**Important Dates for your Diary**

**TERM 4**

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<td>Tues 20th Oct</td>
<td>Basketball Clinic (in school)</td>
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<td>Fri 23rd Oct</td>
<td>Grandparent’s Day</td>
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<td>Mon 26th Oct</td>
<td>Simply Swimming Program begins</td>
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<td>Tues 27th Oct</td>
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<td>Sun 1st Nov</td>
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<td>Cool Kids Parent Recital (time TBA)</td>
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<td>P &amp; C Meeting 7pm</td>
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<td>Swimming Carnival</td>
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<td>Wed 11th Nov</td>
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**Permission Notes and Payments Due**

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<td>Year 6 Hotdog/ Slushy</td>
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<td>Voluntary School Fees &amp; Workbooks</td>
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<td>P&amp;C Bunnings BBQ helpers</td>
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Please note these amounts can be paid off in instalments.
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<td>Chloe C, Jade C, Katie C, Krystion L, Liam N x 2, Amy B</td>
<td>Donavan F, Krystion L, Hope S, Chloe C, Jade C x 2, Tayla H x 3, Hope S, Kane N</td>
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Ribbons were awarded to: Anthony B, Azim G, Zak W, Dan Z, Oliver B, Salim G, Andre M, Chloe C, Caitlin S,

A Silver Cockatoo was awarded to: April A.
From the Principals Desk………

Welcome to the commencement of yet again another very busy and educationally rich term. Term 4 traditionally is the busiest period of time within all schools. Throughout the next 10 weeks we will participate and hold the following events; Grandparents Day, Simply Swimming Program, School Swimming Carnival, Interelate Program for Y5 7 Y6, 2016 Kindergarten Orientation, P&C School Carnival, Infants School Excursion and many more activities. Please regularly consult our school web site for upcoming events and communication sent home in the form of letters.

Primary Stage 2 & 3 Robotics Excursion
The students of Stage 2 & 3 who participated in the Robotics excursion to Macquarie University in the final week of Term 3 did so with a great deal of responsibility and hard work. Our facilitator for the day acknowledged the wonderful behaviour by saying that we were the most well-behaved and responsive group he has ever worked with. Congratulations boys and girls!

SCR Bandage Bear Day
On the Final Thursday of Term 3, our school SRC ran a charity donation Bandaged Bear Day. It was fabulous to see so many students participating in this very worthwhile cause. All money raised went directly to the Children’s Hospital at Westmead Bandaged Bear appeal. The students at Castlereagh Public School raised $129 for this worthy cause. Congratulations boys and girls, here is a photo taken from the day.
**Grandparents Day Celebration**
Parents, Carers and Grandparents please be aware that we will be holding a Grandparents Day Assembly on Friday 23rd October to celebrate the fantastic contribution that Grandparents make in our daily lives. The assembly will commence at 9.30am and will be followed by open classrooms and concluding with a morning tea held for the visitors in the school Library. While the theme for the celebration is Grandparents all parents, family and community members are encouraged to attend.

**Simply Swimming Program**
Our school Simply Swimming Program will be commencing on Monday of Week 4 (26/10/15) and will run every day until the Friday of Week 5. If you have not yet enrolled your child and you were hoping to secure placement please do so as soon as possible. Further information can be located through the school web site or within the school administration building.

**Change in Weather Conditions**
Now that we have officially experienced some warmer weather I feel it fitting to briefly remind students to pack plenty of drinking water for each day, wear the appropriate school summer uniform and to ensure they have a hat on their heads at all times when outside the classroom. Our aim at Castlereagh Public School is for all students to learn how to remain sun safe and hydrated at all times. Please reinforce this message with your children at home.

**Australian Junior Motocross Titles– Bunbury Western Australia**
Recently, during the school holidays, Ben N of Year 6 competed in the Australian Junior Motocross Titles in Western Australia. I would like to publicly acknowledge and congratulate Ben on his magnificent achievement on coming 4th overall in the 65cc class. This is such a great achievement considering the tracks were very different to what Ben is used to racing on in NSW. Congratulations Ben!

**2016 Kindergarten Enrolments**
Kindergarten enrolments for 2016 are currently being taken. In order for us to prepare our classes and ensure that equitable class numbers are maintained it is essential that we have all the information needed leading into 2016. If you know of someone who is enrolling at Castlereagh Public School and has not
yet done so, could you please pass on our school details? Additionally, if you have children in Kindergarten to Year 5 and are planning on moving at the end of the year, that information is important also.

**P&C News**

There will be some changes to the date of the next several P&C Meetings. Please be advised that the next P&C Meeting will be held on **Thursday 5th November** in the school office and the following **AGM** will be held on **Tuesday 7th December** also in the school office. Please be advised that as of 2016 the set date and time for all P&C meetings will be the first Thursday of every month in the school office at 7pm.

Additionally, as we approach the P&C carnival and movie night a request has been made by the P&C to ask if anyone in the community has a small to medium sized truck available that we may be able hang our movie screen over for the evening. Please make contact with Jackie in the office if you can assist.

**Selective High School Application 2016**

Please be aware that Selective High School applications for 2017 are currently being processed. If you have a child in Year 5 this year and you are interested in applying for selective high school in 2016 an information letter will be forwarded home shortly. Applications must be completed online as there are no paper copies being accepted. Applications for entry in 2017 can be made online at www.schools.nsw.edu.au/shsplacement between 13th October and 16th November 2015. All applicants are required to sit the Selective High School Test on Thursday 10th March 2016.

**Basketball Clinic**

As I am sure you are fully aware that Mrs. Lennon was successful in a grant for outside providers to come into our school and provide intense sporting clinics. In Term 3 our students were involved in Rugby League and all students learnt some very valuable skills and enjoyed themselves. In Term 4 the children of Castlereagh Public School will be involved in a Basketball clinic running for 4 weeks. The dates of these sessions are Tuesdays 20th and 27th of October and Tuesday 3rd and 10th November. Please ensure that your child wears their sports uniform on this day so they can participate in comfort. This does not replace Friday sport.

I wish you all a happy and safe fortnight ahead.

Kind Regards,
Mr. Tony Jeff
Principal
School Lunches
School lunches are available to order online. Please go to www.myschoollunchbox.com.au and follow instructions on how to order.

Crunch and Sip
Castlereagh Public School is a certified ‘Crunch and Sip’ school. All classes have a ‘Crunch and Sip’ break during the day where children are encouraged to eat fruit and sip water. A tally of the fruit eaten is kept as it is one of the activities the children can complete to obtain their Healthy Lifestyle Challenge, Healthy Badge.

Waste Free Wednesdays
Every Wednesday is a waste free day at CPS. This means whatever food and drink wrappings/scraps that the children have that day must be taken home with their lunches, a class tally is kept of the number of children having ‘nude foods’! These are foods that have no wrapping but come in a reusable container. Thank you for your continued support for these two programs.

Ice Blocks & Drinks
Ice blocks will be sold Monday, Wednesday and Fridays at lunch time. They range from 50c to $2 in price. Drinks will be sold Monday, Wednesday and Fridays, they will be $2 each.

Stewart House Clothing Appeal 2015
Stewart House bags will be sent home today with the newsletter. If you have any unwanted clothing, shoes, linen and towels. Please send to school in the bag. If you would like more bags, please see Mrs Lamey in the office. Return to office by Mon 9th November. Thank you

Road Closure
Castlereagh Road from Andrews Road to Hinxman Road will be closed Sunday 25th October 2015 from 6.45am to 9.45am due to Nepean Triathlon.
A detour utilizing The Northern Road will be in place. Sorry for any inconvenience caused. For more info: nepeantriathlon@gmail.com
P&C Meeting
The next P&C meeting will be held on Thursday 5th November at 7pm in the staffroom. Please come along to participate or just observe. All welcome!

Uniform Payments
Direct Deposit is the preferred method of payment and cash is only accepted for orders under $50.
BSB Number: 062 589 Account No: 00913185

Bunnings BBQ Helpers
Volunteers are needed to help at our Bunnings BBQ Fundraiser on Sunday, 1st November. A note has been sent home today with more information.

P&C Fair/ Movie Night
The P&C are organising a Fair/ Movie night for Fri. 20th November. If you would like to run a stall/ table on the night please contact the P&C or Mrs Lamey in the office for more information.

Getting involved in your child’s school can be a rewarding experience. There are many types of school activities and parents/caregivers are always welcome to participate.

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Deposit Banking

When purchasing uniforms and you wish to use direct deposit please place money in the P&C account which is:

Account Name: Castlereagh Public School P&C Association  
BSB No: 062 589  
Account No: 00913185

When paying for excursions etc. and you wish to use direct deposit please place money in the school account which is:

Account Name: Castlereagh Public School  
BSB No: 032 001  
Account No: 159 722

Please staple receipt to permission note and return to office thank you.

Absence notes

Parents, for your convenience we have included an absentee note to be filled out and returned to office as soon as your child is back at school.

Absenteen Note
To be returned to the School Office first day back after absence

Student’s Name: .........................................................  
Class: .................

Date/s of Absence/s:  
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Reason for Absence:  
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Signature of Parent/Caregiver: ......................... Date: .......................
CASTLEREAGH PUBLIC SCHOOL

Mission Statement

In our caring and supportive environment, each student strives to become a unique person and a valued member of society.

We recognise and strive for:

• Excellence in academic achievement,
• Positive aesthetic, personal and social attitudes,
• Whole school pastoral care for all students,
• A sense of belonging and a secure and caring environment enabling students to establish self-esteem,
  • Sensitivity toward others
• Awareness of the environment and
• Valued community participation.

Citizenship Affirmation Statement

From this time forward,
I pledge my loyalty to Australia and its people,
Whose democratic beliefs I share,
Whose rights and liberties I respect and
Whose laws I will uphold and obey.

Pledge
If I wish to be a worthy member of my school and community,
I must at all times watch:
  My words,
  My actions
  My thoughts,
My companions and my habits.