Principal's Report

Student Behaviour

I have analysed the behaviour trends across the school this year and the results are very pleasing. We have had no suspensions and very few incidents of aggressive behaviour. A great endorsement of the work that we have been doing in PBL. In consultation with the P&C, we have decided that the whole school needs recognition for their effort. As a reward we will be taking the school to Amazement! in Yarramalong. The school and P&C will share the cost of the bus. The cost to families will be $12 per child. A note will come home shortly.

Swimming

Swimming lessons are starting next week. Students will be leaving school at 12:45. Drivers, could you please be at school by 12:35 to collect the students. Earlier if you need to provide your details to the office. The children can wear their swimmers under their uniform to make getting ready at the pools simpler.

Staffing

To assist with school organisation and planning I will be off class each Friday for the remainder of the term. Class 4/5/6 will be taught by Mrs Corinne Smith.

Choralfest

Mrs Halligan is taking a group of students to Choralfest on Tuesday next week. These students have been giving up their lunch once a week all year. We wish them all the best as they perform to such a large audience for the first time.

Karin Hird
Principal

Class News

Kindergarten

It's great to see so many Kindergarten students with their hats at recess and lunch. Just a reminder that they must have a school hat on to play in the sun.

We have been having fun in Maths and Literacy sessions, using individual whiteboards to do our work on. It is allowing all students to be engaged and answer questions at the same time. They write their answers on the boards and 'chin it' (hold it up under their chins) so I can give immediate feedback.

We have discovered the strawberries in our garden are ripening and some students have been very excited about hunting for the red ones in the garden bed. Mr D has organised some new vegetables for the garden so we will be able to watch them grow over the term.

Ms Hook

1/2

The Stars of the Week in 1/2 this week are Grace and Dylan! The spelling results in our class last week were amazing! Well done Aldiyah, Keely, Dylan, Felix, Lyla, Sophie, Joe, Jace, Alby, Brooklin, Daniel, Ben, Annie, Alyssa, Cooper, Bree and Koby. These were revision words from last term, so it's great to see what a wonderful job the students have done in learning their words over the past term.

This week we have begun to share our projects with the class. The students are very keen and proud to be able to talk about their family and share their fantastic projects.

Swimming begins next Monday for Year 2. Work has also started again in the garden with some parents and students lending a hand which is very encouraging as we are trying a few new strategies, so hopefully the students will be harvesting throughout most of the year.

Mrs Halligan and Mr Derbyshire

Notes Sent Home This Week

Permission to Publish Authority - to be returned by 31 October 2014

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3/4

Recently we have been talking about being safe and the topic came up about what to do when home alone and the phone rings or if there is a knock on the door. I asked everyone to go home and have a discussion with their parents about this. If your child hasn’t mentioned this could you please bring the topic up. Many of the children were unsure as to what parents expected.

In HSIE we have begun discussing what local councils are and what they do. Parents might ask their child about this and perhaps add to their knowledge about the topic.

Swimming lessons begin next week and some children have not returned their permission notes. Please check with your child if the note has been returned. Transport will be by parents and it is hoped we’ll have plenty of volunteers to make this scheme successful.

Mr Westcott

4/5/6

This week we have been learning about Ben Hall, the bushranger. This will lead into learning about history being told from different perspectives and how this can impact on how we perceive historical figures.

In Maths, we have been revising multiplication and moving into learning about order of operations. Year 4 had a lesson with us this week as well. They were all able to complete a long multiplication question by the end of the lesson.

We still have a few students who haven’t paid for swimming. They are bringing home another note today.

Can you please check that your child has the necessary equipment for school. Several students are arriving to school each day without the basics - pens, pencils, a ruler, scissors and a glue stick. A calculator would also be useful.

As mentioned previously in this newsletter, Mrs Smith will be having the class each Friday. She will be following my routine and collecting homework.

Mrs Hird

Band News!

I am very excited to announce that members of our School Band will be invited to a Band Camp with students from Caves Beach Public School, to be held in Term 1 next year. More information will be sent home in the coming weeks!

Ms Hook

Merit Awards

Class Awards
K
Wil
Hallie
1/2
Bree
Ben
Jaden
Sophie
Joe
Annie
3/4
Sam
Jay T
Ted
Sami
Savita
Eloise
Nathan
4/5/6
Jack
Jesse G
Todd
Lachlan
Keeley
Jay P
Savita

Reading Awards
Bella
Ruby
Stanley

PBL Awards
Alyssa
From the Office.....

Invoices were mailed out this week—all monies need to be paid by Friday 21 November—those families who have sizeable accounts—please make payment now!

Bandannas are on sale for $4.00. Bandanna Day is on Friday 31 October.

Bouncy Balls from Stewart House are now on sale for $3.00 each—these balls help to raise money for Stewart House.

Kelly and Sue

**Coming Events**

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**Canteen Roster:**

- **Friday 17 Oct**: Sidone Lambert
- **Monday 20 Oct**: Aleisha Melder
- **Wed 22 Oct**: Kevin Fitzgerald, Ben Gray

**P & C News!**

Thank you to all the wonderful volunteers who have helped us keep the Canteen open for this term!

Attached to this newsletter is the roster for Term 4—there are only two days we are unable to open—can anyone help us with these two dates?

Thank you

Sidone Lambert

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**1st Class Cricket Coaching by 1st Class Players**

Charleston District Cricket Club, a not for profit community organisation, is providing cricket coaching sessions at Kahibah Oval this season. The sessions will be by two current 1st Class players who are contracted to CDCC this season.

- **Callum Jackson**: Contracted professional with Sussex CCC who made his 1st Class debut vs Australia in 2013. The Newcastle Herald Player of the Year in the 2013/14 season. Specialist wicketkeeper/batsman.
- **Roscoe Thallt**: Plays for Burgher Recreation Club in the Sri Lankan Premier League and made his 1st Class debut in 2012. All rounder.

Hourly coaching sessions will be available Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 4.00 pm, 5.00 pm and 6.00 pm on the turf wicket practice facility at Kahibah Oval. All skills including specialist wicketkeeping are available in the following formats and costs.

- Rates: $20/hr (3:1 ratio) $30/hr (2:1) $50/hr (1:1)
- All rates are based on a booking for 5 sessions.
- For 1 session you pay an additional $10 ie $30/$40/$60.
- For bookings and/or further information call:
  - Chris Oliver 0419 270 911 4920 6350 chrisoliver66@hotmail.com

Bookings available now for sessions from Monday 27 October.

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**UNIFORM SHOP**

**OPEN ON THURSDAYS 9.00 AM—9.15 AM**

There are rugby and long sleeved polo shirts on sale for $5.00—Must be sold!! Old stock.

Thanks Kylie and Tracey

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ABSENCE NOTE

Student Surname: ________________________________

First Name: ________________________________

Class: __________________

Date/s of Absence: ________________________________

Reason for Absence: ________________________________

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Parent / Guardian Signature: ________________________________

Date: ________________________________

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