

CASTLETOWN PRIMARY SCHOOL

At Castletown Primary School, we inspire and educate all students to succeed in becoming productive and valued citizens.

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Newsletter 4, Term 3 10th September 2021



Dear Parents and Carers

NAIDOC Day Celebration NAIDOC Day is always a highlight on our school calendar, and last Friday's event was quite spectacular. Our students had a lot of fun while participating in a wide range of activities. It was wonderful to see our many Aboriginal students looking proud and happy, as everyone in the school joined with them in celebrating Nyungar culture and what it has to offer.

Like all schools in Australia, we have plans in place to acknowledge the presence of Aboriginal people in our school community, and incorporate Aboriginal history and perspectives in the curriculum in a variety of ways and opportunities. It is great to see the mural near the school entry starting to take shape, thanks to parents Zandy Bonney and Hayley Graham.





"Yarn dolls" is an activity that parent Athena Boast has introduced to our school a few weeks ago, and this is proving to be very popular with many of our children.

I congratulate the two staff who were the main organisers, Taryn Linden and Sharon Moir. We thank the community groups who came to the school to work with us: Wongutha Caps School, and the staff and students from the Clontarf and Stars Academies at Esperance Senior High School.

Buildings and Grounds News: The floor in our covered assembly area has become quite slippery over time, as the paint surface has worn smooth. I am hopeful that we will be seeing a new non-slip, rubber-type surface installed soon. Mr P is most excited! Construction on the Nature Playground should resume soon, as work to replace some of the substructure timber has been approved by the Dept of Education.

Term Dates: Just a reminder that Term 4 commences for students and staff on Monday October 11th. We will be holding a School Development Day on Friday October 15th, in conjunction with the Esperance Show.

Best wishes

Tim Baker Principal

Deputy's Desk - Curriculum

<u>WASO</u> - Last week, our Pre-Primary to Year 2 students had the wonderful opportunity to see three WASO artists perform at school. The students were introduced to the violin, viola and 'cello and were able to see and hear some of the differences between each. They then were engaged in an interactive retelling of "Sir Scallywag and the Golden Underpants" with the students joining in with singing and actions along with the instruments and entertaining story-teller.



<u>Swimming Carnival</u> - A reminder that it is our swimming carnival for Years 4-6 today, starting approximately 11am. Parents are welcome to come along and watch. Parents will be able to collect their child at the end of the carnival but will need to complete a yellow slip to give to the classroom teacher before they can collect their child. Slips will be available at the pool.

<u>Science Forensic Incursion – Year 3-6</u> - Our Year 3-6 students are taking part in an exciting interactive Incursion on Tuesday 21st September. They will be using science to solve a missing person case. Permission forms (Operoo) and payment of \$7 is due by Friday 17th September.

<u>Swimming Lessons – Year 1 and 3</u> - Swimming lessons for Years 1 and 3 will be happening in Weeks 3 and 4 of Term 4, 25th October to 5th November. A note will be coming home at the end of next week regarding the lessons and payment.

Julie Fetherston Deputy Principal

Pre-Primary Assembly

On Friday 27th August, the Pre-Primary classes hosted the assembly. They did a marvellous job of announcing each speaker, performed a very cute Dinosaur Stomp and led the school in singing a song about loving to read in honour of Book week.

Our assembly was followed by the Book Parade and our Kindy students came and joined us for that.

Mr Weckert was the lucky recipient of a Fly the Pie by Ashlee Smith.





Merit Award Winners

Congratulations to our Merit Award Winners at our assembly.

Room	Year	Award Winners	
EC5	PP	Sky Munzer	Reef Ward
EC6	PP	Winnie Carnie	Robert Sullivan
Room 1	1	James Humphrys	Gabriel Stefanczuk
Room 2	1	Charlotte Bald	Oliver Davis
Room 3	1	Rosalina Woosnam	Aio Karamaene
Room 4	2	Khaleesi Searle	Peggy Truong
Room 5	2	Polly Gilchrist	Judd Major
Room 6	2	Willow Kowal	Theo Nelson
Room 7	3	Mary Pugh	Lakyn Mackean
Room 8	3	Lily Wooldridge	Brydon Gifford
Room 21	3	Mali Isramongkonpan	Spencer Bower
Room 13	4	Bodhi Davies	Dominic Puckey
Room 14	4	Elizabeth Hirt	Shelby Armstrong
Room 22	4	Saffia Redman	Noah Martin
Room 9	5/6	Flynn Esmonde and Nikita Reeves	Indie Gallagher
Room 10	5/6	Graciella Burgess	Scarlett Hawke
Room 11	5/6	Ruby Heather	Harmony Black
Room 12	5/6	Olena Kowal	Jack Witt



RIBIT

Congratulations to the following RIBIT readers

Room	Year	100 Nights		
EC5	PP	Nash Bassett		
1	1	Archie Bald, Alex Knox, James Humphrys		
6	2	Kingston Tawhiao, Brock Coates		
8	3	William Yexley		
13	4	Alex Hay, Tanner Creedon , Shanaye Rolton, Lilly Ramm		
14	4	Danielle Knox		
200 Nights				
6	2	Zavier Oliver, Adelayde Humphrys		
12	5/6	Remy Schmidt		
14	4	Olivia Beardsmore, Sadie Witt		





NAIDOC Day

Castletown Primary
School celebrated their
NAIDOC Day on Friday.
Students, staff and
visitors enjoyed the day
of activities, which
included drumming,
footy, dancing, face
painting, spear
throwing, archery,
weaving, song in
Nyungar language and
art.



A big thank you to Wongutha Caps and the Esperance Senior High School Stars and Clontarf staff and students for volunteering their time to make a fun-filled day for all of our students. Thank you David Riley for playing the didgeridoo at our assembly. Thank you to Room 8 for performing in nyungar language as well as sign language. You are all super stars. Thank you to Addie Timms and all of the volunteers for catering a sausage sizzle for the whole school as well as all of our visitors. Thank you to Zandy Bonney and Hayleigh Graham for getting the painting plan ready at the front of our school. Thank you to Mrs Athena Boast for volunteering her time throughout the term to teach our girls (yorgas) how to do yarn dolls. Without all of these volunteers, a day like our NAIDOC Day just doesn't happen. After the rain stopped we were able to enjoy the afternoon playing footy and dancing with our visitors.

We hope that they will want to join us again next year when we have our cultural celebration on our NAIDOC Day. Mrs Sharon Moir and I enjoyed planning and getting the day ready for all of our staff and students.

Miss Stokes showed us an idea to display deadly doors for our NAIDOC Day. Here are some of our doors that were on display around the school.



Congratulations to our 2021 Deadly Award winners

Deadly Award	<u>Recipient</u>
K – P	Sunny Puckey
1-2	Zakkai Schultz
3 – 4	Evie Thomas
5 – 6	Remy Schmidt
Parent	Athena Boast
Community Member	Jennell Reynolds



<u>EC6</u>

In EC6 we have been very busy participating in NAIDOC week activities. We have been dot painting, collaging the Aboriginal flag and drawing Aboriginal symbols. We have even learnt some Nyungar animal words.



Jemma Gallop Pre-Primary Teacher

EC4 & EC7 Hero Day Celebrations

Loved men in children's lives are celebrated each year on Father's Day - families are special. We all have families where adults play many roles and families may change. Because the structure of families may differ, this year Kindergarten decided to include any special family members that are seen by the children as their 'hero'. Last week, Kindergarten invited families to school to celebrate 'Hero Day' (Father's Day). The weather was always going to be a challenge, but students confidently performed the action song, 'You Are My Sunshine' to their guests amid rain and bluster. We all held hands and sang the song together which was a wonderful 'warm fuzzy'.

Families always come together to have fun, so students were asked to bring their family member to join in with the 'Gumboot Throwing Competition'. Not one for the faint hearted. It was a great laugh and enjoyed by all. Well done to the winners, Group A Ella Rose Dickinson and Nigel Lister, as well as Group B Nate Scrimgeour and Trevor Agenbag. Each winning parent received the coveted prize of the 'Golden Gumboot Trophy'.

At the end of the celebration, gifts were given, hugs were had and a few tears from those who didn't throw their gumboot as far as Dad, Grandad, Uncle, Mum or Nana. Thank you to all of our families who were able to attend and support the wonderful community we have at Castletown Primary School.

Lauren McWilliam, Karen Ritchie and Amanda Pratt Kindergarten Teachers



Our class has completed dioramas of a scene from the Olympics.

Shaneen Coupar Teacher





AFG Interschool Numero Challenge – Esperance heat

On Monday, 25 students from Years 4 - 6 represented Castletown at the first heat of the 2021 Interschool Numero Challenge and they did not disappoint. Our five teams placed 1 through 5 with the Into the Negatives winning and qualifying for the final in Perth next term. The Wild Cards finished second and the Mathematical Marvels came in third. It was a great performance from all of our students, with some sensational mathematics on display across the 4 different events.







1st Place into the Negatives

Ryan Gilmore, Nick Terrell, Hayley Naylor and Isla Powell.

2nd place Wild Cards

Alex Hay, Beau Sylva, Coby Guest and Cooper McMullen

3rd place Mathematical Marvels

Scarlett Hawke, Olivia Stephen, Eli Rickerby and Kael Willis.

Year 6 Fundraiser

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Castletown Primary Year 6 **Fundraiser**

HARVEST COOKING

LARGE TRAYS

Lasagne \$40 Shepherds Pie \$40 Chicken Enchiladas \$40 Zucchini Slice \$25

550ML RECTANGULAR FOIL TRAY \$12 EACH

Beef Stroganoff Satay Chicken Tuna Mornay Curried Sausages Spiced Spaghetti

Minimum order of 10= \$120 50 meals = \$500 100 meals = \$950

TO PLACE AN ORDER PLEASE TEXT OR PHONE KRISTY ROPER 0409797707

ORDERS CLOSE **SUNDAY 19TH SEPTEMBER 12PM**

Invoices available on request



TO SUPPORT THE

Castletown Primary School

FUNDS RAISED WILL GO TOWARDS THE SCHOOL'S INDEPENDENTLY ORGANISED COLOUR FUN RUN.

WHAT: \$1 FROM EVERY PIZZA* SOLO.

WHEN: WEDNESDAY 15 SEPTEMBER 2021, 11AM - CLOSE.

WHERE: DOMINO'S ESPERANCE, **SHOP 13A ESPERANCE BOULEVARD** SHOPPING CENTRE, 1 FORREST ST.

*EXCLUDES MINI PIZZAS.



Dates to remember

Friday 17 th September	School Assembly – Room 9 and 10	
	Year 4 Tennis Carnival	
Tuesday 21 st September	Year 3 – 6 Science Incursion	
Friday 24 th September	Awards Assembly	
	Colour Fun Run	
	Last Day of Term 3	
Monday 11 th October	First Day of Term 4 – for students and teachers	
Friday 15 th October	Staff Development Day – Students do not attend today	

Community News

Please <u>click</u> here to view our community events page on our website.







The WA Country Health Service is funding the Better Health Program throughout regional WA. The program is available to families online and we need your help to get the word out to the local community! We are currently accepting registrations for our Term 4 program, which starts on the 4th of October.

What is the Better Health Program?

The Better Health Program is a <u>free</u>, healthy lifestyle program for families. The program is evidence-based and is delivered by qualified health professionals to support families with making sustainable health changes at home. Children (and their families) are eligible to participate in the program if they are:

- Aged 7-13 years
- Living in regional or remote WA
- Above a healthy weight

The online program includes:

- Weekly interactive modules
- Weekly phone coaching support with a health professional
- Lots of freebies (including a Garmin fitness tracker and other great resources)
- Prizes

Please <u>click here</u> to read more about the program.

