# NEWSLETTER CASTLETOWN PRIMARY SCHOOL



Jirtue for the Fortnight - Truthfulness

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#### Issue 14

From the Principal's Pen

# 29<sup>th</sup> November 2013

**Dear Parents/Carers** 

# ASSEMBLY

Congratulations to Mrs Thorpe and Mrs Liddelow's clever Year 2 class for their very high standard performance at our Assembly. We learnt all about the life cycle of the frog with particular emphasis on Mr Tadpole through a poem "Tommy Tadpole" and a rock song "Tadpole Blues". Poor Mr Tadpole did not really enjoy changing his tail to legs and wondered whatever was happening. The diction and clarity with words in both the poem and song were excellent with individual and group speakers. The enthusiasm and enjoyment with which the children sang and performed was indeed infectious and a pleasure for all of us in the audience. Thank you, Year 2. You were outstanding performers and we really loved your item.

Congratulations to our Australian Maths Competition distinction and highly commended winners from Year 6 and 7. This competition is an Australia-wide test sat in August by our students and is an indication of the very high standard of maths being achieved by our students in these years. Mrs Leeson presented the following students with certificates at the Assembly:

Yr 6: Anna Smith, Ethan Hallam, Hannah McBride, Kate Shearer, Ben Livingstone, Matt Rogers

**Yr 7:** Cooper Davies, Alex Middleton, Breanna Smith, Chanel Binder, Monica Dellaca, Ellen Timmins, Kasey Garvey, Adam Edwards

# ARE YOU MOVING?

Parents are requested to please advise the school if moving to another school in 2014. We are currently planning classes and teachers for next year, and need to be as accurate as possible with calculations of student numbers. Thank you for your co-operation.

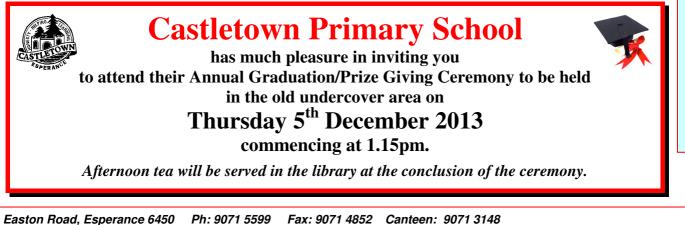
# **CIRCUIT EQUIPMENT**

Finally after many months of planning and preparation our circuit equipment is now installed around the oval for all students in the school to experience and enjoy. The equipment focuses on upper body strength skills, but has other advantages to discover and explore. Thank you to the P&C for their donation of \$2000, our Healthy School Project funding of \$1000 and the school funds of \$2000 to enable the erection costs. Special thanks to Mr Weckert and Mr Clatworthy for their dedicated long term efforts in the planning of the project and seeing it through to fruition.

# INDUCTION EVENING

With 63 incoming Kindies in 2014, an Induction Meeting held by our Early Childhood teachers on 21<sup>st</sup> November was well attended by our many new parents to the school. Some of the agenda items included school policies and procedures and general everyday information required for a smooth transition. Transition days have been set aside for children to visit Castletown before the end of the year. Our new Early Childhood building is ahead of schedule with expectations of use in March of 2014. A special thank you to our hard working office staff who compiled the packages for the evening.

# **GRADUATION/ PRIZE GIVING CEREMONY**



EC 1, 2 & 5: 9071 7861 EC 3 & 4: 9071 7862 Email: Castletown.PS@education.wa.edu.au Website: <u>www.Castletownprimaryschool.wa.edu.au</u> Facebook: <u>https://www.facebook.com/pages/Castletown-Primary-School/303902659738629</u>

#### STUDENT VOTING

An extensive voting process has taken place after many impressive speeches from students in Year 6 and Year 5. Because of the move of Year 7's to the secondary system in 2015 there will be two sets of councillors elected for next year. Congratulations to all those students who were brave enough to go forward for the councillor positions and for the time and effort given to their speeches. Good luck for December 5<sup>th</sup>, when the councillors will be announced at the Graduation/Prize Giving Ceremony.

#### **GIFTED AND TALENTED PROGRAMS**

Gifted and Talented academic, languages and arts programs provide a unique and challenging curriculum designed to bring out the very best in gifted children.

Applications for the Talented and Gifted Programs are now open for Year 5 students entering Year 7 in 2015. The selection process will take place when students are in Year 6. Applications close at 12.00 noon on Monday 10 February 2014.

#### **CUBBY HOUSE FOR JUNIORS**

A huge thank you to Men In Sheds for the delivery of a wonderful cubby house for our Junior Play area. An extraordinary realistic home with windows, a door and a verandah will give our children hours of imaginative and creative play. We appreciate the generosity, time and effort given on a voluntary basis by Men in Sheds for the project and a special thank you to Mrs Mc Grinder.

#### **CASTLETOWN COUNCIL VACANCIES**

The School Council has a policy whereby councillors are elected for a period of three years. The positions are then advertised and filled accordingly. Any councillors may re nominate for a further period of three years. There are four vacancies for the School Council in 2014. What does the Council do?

The function of the Council is: "to take part in establishing and reviewing from time to time the school's objectives, priorities and general policy directions" by being involved in the Council parents become more familiar with our school organisation and functions and have opportunities to make important decisions about the directions of the school. Council meets approximately twice per term depending on the agenda.

If you have an interest in being on Council please complete the nomination form below and return to the school by Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December.

Pauline Grewar, Principal



In **Reem 5** we have been filling our room with some magnificent masterpieces. We studied silhouettes and then mixed paint to create a fire on black paper. We then cut out silhouettes to place around the fire."





We have also created some ice-cream art ready for Summer. We drew our ice-creams onto A4 paper and then inserted them into a plastic sleeve. We then tore up small pieces of tissue paper and glued them onto the plastic. After the final coating of glue had dried we peeled the tissue paper away from the plastic to create a wonderful stained glass effect. Come and have a look at them on our classroom door.

# CASTLETOWN PRIMARY SCHOOL COUNCIL 2014 Parent Nomination Form

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I wish to nominate the following person to become a member of the Castletown Primary School Council.

Person Nominated:	Signature:
Person Nominating:	Signature:
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# THE VIRTUES PROJECT - TRUTHFULNESS

#### WHAT IS TRUTHFULNESS?

**Truthfulness** is being honest in your words and actions. You don't tell lies, even to protect yourself from getting into trouble. You don't listen to gossip and prejudice. You see with your own eyes and make up your own mind about what is true. Being true to yourself means being who and what you are, without exaggerating to impress others or trying to look like something you are not. It is being yourself, your true self.

#### WHY PRACTISE TRUTHFULNESS?

Without **truthfulness**, no one Can tell if someone is lying or telling the **truth**. They Cannot be trusted to tell what is a story and what really happened. They get imagination mixed up with reality. When people are **truthful**, they say what they mean and mean what they say. **Truthfulness** builds trust. People know where they stand with a **truthful** person.

#### HOW DO YOU PRACTISE TRUTHFULNESS?

When you make a mistake, admit it rather than trying to cover it up. Instead of listening to gossip, find out the truth for yourself. Recognise the difference between fantasy and reality. If you start telling a story, stop and tell what really happened. Let people see you as you are, without trying to look more important. You are truly worthy just as you are. Always choose to tell the **truth**. If someone asks your opinion, give it tactfully!

#### **SIGNS OF SUCCESS**

You are practising truthfulness when you.....

- Speak only the truth
- Practise justice by investigating the truth for yourself
- Don't let others tell you what to think
- Can tell the difference between fact and fantasy
- Admit it when you have made a mistake
- Know you are enough don't exaggerate or deceive to impress others

Lesley Mather – Associate Principal

#### **ROOM 3 – 9 WORD CHALLENGE**

#### Last newsletter word – Skeletons

This week's challenge is provided by Taj Hotker

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

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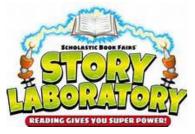


Reminder

# Dates to Remember.....

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December: Year 7 Transition ESHS Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> December: Graduation Assembly at 1.15pm

	Reading In Bed Is <b>T</b> errific	The Ho	me Reading program <b>RIBIT</b>		
2	Congratulations to the following chi	ildren wh	ho have read for 20 Nights:		
EC 3:	Hayley Green, Hayley Rangitakatu-Hillman, Kayde A Cambel Cleghorn, Ashley Gallop, Madeline Watson				
Rm 6:	Andrew Wilson	Rm 8:	Jaymi Lane		
	Congratulations to the following children who have	ve read f	5		
EC 2:	Rustana Humphrys				
EC 3:	James Wilson, Jordan Miller, Lauritz Barnes, Jake Po	well, Jak	e Spain, Jarek Smithson, Ben Gibson, Dane Bailey		
EC 6:	Tamati Simon, Zavier den Engelsen				
Rm 1:	Zach Grant	Rm 6:	Jasmin Vincent		
Rm 7:	Chris Dickerson	Rm 8:	Jessica Tate		
Rm 9:	Katelyn Read	Rm 10:	Brodie Coxall, Cassie Tate		
	Congratulations to the following ch	ildren wł	no have read for 80 Nights		
EC 3:	Casey Reeves, Claire McCrea, Kyndra Bellenger, Ta				
	Anastazia Lay-Jones	-			
EC 6:	Joshua Ryan	Rm 1:	K-leigh Tion		
Rm 4:	Emunah Holeong, Jonte Myer	Rm 5:	Lachlan Walter, Tyler Hankin		
Rm 7:	Cherry Rickerby	Rm 8:	Ruby Cowcher		
Rm 9:	Taliah Reeves, Ari Milverton, Demi Bow, Mattie Brow	n, Max To	empleton		
Rm 22:					
	Congratulations to the following children who have read for 100 Nights				
E C 2:	Ben Spencer	Rm 1:	K-leigh Tion		
Rm 3: Rm 6:	Caitlin Muir, Alanna Foster Alissa Kelsall, Kai Varea	Rm 5: Rm 7:	Brianna Timms Latisha Williams, Jack Kirwan, Ryan McBride		
Rm 8:	Mikayla Brennand	niii /.	Latistia Williams, Jack Kirwan, Ryan Wichnee		
Rm 9:	Torin Pechar, Travis Shearer, Arabella Tate, Ruby Da	aviae-Mal	0		
Rm 11:	Mitchell Green, Poppy Spencer, Kai Bellenger, Tyson Tietjens				
Rm 12:	Ryan Edgar, John Ramsell, Harrison Naylor, Tyler Ha				
Rm 22:	Tailah Bain, Fraser Florisson, Darcy Lay-Jones, Jaya				
	Congratulations to the following chil				
Rm 5:	Bailey Guest	Rm 6:	Bayley Ponton		
Rm 7:	Holly Kiel	Rm 8:	Cassandra Libo-on		
Rm 9:	Lachlan McGrinder				
Rm 10:	Devon Fontanella, Sienna Jamieson, Thalia Thring, Amber Francis, Levi Wagenknecht, Hayden Ryan, Dylan				
Rm 22:	Anderson, Ella Smith, Andrew Watson, Libby Savory, Harry Dowsett				
	Congratulations to the following chil	ldren wh	o have read for 150 Nights		
Rm 4:	Ella Wakeham	Rm 6:			
Rm 22:	Ellie Mansell, Charlie Richardson		-		
	Congratulations to the following chil	ldren wh	o have read for 180 Nights		
Rm 9:	Seraya Bain				
	Congratulations to the following chil	ldren wh	o have read for 200 Nights		
Rm 7:	Holly Goodwin	Rm 9:	Eloise Fels		
	Congratulations to the following chil	ldren wh	o have read for 220 Nights		
Rm 4:	Sally Wilson-Hilton	Rm 5:	Bella Walter		
Rm 6:	Isha Cook	Rm 9:	Eloise Fels, Katie Crawley, Yasmin Nadason		
Rm 10:	Fraser Cleghorn				
Rm 22:	Molly Hennessy, Bronson Hebb				
Congratulations to the following children who have read for 250 Nights					
Rm 4:	Hannah Johnston Rm 6: Juliete Zani				
	Congratulations to the following child	ldren wh	o have read for 280 Nights		
Rm 4:	Hannah Johnston				



Thank you to everyone who supported the Book Fair. It was very successful and the total sales were \$5999.25. As a result the school will receive \$2449.70 worth of books.

A huge thank you to the following helpers: Sara Sellars, Rebecca Jones, Leah Hodges, Alison Green, Jenny Sage, Irena Schukowski,

Tammie Thring, Emma Green, Rachel McGrinder, Marnie Fels, Treena Cook, Fiona Ryan and Pam Stewart. Without you the Book Fair would not happen.

#### **ESPERANCE SOCCER ASSOCIATION**

Sunday Social Soccer - Just for fun and fitness

ESA is conducting social soccer games for current registered players each Sunday on the Shire grounds small pitch at no cost. These will run up until 22<sup>nd</sup> December (except 15<sup>th</sup> December – Shire Pagaent). Enquiries to Carmel Creed: carmelesler@bordernet.com.au or 0427 716 030 (after 3pm)

