

# MSU NEWS

## Welcome back for Term 2

Wow! Term One was very busy as usual. It flew by in a whirl of Growth & Development, Sports Day and its preparation, Aquatics and a generous sprinkling of public holidays.

But here we are back and ready to settle into a bit more of a learning groove.

This is just a quick note to keep you up with what's on this term.

### BYO IPAD PROGRAM

The BYO iPad initiative is up and running! About a quarter of the students are now bringing their iPads to school. Keep your eye on the class or school blog (Craigburn Connections) for parent induction sessions. Don't forget, if you are not ready, or not planning to take up the BYO iPad offer, your child will not be disadvantaged.

### BEYOND THE CLASSROOM

As usual there is plenty going on outside of the usual classroom activities. These extra offerings are a great chance to develop team skills and demonstrate leadership qualities.

Here is just a few examples of what's

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## Year 7 Canberra Trip

In Week 6 the Year 7s are off and away to their much anticipated Canberra Trip. In preparation for the trip, we are currently undertaking an inquiry unit based around Australian citizenship and what that means.

The July 2 Federal election will help to create a bit of a stir, as the Stobie poles and letter boxes fill with faces and slogans. Keep your ear to the ground for the latest developments.

**PEDAL PRIX:** is offered to Year 6 and 7 boys and girls. The first race was in Loxton last weekend. There are three races to come, two at Victoria Park and the 'big one' - the 24 hour race - at Murray Bridge. Good luck to all competitors!

**SAPSASA:** Term 2 is a big one for the SAPSASA knockout competition - at the time of writing, the girls have just got through to

through to the next round of the netball. Boys netball and soccer is coming up as well as the cross country meet at Belair NP.

### ANZAC SERVICE:

Congratulations to Ethan, Jemma, Lucy and Leah for their representation of CPS as part of the choir at the Adelaide service. Also well done to Libby, Sam and Spencer, who attended the Blackwood vigil.



**HOMEWORK:** Just a reminder that homework is given every week (except Weeks 6 and 10) on a Monday and is due on Friday morning. Once a term your child will have to do *Current Events*, which will take two weeks and this will exclude them from the usual homework for that fortnight.



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| Mon 23 May:         | Governing Council       |
| Thu 26 May:         | Wacky-Athon             |
| <b>Fri 27 May:</b>  | <b>Student Free Day</b> |
| Fri 3 June:         | Yr 5/6/7 Assembly       |
| Sun 5 June:         | Canberra Trip           |
| <b>Fri 10 June:</b> | <b>Student Free Day</b> |
| Fri 24 June:        | Yr 5/6/7 Assembly       |
| Mon 27 June :       | Governing Council       |



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BEYOND THE CLASSROOM (CONT)

FESTIVAL of MUSIC:

Congratulation to Isabelle, Ethan S, Jemma C and Lucy O, who have been selected to perform in the Troupe) for this years FoM. Looking up at them from the Festival Theatre orchestra pit, will be Azalea and Holly, what a great honour. Congratulations to all of you!

CODING CLUB: Every Friday at lunch, there is a dedicated group of students, from all year levels, who gather to develop their knowledge of coding. Thanks to simplified programs such as Scratch and Python, students can be exposed to the power of coding, and the fundamental skill of decomposing their problem into its smallest elements, without having to learn the complex syntax and coded language, which is at the heart of all coded programming. Coding is definitely a skill of the future, the students who are taking the time now to develop this skill, are really setting themselves up for their years ahead. They don't realise this

of course. They just go there because it's fun!



TOURNAMENT OF THE MINDS

TOM is a problem solving programme for teams of students from both primary and secondary years and it is one of the fastest growing international school programmes with the involvement of thousands of participants. TOM aims to enhance the potential of our youth by developing diverse skills, enterprise, time management, and the discipline to work collaboratively within a competitive environment.

Mrs Robertson is currently running creative problem solving sessions at lunch times for those students who are interested in the competition this year. We will be looking for teams of 7 students who can devote time to prepare for Tournament Day on Sunday 11th September.



What exactly is....  
*Craigburn Connections?*  
It's just the new  
CPSchool Newsletter!  
The school newsletter has gone electronic! The school newsletter is now a blog. The benefits are, that you can get the newsletter immediately, and it doesn't have that 'bottom of school bag' touch. Other benefits include more regular updates, colour images and you can easily subscribe (RSS Feed) to get new posts (stories) emailed to you automatically. The school blog complements the individual class blogs, so take a minute to locate and subscribe to both.

# blogs.craigburn.sa.edu.au

The screenshot shows the website interface for Craigburn Connections. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links for HOME, ABOUT, CALENDAR, BLOGS, ENVIRONMENT, SPORT, OSHC, CANTEEN, COMMUNITY NOTICEBOARD, and CRAIGBURN WEBSITE. Below this is a 'LATEST NEWS' section with three featured items:

- FOOD ALLERGY WEEK** (15-21 MAY 2016): A grey banner with colorful text and a blue ribbon at the bottom.
- Student Free Days** (Reminder): A red banner with white text, indicating Friday 27 May / Friday 10 June.
- Soccer Training Starts**: A yellow banner with a soccer ball icon and black text.

Each news item includes a title, date, author, and a 'Subscribe' button.