Dear Parents & Carers,

Since the last newsletter we've had two school events that showed off all the things that make Carlton PS a great school. The Fathers Matter Breakfast and the Night of the Stars Talent Show were again really successful, fun events that added something special to the life of the school. They both featured these things:

1. Good ideas that allow everyone in the school community to feel part of the school and join in events that are fun and demonstrate our school values particularly those about having the best teaching & learning, student wellbeing, respect, respectful relationships and community participation.

2. Talented and interested students who were prepared to make the most of their opportunities.

3. Dedicated, knowledgeable and friendly staff willing to give their time and effort to provide the opportunities for students and their families.

4. Supportive, caring and generous parents and family members willing to support and contribute to school events as a way of connecting positively with their children and the school.

Thank you so much for being part of these events! Enjoy the pictures in this newsletter and on our website at www.carlton-p.schools.nsw.edu.au

I must make a special mention of the two organising teams who made it possible for the events to successfully occur. The P&C team, led by Marrianne Skinner and Lauren Castan had many volunteer supporters for the Fathers' Day BBQ and the Night of the Stars team, led by Miss Flowers and Mrs O'Grady had very practical help from Miss Morrison and Miss Martin. Thanks to all of you!

A Special Appeal from our SRC

Tacdugan Elementary School is located on the remote island of Ticao in the Philippines. The school's enrolment is about 380 students, it is 1.5 km from the village, has no running water supply or electricity and is located beside a mangrove swamp. Our school community has been asked to help supply some books to help the students there. They are particularly interested in books
that might help their science learning but any books for primary aged children will be very helpful to them. Between now and the end of our school term the Carlton Student Representative Council (SRC) will be managing the book collection. If you have children's books that are in good condition that you are willing to donate to Tacdugan Elementary School, please leave them in the collection tubs that will be located in the breezeway near the office before the end of term. Thanks for your anticipated support!

**Important Reminders**

- The Year 2-6 Swimming School to be held in the first two weeks of Term 4 is filling up fast. You will need to be very quick to make sure of a spot by returning the note and payment. Any enquires can be directed to the office or to Mrs Palmer.
- Due to the Stage 1 and Stage 2 Camps occurring in the last week of this term, we will not be having an End of Term K-6 Assembly. The last K-Y2 Assembly will be held next Monday, 9 September at 2.00 pm and the last Y3-6 Assembly will be held at 11.30 am on Friday, 13 September. The final Silver Awards for the term will be presented at these assemblies. Check the list below for the names of children who will receive these awards.
- All camp arrangements must be finalised by Wednesday of next week.

**Congratulations:**

- To the Carlton Public School Chess Team (Anthony H 4/5SP, Edwin S 4/5SP, Daniel P 5/6F, Garret L 5/6F and Gordon Y 5/6F) who were successful in the semi-final of the Interschool Chess Challenge. See the report below.
- And thank you to all students, staff and family members who contributed to the success of the Fathers Matter Breakfast and the Night of the Stars.

Regards,

Steve Cooper
Principal

**P&C News**

**P&C Meeting**

Our next P&C meeting will be held next Tuesday, 10 September at 7.30pm. Please mark the date in your diary! Come along and find out about further development on the Google App for parents.

**Gonski and the Federal Election**

A couple of facts to consider before voting on Saturday:

- Carlton PS is situated in the Federal seat of Barton.
- Schools in the seat of Barton will lose more than two thirds of the Gonski funding if a Liberal government wins the federal election.
- In simple terms, instead of receiving $38.7 million under a Rudd Government, schools in our electorate of Barton will receive $11.6 million under an Abbott Government.

Just something to think about!

**Family Portraits - Sunday, 20 October 2013**

Next week the flyers for this annual event will be sent out to each family for our family portrait day. Having a portrait taken on this day is a very cheap way to offer a special memory for your family. For $15 you will receive either a 10 x 13" family portrait OR an A3 pencil sketch PLUS a key-ring and a wallet sized portrait.

Bookings can be made from 9am until 6pm. If you are interested in booking a time, please text or phone Marrianne Skinner on 0414 354990 your preferred booking times eg. ‘between 10am and 11am’ or ‘anytime after 2pm’. That way there is some flexibility if families have sporting fixtures, family events or work commitments that cannot be changed.

No bookings will be confirmed until $15 payment has been received. Please send $15 in an envelope marked with your child’s name and class and also your name and contact number. If you have not sent a text or phoned
Marianne personally please write your preferred booking time on the front of the envelope. Please tell your friends and family about it.

**Fathers Matter Breakfast**
It was wonderful to see so many families enjoying the Fathers Matter breakfast and activities last Friday morning. The P&C would like to thank everyone who helped on the day - parents, staff and some students who helped set up. We especially thank the dads who helped set up, cook and serve food even though they were the ‘guests of honour’ at the breakfast.
We also thank everyone for their patience in waiting for food and for tickets to become available. It is always difficult to judge how many additional people need to be catered for so we really appreciate that most people pre-ordered food.
Don’t forget you can send us an email at carltonpandc@gmail.com with your feedback and comments.

**Festival of Instrumental Music**
It was a privilege to see our recorder group perform at the Sydney Opera House last week, led by Mrs Tilse and Mrs King. This wonderful festival showcases the talent of students and teachers across public schools in NSW. The audience was rewarded with an outstanding performance from our recorder group after many hours of practice and dedication by the group and their teachers.

**School Banking**

**Classroom Achievement Award - triple winners**
Congratulations to 2/3M who are the winners of the Classroom Achievement award for this week.

**Gold Awards**
Parents are most welcome to attend the assembly to see their child receive this very special award. Gold awards are presented to children when they have received 10 Bronze Awards = 100 tokens. A fantastic effort!

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<th>Hanson H (5T)</th>
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**Silver Awards**
Parents are most welcome to attend the assembly to see their child receive this very special award. Silver awards are presented to children when they have received 5 Bronze Awards = 50 tokens. A fantastic effort!

**K-2**
Congratulations to the following students who will receive their silver awards at the K-2 assembly on Monday, 9 September, 2013 at 2.00pm.

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<td>Chloe L (1S)</td>
<td>Irfan M (1S)</td>
<td>Mariam M (2A)</td>
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<td>Zac K (2D)</td>
<td>Linda S (2P)</td>
<td>Caitlyn S (2P)</td>
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**Y3-6**
Congratulations to the following students who will receive their silver awards at the Y3-6 assembly on Friday, 13 September, 2013 at 11.30am.

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<td>Vincent W (3AK)</td>
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<td>Thamina H (4C)</td>
<td>Leilah I (4C)</td>
<td>Zainab M (4C)</td>
<td>Cleti N (4C)</td>
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Congratulations to the class assembly award recipients:

KM - Malaika P; Matariki N  
KH - Kareem S; Ava F  
1S - Rana T; Ricky G  
1T - Daniel A; Briana P  
2P - Tiana T; Abbas K  
4/5SP - Jade H;  
5T- Fatima T; Alicia P  
6KM - Adam G; Harmoni H  

Benjamin W (4C)  
Zak Y (4C)  
Ryan L (4G)  
Brian C (4/5SP)  
Christopher G (6S)  

Rayaan W (4C)  
Nora E (4G)  
Monica P (4G)  
Ronald F (4/5SP)  

Christian W (4C)  
Dimitri H (4G)  
Samma A (4J)  
Ann Y (5T)  

The Interschool Chess Challenge (Semi-Final)

The Carlton Public School Chess Team (Anthony H 4/5SP, Edwin S 4/5SP, Daniel P 5/6F, Garret L 5/6F and Gordon Y 5/6F) travelled to Blaxcell St Public School in South Granville. The arbiter, Bevan, was responsible for the draw and prize giving, assisted by parents, teachers and the Blaxcell St Principal. We played 7 rounds in total. Our winning game scores were:

Gordon: 7/7  Garret: 5/7  Edwin: 4.5/7  Daniel: 3.5/7  Anthony: 3/7

Everyone in this tournament did really well so we waited for the prize giving to see who won the prizes.

Garrett's 5/7 score was enough for equal 3rd place, but sadly his tiebreak was low so he had to take 8th place overall and he won a medal. Gordon's perfect score secured him an easy 1st place, an outstanding result.

CPS's total score was also an exceptional score. It was determined by the scores of the top four people in our school. In total we scored 20/28, which was the exact same score as Summer Hill Public School, who were last year's champion! But all we have to do is add the top 3 people's scores, which meant we took first place and we all got a gold medal each.

All our boys did very well and we look forward to the final soon.

By Garret & Gordon 5/6F

Games Based Learning Competition Showcase

On Thursday, 29 August the 4/5SP Games Based Learning Showcase group, consisting of Ethan M, Ohm B, Christine C, Sam C, Jade H and Igor M, went to Hurstville Public School to compete in the Showcase competition, run by Sydney Region. Beginning in Term 2, 4/5SP created our own computer games using a
program called Kodu, and this epic game, created by Ethan and Ohm, was selected to compete in the multi-school competition. Our group also worked really hard to create promotional materials to accompany the game.

The day began with a presentation by Rhonda from Sydney Region who introduced all judges and schools. There were 11 schools, and they all made excellent presentations about their games. Our group was second, and we spoke about the back story and goal of our game, how we created it, the interesting features and how to play. We also introduced our promotional material – a Smore and Glogster.

After the presentations we got to explore the other schools’ promotional materials and vote for the ones we liked the best. There were things such as movie trailers, screen shots, speeches, photos and drawings. Our favourite was Hurstville Public School’s movie trailer. After we voted for the promotional material we went to the computer lab to play the games as all schools presented one game. All the games were exceptionally good, with a variety of challenges and everyone had an equal chance of winning the final prize. We also had to vote for our favourite games.

At the end of the voting time, Rhonda announced the winning schools. Sadly, we did not win, but all schools that attended were presented with a certificate. We had a really fun day! We worked as a team to create our game and promotional material, and learned a lot from the experience.

Thanks a lot to Miss Piper for guiding us through the whole experience and to Mr Cooper for taking us.

By Ethan, Ohm, Christine, Sam, Jade and Igor 4/5SP

Book Club
A reminder to everyone that Issue 6 book orders need to be back in the school office by Monday 9 September.
Fathers Matter Breakfast

A huge thanks to our wonderful parent, teacher and student volunteers who did a fantastic job at the Fathers Matter Breakfast some of whom are pictured below.
Night of the Stars
The Horrible end to a Beautiful Centipede

One, two, three, four, five. Steady there girl, you're nearly there... Oomph! I think. My many legs collapse as a thunderous, ground shaking noise disturbs me.

"Why now? I was just about to get the juiciest leaf ever!" I say in my squeaky, high pitched voice." have you no manners?"

There is a strange thing coming towards me. It is a looming figure with four fleshy legs and it certainly isn't pretty. My many polished legs, long shiny body and stretched antennae would give me a big juicy leaf medal for it, and is that...No! He doesn't have an exo-skeleton!

"Excuse me Mister, but where is your-?" The boy holds out his hand, possibly to hear me better. I climb up his arm to talk to him but he puts me back onto his separated hand.

"How are you going to hear me like this Mister? Nevertheless, where is your exo-skeleton? You are quite incapable without one." I squeak as a matter-of-factly.

An insane grin crosses the boy's face. My antenna starts to quiver. It's not right. The boy has plans to kill me!

My species have been cursed!

I try to run back and go as fast as my legs can carry me but he is too fast.

CLAP! My beautiful tail gets clamped on by this horrible creature.

"OWWW!" I squeak. The boy's hand curves around me. It gets closer and I fell like my heart is going to pop out of my body. It happened to my mum, dad, cousin, sister, brother, husband, aunt, uncle, grannie, granddad and now me!

"Goodbye juicy leaf, I will miss you." And those are my last words as my brain, legs, and glossy exo-skeleton get crushed by this vile beast.

My entrails remain on his hand. My hopes are to scar him for life, but he just brushes me on to the tree where I was born.

By Natalie L 5/6 F
### Term 3 Calendar

**Week 8 2 September – 6 September**

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| Tues 3 | Dance to Be fit Stage 3  
Early Stage 1 Excursion  
Night of the Stars in school hall  
School Banking 9:00am  
‘How to Bully-Proof Children’ Parent seminar 9:15am |
| Wed 4 | |
| Thurs 5 | |
| Fri 6 | Stage 3 Assembly 11.30am |

**Week 9 9 September – 13 September**

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| Mon 9 | Dance to be fit Early Stage 1  
K-2 Assembly 2pm  
Year 1 Excursion |
| Tues 10 | Dance to be fit Stage 3  
School banking 9:00am  
Year 2 Excursion |
| Wed 11 | Maths Olympiad 5 |
| Thurs 12 | |
| Fri 13 | 3-6 Assembly 11:30am |

**Week 10 16 September – 20 September**

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| Tues 17 | Dance to be fit Stage 3  
School Banking 9:00am |
| Wed 18 | Stages 2 & 3 Camp students leave |
| Thurs 19 | |
| Fri 20 | Stages 2 & 3 Camp students return  
LAST DAY FOR TERM 3  
Stage 2 Non Camp students excursion |

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Please note the change of date  
For this game has changed.

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