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Newsletter Term 2 Week 8 – Wednesday 14 June 2017

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Dear Parents/Carers

Thank you to our wonderful group of teachers who are constantly going above and beyond in their quest to provide better teaching and learning activities for your child. Mrs Kondov, Miss Hale, Mrs Lynch, Mrs Drysdale and Miss Zegiel happily give up their time to develop the children's dancing skills and signing choir skills with Star Struck and Mrs Irby has been busy training the Yrs. 5 and 6 debating teams. Mrs Nolan, Mr Overdijk and Mrs Nash are preparing for the Athletics Carnival, as well as the Netball Gala Day and Miss Hale has been busy also with Yrs. 5 and 6 Fun Day. We also have our wonderful ladies in the office who drop everything at a moment's notice to be there for us: Mrs Stone, Mrs Langley and Mrs Bartsch. This week we also have a new School Learning Support Officer, Mr Barlow, joining Mrs Christie, Mrs Dosen and Mrs Stead. Congratulations to all of you!

Congratulations to Mr and Mrs Kondov who are adding to their family. Mrs Kondov is expecting in November. Mrs Thomson (Muir) will return to teach Year 2 Thursday and Friday in Term 4. She will also teach some of our English as a Second Language students and also provide some release from face to face teaching during Term 3. Welcome back Mrs Thomson.

PARENT/STUDEN/TEACHER INTERVIEWS

Parent/Student/ Teacher interviews are being held in weeks 9 and 10 of this term. You will be able to book an interview with your child's class teacher through completing the form that went home with the newsletter last Wednesday. Please make the most of this opportunity to chat

with your child's teacher. It is important to keep the communication lines open and discuss any concerns you might have.

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. So many of the uniform items have no name or just initials which sometimes make it impossible to locate the owner. Our senior students do try to return clothes but if we cannot find an owner by the end of the term, they will be washed and donated to the uniform shop for second hand sale. Please check the lost property basket near the lunch order box. You will also find many lunch boxes and drink bottles there. Please help by marking all of your child's clothes and belongings.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

	TERM 2 2017
13-16.6.17	Star Struck
21.6.17	Y3-6 Netball Gala Day CANTEEN CLOSED
23.6.17	Stage 3 Camp 3 rd instalment due \$80
27.6.17	Matter of Seconds
29.6.17	Athletics Carnival
29.6.17	Meal Deal
30.6.17	Meal Deal
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

SKOOLBAG APP

We are increasingly using the app to push notifications to parents when events are on at school. The app is a really good way to quickly let parents know what's going on. If you have not downloaded it yet please do so. It is free on either your Apple or other device.

It is free and is available for iPhone, iPad, Android and Windows 8.1 Phone and Windows 8.1 or 10 device users.

Please click [here](#) to download Skoolbag App instructions.

PUBLIC SPEAKING REMINDER

Class Public Speaking finals are being held during the next few weeks so please make sure you come to school with your speech ready to present it to your class. Stage finals will be held soon after to decide who will represent our school at the zone competition. Good luck!

STAGE THREE EXCURSION TO GREAT AUSSIE BUSH CAMP

Final numbers are due in by the end of this term for the Stage Three excursion to the Great Aussie Bush Camp. Thank you to the many families who have already begun making regular payments and have almost paid off the \$320. More information about the excursion will be sent home next term.

NETBALL GALA DAY

It's almost here!!! Next Wednesday most of the students in Yrs. 3-6 will be participating in the netball gala day. This is a wonderful sporting event run by our school with the P & C gaining the proceeds from the canteen as one of their major fundraisers. Fingers crossed for a sunny day!! Special thanks to our wonderful P & C who are always there for us!

STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY

The first day of Term 3 for students is Tuesday 18 July. For teachers though, Monday 17 July is the first day and is a Staff Development Day.

During training on this day the staff will be at Kahibah PS for combined Whitebridge Cluster of Schools professional development sessions. Staff will receive training in developing a calm, mindful classroom.

- The power of yoga
 - Dealing with anxiety and stress in students
 - Controlling our breathing
- and the list goes on. After 12 noon all staff will return to CPS for preparation and training with the External Validation process.

Please note that the Office will be unattended until 1pm. Mrs Stone and Mrs Bartsch will be attending training at other venues.

JUMP ROPE FOR HEART

Due to the wet weather the Jump Off was postponed and will be rescheduled in weeks 9 or 10. Please continue to raise money for Jump Rope For Heart as these valuable funds will assist heart research.

COFFEE AND CHAT

Our coffee and chat afternoons are a great way to meet new people in the school. Miss Jodie and I welcome everyone so come in out of the cold and join us each Thursday afternoon from 2:45pm.

Enjoy the week

Jayne Thompson
Principal

5/6H NEWS

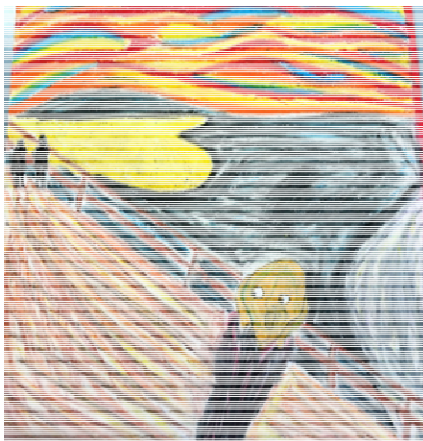
5/6H have been busy over the past few weeks. We have had the Year 5 and Year 6 Debating Teams competing against other schools in their Debating Competition. Some of our Year 5 students have gone to Whitebridge High School to participate in Mathematics, Robotics and Science classes.

We have been listening to speeches in the classroom and have heard some really interesting topics. They have included 'Colours', 'Weetbix', 'KFC', 'State of Origin' and 'Embarrassing Things My Sister Has Done'.

During our time in the computer room we have been using technology to research. We have researched countries, animals and tourist attractions of our choice, and organised our findings to write an Information Report.



This term we have been looking at Famous Artists and the techniques they used on their paintings. We have drawn and painted Van Gogh's 'Starry Night over the Rhone' and Edvard Munch's 'The Scream'. We have also painted faces with crazy hair.



The rest of the term will be very hectic. This week we have 7 members of the class participating in Star Struck. Then we are looking forward to the Netball Gala Day, Athletics Carnival and Year 6 Fun Day.

Talking to kids about Terrorism (by Michael Grose)

Following the terrorist attack in London many schools have contacted the Parenting Ideas office to enquire about an article to assist parents and teachers to talk to children and young people about terrorism.

I've written a thoughtful article to assist parents and teachers to talk to children of all ages about this challenging topic.

Please share this [link](#) with your parent and teacher community.

CLOTHING POOL HOURS

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

CANTEEN ROSTER

Thur	15.6.17	L. Fluechter
Fri	16.6.17	No orders—counter service at lunch only L. Lee, E. Nelson
Mon	19.6.17	Closed
Tues	20.6.17	Closed
Wed	21.6.17	S. Taylor, N. Filo

P&C NEWS

Entertainment Books

Order 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.

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

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. Netball Gala Day – WEDNESDAY 21st June

We will be catering for all participants, umpires and parents; this includes selling drinks, sausage sandwiches and lollies. We require assistance from 9.30 to 3.00 on the day. The school Canteen will be closed.

2. Meal Deals

In coming weeks, notes will be sent home for a Meal Deal on the Athletics Carnival Day and on the Year 6 Fun Day. On both these days no other lunch orders will be available.

3. 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.

4. 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.

Netball Gala Day – WEDNESDAY 21st JUNE

Name: _____ Contact Number: _____
☐ 9.30 – 11.00 ☐ 11 – 1.30 ☐ 1.30 – 3.00

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