following the great response, they have kindly offered their party packages to Clifton Hill Primary School at 10% off. Book now for next year, before they are sold out. (*Mention Clifton Hill PS Fair. Bookings to be made before the end of the year.)
Admin/sales/social media/PR

I am looking for someone to join my madness. This is a flexible position as far as fitting in with school hours but it's also a bit messy as far as timing goes with selling when hours would step up and there would be a bit of travel involved.

So ideally it would suit someone that wants some extra cash and to be a bit creative as well, plus can get flexible babysitting help/flexible uni hours when we get busier.

So basically what I need is...

*Someone every Wednesday from about 9.30-5 to work with me in my office in Alphington to cover - Social Media (FB/Instagram) and PR (Mags/blogs), Admin (chasing money, sending orders out, invoicing), Customer Service, Chasing in season orders, Peggy - brand management/development.

*Then in February from approx. the 3rd until the 28th, full time and some travel to Sydney and possibly Brisbane. And again in August for about a month, full-time - note - these hours are reasonably flexible for most of that period. This time is purely selling, so it would be showing ranges and dealing with stores.

*Would be awesome if this person is social media savvy, has selling experience and is just a general gun to put up with me!

If you know of anyone, please pass this on.

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To arrange an appointment to view please call: 0419 512 932.
Clifton Hill Primary School is the first school in Melbourne to participate in The Adie Project.

Local real estate agent, Stephen Whitelaw had an idea to send second hand books and teaching aids from schools in Melbourne to remote parts of Papua New Guinea (PNG), where such goods are in great demand. PNG students will benefit from receiving the books and Melbourne students will benefit from giving the books.

Thanks to the outstanding support of Clifton Hill Primary Principal, Geoff Warren and the local Bendigo Bank manager, Rod May, this idea became a reality.

In January next year a container of books from Clifton Hill Primary will be shipped to PNG and transported to Koipa Elementary School and Agenehambo Primary School in the Oro Province of PNG.

It is hoped Clifton Hill Primary School will forge a lasting friendship with these two schools.

Congratulations to all the school community.

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