

# NEWSLETTER

## CASTLETOWN PRIMARY SCHOOL



*INSPIRE, EDUCATE, SUCCEED*

Issue 1

From the Principal's Pen

21<sup>st</sup> February 2014

Dear Parents/Carers

### ASSEMBLY

Mrs Cartmill's Year 5 class **braved** the first Assembly of the year with their outstanding Valentine Day's item followed by a happy song "Sunshine, Lollipops and Rainbows."

We learnt about the history of Valentine and the traditions followed in different countries in the world, with their celebrations for the occasion. Lots of lovely Valentine cards and words showered the audience and surprised and delighted us with the many presentations from the students. It was a perfect item leading to our virtue of the week, "Love". Congratulations to Year 5 students on their creativity, their maturity with conducting the Assembly and for starting our term on such a happy note.

### SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING

At the first School Council meeting of the year President, Mr Les Crawley welcomed our newest elected member Mrs Melissa McKenzie. Agenda centred on the overall strategic planning for the school for 2014, the curriculum priorities of English and Maths and the links with the Department of Education documents including "Focus 2014". At the next meeting in week 7, the operational plans for the school will be discussed along with the budget.

### OUR EARLY CHILDHOOD BUILDING

In the final stages of development, we are looking forward to three early childhood classes moving possibly at the end of February or early March to the new centre. An impressive building with spacious, light areas, two huge sand pits and kitchens to be envied awaits our students. The outdoor and indoor learning spaces are a feature of the building, offering an array of possibilities with independent exploration and learning through play.

### CONSTITUTIONAL CENTRE VISITS 24<sup>TH</sup> AND 25<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY (YEARS 3-7)

Children will be exposed to a series of presentations on the three levels of government and how they operate in a democratic society. Presenters from Perth, who are specialists in the area of government, will ensure lively interactive lessons.

### FACTION CAPTAINS

Congratulations to our Faction Captains for 2014. Sports practices have commenced in earnest. Faction Captains will take on their busy roles this term assisting in training and supporting students with their practice and team games.

<b>SUCCESS (RED)</b>	MALE	FEMALE
CAPTAIN Yr 7	THOMAS BAILEY	LIBBY PHELPS
CAPTAIN Yr 6	BRYCE MCDONALD	KARMA MCGILL

<b>CHALLENGER (BLUE)</b>	MALE	FEMALE
CAPTAIN Yr 7	JAMES YOUNG	KATE SHEARER
CAPTAIN Yr 6	CAMERON BROWN	HANNAH JOHNSTON

<b>PARMELIA (GREEN)</b>	MALE	FEMALE
CAPTAIN Yr 7	MATT ROGERS	RUBY HODGES
CAPTAIN Yr 6	JEVAN THOLSTRUP	OLIVIA KIPLING


<b>CYGNET (YELLOW)</b>	MALE	FEMALE
CAPTAIN Yr 7	LACHLAN STEWART	HANNAH MCBRIDE
CAPTAIN Yr 6	TYSON GIBSON	RACHELLE JONES

### FREE CULTURAL EVENTS THIS TERM

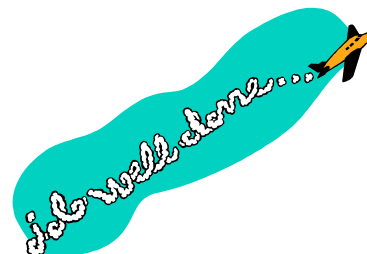
- \* Camp Quality Puppet Show: Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> February
- \* Constable Care: Thursday March 6<sup>th</sup>

*Pauline Grewar*, Principal

## CERTIFICATES OF MERIT


 Congratulations to all students who received Certificates of Merit at our Assembly on 13<sup>th</sup> February 2014.  
 Well done!

EC 1	Molly Pechar	Harry Templeton
EC 2	Zoe O'Sullivan	Jake Powell
Room 1	Aidan Armstrong	Charlie Milling
Room 2	Jordyn Rogers	Keely Parnell
Room 3	Isha Cook	Marissa Dattani
Room 4	All of Room 4	
Room 5	Shae Nesbitt	Hayden Ryan
Room 6	Haille Barnes	Jack Kirwan
Room 7	Leanna Kirwan	Daniel Spencer
Room 8	Matilda Brown	Dylan Anderson
Room 9	Bree Boydell	Cooper Baden-Powell
Room 10	Alicia Burr	Beau Bailey
Room 11	Elora Milverton	Jake Budrey
Room 12	Bree Durrant,	Tom Nesbitt
Room 13	Sydney Milling	Jacob Gidgup
Room 14	Eduan Naude,	Jay Robinson
Room 15	Deneika Edwards	Amy Parkins
Room 22	Isabelle Cox	Alex Saillard
Cleanest Room Award – Room 4		



**Dates to Remember:** Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup>, Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> February - Fotoworks  
 Monday 24<sup>th</sup> March – P & C AGM 7pm  
 Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> March – Camp Quality Puppet Show (free)



The P&C AGM has been rescheduled to Monday 24<sup>th</sup> March at 7pm. All positions will be vacated. The P & C is a great way to connect with the school and meet other parents. It plays a vital role in the day to day running of the school. The P&C is responsible for the school Canteen, the Uniform shop, Book Fairs, co-ordinating school requirements (book lists) and some fundraising throughout the year. For these things to run smoothly it is important to have a strong P&C. We encourage any parents that are interested to come along to our meetings. We always welcome new faces and ideas. Hope to see you on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> March at 7pm.

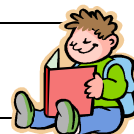


## Medical Update

**Parents/Guardians**  
 To ensure our records are up to date, please inform the office of any changes to your child's health management. If you have received any medical forms, please return them as soon as possible to the office.



**Room 13** - Having an awesome start to the year getting to know our 25 smiling children. We are enjoying learning about "Nanberry" and writing our own narratives.



## Around the Classrooms...



**Room 22** has been studying 'Jack and the Beanstalk'. We have planted our own beans and you can watch them grow in see through containers outside our room.

**Reminder!**

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**Please do not send your child to school before 8.30am**  
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## THE VIRTUES PROJECT - LOVE

### WHAT IS LOVE?

**LOVE** - is a special feeling that fills your heart. You show love in a smile, a pleasant way of speaking, a thoughtful act or hug. Love is treating people and things with special care and kindness because they mean so much to you. Love is treating other people just as you would like them to treat you – with care and respect.

### WHY PRACTISE LOVE?

Without love, people feel alone. When they feel they don't matter to anyone, they become unhappy. Sometimes they act angry and don't let others get close. Everyone wants to be liked. Everybody likes to be loved. When you are being loving, you help others to feel important. They become gentler and kinder. Love is contagious. It keeps spreading.

### HOW DO YOU PRACTISE LOVE?

Love is putting yourself in someone else's shoes and caring about what they feel. It is accepting them, loving them just as they are. You can even be loving to people you don't even know, just by caring about what happens to them and sending good thoughts. Sharing is a way to show love. Love is thinking about how you want to be treated and treating others the same way.

### SIGNS OF SUCCESS

You are practising **love** when you.....

- Treat others as you would want them to treat you
- Say kind and loving thoughts
- Share your things and yourself
- Show affection
- Think loving thoughts
- Take good care of the things you love



Lesley Mather – Associate Principal

### DAY 1: TUESDAY 25<sup>th</sup> February

TIME	CLASS NAME	YEAR
8.30	Staff Photo	-
9.00	Graduation	7
9.30	Graduation	6
9.45	Room 15	6/7
10.00	Room 00	6/7
10.15	Room 2	6/7
10.30	Room 1	6/7
10.45	Faction Captains	6/7
11.10	RECESS	FAMILY
11.15	Councillors	7
11.30	Councillors	6
11.45	Room 12	1
12.00	Room 8	3
12.20	LUNCH	FAMILY
1.00	Room 11	1
1.15	Room 22	2
1.30	Room 9	2
1.45	Room 10	2
2.00	Room 14	4/5
2.15	Room 3	5
2.30	Room 4	5

## Fotoworksheets

### DAY 2: WEDNESDAY 26<sup>th</sup> February

TIME	CLASS NAME	YEAR
9.00	EC6 B	K
9.20	EC1	P/1
9.40	EC3	P
10.00	EC4	P
10.20		
10.50	RECESS	FAMILY
11.15	Room 5	3
11.30	Room 6	4
11.45	Room 7	3
12.00	Room 13	4
12.20	LUNCH	FAMILY PHOTOS

### DAY 3: THURSDAY 27<sup>th</sup> February



TIME	CLASS NAME	YEAR
9.00	EC6 A	K
9.20	EC5 C	K
9.40	EC2	P/1
10.00		
10.50	RECESS	FAMILY PHOTOS
11.10		FAMILY PHOTOS
12.20	LUNCH	FAMILY PHOTOS
1.00		FAMILY PHOTOS

The following items of equipment are for sale. Items sold to the highest bidder by close of business Friday 28<sup>th</sup> February. Please submit written bid, with contact details, to me by the indicated date.

- Lot A: 1 x 5 yo server
- Lot B: 11 x Boxing focus mitts
  - 7 x Kick pads – large
  - 4 x parachute trainers
  - 3 x catapult resistance trainers
 (Lot B preferable to be sold as a package.)

Laurie Palmer - Associate Principal



### SCHOOL CANTEEN

Volunteers are always needed to assist in our Canteen. Please contact Janice at the Canteen or phone 9071 3148.



**Remember to Crunch'n'Sip**

**Drink Water and eat 5 veg 'n' 2 fruit each day for a healthy diet.**  
The Canteen proudly uses Brumby's preservative free bread.

Please **DO NOT** send your child to school with food containing nuts or nut products.



## COMMUNITY NOTICES

### Esperance Junior Netball Association 2014 – Registration Forms now available at school.

Registration forms due back to schools by Friday 28<sup>th</sup> February 2014. Team lists to be distributed to school by beginning of April. First game of the season for 2014 is Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2014. *Should you have any further questions, please contact Esperance Junior Netball Association President, Donna Curnow on 0428 753 008. NetSetGo, please contact Kristy Roper for any further information on 0409 797 704.*



**STREET 4S (INDOOR SOCCER)** -Basketball Stadium - Sundays February 16 – April 6: 4.00pm – 5.30pm  
Ages 7 – 12 and 13 up - Get a team together or just turn up with shin pads and water bottle. **Non-marking soled shoes only – NO BOOTS.** \$5 per player or \$10 per family. For more info – 0427716030



### ESPERANCE SOCCER ASSOCIATION 2014 REGISTRATIONS – Registration Forms now available at the school office. Registration Forms to be returned by 14<sup>th</sup> March at latest.

Junior and Senior Winter Soccer starts 4th May. Junior games are played between 12 and 4 pm Sundays, with Seniors from 4 pm. **Once again, Esperance Soccer Association would like to encourage as many players as possible to have their registrations completed on-line.** You can use the link on our web site [www.esperancesoccer.com.au](http://www.esperancesoccer.com.au) Please pick up an **information sheet** from the office for full details. If you need to register off-line please also take a **Registration Form** to complete and return to school by March 14<sup>th</sup> at latest. All registrations finalised and paid by March 16th will be entered into a draw for a **\$100 SPORTS POWER VOUCHER.**



**ESPERANCE HOCKEY ASSOCIATION** – Registration forms available from the school office. Forms must be returned to school by Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April or e-mail to [racheljake@bigpond.com](mailto:racheljake@bigpond.com) . A registration day will also be held at Hockey grounds on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> April between 9am-12 am. For more information contact Justine McDonald on 0429 409 362

### TUTORING ESPERANCE

For your child's learning needs in Reading, Spelling, Phonics, Writing and Mathematics.  
After school sessions Tuesday to Friday.  
Phone Christine: 9071 1760 or 048 541 562  
or email: [tutoring4kids@outlook.com](mailto:tutoring4kids@outlook.com)



Do you have a child in year 4, 5 or 6?



Have you missed out on thousands of dollars?

**ACT NOW!  
DEADLINE  
JUNE 2014**

In 2001 the Government introduced the 'First Child Tax Offset' and surprisingly many Australians did not know about it and have NOT claimed any benefits.

If you have **ANY** child that was born between 1 July 2001 and 30 June 2004 you may be eligible to receive up to \$12,500 of entitlements.

The government has a 30 June 2014 deadline on this entitlement so please email [childoffset@twelve.com.au](mailto:childoffset@twelve.com.au) today to receive more information.

Twelve Chartered Accountants ABN 61 712 650 747  
[www.twelve.com.au](http://www.twelve.com.au) Principal Derek Nolan CA



Your Family Tax Specialist

### Getting Your Child Ready for School

Learn how to build your child's skills that are essential for school success

- Know your child's milestones
- Understanding the skills your child will need
- Choose activities to build skills
- How to access relevant resources and activities



VENUE: Lotteries House, Forrest Street  
TIME: 10am till 12pm  
WHEN: 27<sup>th</sup> February 2014  
PHONE: Megs or Nat @ Escare 9071 3110  
COST: FREE  
PROVIDED: Morning Tea



8th March - 29th March

Cool Art Term One

### AQUATIC CLAY CREATURES

LEARN HOW TO MAKE CERAMIC PAVERS USING MARINE CREATURES AS A THEME. DESIGN, SCULPT AND COLOUR YOUR PAVER READY FOR FIRING.

THE PAVERS WILL BE RETAINED AND INSTALLED IN THE CANNERY COURTYARD FOR FUTURE ENJOYMENT!!



\$80 for Members  
\$90 for Non-Members

Bookings and inquiries:  
Tel 907 13599  
Karen@canneryartscentre.com.au

Saturdays 2 - 4pm  
Ages 6 - 12 years



GREAT FAMILY DAY OUT!

**GRASS PATCH  
YABBY CLASSIC  
MARCH 15<sup>TH</sup> 2014**

**12.30 pm start**

FREE ENTRY!!

VARIETY OF MARKET STALLS!!

Souvenirs for sale!!