Important Dates for your Diary

**TERM 3**

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Permission Notes and Payments Due

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Please note these amounts can be paid off in instalments.
**Ribbons were awarded to:** Kendall K-R, Bethany B, Maxwell G, James B, William B, Evie B & Kaitlyn G.

**A Silver Cockatoo** was awarded to James B.
Welcome to all the parents, carers and family members to this week’s Castlereagh newsletter. As we have now officially entered Spring I would like to remind all parents to reapply your child’s name to all articles of clothing. As the days have been warming up the boys and girls have been removing their jumpers. While the teachers consistently remind the students to place their jumpers in their bags this does not always happen.

**Book Character Parade**

Castlereagh Public School Book Character Parade was held last Friday. I would like to thank all the students, parents and carers who worked so hard on the costumes, the children really looked fantastic! Congratulations to all the prize winners from the Rotary Club Raffle and the winners of the Walkathon Smiggle vouchers.
Sydney West Athletics Carnival
The 2015 PSSA District Athletics Carnival has now been completed. I would like to briefly acknowledge Emily M, Matthew P, Axyl G and Kane N for their outstanding effort that they demonstrated and commitment towards the Small Schools Team. Congratulations Axyl G for placing 2\textsuperscript{nd} in the discus. He will now go on to represent the PSSA Hawkesbury Team at the Sydney West Athletics Carnival on Wednesday 9\textsuperscript{th} September. Good luck Axyl.

School Photocopier
At the commencement of 2015 the service contract for our photocopier expired and we were required to lease a new machine. Our previous photocopier is in good working order, however we have been unable to sell it. If you know of a company or anyone who is in need of a photocopier please pass on our details here at school as we are looking to give it away free of charge. First in will have the first opportunity to take the photocopier.

Woolworths Earn & Learn
Our school is currently participating in the Woolworths ‘Earn & Learn’ program aimed at raising money for resources within the school. If you shop at any Woolworths store and receive the Earn & Learn stickers could you please collect, place on a tally sheet and either return to school where there is a box available in the administration or directly place them in the box labeled Castlereagh Public School at Jordan Springs Woolworths Shopping Centre. Thank you!

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 Meeting News
The next P&C Meeting was scheduled for Monday 5\textsuperscript{th} October 2015. Unfortunately this is a Public Holiday and there is a great deal of preparation for the school carnival to be made so we have decided to move this meeting to Thursday 8\textsuperscript{th} October at 7pm in the school administration office. Additionally, the P&C are negotiating a change of week day to hold the monthly meetings. If you are interested in being part of the P&C team but
cannot make Monday evenings we would be very interested in finding out your availability. If you are interested in attending meetings and have a preference of dates could you please put it into writing and pass on to Mrs Lamey in the office and it will be discussed at the next meeting.

Finally, the P&C have been provided with a date to run the next Bunnings BBQ. Traditionally, this is a fantastic money raiser for our school and the support of parents, friends and community members would be greatly appreciated. The BBQ has been scheduled for Sunday 1st November. Information regarding the BBQ will be sent out early in Term 4 requesting support.

As we approach the end of Term 3 it is fitting for me to remind students about safe travel to and from school. If you are getting in and out of the car it is always safest to do so from the curb side of the car. When crossing the road please use the crossing at the front of the school and remember to check both directions and make sure all cars are stopped before entering the road. It is our aim that all students from Castlereagh Public School remain safe and learn how to use the road as a pedestrian cautiously and responsibly.

I wish you all a happy and safe fortnight ahead.

Kind Regards
Mr. Tony Jeff
Principal

**Oral Reading**

Congratulations to all the finalists in the Oral Reading.
- Kinder: Nalini B, Oliver B & Hayley H. The winner was Hayley H.
- Year 1: Andre M, Lochlon L & Madison F. The winner was Madison F.
- Year 2: Nicholas C, Liam N & Zanya F. The winner was Zanya F.

**Public Speaking**

Congratulations to all the finalists in Public Speaking.
- Year 3: Damian W, Declan O & Brianna M. The winner was Brianna M.
- Year 4: Rosie B, Damon P, Emily B & Caitlyn S. The winner was Caitlyn S.
- Year 5: Corey M, Chelsea M & William B. The winner was William B.
- Year 6: Aliccia K-R, Evie B & Emily M. The winner was Emily M.
School Lunches
School lunches are available to order online. Please go to www.myschoollunchbox.com.au and follow instructions on how to order.

Cake Day
Thank you to Kindy for all the yummy cakes for our cake day, approx. $110.00 was raised for resources for our school.

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 Photos
School photos will be taken on Tuesday 13th October. To keep with our uniform cycle we would like students to wear their summer uniform and black shoes. Envelopes will be sent home today. Every child needs to return their own envelope, even if payment is enclosed in a sibling’s envelope. Please return envelopes to the office prior to the photo day. If you require a family photo envelope, they are available from the office.
School Banking Competition

Outer Space Savers
The Commonwealth Bank is holding a competition in Term 3, to enter you must bank three times in Term 3. You then will be placed in the draw for some great prizes which include:

* IPad minis Wi-Fi 16GB
* Beats by Dr.Dre Solo Headphones
* $30 Booktopia Gift Certificates

Students can also complete a Money mission at commbank.com.au/prizeportal to double their chance of winning. Please note, students can complete the money mission at any time, but are required to make three deposits by the end of Term 3 to double their chance of winning.

TUESDAY is School Banking day.
Congratulations

Amy A represented Castlereagh Public School at the Arndell College Interschools Equestrian Competition on the weekend with her stock horse Penny. She won 2 x 1st places, 3rd place and a 4th place. Amy and Penny also won reserve champion which is a huge achievement. Congratulations Amy!!!!

Colouring in Competition

Congratulations to the winners of the colouring in competition:

- Kinder: Aydan L
- Year 1: Matthew E
- Year 2: Chloe C
- Year 3: Jaela F
- Year 4: April A
- Year 5: Emily S
- Year 6: Axyl G

It’s a girl!!

Congratulations to the Ariti family (Brock Kinder) on the safe arrival of a baby girl Deanna.
**P&C Meeting**
The next P&C meeting will be held on **Thursday 8th October** 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**
Well done to all of the students who participated in the P&C Walkathon on Tuesday, 11th August. Congratulations to Savana L- Kinder, Madison F- Year 1, Andrew S- Year 2, April A –Year 3/4 and Maddie H - Year 4/5/6 for raising the most money in their class. Congratulations to Savana L from Kindy for raising the most out of the whole school. Well done to everyone who participated and raised money. Please return your sponsorship money into the office ASAP.

**P&C Disco**
The P&C Disco will be held on Friday, 11th November. More information will be sent home soon.

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**SAS Recognition Week**
This week we recognise the outstanding service that the SAS staff provide within our school that your children attend. On behalf of the entire school and community I would like to thanks Mrs. Lamey who works tirelessly in the office to support both the children and teachers within the school. Mrs. Tchadovitch for her commitment to us in the office on Tuesday and Wednesdays of each week, Mrs. Sawyer who provides invaluable support in the classrooms assisting with small groups and programs and Ms. Groat for the magnificent job she does looking after our school grounds. Thank you ladies for the passion you have for Castlereagh Public School and commitment to all the students, teachers and parents who rely upon you!

*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.*
SIZZLING SEVENS
SYDNEY - BLACKTOWN
22nd September U7 - U12
9am - 3pm - $69 (inc Sportspack)
To register visit nswrugby.com.au
Road safety around your child’s school
Your child’s safety depends on you

**Drop off and pick up by car**
Make sure your children are in an appropriate child car seat that is fitted and used correctly.
Stick to the 40km/h speed limit in a school zone as children are about.
Look for buses pulling out – watch for flashing wig wag lights.
Always park and turn legally around schools.
Avoid dangerous manoeuvres such as U-turns and three-point turns.
Always give way to pedestrians particularly when entering and leaving driveways.
Drop your children off and pick them up on the school side of the road in your school’s designated drop off and pick up area. Calling out to them from across the road is dangerous – they may run to you without checking for traffic.
It’s safest for children to get out of the car on the kerb side of the road to be away from passing traffic.

**Walking together to and from school**
Plan your trip to school so you use pedestrian crossings where possible.
Always hold your child’s hand. Children need your help to spot dangers such as vehicles coming out of driveways. They can also be easily distracted and wander into traffic.
Drop off and pick up your child near the school gate and avoid calling them from across the road.
Talk with your children about Stop, Look, Listen and Think every time they cross the road.
STOP! one step back from the kerb.
LOOK! for traffic to your right, left and right again.
LISTEN! for the sounds of approaching traffic.
THINK! whether it is safe to cross.
Young children can learn these safe pedestrian habits from you and continue them later on when they are old enough to travel alone.
Teeball - Little League - Baseball
SUMMER SEASON
with the
HAWKESBURY HAWKS
BASEBALL CLUB

TEEBALL – LITTLE LEAGUE - BASEBALL
HAWKESBURY BASEBALL CLUB
REGISTRATIONS AT BENSONS LANE
RICHMOND (second fields)
Sunday 9th August – 2.00pm to 4.00pm

SUMMER SEASON COMMENCES
12th SEPTEMBER 2015

Teeball/Modball U8 $30 - U9 $40 - U10 $60
Liveball – U11 to U17 $110

For more information please contact
Rod 0414 733 859
Email: rod.tuckwell@hotmail.com
Please join us for RICHMOND HIGH SCHOOL’S 60th Birthday Celebrations to be held on Saturday, 5th September, 2015 at RICHMOND HIGH SCHOOL Lennox Street, Richmond Ph: 45 78 1177 9.00am-4.00pm 60th Birthday Markets Historical Displays including Opening of the Time Capsule Entertainment by RHS Creative & Performing Arts Faculty Music Groups Variety of Stalls 60th Birthday Cake Food & Beverages available to purchase all day

RHS - Celebrating 60 years
ASTRONOMY NIGHTS
Saturday, 5 September – 7.00pm – 9.00pm

Black Holes
Black Holes are the greediest consumers of the universe! They have such a large gravitational pull that if you get too close, nothing can escape them - not even light! We look at what exactly they are, where they come from, how to see them, and what mysterious effects they cause.

Saturday, 19 September – 7.00pm – 9.00 pm

Special Event: Professor Fred Watson
Light Flight – from Camera Obscura to Quantum Photonics
Professor Fred Watson, well known for his astronomy spots on ABC radio will be giving this special presentation.
The evenings will also include a 3D astronomy movie, a tour of the dome area and an opportunity to view the night sky through the observatory’s telescopes.

Cost: $18 adult, $12 child/concession and $50 family
Bookings are essential: Book and pay online: westernsydney.edu.au/observatory, What’s On
Contact: Tel: (02)4736 0135 Email: penrithobservatory@westernsydney.edu.au

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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.

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**Absentee 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:  
.................................................................

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.