Dear Parents and Carers

Term 1 Parent Teacher Interviews - Optional

Parent/Teacher interviews at the end of Term One will be optional, where the interviews can be either teacher or parent initiated. The standard Parent/Teacher interviews will remain for all students at the end of Term 2. Now is the time to indicate to your child’s class teacher if you require an interview before the end of this term. Similarly, you may be contacted by your child’s class teacher to attend an interview to discuss your child’s progress.

From now until the end of the term please make phone, personal or written contact with your child’s teacher to arrange an interview time convenient to both parties. Do this by:

1. Calling the office on 9587 3717 and giving your details. The office staff will give your information to the teacher who will reply to you with possible times.

2. Write a note and give it to the teacher or put it in the office collection box. The teacher will reply to you with possible times. Make sure you include your name, your child’s name and class in the request.

3. Make written contact with the teacher by sending an email requesting an interview by putting Parent/Teacher Interview Request & Teachers Name in the subject line. Make sure you include your name, your child’s name and class in the request. Send emails to carlton-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

4. Make personal contact with the teacher before or after school.

If your child’s teacher sends you a request for interview he/she will indicate available times. Please respond quickly to make a time convenient to both of you. I’m sure families and teachers will benefit from sharing information at this time of year.

Pedlars Parade: Wednesday 1 April

Every year children in Years K – 2 participate in a “Pedlars Parade”. Parents are asked to decorate a small tray and fill it with cakes, toys, toffees etc. which are sold after the parade has finished. The children will be parading in a circle showing off their colourful trays then the trays are placed on tables for selling. This is a day for parents and friends to come along and join in the fun.

Students in K-2 will buy goods first then students in Years 3 – 6 will have their turn at buying. Prices will range from 5c to $2 with most things costing 20c – 50c. The profits from the day enable the school to buy more resources for the classrooms.

When: Wednesday 1 April, 2015

Where: The playground and Hall

Who: Parents, relatives and friends

Time: 11.45am

* The children bring a decorated tray with goodies to sell on the day.

The children bring money to buy items off other trays.
Term 1 - Week 7

To enable the event to run more smoothly, we are asking for parent volunteers to help with the selling of items behind the tables. Please leave your name and contact phone number at the school office.

Congratulations

- And thank you to all families who supported the P&C Easter Raffle by donating prizes and enjoying the Mufti Day

Important Reminders

- We are reminding parents and carers not to use the children’s toilets. Please ask at the office for directions to adult facilities.
- Would you like to receive the school newsletter via email rather than a paper copy? If so please follow this link to complete your details: http://school.schoolenews.com.au/carltonps/
- School Photos will take place next week on Tuesday 17 and Wednesday 18 March

Regards
Stephen Vrachas
Principal

P&C News

Annual General Meeting

Our Annual General Meeting (AGM) was held this week with most positions being filled. For the first time in many years we have additional members on the executive team which is great news in that we have more parents representing the views of our school community.

As always you we welcome your feedback by contacting the P&C by email at carltonpandc@gmail.com. We welcome constructive comments on issues that concern you eg. fundraising, school uniforms, the canteen etc.

The newly elected executive team is:

President: Marianne Skinner
Vice-President: Lenore Symons (with a focus on community building)
Vice-President: vacant
Secretary: Richard Jones
Treasurer: Dmitri Van de Kerckhove
Executive team: Belinda Cahill, Kate Moar, Garth Sperring.

Easter Guessing Competition

Thank you to the families who have already returned their sold tickets and also to those who have requested additional books. These are available from the office. Thank you also for the generous donations made on our Mufti Day and to the parents who helped collect and sort the donations – Katie J, Kate M and Nhi. Prizes for the guessing competition will be drawn on Wednesday, 1 April with the major prizes being drawn at the Pedlar’s Parade.
Easter Prize Wrapping morning

This coming Monday, 16 March at 9.15am we will be wrapping Easter Guessing Competition prizes in the Macedonian Language room in Block A. Morning tea will be provided. Please email carltonpandc@gmail.com if you are able to come or just come along on the morning. So far there haven’t been any emails offering support so if you have a spare hour on Monday morning please drop in and lend a hand. Remember to send in any unwanted baskets or flower boxes in good condition to the office so they can be used on this morning.

Save the date – Mothers Matter Breakfast

A Mothers Matter breakfast to celebrate Mother’s Day will be held in Week 3 on Thursday 7 May before school from 7.30am-9am. Please keep the morning free to come along with your child to enjoy breakfast and some great activities. We will need lots of Dads to help serve breakfast so the mums can be pampered. Further details will be in upcoming newsletters.

School Banking

The school banking coordinators rostered on next Tuesday, 17 March are Paula K, Fadia A-S and Kate M.

Reminders

Please remember to fill in both sides of the deposit slip when handing in your child’s yellow wallet each week. Also make sure their new class is marked clearly on the cover of their wallet.

Classroom Achievement Award

Congratulations to 3/4M for winning the award this week. Great work!

Class Awards

KM- Stephanie L; Matthew H  
KT- Reesha S; William C  
1C- Neil K; Betul C  
1K- Isabella B; Dimitri B  
2G- Ibrahim S; Selina L  
2A- Sally H; Samuel D  
3A- Meiyi W; Ameer A-K  
3N- Fatima R; Mohammad K  
3P- Rana T; Johnson T  
5E- Lina D; Emmanuel M  
5/6F- Andrew J; Anthony H  
5S- Helena Z; Jacob I  

Stewart House Clothing Appeal

Stewart House is a charity which is strongly supported by government schools. This week your child will bring home a Stewart House bag. If you have any clean good quality second hand clothing you would like to donate please place them in the bag and return it to the school hall no later than Wednesday 25 March. Please leave the bag in the hall by the entrance door.

Year 6 Excursion to Observatory and IMAX

On Monday 9 March, Year 6 arrived at the IMAX theatre and the Sydney Observatory eager to learn more about Space. We stood in a large dome with sunlight piercing through the open gap straight into our eyes. Paul, our instructor, explained how the telescope could see into space. We made our way into the 3D theatre spending time watching things popping right into our faces. Entering another darkened room, we lay onto the chairs to see what the Hubble Space Telescope had found. After learning facts about the constellations and galaxies we made our way to the IMAX Theatre.

Everyone was eager to get the best seats in the IMAX Theatre. As we were entering the Theatre the darkness engulfed everyone behind me. The lights snapped closed as the movie started. Everyone waited in awe as a 3-D shape popped out of the screen. A telescope built by 10,000 people was launched in 1990, the Hubble Space Telescope. We were seated enthusiastically and everyone was exhilarated to learn and see what astronomers had discovered, over the past years.

After the movie we were all restless and before we knew it we were back at school. That day, Year 6 had discovered more about Space than we could ever have imagined.

By: Kelly and Oditi 6C
The Turkish Beach at War

Sea and sand losing colour,
Replaced by sickening red.
Bodies dropping everywhere,
Destroyed by whizzing lead.

All this happens at that sorrowful place,
The Turkish beach at war.

The Australian ships that are sailing in,
Place fear in our hearts.
They run up with their bayonets,
Then the killing show starts.

These events were real, at that heart-wrenching place,
The Turkish beach at war.

I’m weeping for my comrades,
Scattered on the ground.
Tears are streaming down my face,
As I make a pitiful sound.

Survivors of the guns, were feeling like this at,
The Turkish beach at war.

I hate these bloody battles,
With turmoil and war.
Everyone I knew and loved,
Are knocking at death’s door.

The Turkish had emotions like these at,
The Turkish beach at war.

The Australian soldiers keep limping in,
And it’s our job to heal.
The hunger is consuming me,
To survive I might just steal.

Australian nurses were giving up at,
The Turkish beach at war.

Our Turkish survivors keep filing in,
Begging us to nurture.
Our limited supplies are going fast,
But we keep telling “We’re not gonna hurt ya.”

Nurses’ medicines were disappearing quickly at,
The Turkish beach at war.

You may think this poem is,
an unimportant bore.
But I respect the people who fought,
At that Turkish beach at war.

By Ellis P  5\6F
Ngā mih i nui ki a koutou katoa,
Nau mai, haere mai.

In the Māori Language class this term, the children have been learning greetings, colours, numbers and how to tell the time. It has been lots of fun and plenty of laughs.

**Whakaahua 1**

Payton: Kia ora Emmanual! (Hello Emmanual!)  
Emmanual: Kia ora Payton! (Hello Payton!)  
Kei te pehea koe? (How are you?)  
Payton: Kei te pai ahau. (I am well.)

**Whakaahua 2**

Payton: Ka kite Emmanual! (See you later,)  
Emmanual: Haere ra Payton. (Goodbye Payton.)

**Whakaahua 3 - Jonasa**

He karaka tenei. (This is a clock.)  
He toru karaka te wa. (The time is 3 o’clock.)

**Whakaahua 4 - Eugene**

He aha te wa? (What is the time?)  
He ono karaka te wa. (The time is 6 o’clock.)

Kia ora! G’Day mates!
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KIB –Congratulations recipients of the Library Award
How to Bully Proof Children

In acknowledgement of National Day of Action Against Bullying and Violence
Interrelate and Kogarah Community Services are inviting you to attend a free seminar “How to Bully Proof Children.”

This seminar will give parents ideas for discussing bullying with their children and provide practical strategies to prevent & manage bullying.

Date: Thursday 19th March 2015
Time: 9:30am—12:00pm
Venue: St George Leagues Club
Cost: Free

Bookings are essential ph: 9587 6622 or Email: info@kogarahcommunity.org.au
‘Seasons for Growth’
A grief and loss program for children and young people
Starts.....Tuesday April 28th at 4pm

An eight-week program for children and young people who have experienced significant change or loss, usually through death, separation, or divorce.

The program is educational, teaching coping strategies and skills to develop resilience. The ‘Seasons for Growth’ program is for ages 6 to 15 years.

Just like the Seasons, life changes........

Bookings essential on 9545 0299
or via email to admin@scw.org.au

Southern Community Welfare
(in the grounds of Gymea Baptist Church)
2-4 Tea Gardens Ave, Kirrawee