Good afternoon everyone, I hope you’re all having a great week.

**Car Parks**

Please DO NOT walk through the staff carparks when entering or leaving the school. These places can be dangerous and unsafe; please only use the pedestrian gates.

**Swimming Carnival**

Last week our 3-6 Swimming Carnival was held at Merrylands Pool; what a great day! All children – regardless of their swimming ability – were able to take part and compete in the event, well done boys and girls. Thank you to our carnival conveners, Mrs Phillips and Miss Vinkovic, for the huge amount of work they directed towards ensuring that the event was a successful one for the students. Thank you also to all of the staff who assisted on the day, a great team effort.

**Storm Damage**

On Monday night Mother Nature did her best to show us who’s boss by “rearranging” a few of our trees. Two large trees at the front of the school were damaged so badly that they had to be removed. Large branches fell on the Preschool roof as well as one of the demountables. Thank you to Mr Sullivan and our cleaner Ivan for their hard work in ensuring that the school was clean and safe for students by 8:20am.

**Arrival and Departure Times**

Student are not to arrive at school prior to 8:20am, as they are unsupervised. Teachers do not commence duty until 8:20am therefore students are not to arrive before this time. Whilst we understand that mornings can be busy, it is not the responsibility of the school to provide care before 8:20am. An Out of School Hours care facility is now based in our hall, please call the office for details. Likewise, students are to be picked up promptly at 2:50pm at the end of the school day.

**Meet the Teacher Sessions**

Next week our annual Meet the Teacher sessions will be held at school, to provide parents with an opportunity to be introduced to their child’s teacher and learn about the programs that will be covered throughout the year. Sessions for Years 1 and 2 will be held from 3:00pm-3:30pm on Tuesday 24th February, Years 5 and 6 3:40pm-4:10pm Tuesday 24th February, Kindergarten 3:00pm-3:30pm on Thursday 26th February and Years 3 and 4 3:40pm-4:10pm on Thursday 26th February. Sessions will be held in your child’s/children’s classroom/s and all parents are invited to attend.

**Adams Park Permission Notes**

Thank you to those parents who have returned their child’s permission note to use Adams Park. The children use this facility for sporting purposes and as we cross a major road to access the park, permission notes MUST be returned. If you are yet to return your child’s note please do so urgently.
Thank you to all parents who attended last week’s P & C Meeting in the school hall. Congratulations and thank you to the following school community members who have been elected to executive positions for 2015: Mrs Leanne Hunt (President), Mrs Robyn Lloyd (Secretary) and Mrs Raquel Leslie (Treasurer). I look forward to working with our P & C throughout 2015.

P & C News

PSSA Sport

Our weekly inter-school sports competition commences tomorrow for those students in Years 3-6 who have been selected for soccer, netball and touch footy – good luck, play hard but play fair! Students must wear their full CVPS sports uniform and bring a hat, water and their lunch. If ordering lunch, please write “PSSA Sport” on the lunch order bag. Thank you to all staff working as coaches.

Have a fantastic weekend; I wish you all a happy and prosperous Lunar New Year.

Ben Matthews
Principal

IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

Canley Vale Junior Chess Club – 2015
- Term 1 - Monday 9th February – Monday 30th March
- Term 1 – Tuesday 3rd March, Fairfield Pool
- Term 2/week 7 - Wednesday 3rd and Thursday 4th June

Zone Swimming Carnival

School Photos

It’s almost time - Be Prepared