From the principal:

It has been a wonderful beginning to the year at Campbell Street Primary School. We have welcomed many new students to our school including all of our new kinders and these students have settled into our Campbell Street way really well. It has been a long process but we have almost got all of our staffing for 2016 sorted. This year we have welcomed back Mrs O’Halloran from Queensland. Mrs O’Halloran is currently teaching our Prep/1 class full time for this term. She will be sharing this class with Miss Vince when she returns from maternity leave at the start of Term 2. Miss Vince will be teaching her Prep/1 class on a Monday, Tuesday and Thursday and Mrs O’Halloran on the Wednesday and Friday.

We also gained a second AST for 2016 and beyond. Teachers applied for this position through an expression of interest over the summer break. Due to the quality of the applicants the department allowed me to divide the position to have two people sharing the role. The successful applicants were: Mrs Judy Perkins who is leading the school in Literacy: focusing on Spelling across the school, and leading the school in the implementation of STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Mathematics); and Ms Maureen French who is leading the school in Literacy: focusing on Writing across the school, 21st Century Skills and Technology. Mrs Perkins and Ms French both receive a day a week to focus on their AST roles.

Unfortunately providing and extra AST does not equate to an extra teacher but we will be welcoming Ms Jodi Alexander to the school starting Tuesday 15th March to work in the 2/3/4 classrooms to provide the AST release for these two teachers. Andrew Stocks continues as the other AST at the school. Andrew’s main focus is numeracy across all grades, especially focusing on our students at risk and the ECE students who require extension in this area.

This year we have also moved some classes around. This is to enable us to work smarter with our grade groups. The aim is to have the classes grouped to enable teachers to work as teams to ensure consistency across grade groups.

Participation the way to go...

What an amazing day for our school athletics carnival. Thank you to Mr Thompson and the wonderful staff at CSPS for their efforts working with the students and supporting them so they all had a go to do their best whether that be gaining a place in a race or more importantly entering a race and completing it. Once again the student’s support of each other, their encouragement and cheering of each other was a highlight for me. I listened to one student say that she was cheering for her friend even though she was in Banksia (not her house). House captains and vice captains were awesome all day.

I am always astounded by the willingness of parents an other community member to volunteer to help. This started from early in the morning with the setting up of the marquees, judging races, scoring, packing up, assisting with the bbq, cheering for and supporting their own children as well as others, the list goes on... I won’t name up parents who went above an beyond in fear of missing someone but I will name up ex student Abby Hughes who assisted all day including assisting with the marshaling the students with Mr Thompson for the running races. It was a very warm day, some people commented that they could see the track drying out before their eyes...I believe it was the parents and staff burning up the track during their respective races. I was amazed with the speed of the mums, dads and teachers as they ran their races...fastest parent races I have seen in all my years teaching (and very close races). To rub the salt in the parents also took out the staff-parent tug of war (I will have to get Mr C to run a staff bootcamp to get us ready fo next year).

Thank you everyone...a wonderful day that would see many tired students at home tonight (and parents).

Our School team Announced

Due to the Domain Athletics Centre undergoing a surface upgrade this year’s carnival will be held on the Soldiers’ Walk Memorial Oval. You will still be able to use the same car park for the Athletics Centre.

Congratulations to the following students for being selected in our team this year:

**Grade 6:** Gabriel Garcia, Ky Fieldhouse, Lochie Doyle, Mohamed Sultan, Oliver Chessells-Beeby, Mathew Williams, Tyge Grainger, Kasey Gray, Ina Manthorpe, Alyssa Martir, Emma Pursell, Gloria Wani, Elma Brica, Claire Farr and Layla Hocking.

**Grade 5:** Sam Gaggin, Harry Oates, Alex Bain, Chris Bain, Rhyley Spouse, Jezrelle Gray, Holly Woodland, Naimh Wisby, Olive Clements-McCreadie, Indigo Garcia, Piper Harwood and Mara Direen.

**Grade 4:** Troy Carroll, Liam Davey, Kale Smithson, Tom Saddler, Aaron Martir, Dylan Voss, Blake Crossin, Tyler Bannister, Mathew Swift, Venus Wani, Hayley Desmond, Janice Liu, Juliana Hilton, Orla Badger and Scarlet Baker.

**Grade 3:** Harry Todd, Sam Ayres, Luke Bresnahan, Ben Neely, Riley Hills, Mohammad Rezaie, Lily Direen, Didi Johnson, Emma Nina Karabogdan, Isobel Gaggin, Mackenna White and Anjali Manral.

Follow the link to see what events students are competing in: [http://tinyurl.com/zune6u](http://tinyurl.com/zune6u) (subject to change)

Follow the link to see the Spectator program: [http://tinyurl.com/z3tc8kj](http://tinyurl.com/z3tc8kj)
Congratulations to the following students for receiving Certificates of Achievement on Wednesday 9th March 2016

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Primary Progress Reports: Prep to Grade 6

On Thursday 24 March you will receive your child’s Primary Progress Report. This report will come home in your child’s school bag so remember to check. This is a short summary statement provided to inform you about how your child is settling in to school and to advise you of any early areas of concern across a number of key areas:

- Accepts advice from others;
- Accepts responsibility for own actions;
- Cooperates with others;
- Demonstrates initiative;
- Works well in groups;
- Seeks help where necessary;
- Works independently;
- Listens attentively;
- Demonstrates good organisational skills;
- Is polite and considerate;
- Cares for school and personal property;
- Shows self-confidence;
- Works to complete tasks on time; and
- Willingly participates in activities.

If you have any concerns raised by this report or other concerns about your child’s education please make an appointment to see your child’s teacher or myself.

Woolworths Earn and Learn supporting our school for 2016

At our Wednesday assembly Rachel Hughes, from our local Campbell Street Woolworths store, presented the school with all of the equipment we received through last year’s Earn and Learn program. We were lacking lots of equipment for students to use in our playgrounds and especially to develop their gross motor skills. Ruth Morton was the school organiser of the program throughout 2015 and was able to order a large range of equipment for use across the school. I would like to thank all parents, grandparents, friends and students, who collected stickers, stuck stickers to sheets, counted sheets and everything else that was required as a part of our school receiving all of this equipment. Also thank you again to Rachael Hughes and Woolworths for supporting our school again. Keep your eye out again for the program this year. The rewards received will go towards providing more specialised equipment for our STEAM programs.