

NEWSLETTER

CASTLETOWN PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Issue 9

From the Principal's Pen

22nd August 2013

Dear Parents/Carers

ASSEMBLY

Mr Weckert's Year 6/7 class used their talents and clever team work to produce the 'Myth Busters Show' keeping us all in fits of laughter as they "took off" their teachers.

Who was afraid of rodents, a little deaf, a "chronological" shortie, knows every thing about cow's stomachs and more...?

Were the skits for real or just myths? Teachers themselves will have to sort that one out! Congratulations Year 6/7 for your creative thinking, your huge imagination and for your perceptions, real or otherwise that turned into humorous role plays.

WE HAVE A NEITA TEACHER! *Mrs Wendy Weckert*

Neita Awards (National Excellence in Teaching Awards) are presented annually to teachers who have been recognised by their communities as outstanding, dedicated and committed. This year the award is for inspirational teachers who are honoured and recognised for outstanding effective teaching. Mrs Wendy Weckert has been nominated for this prestigious award and was presented with a NEITA Certificate at the Assembly by Mrs Pia Powell, representing the parent community. We all join in congratulating Mrs Weckert.

WELCOME!

Welcome to our newest member of staff, Ms Kadi Turner our Psychologist, who will be available to service Castletown Primary on Wednesdays and Fridays of each week. Kadi has moved with her young family from Perth to Esperance and is looking forward to being part of our community.

BORDER CONTROL VISIT (West Coast Eagles)

Castletown welcomed special guest Glen Jacovich and the team to the Assembly and thoroughly enjoyed Rick the Rock Eagle, strong and swift, representing Eagles virtues of respect for self, others and the environment. We learnt about healthy lifestyles and healthy eating, then watched a role play from Rick. What a treat for our children to meet a real Eagle!

Year 6/7 were then given the opportunity to have a special coaching session in football on the oval with the Eagles Team.

MUSIC FESTIVAL

With just a few days to go, our choirs and percussion classes are ready to go on stage and give their best for their performances. Some wondrous voices and sounds have been floating out from the music room, enchanting us with melody and beautiful music. Thank you to Mrs Stevens for the superb training of our students for the Festival.

Just a reminder to parents that all children must return their permission slips to go to the Civic Centre on the Thursday and Friday. Children should be presented in full uniform for this important occasion.

Thursday: Yr 6/7 Percussion Groups – session starts at 10.20am

Friday: Yr 4/5 & 5 Percussion – session starts at 10am

Friday: Junior Choir: session starts at 10.00am and Senior Choir: session starts at 11.00am

Pauline Grewar, Principal

Room 3 : 9 Word Challenge

Find the 9 letter word and as many 3 or more letter words as you can. Students, challenge your parents and watch out for the answer in our next Newsletter!

O	C	E
R	T	E
N	L	E

This week's 9 Word Challenge was provided by:
Hartley Pattinson, Yr 4, Rm 3

Virtue for the Fortnight - Loyalty



CERTIFICATES OF MERIT



Congratulations to all students who received certificates at our Assembly on 15th August 2013. Well done!

EC 1	Riley Anderson	Mia Walter		
EC 2	Sarah Locke	Jordan Unwin		
Room 00	Kirsten Clarke	Darcy Cruttenden		
Room 1	Ash Molloy	Tyrone Puckey		
Room 2	Olivia Doherty	Kian Davis	Anna Smith	Demi Lee Barker
Room 3	Kira Dart	Osheana Cooper		
Room 4	All the 'helpful & kind' Rm 4 students (from Mrs Walter)			
Room 5	Ben Hobson	Georgia Greentree		
Room 7	Holly Goodwin	Ben Haclin		
Room 8	Savannah Young	Hayden Stewart		
Room 9	Seraya Bain	Max Templeton	Arabella Tate	
Room 10	Devon Fontanella	Julius Rickerby		
Room 11	Rebecca Hall	Chashoni Thomas		
Room 12	Zahlie Cullen	Jasmin Parker		
Room 15	Miriam Mhosva	Matt Clawson		

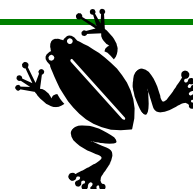


Cleanest Room Award: Room 15



Reading In Bed Is Terrific

The Home Reading program **RIBIT**



Congratulations to the following children who have read for 20 Nights:

- Rm 5:** Bella Walter (2nd time), Monisha Nadason (2nd time)
- Rm 6:** Jaiden Coxall
- Rm 9:** Corey McKeown
- Rm 10:** Taliah Reeves

Congratulations to the following children who have read for 50 Nights:

- Rm 3:** Rachelle Jones,
- Rm 5:** Lachlan Walter, Monisha Nadason (2nd time)
- Rm 6:** Caitlin Desmond
- Rm 7:** Lauren Ware, Cherry Rickerby
- Rm 9:** Demi Bow, Max Templeton, Rahn Curtis, Ari Milverton
- Rm 10:** Libby Savory
- Rm 11:** Emmalee Wood, Poppy Spencer, TeAtaahua Simon, Holly Paxton, Katie Goodwin, Alicia Burr, Dane Van Eyssen, Luke Bailey, Zac Ponton
- Rm 12:** Ryan Edgar, Tim Fetherston, Jackson Davies



Congratulations to the following children who have read for 80 Nights

- EC 2:** James Powell, Jaiden Hillbrick, Charlie Liddelow, Cambel Hobson, Ben Spencer, Jada Walter, Paige Skelton, Tiffany Blakely, Ella Roper, Molly Sellars, Amber Sellars, Alice Terrell
- Rm 3:** Alanna Foster, Jordan Rogers
- Rm 6:** Caitlin Parker
- Rm 8:** Aiden Hine
- Rm 10:** Devon Fontanella, Thalia Thring, Andrew Watson, Anella Fissioli, Amber Francis
- Rm 11:** Taliah Walsh, Katie Goodwin, Tyson Tietjens
- Rm 12:** Montanah Miller, Madison Hunt, Zahlie Cullen, Spencer Davies

Congratulations to the following children who have read for 100 Nights:

- Rm 5:** Bella Walter, Rani Hotker, Ben Hobson, Alley Tietjens
- Rm 6:** Bayley Ponton,
- Rm 9:** Seraya Bain
- Rm 11:** Taliah Walsh, Bree Boydel

Congratulations to the following children who have read for 120 Nights:

- Rm 9:** Eloise Fels, Katie Crawley, Yasmin Nadason

Congratulations to the following children who have read for 150 Nights:

- Rm 3:** Maddie McGrinder
- Rm 9:** Sophie Garvey, Katie Crawley

Dates to Remember.....



Monday 26th August:
Thursday 29th August:
Sunday 1st September:
Friday 6th September:
Monday 9th September:
11th & 12th September:

Yrs 5-7 Swimming commences
Assembly (Choirs)
TOMs Regional Final
Yrs 5-7 Swimming Carnival
Yrs 2-4 Swimming commences
Musica Viva

THE VIRTUES PROJECT – LOYALTY



WHAT IS LOYALTY?

LOYALTY - is staying true to someone. It is standing up for something you believe in without wavering. It is being faithful to your family, country, school, friends and ideals – when the going gets tough as well as when things are good. When you are a **loyal** friend, even if someone disappoints you, you still hang in there with them. **Loyalty** is staying committed.

WHY PRACTISE LOYALTY?

You can not count on dis**loyal** people to stay friends, because when problems happen, they go away. They often change their minds about what they believe in to be important. When you practise **loyalty** people know they can count on you. People who are worthy of your **loyalty** can trust that they will never stand alone. With **loyalty**, you build friendships that last forever.

HOW DO YOU PRACTISE LOYALTY?

You practise **loyalty** by committing to a person, or a belief. Choose your friends carefully, so you can be friends for a long time. If someone tries to use your **loyalty** for a bad purpose, or hurts you over and over, you need to decide if it is right to go on being **loyal**. Stand up for your family and friends when others act unjustly. When you are **loyal** you are worthy of trust.

SIGNS OF SUCCESS

You are practising **loyalty** when you.....

- Stand up for people and ideas you believe in
- Are a faithful friend through good times and bad
- Don't allow **loyalty** to lead you into trouble
- Don't let others come between you and your friends
- Are **loyal** to yourself



Lesley Mather – Associate Principal

Tournament of Minds 2013

This year Castletown Primary School has two teams entering the Tournament of Minds. TOMs is a problem solving programme for teams of students that aims to enhance their potential by developing diverse skills, enterprise, time management and the discipline to work collaboratively with one another within a competitive environment.

TOMs is a national competition that involves 7 students in each team to solve a challenge and present to an audience and judges.

This year our teams have decided to tackle the Language Literature and Social Science challenges.

The Language Literature team: Facilitated by Mrs Rose:

Jamee Stewart Yr 7, Sam Johnston Yr 7, Cassidy Topping Yr 7, Monica Dellaca Yr 7, Hannah McBride Yr 6, Abigail Shafi Yr 6 and Ivy Bondarenko Yr 5.

The Social Science team: Facilitated by Mrs Wolfenden:

Adam Edwards Yr 7, Thomas Callow Yr 7, Sarah Butler Yr 7, Ruby Hodges Yr 6, Anna Smith Yr 6, Olivia Kipling Yr 5 and Sally Wilson-Hilton Yr 5.

Both groups have been working on their challenges from the beginning of this term, even giving up some Sunday mornings. The students have also completed after school sessions as they have two more weeks left before they present at the Regional Finals on September 1st.

We wish them luck!

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



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.





Border Patrol Visits Castletown



On Thursday 15th August Castletown Primary School was fortunate to be visited by Glen Jakovich and 'Ricky the Eagle'. Glen currently holds the record for the number of games played for the West Coast Eagles. Glen and Ricky delivered a message about RESPECT. Together they spoke about and acted out situations relating to respect. These included,

- * Respect of Yourself
- * Respect of others
- * Respecting the environment
- * Respecting and participating in your community
- * Respect and reaching your potential

They also spoke about the Five F's of sport

- *Fun *Fitness *Friends *Family

And my favourite sport is **Football**



The Yr 6's and 7's then participated in several fun football drills with Glen Jakovich and his helpers.



Demi-Lee Barker, Yr 7, Rm 2

Around the Classrooms.....

The Yr 6/7 students are working on painting and print making this term. They have been studying, drawing and painting leaves and flowers. The Gum leaf and blossom designs were painted by Demi-Lee Barker and Kassidy Topping.



Kassidy Topping, Yr 7, Rm 2

TOP 10 Ways To Help Reduce Time Children Spend Watching TV At Home

1. Set a home rule of limiting TV time to 2 hours a day. Help your child set an electronic timer if necessary!
2. Make a "TV watching Plan" together as a family, where everyone has a say in how the limited TV time is spent.
3. Don't make the TV the centre of attention. Try putting the TV behind a screen or closed doors.
4. Make meal times "TV free" to give your family time to talk.
5. Make some days of the week "TV-Free" days if you can.
6. Try to avoid using TV as a baby-sitter – help kids choose "TV free" activities to play as an alternative.
7. Try not to use TV as a reward or punishment.
8. Remove TV sets from children's bedrooms.
9. Be a positive role model – limit *your* TV watching and be more active too!
10. Make some time to play with your kids to replace TV, playing computer or video games.



This information was provided by Healthy Kids: Eat Well, Get Active. For further information please visit <http://www.healthykids.nsw.gov.au>

Attendance

Your child is a **winner** if they attend school every day. Attendance rates of less than 90% have an impact on your child's precious learning and education.

