Dear Parents and Carers

The Merit System

Earlier in the year Mr Granger sent out a series of surveys to staff, students and parents regarding the Merit System. Overwhelmingly, the feedback supported the current system to stay in place but with some modifications. In 2016 the token system will remain but the Merit Awards given out weekly will reflect one of the three school rules introduced as part of the new Department of Education Wellbeing Framework.

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A strong message from the surveys was a need to improve the consistency of distribution of tokens across the K-6 school. In 2016, each staff member will keep an updated Token Chart on the school intranet. This will allow the executive staff and myself to monitor the distribution of tokens to ensure consistency.

School Banking

We have been very fortunate to have had Mrs Skinner our P&C President take on the role of School Banking Coordinator. Additionally, a number of parents have volunteered their time to assist with school banking on Tuesday mornings. The volunteers operate on a rotational basis based on their availability. Mrs Skinner will no longer be with us next year as her daughter Clare, is moving onto high school. For this tremendous program to continue, it is imperative that a parent volunteers to take over Mrs Skinner’s role as coordinator. It is important to note that many of the senior responsibilities can be shared across a number of interested parents so that no one is given a heavy time consuming workload. Please contact Mrs Skinner on 0414 974414 if you are able to assist with this important initiative.

School Banking Redemption Morning

When: Tuesday, 8th December from 8.30am – 9am
Where: At the bottom of the Kinder stairs near Block B
Why: There are so many students who are eligible to claim rewards and haven’t claimed yet. This is your last chance in 2015. So come along:
- if you have lost your tokens
- if you have lost your redemption sheet
- if you just want to check whether you can claim a reward
- if you want to check how many tokens you have.

This is the last school banking day for the year – your last chance to claim a reward!

Thank you for your ongoing support of the school banking program.
Congratulations

- Gianna R (3/4M) and Nika P (3/4M) who have been chosen as finalists for the Christmas Card Competition for our local council.

Important Reminders:

- Presentation Day 3-6, Wednesday 9 December at 9:15am in the hall. K-2 presentation Day 11:45am Wednesday 9 December.
- 3-6 Sport Presentation Assembly 9:00am Friday 11 December in the hall.

Regards
Stephen Vrachas
Principal

P&C News

School Banking

The school banking coordinators rostered on for Tuesday, 8th December are Bilijana C, Angela Z, Juliet Z and Marrianne S.

School banking will finish on December 8 this year. There will be no school banking in the last week of school but rewards ordered on December 8 will be distributed before the holidays.

WANTED – Coordinator of Carlton PS School Banking

Some of you may know that this will be Marrianne Skinner’s last year as a volunteer at Carlton PS as the primary school journey ends and the high school one begins. So a new overall coordinator of school banking is needed to ensure that School Banking is still offered to the students of Carlton PS. Without a coordinator to organise rosters and liaise with our School Banking Specialist and our volunteer coordinators, the program is in danger of discontinuing.

The Commonwealth Bank provides comprehensive support including a dedicated specialist, Milanka Plavsic, who is available for school visits, to help by phone or email to assist in training or any issues that arise. The School Banking Helpdesk is also a wonderful form of support and is just a phone call away to answer any questions that any coordinator may have. While Marrianne oversees the overall program, there is also a team of experienced and dedicated School Banking Coordinators, who volunteer to process deposits and rewards each week on a roster basis. They are a wonderful group of parents and are the backbone of this program. Marrianne would also be available to support a new person in the role.

If you are interested in taking on the role please leave your name and contact details in the office and Marrianne will contact you. Alternatively you can see Marianne at the Reward Redemption Morning next Tuesday or she will also be at Presentation Day on Wednesday. Contact can also be made through the P&C email at carltonpandc@gmail.com with ‘School Banking’ in the subject line.

Reward Redemption Morning – Tuesday, 8th December 8.30am – 9am

There will be a final chance for 2015 to claim your rewards. Of course this can still be done as part of banking on Tuesday but if your child has lost their tokens, can’t remember how many tokens they have or have lost the redemption slip come along on Tuesday and claim. Marianne Skinner (one of the school banking coordinators) will be on hand to help you with your claim. You will find the reward redemption desk near the Kindergarten stairs near B block.

Rewards

There is only one more week of school banking this year. Please make sure your child claims their rewards so they don’t miss out, especially if they are in Year 6.

The only rewards available are:

- ET DVD
- Galaxy Glider
- Intergalactic Rocket
- Outer Space Savers Money Box
• Dollarmites Money Box – 2014 Item

A list of available rewards is also posted on the noticeboard near the office.

**Class Achievement Award**

Congratulations to KT for winning the award again this week. What a great effort KT!

**Not So Random Draw is on next week – be in it to win it!**

There is one more draw this year - the December draw. Make sure you bank next week to be in the running for the Not So Random draw.

**GOLD AWARDS**

**Y3-6 Assembly – Monday 14 December, 2015 (Week 11)** at 11.30am in the school hall. This assembly is to present the Gold Awards to the students who did not receive them at Week 9 assembly.

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**Class Awards**

KM- Johnny H; Hosain K

KT- Batoul F; Izaak M

1C- Ananya N; Bader T

1K- Khyra C; Edbert L

2G- Kareem S; Leanne W

2A- Larah VDK; Angelo L

3J- Kai Li C; Zainab A

3P- Micheal C; Dominic F

4A- Jake R; Natalie W

5S- Benjamin P; Makayla P

5W- Anton L; Elvan M

6KM- Perry C; Sara EH

**Stage 2 Design and Make Tasks**

Stage 2 students have been given the task of planning and designing a parachute which will enable a biscuit to be dropped from a height without breaking.
Chinese Language Class

This term we are learning about the topic “Clothing”. Here are some sample works from our Chinese students.

Stage 2 and 3 students did an art/craft activity on “The story of Silk”. Through this activity, students have learnt how silk thread is made and how silk thread is woven into fine, smooth fabric to make silk clothes in China.

Mrs Lamb

White Ribbon Day

Our students K-6 made lovely white flowers and arranged them in a white ribbon formation to raise awareness for White Ribbon Day.

Term 4 Calendar

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Students in Years 1 – 6 return on Thursday 28 January, 2016
Carlton PS Year 6 Farewell 2015 Program
Venue: Georges River Sailing Club, Sanoni Ave., Sandringham

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6:00pm Children begin arriving at the Club and move into the Function Room
6:20pm Speech by Mr Vrachas
Response by School Captains:
Maya Toubi and Vincent Vedamuthu
Cutting of the Cake
6:40pm Teachers and children begin dinner
7:40pm Dancing
8:30pm Parents are invited to join children on the dance floor
Children sing Farewell Song

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All children must be picked up by 9pm

~ Immunisation Info Session ~

The Immunisation Team from Central & Eastern Sydney PHN will provide an informal presentation about the Childhood Immunisation Schedule and answer questions in a Q&A session. There will be a brief update on the No Jab No Pay arrangements being put in place by the Australian Government as of 1st January 2016 and what steps parents can take to ensure children are up to date for all immunisations. As well, a wide range of brochures and community resources will be available for parents to take home on the day.

RSVP is essential as space is limited!

** WHEN:** Friday 11th December
** TIME:** 11:00am—12:00pm
** VENUE:** Arncliffe Community Centre,
35 Forest Rd, Arncliffe
** COST:** Free, but a gold coin donation would be appreciated

~ Arncliffe Community Centre ~