Dear Parents and Carers

The Carlton Public School Pedlar’s Parade has a very long tradition. It is a fun, social event focusing on our younger students in K - 2. Parents are asked to decorate a small tray and fill it with cakes, toys, and toffees etc which are sold after the children parade in a circle showing off their colourful trays. This is a day for parents and friends of the whole school to come along and join in the fun. All children K - 6 will have an opportunity to purchase lots of items and treasures from the Pedlars Parade trays, on Thursday 28 March, after the parade. The parade will start at 11.45am. The P&C Easter Raffle prizes will be drawn as part of the parade as well.

When family and community events such as the Pedlars Parade are held at school, some parents request to take their children home earlier than the final bell at 3.00pm. Last year this caused an administrative nightmare for our office staff as they struggled to issue Early Leavers Cards. So, to assist them and you, the following process will be in place on Thursday:

- A table will be set up near the main entry under the overhead walkway. Any parent wishing to take their child/children home early will need to collect and complete a red Early Leavers Card and then take it to your child’s teacher/s.
- You cannot take responsibility for any other children unless you have written permission from that family, that is viewed by the teacher and an Early Leaver Card is collected by that child's teacher.
- This is not a practice I'm encouraging and normal pick up arrangements will apply to the vast majority of children.
- Your cooperation with these arrangements will ensure that we conduct this special event in an enjoyable, orderly and safe manner.

In recent years, Parent Teacher Interviews have been held at the end of Term One. In 2013 they will be held at the end of Term 2 following the issuing of the Semester 1 Student Report. Interviews are an integral part of the assessment and reporting process at school. While the formal interviews are planned for mid-year, a personal or phone interview with a teacher can be arranged at any time to discuss and address any concerns that you or they may have as you work together to meet your child’s needs. Phone the school on 95873717 to make such a request. So often, small issues that are dealt with quickly prevent larger concerns from occurring.
The end of **Term One vacation dates and arrangements** vary with the early occurrence of Easter in 2013. The Easter break will be a four day long weekend including Good Friday 29 March and Easter Monday 1 April.

All children are expected back at school on Tuesday 2 April. The last school day for Term 1 is Friday 12 April. A **Whole School (K-6) Assembly** will be held at 11.30am on this day and will include our annual, school **ANZAC Service**. Parents are invited to be part of this important service and assembly.

The staff will return to school for Term 2 on Monday 29 April. This day and the following one, Tuesday 30 April are designated as **School Development Days** to be used for staff training as part of the introduction of the new NSW English Syllabus for the Australian Curriculum.

The first day of Term 2 for all students will be **Wednesday 1 May**

**Congratulations!**

- To those children nominated to audition as part of the **Create East** exhibition. Five students were selected to participate - four in Dance and one in Art. Well Done!!

- And a big thanks to all families who contributed to the **clothing collection for Stewart House**!

- And another big thanks to all families who have donated so generously to the **P&C Easter Raffle** prize collection. You have guaranteed another successful fundraising event with great prizes on offer. Please return your raffle tickets early next week. Good luck in the draw!

**Important Reminders**

- The **National Young Leaders Day** excursion to the Entertainment Centre is on next Monday 25 March. It's a 7.30am departure!

- The Stage 2 **Royal Easter Show** excursion is on next Monday 25 March. It's also an early start, leaving at 8.15am.

- The Year 5 excursion to the **Imax Theatre and Sydney Observatory** is on next Monday 25 March leaving at 9.00am.

- The Stage 1, 2 & 3 **Soccer Gala Days** are on next week at Endeavour Sports HS. Stage 1 & 2 on Tuesday and Stage 3 on Wednesday. Lots of fun, physical action will be had by all involved!

- **Thursday 28 March is Pedlars’ Parade Day** including the Easter Raffle Draw. See you here from 11.45am.

- **When the bell rings each morning** it is very important for all students to move quickly to their assembly areas to join their class to be ready to hear the daily announcements and then move quickly to classrooms. To develop the independence of children, parents should tell their children to go to lines, carrying their bag themselves. If parents stay to hear the daily announcements please do so to the back or sides of the assembly areas and then leave the grounds quickly so all lessons and school activities can get underway quickly through the teachers’ direction. Please do not follow your child to the classroom or to other venues, let the teachers manage them to get the day off to a successful start.

- **After School supervision** - If your child walks home please instruct them to travel directly home after the bell at 3pm and not stay around to play in the playground or adjacent park. A number of incidents have occurred after school and between home and school. Please note teachers are not required to supervise students outside of the school hours or grounds.
- **Road safety** - It's important to remind children, especially younger ones, of the need to be vigilant when out and about. Talk to your child about road safety and model good behaviour yourself. For lots of good safety reminders, Kidsafe NSW has an informative website with a number of free brochures and fact sheets on maintaining a safe environment for your child and teaching them about staying safe. They are also available in several community languages. [www.kidsafensw.org](http://www.kidsafensw.org).

- **Easter Dates:** Friday 29 March – Monday 1 April - students return Tuesday 2 April
- **End of Term 1:** last day Friday 12 April
- **Students return for Term 2:** Wednesday 1 May

**Regards**  
Steve Cooper  
Principal

**P&C News**

**Easter Guessing Competition**

Thank you to parents and caregivers for continuing to send in donations of baskets and eggs. We should have lots of prizes this year.

Tickets and money will need to be returned to the letterbox in the office by Monday, 25 March and the guessing competition will be drawn at the Pedlars Parade at school on Thursday, 28 March. Please remember to fill in the contact details (full name and phone number) on each ticket stub, for each person who buys a ticket. If the person buying the ticket attends Carlton PS please write their class on the ticket stub. If you are sending in a cheque as payment please make the cheque out to ‘Carlton PS P&C Association’. If you would like additional books of tickets they are available from the office.

**Mothers Matter Breakfast**

Planning for the Mothers Matter Breakfast is underway. If there was something you really liked at the Fathers Matter breakfast last year, and would like to have again, please let us know. If you have a great idea for some new activity for the Mothers Matter breakfast, please let us know. If you’d like to be more involved in the planning process, please let us know. It would be great if the gentlemen of Carlton would make themselves available to volunteer to ‘man’ the various activities. We will be calling for volunteers soon. As always parents are encouraged to make contact with the P&C through our email address carltonpandc@gmail.com

**School Banking**

**Rewards**

Please remind children to claim rewards as soon as they have ten silver tokens. At the moment children can still claim some rewards from last year's reward program including the pen pod, USB, booklight, lunch box and drink bottle. These will be available until the end of Term 1. **Watches are no longer available.**

Rewards can also be claimed from the new redemption card – please take note of which items are available in Term 1. At the moment we are still waiting for our delivery of wallets. These items should arrive and be distributed during the next week.

**Classroom Achievement Award**

Congratulations to 2/3M who have received the Classroom Achievement Award. They have won the award nearly every week this term.
CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR ASSEMBLY AWARD RECIPIENTS

KM- Adam T; Malaika P
   KJ- Afsheen M; Aidan Y
   KH- Dean P; Ava F
   KS- Jawaad H; Leanne W
   1S- Kristiana S; Orin KN; Michael L; Nika P
   1C- Anthony A; Stephanie R; Rayna B; Michael C
   1D- Montana D; Nikola V; Mohammed-Alie E; Natalia P
   1M- Erik H; Hiro N; Deemah E; Eloise T
   2K- Yuri D; Te Koha W; Bindiya C; You W
   2P- Linda S; David D; Nicholas H; Antara B
   2D- Stefan J; Alek B; Fatima R; Rashid A
   3B- Junya W; Ibrahim T
   3T- Alexander M; Jordy H
   4C- Kristina N; Joshua L
   5/6F- Wendy Z
   6S- Angelika O; Dylan G

CROSS COUNTRY CARNIVAL YEARS 3-6

On Monday 6 May 2013, the school will be holding the Cross Country Carnival at Scarborough Park, Kogarah. Due to the carnival being held early in Term 2, notes will be going out soon. We require payment prior to the end of Term 1. Permission notes need to be signed by parents with any medical details listed and returned to the office collection money box. Children will be expected to wear school sports uniform, a school hat and sunscreen. All children should bring their recess, lunch and a bottle of water. The canteen will be available to provide snack food and drinks only for a limited time.

All parents are invited to attend but must make their own way to the park. If you wish to take your child home early, please ensure you inform the student’s roll teacher prior to leaving.

Please note:

AGE RACES are raced in the age your child is turning in 2013. Also, at the zone carnival, the 8 and 9 year age groups are run as one event and at our school carnival we time these runners to select the fastest to compete at zone.

HOUSE COLOURS FOR 2013 -

BLUE: A, B, C, D, E
RED: L, M, N, O, P, Q

If there are any questions please see Mrs Hanley.

BOOK CLUB ORDERS

Book Club orders are due to the office by 27 March, 2013.

PEDLARS’ PARADE

Next Thursday all students in Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2 will be participating in Carlton Public School’s Annual Pedlars Parade. The parade will begin at 11.45am and all family and friends are invited to watch the festivities. On the day, the children need to bring items to sell on a tray which will be paraded for all the K-2 students to see. Trays can be placed in your child's classroom before school on Thursday.
Items which are suitable to sell are pencils and erasers, clean old toys such as McDonalds toys, stickers or stamps and cooked items. Cooked items should be nut free and have a label on the box stating ingredients. If you are unsure how to make your tray, please see your class teacher. **We need parent support to assist with selling on the day.** If you can spare a few hours to help with selling, please see your class teacher or tell the office.

Remember to send your child with a few dollars to buy goodies from other trays. If your child has a food allergy, please try to assist them by being at school to help with their purchases. Students in Years 3-6 will have an opportunity to buy from the trays during lunch.

If you have any queries, please speak to Miss Morrison. We look forward to seeing you there.

**Maori Language Class News**

“Nā tō rourou, nā taku rourou ka ora ai te iwi.”

“With your food basket and my food basket the people will thrive.”

Tenako koutou katoa, hello to yous’ all,
During Term One 2013, the Year Two Maori class were invited to The Little Cottage Preschool to celebrate Waitangi Day. This commemorates a significant day in the history of New Zealand held each year on the 6 February to remember the signing of the Treaty of Waitangi.

The children from the Preschool greeted us with a Maori welcome song which was absolutely fabulous. In return the students from Carlton Public did some shared reading activities from various Maori story books and entertain with a few Maori action songs to complete the day.

Thank you to the staff and students of The Little Cottage Preschool for the wonderful day.

These photos are of the Year Three students participating in a shared reading activity in class.
CARSS PARK FOOTBALL CLUB (soccer)
We urgently require 1-2 more players in the following age groups to finalise teams and make more comfortable numbers wise.
Under 10s, 11s, (boys/girls, new or returning) & 12s/15s (boys only), Girls turning 14-16.
Please contact Mick Holzer on 0433 959 661 or email info@carssparkfootballclub.com.au as soon as possible.

Parent Helpers Required
Being Excited About Reading (B.E.A.R) Tutor Program

Dear Parents,

After our 100% success last year, we are again seeking your assistance with the exciting reading program – B.E.A.R!!

Description: This 10 week program is aimed at accelerating the reading skills of Year 1 students who do not have access to Reading Recovery or other learning support. The school provides all training and materials to support this wonderful program.

This project involves:

- a two hour parent training session to equip you to assist students with their reading skills
- you committing to a minimum of three half hour sessions a week helping Year 1 students develop their reading skills

If you are interested in becoming a B.E.A.R tutor please return the slip below to Mrs Mateski by Friday 22 March.

Please contact Mrs Mateski, Mrs Cantor or Ms Beacham for further information on 9587 3717.

Successful and Tasty, Procedure Writing in 4J

Strawberries and Mint

Ingredients
Strawberries
Fresh mint leaves
Lemon zest
Lemon juice
Sugar

Method
1. Wash your hands
2. Chop the mint into small pieces
3. Cut the hulls off the strawberries
4. Cut them into quarters
5. Put sugar, lemon zest and lemon juice into the mix
6. Mix them all together
7. Eat it all up!
By Anna and Deena 4J
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- Mint leaves
- Lemon juice and zest
- Sugar

Method
1. Wash your hands
2. Chop up the mint into small pieces
3. Cut the hull off the strawberries
4. Cut the strawberries into quarters
5. Sprinkle half a teaspoon of sugar over the strawberries
6. Add one teaspoon of lemon juice and a little lemon zest
7. Mix it together

By Christian J and Anthony GJ

Art For kids coming to Carlton!!

"Kids On Canvas" is an after school art program developed by artists, which promotes individual creative growth and expression through the joy of art. Children discover their own creative potential through the development of their artistic and technical skills in a fun, learning environment.

We use a step by step method which encourages original thinking, creative problem solving, self-confidence and individual growth both personally and academically.

We teach them to draw and paint like professionals and get results! Our class sizes ensure kids receive individual attention and parents tell us that their child’s school work and concentration have also improved!

We have arranged for "Kids On Canvas" classes to be held here at Carlton PS on Mondays and Tuesdays from 3:15pm starting next term. If you're interested in your child developing their artistic potential, call or email

Mobile: 0414 416 023
sandy@kidsoncanvas.com.au  www.kidsoncanvas.com.au

Creating tomorrow's Artists today!
Book early to save disappointment!
## Term 1 Calendar 2013

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School Banking 9:00am |
| Wed 20 | School Photos – Day 2  
Last day for Stewart House Bags |
| Thur 21 | Harmony Day |
| Fri 22 | No PSSA |

### Term 1 - Week 9

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| Mon 25 | Year 5 IMAX /Sydney Observatory Excursion  
Young Leaders Day Excursion  
K – 2 Assembly 2.00pm  
Stage 2 Excursion |
| Tue 26 | School Banking 9:00am  
Stage 1 & 2 Soccer Gala Day |
| Wed 27 | Stage 3 Soccer Gala Day |
| Thur 28 | Pedlars Parade |
| Fri 29 | Good Friday – Public Holiday |

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| Fri 12 | 11.30am Whole School Assembly  
Last Day of Term 1 |

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*Term 2 commences for all students on **Wednesday 1 May 2013**

*Term 2 commences for all staff on **Monday 29 April and Tuesday 30 April 2013**

These are School Development Days*