Important Dates for your Diary

2015
Wed 24th June    Year 5/6 Camp
Thur 25th June    Year 5/6 Camp
Fri 26th June     Last Day Term 2

TERM 3
Mon 13th July     Staff Development Day
Tues 14th July    First Day of Term for Students
Tues 14th July    C.A.R.E.S (Years 4-6)
Wed 15th July     Parent Teacher Interviews
Fri 17th July     P & C Walkathon
Wed 22nd July     Small Schools Field Carnival (Selected students)
Fri 24th July     Small Schools Track Carnival (Selected students)
Tues 28th July    ICAS English
Mon 3rd August    P&C Meeting 7pm

Permission Notes and Payments Due

Year 6 Fundraising Tickets Sold/Unsold    ASAP

Please note these amounts can be paid off in instalments.
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Class</th>
<th>Congratulations</th>
<th>Merit cards</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>K</td>
<td>Kendal K-R</td>
<td>Savana L</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Savana L</td>
<td>Mareeeka S</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Aydan L</td>
<td>Oliver B</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Marcus M</td>
<td>Marcus M</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Bryce P</td>
<td>Mareeka S</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Hayley H</td>
<td>Brock A</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Zavier F</td>
<td>Nathan C</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Xayde G x 2</td>
<td>Floyd R</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1</td>
<td>Lena A x 2</td>
<td>Caitlin B</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Bethany B</td>
<td>Mylie D</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Mylie D</td>
<td>Lochlan L</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Madison F</td>
<td>Zak W</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Scarlett O</td>
<td>Scarlett O</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Janai R</td>
<td>Anthony B</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Anthony B</td>
<td>Kasjan S</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Matthew E</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Taylan W</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2</td>
<td>Krystion L</td>
<td>Mary D</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Jade C</td>
<td>Liam N</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Hailey F</td>
<td>Chloe C</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Hope S</td>
<td>Zanya F</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Kane N</td>
<td>Andrew S</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3/4</td>
<td>Jaela F</td>
<td>Jessica P</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Jessica P x 2</td>
<td>Anika R</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Anika R</td>
<td>James T</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Elijah S</td>
<td>Alexis M</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Joni-Rose B</td>
<td>Cohen W</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Dakirah B</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Damian W</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4/5/6</td>
<td>Luke S x 2</td>
<td>James B</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Chelsea M</td>
<td>William B</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Kaitlyn G</td>
<td>Matthew P</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Emily M</td>
<td>Axyl G</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Damon P</td>
<td>Ben N</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Ben P</td>
<td>Jackson C</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Liam C</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Axyl G</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Damon P</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>William B</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Jack B</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Ribbons were awarded to: April A, Megan B, James T, James W, Scarlett O,
As this is the last newsletter for the term, I’d like to wish both our students and staff a very restful and safe holiday break. School returns for children on Tuesday 14th July 2015.

**P&C 2015 Walkathon**
Unfortunately, last week we were unable to hold our annual School P&C Walkathon due to poor weather. The backup day for this event will be Friday 17th July between 11.30am and 1pm. Please encourage your children to keep collecting sponsors as the child from each class who raises the most money will be awarded with a Smiggle voucher. We can’t wait until Week 1 next term for the event!

**Enrichment Program**
Many children across our school have recently participated in the Hawkesbury enrichment program. I must say that I have heard many positive comments and great feedback from the students who participated and the course provides. Congratulations for always striving to be the best Castlereagh Public School students possible. Below I have attached some of the work that Liam N from Year 2 produced.
Stage 3 Camp Update
As you sit back warm at home or in front of a nice fire reading the newsletter I write to you from School Camp in Canberra. All students arrived bright and early for a 6am departure from Londonderry Public School. The bus trip to Canberra was mixed with many tired eyes and excited anticipation from the students. I have attached several photos from camp thus far and I am looking forward to providing you with a full recap once we have returned home.

Reports and Parent Teacher Interviews
Reports were sent home on Monday afternoon to all families. Please note that inside your child’s report you will find some information related to booking for parent teacher interviews to be held on Wednesday 15th July from 3.20-7pm. Please be advised that if you are unable to meet on the allocated day make contact your child’s classroom teacher and an alternative time will be arranged. As these requests for interview are conducted online desired times may be popular and if you delay in booking in you may miss the window you were hoping for.
C.A.R.E.S Road Safety
The CARES Road Safety course was postponed on Wednesday last week due to poor weather. Students who have paid and handing in their permission notes will have another opportunity to attend on Tuesday 14th July 2015 (1st day in Term 3). Remember your helmets boys and girls!

Holiday Safety
While we break for holidays I would like to remind all children to remain healthy, safe and happy. It is very important to touch base with your children about stranger danger and the necessary safety procedures when out in public and in the car.

P&C Secretary & Treasurer Positions
Castlereagh P&C has had 2 volunteer positions become available and I am seeking your support in filling these roles. If you are interested in joining the P&C team and keen to become involved with the position of Secretary or Treasurer I seek your support in attending the next meeting on Monday 3rd August at 7pm.

I wish you all a happy and safe mid-year holiday break.

Kind Regards

Mr. Tony Jeff

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/scrap 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.
School Banking Day Reminder
Don’t forget that **TUESDAY** is School Banking day and students should bring in their weekly deposit. For every deposit made at school, no matter how big or small, students will receive a cool Dollarmite token. Once students have individually collected 10 tokens they can redeem them for an exclusive School Banking reward item in recognition of their continued savings behaviour. Thank you for supporting the School Banking program at our school.

P & C News

P&C Meeting
The next P&C meeting will be held on **Monday 3rd August** 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

Walkathon
Our Walkathon will now be held on the first Friday back from holidays, Friday 17th July. Don’t forget to ask friends and family to sponsor you over the holidays. This will be a fun day and parents/carers are asked to join your children for a picnic lunch at the conclusion of the walk.

Request for Cakes
The P&C will be selling cakes at the Small School Carnival to raise funds for the school. We would like to ask parents to make some treats at the stall. Cupcakes, muffins, and slices anything that can be served individually would be great. If you are able to help, please bring in your treats on the afternoon of Tuesday 21st July.

Helpers for the Canteen at the Small schools carnival
If you can spare an hour or two to help at the canteen on Wednesday 22nd July to help with the BBQ or Canteen please see Mrs Lamey in the office. Thank you
Dear Parents

Parent/Teacher/Student interviews will be held at 3.20pm – 7pm on Wednesday, 15th July 2015.
You can now book interviews at times that suit YOUR FAMILY BEST.
Go to www.schoolinterviews.com.au and follow these simple instructions.

BOOKINGS CLOSE TUESDAY, 14TH July at 1pm.

Go to www.schoolinterviews.com.au

Enter THIS school event code.
37THE
Then follow the 3 simple steps.

When you click finish, your interview timetable will be emailed to you automatically - check your junk mail folder if you do not receive your email immediately.
You can return to www.schoolinterviews.com.au at any time, and change your interviews - until bookings close.

For parents that don’t have access to the internet at home, at work, at a friend’s house or on their phones, Please call Mrs Lamey on 4776-1197 so that she can make the booking for you. Interviews are strictly 10mins and spaces are limited. If you require more time, please contact your teacher directly to make alternative arrangements.

Parents can change their interview bookings, any time prior to the closing date, by re-visiting the www.schoolinterviews.com.au website, and using the event code. Remember to use the same name and email address, you used when you made your original booking. Parents wishing to change their interview times after the closing date, should contact the school directly on: 4776 1197.

We would love to hear what you think about online booking. If you get time, click on the "contact us" button on the www.schoolinterviews.com.au website, and leave some feedback - anonymously if you wish, but please include the school’s name and suburb.
PHOTOCOPIER FOR SALE

Fuji Xerox DocuCentre III C4400

$500 (Includes: New in box: waste toner bottle, yellow toner cartridge x 1, magenta toner cartridge x 1, cyan toner cartridge x 2 and staples)

For more information please see Mrs Lamey in the office or call 4776-1197.
Seasons For Growth
FREE 9 week group
For Kids Dealing with Loss

This is a FREE 9 week group for primary aged children ages 9—10 years old who are dealing with significant loss or change including death of a loved one, parental separation/divorce, experience of a natural disaster, moving home or school and other life changes/losses. They will learn:

- How to think and respond to change and loss in new ways
- How to understand the grief process
- How to communicate strong feelings
- Decision making and problem solving skills

9 x Tuesday afternoons, 4—5pm
14th, 21st & 28th July,
4th, 11th, 18th & 25th August,
1st & 8th September 2015

At:
Richmond Community Services Inc.
20 West Market Street
Richmond

BOOKING ESSENTIAL!
Call 02 4588 3555
e: admin@rcsi.ngo.org.au
Care for 5 - 12 year olds enrolled at primary school

Commencement Date for Vacation Care July 2015

29 June 2015 to 10 July 2015

Care available at: Kindana, Glenmore Park, Yoorami, Grays Lane,
Tandara, Emu Village and Gumbirra

Pupil free day: Monday 13 July 2015 (Public Schools only)
Care available at: Kindana, Glenmore Park, Yoorami, Emu Village
and Erskine Park

Pre-payment is required to secure your booking
To book, please call Children’s Services Clerical team on (02) 4732 7844

penrithcity.nsw.gov.au
CELEBRATING 100 Years of Women in Policing

Celebrating compassion, courage & strength

Penrith Police Local Area Command celebrates 100 years of Women in Policing with a baton relay

Thursday 9th July, 2015 from 10am

Tench Reserve, Penrith

#PENRITH100vrsWIP

Images courtesy of News Corp Australia & NSW Police Force
**UNIVERSITY OF WESTERN SYDNEY**
**SCHOOL OF COMPUTING, ENGINEERING AND MATHEMATICS**

**PENRITH OBSERVATORY**
**ASTRONOMY PROGRAMS**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Date</th>
<th>Time</th>
<th>Event Description</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Thursday</td>
<td>2 July</td>
<td>School Holiday Hands-on Science Rocket Workshop</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>School</td>
<td>Holiday</td>
<td>Lots of fun for kids of all ages. Make and launch your own paper rocket and watch</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Holiday</td>
<td>Hands-on</td>
<td>water rockets being launched. The program will also include a short presentation,</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Science</td>
<td>Science</td>
<td>a 3D astronomy movie and SAFE and detailed viewing of the sun through our</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Rocket</td>
<td>Rocket</td>
<td>telescopes (weather permitting). Cost $15 per person.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Workshop</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Saturday</td>
<td>4 July</td>
<td>School Holiday Astronomy Night</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>School</td>
<td>Holiday</td>
<td>The evening will include a presentation, a 3D astronomy movie, a tour of the</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Holiday</td>
<td>Astronomy</td>
<td>dome area and an opportunity to view the night sky through the observatory’s</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Night</td>
<td></td>
<td>telescopes.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Thursday</td>
<td>9 July</td>
<td>School Holiday Hands-on Science All Kinds of Aliens Workshop</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>School</td>
<td>Holiday</td>
<td>The workshop will include hands-on science activities, a short presentation, a</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Holiday</td>
<td>Hands-on</td>
<td>3D astronomy movie, water rocket launches and SAFE and detailed viewing of the sun</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Science</td>
<td>Science</td>
<td>through our telescopes (weather permitting). Cost $15 per person</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>All Kinds</td>
<td>All Kinds</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>of Aliens</td>
<td>of Aliens</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Workshop</td>
<td>Workshop</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Saturday</td>
<td>11 July</td>
<td>Special Event Astronomy Night</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Special</td>
<td>Event</td>
<td>Naidoc Week Special Event Astronomy, Navigation and Science in Aboriginal</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Event</td>
<td>Astronomy</td>
<td>Australia talk by Professor Ray Norris.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Night</td>
<td>Night</td>
<td>The evening will also include a 3D astronomy movie, a tour of the dome area and an</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>opportunity to view the night sky through the observatory’s telescopes.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Our programs will run regardless of the weather.

**Cost:** Astronomy Nights -$18 adult, $12 child/concession and $50 family  
**Bookings are essential:** Book and pay online: [www.uws.edu.au/observatory](http://www.uws.edu.au/observatory), What’s On  
**Contact:** Tel: (02)4736 0135 Email: penrithobservatory@uws.edu.au  
[www.twitter.com/uwsobservatory](http://www.twitter.com/uwsobservatory),  
[www.facebook.com/UWSObservatory](http://www.facebook.com/UWSObservatory)
ELECTRICIAN

Servicing the Penrith, Richmond and surrounding areas.

24 years of experience, very fast, reliable and professional service guaranteed.

List of services include

Hot Water Repairs
Stove, cook top and oven repairs
Lights, power points and switches
Safety Switches
Main Board Upgrades, repairs
Fans, Bathroom Heaters
Digital TV aerials, relocations
Phone/ Data points, repairs
Underground Power
+ More

Call Adam Sullivan on 0413 99 77 35 for an obligation free quote
FAMILY SHOWS

UNTITLED - AN ART EXPERIENCE
With Ms Kandinsky, Wednesday 1 July
The colourful Ms Kandinsky invites you into her abstract world in this poetic, musical, interactive performance. With music and puppetry, this show is a fun and playful way for children to be transported into the colourful world of art.
WHO: For the whole family
TIME: 10:30-11:30am
TICKETS: $5 per person (children under 2 free).

KOORI KINNECTIONS
With Jess Sinnott, Wednesday 8 July
To celebrate NAIDOC Week, have fun learning about our first people. Learn about sustainability, bush tucker and traditional dance. Jess has a wealth of knowledge about Aboriginal culture, history and heritage.
WHO: For the whole family
TIME: 10:30-11:30am
TICKETS: $5 per person (children under 2 free).

WORKSHOPS

REPTILES UP CLOSE!
With Brett Peters, Tuesday 30 June
Hands on learning sure to stimulate a love for the Australian bush and its creatures. Some of the friends you might meet are a shingleback lizard, Cunningham’s skink, bearded dragon and a carpet python.
WHO: For 5-12 year olds
TIME: 10:30-11:30am
TICKETS: $12 per child

ART WORKSHOP
With Na’ama Atzmon-Simon, Thursday 2 July
STILL LIFE AND FLOWER DRAWING
Explore a still life display and flowers using a variety of drawing techniques using pencils, charcoal, oil pastels, and chalk on a range of paper. Create a mixed media work from your observations.
WHO: For 6-10 year olds
TIME: 10:30-12pm
TICKETS: $15 per child
WORKSHOPS

SCIENCE WORKSHOPS
with the Crazy Scientist, Monday 6 July

CRAZY DINOSAURS
Learn about the prehistoric world. With dinosaur skeletons, a sabre tooth tiger skull, a real woolly mammoth bone, and much more, this hands-on workshop is a must for all would be palaeontologists!

WHO: For 7-12 year olds
TIME: 10:30-12pm
TICKETS: $15 per child

GROSS & GHASTLY SCIENCE
Explore the gross world of your body and how it protects itself from bugs and diseases. This workshop teaches kids in a fun and engaging way about the biology of the human body.

WHO: For 7-12 year olds
TIME: 1:30-3pm
TICKETS: $15 per child

EMBROIDERY WORKSHOP
With Del White, Tuesday 7 July

Gain a lifelong skill and learn the basics of handmade needlecraft. Embroidery is fun and easy and it’s a hobby you can be proud of. In this workshop you make your own sewing kit.

WHO: For 7-13 year olds
TIME: 10:30-12:30pm
TICKETS: $10 per child

VISUAL THEATRE WORKSHOP
With Dennis Clare, Thursday 9 July

The giant slinky is back, and this time you get to jump inside and learn how to make it move! Make wonderful shapes as you wriggle and glide. Become a character with only the most subtle of movements. You will be jumping out of your skin to join in the fun!

WHO: For 7-13 year olds
TIME: 10:30-12pm
TICKETS: $15 per child

@ ST CLAIR LIBRARY

St Clair Shopping Centre
Bennett Road

MAGIC SHOW
with Lindsay Gardner, Saturday 4 July

Be amazed by our local magician, Lindsay. You will be astounded by his amazing tricks and enjoy the audience involvement. A wonderful show that the whole family will love.

WHO: For 2-12 year olds
TIME: 10:30-11:30am
TICKETS: Free. Please collect from St Clair Library.
FREE

KIDS GARDENING CLASSES

11 am weekdays

These school holidays

Mon 29 June – Fri 10 July

Native plants and wildlife!

Plus

Pot your very own seedling to take home!

Kids under 5 must be supervised by an adult.
CATCH IT BIN IT KILL IT

Germs spread easily. Always carry tissues and use them to catch your cough or sneeze.

Germs can live for several hours on tissues. Dispose of your tissue as soon as possible.

Hands can transfer germs to every surface you touch. Clean your hands as soon as you can.

www.sneezesafe.com.au

© Registered Trademark of Kimberly-Clark Worldwide, Inc. © 2010 KCCWW
**Direct 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.

---

**Absentee Note**

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

Student’s Name: .................................................................  
Class: ....................  
Date/s of Absence/s:  
.............................................................................................................  
Reason for Absence:  
.............................................................................................................  
.............................................................................................................  
.............................................................................................................  
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, under God,
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.