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Charlestown Public School

Newsletter Term 2 Week 10 – Wednesday 28 June 2017

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Dear Parents/Carers

Term 2 has been a very busy and productive term and I would like to thank everyone for their enthusiasm, contributions and efforts over the past ten weeks. I'm not quite sure where the weeks went to however, it has been a very successful term. Many of the events and programs that have been run this term once again show the incredible team work that is so evident at our wonderful school.

One way of continually showing pride and enthusiasm is the way in which you send your child to school each day wearing the proper school uniform. Our uniform is very distinctive in gold and brown and stands out amongst the crowd. Please also remember to outfit your child in the correct socks and black shoes as well as our distinctive shirts and shorts. This will help our students to certainly look their best when at school.

STAFF NEWS

Due to unforeseen circumstances where the Principal at Pelican Flat PS has decided to return to school earlier than expected, Mrs Gill will be returning at the start of next term. A special thanks to Mrs Irby and Mrs Nash for their work with our students in Reading Recovery, Learning and Support and also Science instruction. Welcome back Mrs Gill!

PUBLIC SPEAKING

Congratulations to the amazing, confident students selected for the Eastlakes Zone public speaking competition! There were many talented students competing, but unfortunately only two from each stage are able to represent the school. In Yrs 5 & 6,

James C and Matilda H were chosen, the reps in Yrs 3 & 4 are Cadell P and Allie T and our Yrs 1 & 2 students are Ewan P and Caitlin M.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

	TERM 2 2017
28.6.17	P&C meeting 9:30am
29.6.17	Athletics Carnival
29.6.17	Meal Deal – No other orders
30.6.17	Meal Deal – No other orders
30.6.17	Last day of Term 2
	TERM 3 2017
17.7.17	Staff Development Day No students
18.7.17	All students return

PRINCIPAL AWARDS

Caitlin M, Clay W and Jacob P have been successful in achieving a Principal's award in the past two weeks. This award is for excellent behaviour, sportsmanship and academic achievement. Well done!!!

Clay W



Jacob P



Caitlin M



A MATTER OF SECONDS

On Tuesday we were fortunate to have Hunter Surf Lifesaving visit Kinder, Yr 3 and Yr 6 about water and beach safety. Lots of beach awareness examples as well as administering CPR were shown to the students. It's great to live on the coast and near a swimming pool at Charlestown, so swimming lessons and water safety are a necessary part of our way of life.

ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

The athletics carnival will be held tomorrow. Come along and watch your children enjoy a day of fun sporting activities. The P & C are having a meal deal as well, so come along and support the school.

YEAR 5/6 FRIDAY FUN DAY

Don't forget to start saving your pocket money for the last day of term when Yrs 5 & 6 students will be holding a mini fete between recess and lunch. All money raised will go towards the Yr 6 farewell. Consequently Friday's assembly will be held at 2:15pm after recess for this week only.

NAIDOC DAY

On Thursday Week One, the children will be celebrating NAIDOC Week with lots of activities from face painting, dance, drama, didgeridoo music and storytelling. These wonderful activities will develop a greater understanding of Aboriginal people and their culture. A note went home a few weeks ago explaining the many activities occurring on NAIDOC Day with a cost of \$7 to be paid by the start of next term.

EDUCATION WEEK NEWS

In Term 3 we are excited to celebrate Book Week and Education Week together, during Week 3. The Book Week Theme for 2017 is 'Escape to Everywhere', and we are planning some fun activities, including a parade and Book Fair. On Thursday 3rd August our library will host our annual book fair. Books will range in price from \$1 to \$15, and are sourced from the local company Ashton Scholastic. This year there will be a "Book Week" parade. Because the theme is not too specific, students can come dressed as any book character they would like. I know we can expect some very creative costumes as we represent everywhere around the world. So mark the date on your calendar, and come and enjoy the wonderful teaching and learning environment that we call Charlestown Public School.

Grandparents are also invited to spend some time in the classrooms and have recess with their grandchildren. The world's biggest morning tea will be held at recess to raise funds for Cancer so come along and spend some time in the playground with our students—they'll love to see you here.

LOST PROPERTY

Once again we have a huge number of clothing items left around the school playground as during the day the children strip off to play a game and forget to take the clothes with them after the game. As the cold weather persists ensure your child's name is inside every piece of school clothing. Please check the lost property basket near the lunch order box for spare jackets, jumpers, hats etc. You will also find many lunch boxes and drink bottles there. Please help by marking all of your child's clothes and belongings.

ENROL IN KINDY NOW FOR 2018

If you have a child old enough to enrol for Kindergarten in 2018 it is now time to put their name on our list. We are forming classes and counting numbers early next term as there are people who want to know the outcome of their out of zone application to come to our wonderful school. We have a large number of applicants already for Kindy in 2018, so please assist us by getting your child's name down asap.

SCHOOL DAYS

This Friday, 30 June will be the last day of this term. The winter holidays will run from Monday 3 July to Monday 17 July. Our staff will return on Monday 17 July for this school development day. We will combine with the other six Whitebridge Community of Schools (WCOS) for the first half of the day.

The remainder of the day will be spent back at CPS on completing Department of Education mandatory training as well as analysing evidence for our external validation. Our office staff will also be at training, so please contact the school after 11:30am when staff will be returning to school.

Students return to school on **Tuesday 18 July** to commence Term 3. Our staff would like to thank parents for your continued support and assistance during Term 2. We wish all students and families a safe and happy holiday.

COFFEE AND CHAT

Due to the athletics carnival held on Thursday the "coffee and chat" session will be postponed until next term.

Enjoy the two weeks holiday-hopefully with plenty of sunshine!

Jayne Thompson
Principal

CANTEEN ROSTER

Thur	29.6.17	K. Style, T. Black
Fri	30.6.17	No orders-counter service at lunch only L. Lee

TERM 3 CANTEEN ROSTER

Wed	19.7.17	K. Bassett, L. Todorovski
Thur	20.7.17	J Battle, A Lee
Fri	21.7.17	K Style, T Black

CLOTHING POOL HOURS

Wednesdays	2:45 pm – 3:15 pm
Fridays	9:00 am – 9:30 am

P&C NEWS

Entertainment Books – last change to purchase your NEW 2017/2018 Entertainment™ Books and Entertainment™ Digital Memberships from us today, and 20% of the proceeds contribute towards our fundraising! Online Order Page:

<https://www.entertainmentbook.com.au/orderbooks/342n65>

Books are available from the school at \$65 until 30 June 2017

Clothing Pool

Girls Long brown dance pants

They will be on sale in the Clothing Pool from this Wednesday for \$15.

Jackets

If you have any jackets that you no longer require we would appreciate them in the Clothing Pool.

COMMUNITY NEWS



COOL WINTER WORKSHOPS

With our own unique BRICKS 4 KIDZ® models and creative play with LEGO®, Kids are always having fun at our popular Holiday Workshops.



The Place: Charlestown Community Centre
Mon 3/7/17 - 1pm to 4pm
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Tues 4/7/17 - 9am to 4pm
Galaxy Far Away
Wed 5/7/17 - 1pm to 4pm
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HAVING FUN TODAY - LEADING THE WORLD TOMORROW

P&C NEWS

Dear Parents

We need your **HELP**, the P & C have a number of events scheduled between now and the end of the term that are designed to raise much needed funds for the school. If you are able to spare a couple of hours at any of the events listed below, please leave your **details at the office**.

1. Zone Athletics Carnival

On Wednesday 9th and Thursday 10th August we will be catering at the Zone Athletics Carnival. If you are able to assist on the day, please complete the details below.

2. Entertainment Books

If you are interested in purchasing an Entertainment Book – please see the office or purchase online using Charlestown Public School as the reference. Paper books will be available at the office until Friday 30th June.

Zone Athletics Carnival – WEDNESDAY 9th AUGUST

Name: _____ Contact Number: _____

☐ 8.30 – 11.00

☐ 11 – 1.30

☐ 1.00 – 3.00

Zone Athletics Carnival – THURSDAY 10th AUGUST

Name: _____ Contact Number: _____

☐ 8.30 – 11.00

☐ 11 – 1.30

☐ 1.00 – 3.00



