

# NEWSLETTER

## CASTLETOWN PRIMARY SCHOOL

*INSPIRE, EDUCATE, SUCCEED*



Issue 7

From the Principal's Pen

9<sup>th</sup> June 2015

Dear Parents/Carers

### ASSEMBLY ITEM

Thank you to Mrs Ainsworth for assisting the Councillors to organise a very original and impressive W.A. Day item in the form of a poem to inform us about our history. Clever work Councillors! Additionally, a quiz session was set up with buzzers and quiz questions to test our W.A. Day knowledge, entertained the audience and kept them "on their toes." The W.A. Day spirit was engendered throughout the day with so many students and teachers dressed in period costume remembering the past pioneers. Thank you to our two M and M's, Mr Moss and Mr Moore for reading out the honour certificates. Thank you also to our canteen ladies for a delightful W.A. Day menu.

### APEX HELP

Thank you to Ms Holthouse for organising the APEX support for the school on Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> May. A team of busy APEX helpers did a fantastic job in laying pavers, moving the garden beds to a more suitable position on the hill, painting the bumper board of the tennis courts, putting up shelves in the shed, trimming some trees and plants and tidying up under the swing. We are very happy with our new look ECE thanks to APEX. Thank you to everyone that helped out.



### P & C MEETING

President of our P&C, Mrs Rachel McGrinder would like to invite all parents to our next meeting on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> June at 2.00 p.m. in the library.

Please note Guest Speaker Mr Kerr Fulton-Peebles will speak briefly at the meeting. This may be of particular interest to year 6 parents.

### NATIONALLY CONSISTENT COLLECTION OF DATA FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITY

Our school is part of a national project about students with disability and/or learning difficulties. We have been asked to provide data about the number and learning needs of children at our school. The name of the school and the name of students will not be reported. Information about the different types of needs and the programs and resources the school uses to overcome barriers and support children with special educational needs will be collected.

If you would like to learn more about the Nationally Consistent Collection of Data for School Students with Disability you can visit the following website. [www.deewr.gov.au/students-disability](http://www.deewr.gov.au/students-disability)

### STAFF

**FAREWELLS** - Mrs Heather Richardson has resigned from DOE after many years of dedicated service to education. Mrs Richardson will be long remembered for her wonderful artistic talents and particularly, for her annual puppet plays based on popular fairy tales her classes presented each year. Our best wishes go to Mrs Richardson for a happy and healthy life ahead.

Mrs Jo Paterson, who has been teaching the Year 2 class this year will be moving to Perth as a result of her husband's transfer. We are very sad to lose Mrs Paterson who has been an excellent teacher, much loved and valued by students and staff. Our best wishes go to Mrs Paterson in her "sea change" and her new life.

**WELCOME** – Mrs Robyn Brenton joins us as a part time Education Assistant, working also at Nulsen Primary School.

### EMERGENCY EVACUATION

As part of our Emergency Management Policy, a whole school Emergency Evacuation was held last Thursday. Classes were very prompt in evacuating, with children conducting themselves in an orderly manner. We did find some areas for improvement, and have put some processes in place to make adjustments where identified.

WE WILL MISS YOU



Virtue for the Fortnight - Determination

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[www.Castletownprimaryschool.wa.edu.au](http://www.Castletownprimaryschool.wa.edu.au)

Face book:

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/Castletown-Primary-School/303902659738629>

Or click on the link on the webpage.

## CONSTABLE CARE

ECE and Junior children were able to view a professional puppet play with Constable Care on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> May. The messages about road safety when coming to school were clearly outlined to the children through the use of large animated and humorous puppets including the well-known Constable Care. A quiz to reinforce the messages was held at the conclusion of the play. Constable Care remarked on the excellent audience and manners from our students.

## SHIRE OF ESPERANCE ENERGY SAVING PROJECT

The Goldfields Voluntary Regional Organisation (GVROC) is committed to increasing the energy efficiency of the community and will be introducing LED energy efficient street lighting to the Shire of Esperance over the coming months. This LED Streetlight Retrofit Project is funded by the Federal Government through the Department of Industry. Being funded by Government and not the local community means money saved by each Shire can be channelled to other community projects. The LED Streetlight Retrofit Project will replace 2000 streetlights in Esperance and is designed to yield many benefits to the local community. As part of the project, visits to local schools were conducted to explain the project, raise awareness, educate and encourage children to promote energy efficiency at home and school. Several classes hosted a presentation last week with Maree Pickens. The goal is to help children identify simple but meaningful steps they can undertake at home, in the classroom and around the school that shows they are doing their part to reduce energy use.

Pauline Grewar, Principal



### CERTIFICATES OF MERIT

*Congratulations to all students who received certificates at our Assembly on 4<sup>th</sup> June 2015. Well done!!*



<b>EC1</b>	Judd	Deeanna		<b>EC2</b>	Lachie	Sienna
<b>Room 00</b>	Bella	Maddie	Bailey	<b>Room 1</b>	Kyron	Sophie
<b>Room 2</b>	Eduan	Garrett		<b>Room 3</b>	Bailey	Imogen
<b>Room 4</b>	Charlie	Tailah		<b>Room 5</b>	Hayley	Ryan
<b>Room 6</b>	Tiffany	Regan		<b>Room 7</b>	Alicia	Teliah
<b>Room 9</b>	Tyler	Hayden		<b>Room 10</b>	Megan	Jai
<b>Room 11</b>	Jarrold	Ben		<b>Room 12</b>	Justine	John
<b>Room 15</b>	Marissa	Ari		<b>Room 22</b>	Cazaly	Benjumen
<b>T &amp; E Awards</b>	Room 5	Jarrold – Room 2				



Reading In Bed Is Terrific

**RIBIT**

The Home Reading Program



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

Rm 3: Torin, Tayla Rm 6: Koby  
Rm 9: Jayden

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

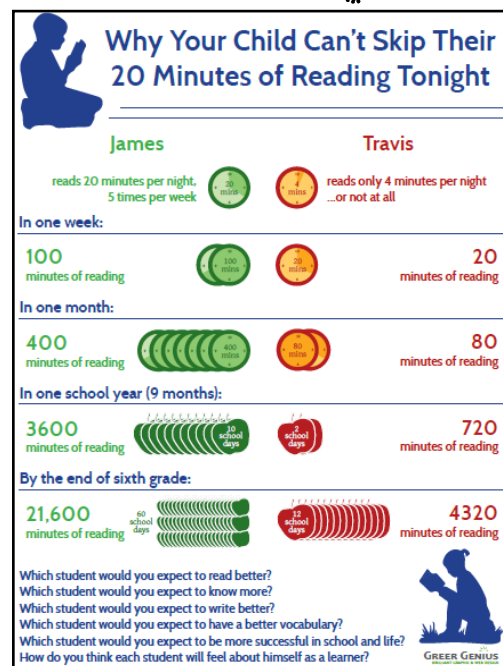
Rm 3: Arabella, Liah, Torin, Daniel Rm 5: Spencer, Hayley  
Rm 6: Tiffany, Chloe, Katie, Monique, Hayley, Lachlan, Alicia, Regan  
Rm 9: Jaxon, Aylah, Casey, Tyler, Macey-Jane  
Rm 10: Molly, Jordan, James, Addison, Manyah, Megan, Jordan U, Ty  
Rm 12: Kayde, Justine, Cambel, Mason, Taj, Holly, John  
Rm 22: Holly, Tom

**Congratulations to the following children who have read for 80 Nights:**

Rm 3: Molly Rm 4: Jaya, Ellie  
Rm 5: Montanah Rm 6: John  
Rm 7: Kai, Isabelle Rm 22: Claire

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

Rm 4: Jaya, Tailah Rm 6: Dylan  
Rm 7: Alicia Rm 10: Emily



### Dates to Remember .....



Monday 8<sup>th</sup> June – 19<sup>th</sup> June – Swimming Lessons. Rooms 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 22  
Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> June – ECE P&C Meeting 3.15pm in EC2  
Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> June – Friday 26<sup>th</sup> June – Year 6 Camp  
Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> June – P&C Meeting 2pm  
Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> July – Last Day Term 2





We had our most successful Book fair selling \$8005 worth of books during the week. This means our school receives \$2800 worth of books for RIBIT, Library and class resources.

Thank you to the students, staff and parents who supported dress up day, and thank you to Janice, Stacey and volunteers from the canteen for the yummy snacks throughout the week.

Thank you to Fiona Nadason for her organisation and preparation of Book fair, Belinda Jones and Tracy Bungert for their decorating skills and amazing castle in the library, Mrs Pat Leeson, Sally Cox, Gillian Florrison, Rachel McGrinder, Treena Cook, Karina Stephens, Ashley Haste, Jasmine Tate, Belinda Jones, Irena Schudowski, Sandy Davies, Fiona Ryan, Tracy Bungert, Joss Fasanini, Jo Ramsell, Emma Iddison, Kathy Keil, Hazel Burgess, Amy McIlroy, Ann Hallam, Emma Green, Tammy Thring, Leah Hodges and Marnie Fels who volunteered their time at the Bookfair.

And a very big thank you to the students, staff, parents and families who supported Bookfair by purchasing books.

*Jenny Sage*



## Around our School

*With Book Fair and WA Day*

WA Day was the reason we had the Monday off school and no, it wasn't Taj's birthday. The Student Councillors presented information about WA Day and why we celebrate it, through a poem and a quiz skit. They informed us that the British travelled the seas on the ship Parmelia where they decided to stay and build a colony known as the Swan River Colony. After an insight to WA Day the Councillors then ran 'Olden Day Games' throughout lunch time. Many students from across the school joined in to play knuckle bones, skip, hopscotch, fly and to even throw a gum boot or two. Thank you to all students that participated in the dress up and in the fun games at lunch. *Room 15*

Today we remember the foundation of WA  
The settlers came from far away  
The first ship here was Parmelia  
It might ring a bell or sound familiar - Sophie

Challenger, Success and Cygnet came after Parmelia too  
When they arrived they saw lots of kangaroos  
The date 1<sup>st</sup> of June 1829 is an important date in our history  
Why they left the Aboriginals out is a big mystery - Isha

It was when the first three settlers, men, women and children all worked hard and lost their adrenalin  
The discoverer was Captain James Stirling  
He landed in the bay, when the water was swirling and whirling - Cody

We made this country to what it is today  
All this ended with Australia having good pay  
That is our poem for WA Day - Ruben



## THE VIRTUES PROJECT - DETERMINATION

### WHAT IS DETERMINATION?



Determination is focussing your energy and efforts on a task and then sticking with it until it is finished. Determination is using your will power to do something when it isn't easy. You are determined to meet your goals. Even when it is really hard, or you are being tested, you still keep going.

### WHY PRACTISE DETERMINATION?

Without determination, things don't get done. People give up easily and don't ask for help when they need it. With determination, even the hardest task becomes a challenge we are willing to accept. We do things that matter in the world. With determination, we can make our dreams come true.

### HOW DO YOU PRACTISE DETERMINATION?

Decide what is important to you. Then use your will power to make it happen. Finish what you start. If obstacles come up, deal with them, and get back on track. If you get discouraged or distracted, remember your goal. Ask yourself "What do I need?" then start again. It feels good to meet your goals!

### SIGNS OF SUCCESS

You are practising **determination** when you.....

- Believe what you are doing is important
- Set goals
- Focus your attention on what you are doing
- Resist being distracted
- Keep going if it gets difficult
- Ask for help when you need it
- Finish what you start



**CAMP PAYMENT REMINDER** – A reminder to all Year 6 families that camp payment is due to the office no later than June 12<sup>th</sup>.



*Lesley Mather – Associate Principal*



**LOST PROPERTY** – Are you missing a jumper, jacket or hat??? We are overflowing with lost property!! Please check the Uniform Shop or the Office for your lost clothing.



**SCHOOL CANTEEN**  
Volunteers are always needed  
To assist in our Canteen.

Please contact Janice at the Canteen or phone 9071 3143

**Remember to Crunch'n Sip**

Drink Water and eat 5 veg 'n' 2 fruit each day for a healthy diet.

The Canteen proudly uses Bramby's preservative free bread.



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



## COMMUNITY NOTICES

**REMINDER** - Researchers at UWA are still looking for parents with children aged between 8 and 16 to participate in their research study. The survey is done over the internet and takes approximately 10 minutes each (parent and child). To participate go to: [www.tinyurl.com/SSBPparents](http://www.tinyurl.com/SSBPparents) For more information please contact Kate Derry - 0411 811 212

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Friday June 19  
Friday June 26  
Saturday June 27  
2015

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[www.esperanceciviccentre.com](http://www.esperanceciviccentre.com)

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### SURVEY FOR PARENTS AND KIDS

Researchers at the University of Western Australia are looking for parents with children or teens between the ages of 8 and 16 to help us find out more about the relationship between the personality trait, narcissism, and children's emerging understanding of who they are (their sense of self and self-esteem).

The survey can be done over the internet and at home, and it takes about twenty minutes of your time (5-10 min parents and 10-15 min children). Parents are given the opportunity to enter a draw to win one of twenty \$50 gift certificates to Coles/Myer.

To participate go to:

<http://tinyurl.com/DOEBParents>

For more information please contact  
Kate Derry at 6488 3259.