June 25, 2014

2015 Kindergarten enrolment forms
Friday will be the last chance to return any ghosted enrolment forms. If returned after this date, new forms will need to be completed.

Area Cross Country Results
On June 11, Joshua (5S), Noah (4W), Zac (4S), Cooper (6D), Matthew (6D), Eva (6D), Grace (6/5D), Paris (6H), Jessie (5/4C), Jacinta (4P) and Libby (3/2L) competed at the Area Cross Country held at Penrith Regatta Centre. Our students competed well, with the Castle Hill zone teams placing in every event. The Castle Hill zone also won the overall carnival. Jessie (5/4C) and Joshua (5S) are reserves for the State team. Well done Castle Hill!

Debating
Congratulations to our debating team who argued the topic ‘Animal sports should be banned’ against Baulkham Hills North PS. Whilst they put forward some great points, BHNPS were the victors on the day. The coaches and I are pleased and proud to see the growth in the debating skills of all CHPS debaters. The next debate is on July 24 at North Rocks PS.

Cricketing Success
At the recent end of year presentation, Lachlan (6M) was named junior cricketer of the year at Castle Hill RSL Cricket Club. Also at the recent Hornsby Ku-Ring-Gai & Hills District Association presentation, Lachlan was rewarded for being the leading run scorer and leading wicket for the age group he plays in the association, out of 176 players. Excellent effort Lachlan.

Payments Due
A final reminder to parents who have received pink payment reminder notes that these need to be paid before the end of term in order to ensure your child can participate: year 5 & 6 camp, K-6 Musica Viva, Sport in Schools Australia, K-2 Tabloid Sport Carnival and 3-6 Athletics Carnival. Please speak to me if you are experiencing financial difficulties.

Rugby Update
Congratulations to our super team!! Competing yesterday at Tory Burn Reserve, our team crumpled Beresford Road PS 40 to 8. Whilst their coach was in total shock, our’s were justifiably proud of the great sportsmanship and skill on display. Super Team will compete in Round 4 of the competition early next term.

What’s in your child’s bag today?
Leaflets: Selected students – Hindu scripture information
          Hillsong School Holiday Program – K-6
          Sydney Academy of Gymnastics – K-6
Hindu Scripture
Castle Hill Public School has a significant number of Hindu students. Mrs Akila Ramarathinam from Vishva Hindu Parishad of Australia (VHP) will be conducting an Information Training (Hindu Culture and Heritage Teaching Program) session about what Hindu Dharma Scripture will involve on:

Date: Friday July 18, 2014
Time: 9am
Place: CHPS School Hall

We are hoping as a result of this information session we will be able to obtain a volunteer from the parent body who is willing to be trained and cleared to work with children and conduct Hindu SRE lessons each week on a Wednesday 9.30 -10am.

If you are interested in attending please call the school on 9634 3777 and communicate with Ms Lockrey.

- Ms Denise Lockrey, Deputy Principal

Premier’s Reading Challenge 2014
The holidays may provide a great time for students to catch up on the Premier’s Reading Challenge. The challenge needs to be finalised by the end of Term 3.

Congratulations to Toby 1N, Ashvitha 3P and Sujal 5W who have successfully completed this year’s challenge – well done! 😊.

- Mrs Megan Gibbons, Deputy Principal

Kindergarten News
Stars of the week for this week are Mel in KSapphire, Aidan in KMoonstone, Kaitlyn in KKornite, Yuna in KGarnet, Coco in KAmber, and Arya in KPlatinum.

Please return your child’s red note folder each Thursday. Home readers are now changed every day. Please record and sign the home reader card every night. Students will take home three or four books to read during the holidays.

Family words for this week in class are: ab, ib, ob, ub.

Sight words for this week in class are: big, can, did, get, has, him, new, now, off, old, our, out, see, she, two, who. These are known as the green sight words.

Please ensure all items of clothing are labelled with your child’s name.

Wishing everyone a safe and happy holiday. Students continue to wear their winter uniform next term. Students return to school, Tuesday July 15, 2014.

- From the Kindergarten Teachers

Wakakirri Update / Item Donations
Our Wakakirri item is called The Rhythm of Life. It is based on Uno’s Garden, a picture book written and illustrated by Australian children’s author Graeme Base. It’s a moving and timely tale featuring themes of environmental degradation, conservation of nature, and extinction.

We are looking for the following items to be donated:
- Men’s business ties
- Flannel shirts (children’s size 8-12)
- Large wooden photo frames (approx. 60x40cm)

If you have any of these items which you no longer need please send them to Miss Williams.

- Miss Natalie Williams
Stewart House Clothing collection
Thanks to all the families and students who brought in bags of clean clothing for Stewart House. Stewart House is a charity that provides care and support for children in need. Stewart House benefits financially from collections of clothing from schools and we nearly filled the back of the truck! Our next clothing collection will be in November. Thanks so much for your support
- Mrs Ambler

Annual Athletics Carnival
The Annual Athletics Carnival for Years 3 to 6 will be held on Tuesday July 29, 2014, (Week 3 of next term) at A H Whaling Reserve, Baulkham Hills.

The canteen will be taking pre-orders only for lunch on the day of the carnival. Students can order sausage rolls, noodles, pies and sandwiches. All pre-orders must be given to the canteen on a paper bag by Friday July 25. The bag needs to be marked as a pre-order for the Athletics carnival. No online orders will be taken for pre-orders.

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE CANTEEN AT SCHOOL WILL BE CLOSED FOR K-2 STUDENTS.

We are asking for parents to help with timekeeping, novelty events or First Aid. Please let the Year 5 teachers know by completing the form at the end of this Newsletter and returning it to Miss Goyen or a Year 5 teacher.

One Sweet Day
A big thank you to everyone who supported Year 6’s ‘One Sweet Day’ fundraising event. Participating students contributed $716.00 towards this year’s Year 6 gift to the school. The event could also not have taken place without the generous ‘sweet’ donations of Year 6 families. Thank you.
- Kim Dudgeon - Stage 3 Assistant Principal

PSSA Sport Venues – June 27, 2014 – All buses leave school at 12.35pm and return by 3pm.
AFL – Memorial Avenue, Kellyville
Soccer – Bernie Mullane Complex, Kellyville
Netball – Kellyville Netball Courts, Commercial Road
Newcombe Ball – Beaumont Hills Public School

Mini Merit Awards

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Congratulations to our fabulous students who have earned seven mini merits.

Term 2 Week 8

Rainbow: Noah (KA), Charlize (KA), Sharyn (KA), Myca (KK), Blake (KK), Dorothy (KK), Harrison (KK), Aron (1N), Sophie (1N), Albert (1O), Charlie (1O), Marquez (1O), Rachel (2A), Luca (2A), Isaac (2R), Ben (2R), Alexandria (2R), Libby (3/2L), Milan (3A), Rachel (3A), Joshua (3L) 2 sets, Alina (3P), Alisa (3S), Madison (3S), Jaylen (4P), Ella (4S), Christoher (4S), Sahel (4S), William (4W) 3 sets, Madhar (5/4C) 4 sets, Jason (5/4C), Flora (5E), Rakha (5E), Jackson (5S), Rebecca (5S), Anelise (5S), Rebecca (5S) 2 sets, O’Felia (5S), Talia (5S) 2 sets, Trinity (5W) 2 sets, Emma (5W) 2 sets, Jasmine (5W), Erin (6/5G) 2 sets, Rebecca (6/5G) 2 sets, Anthony (6/5G) 2 sets, Gloria (6/5G) 4 sets, Grace (6/5G), Jared (6M).

English: Noah (KA), Ellie (KG), David (KG), Yuna (KG), Charlotte (KG), Olivia (KG), Tom (KK), Will (KK), Erwin (KM), Mason (1F), Juliette (1F), Samara (1G), Zarki (1M), Eugene (2C), Noah (2G), Adam (2G), Libby (3/2L) 2 sets, Adam (3A), Rachel (3A), Alison (3S), Yuvin (4S), Ella (4S) 2 sets, Ethan (5/4C) 2 sets, Peter (5/4C), Madhav (5/4C) 3 sets, Flora (5E), Anelise (5S), Gloria (6/5G) 2 sets.
**Maths:** Sophia (1N), Eugene (2C), Karishma (23R), Amalia (3/2L) 2 sets, Daniel (3/2L), Madhav (5/4C), Rubens (5S), O’Felia (5S), Cassie (5S) 3 sets, Karina (5W), Emma (5W).

**Creative Arts:** Alison (3S), Cassie (5S), Gloria (6/5G).

**PD/H/PE:** Zac (1G), Luca (2A), Lachlan (2A), Callum (2R), Evie (3/2L), Libby (3/2L), Madison (3S), Charlotte (4S), Kealy (4S), Ella (4S), Cassie (5S), Karina (5W).

**Science and Technology:** Aryan (2R), Callum (2R), Karishma (2R), Andrew (2R), Libby (3/2L), Zachary (3/2L), Daniel (3/2L), Ella (4S), Jackson (5S), O’Felia (5S), Cassie (5S).

**HSIE:** Cassie (5S).

**Citizenship:** Jacinta (KK), Margaret (KP), Sofie (1G), Nicholas (1N), Sophia (1N), Noah (2G), Aditya (2R), Etha (5/4C), Rubens (5S), Annelise (5S), Jasmine (5W), Rafaella (6/5G).

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**PARENTING IDEAS – Michael Grose**

Have a look at the website - [www.parentingideas.com.au](http://www.parentingideas.com.au) This week’s topic **DEVELOPING A HEALTHY LIFESTYLE**

The benefits of children’s healthy living habits are well documented. Healthy kids learn better, have more positive social interactions and have greater potential for success in life. Children learn what they live so the best place to learn about a healthy lifestyle is at home. The family is the strongest presence in the life of a child, so the habits that a child practices at home become the foundation for life as a teenager and beyond. The school can teach children about good health but the lessons have more strength when practised at home each day.

Parents and caregivers can encourage children to be more active by having them participate in family activities as well as sports. Following are some ideas you can use to keep your kids healthy:

- **Limit the amount of children’s television**, computer and electronic games usage to a maximum of two hours a day. Very little physical exertion is needed to watch TV or use other electronic equipment so for the sake of fitness their use of these needs to be limited. One third of Australian children would prefer to play computer games than play outside so parents may have to be assertive and, at times, over-zealous but so be it.

- **Encourage children to walk and play outside.** Most children would get their required minimum two hours of exercise a week by walking or riding their bikes to school. This is a contentious issue but a recent poll revealed that 60 per cent of Australian 6 - 13 year olds would like to walk to school but only 30 per cent actually do.

- **Keep unhealthy food out of the trolley and include more fruit.** As keepers of the family purse parents have the main stake in what food goes in and what stays out of the shopping trolley. Only 43 per cent of Australian children eat fruit after school so more fruit could be a good place to start.

- **Parents play with their children or join them in a physical activity.** It should be easy for adults to sell their children on the virtues of playing physical games outside as play comes before work in most children’s dictionaries.

- **Make sure you and your children get sufficient sleep.** Choose a reasonable bedtime that allows for nine to 12 hours sleep for a school-aged child - some teens need even more sleep than a young child!

Do as I do not as I say is the idea here. It is little use parents telling their kids to go out and play as they tuck into their second wine or they slump onto the couch. Modelling is the most important tool in the armoury if we want children to develop sustained healthy eating and exercise habits.
Entertainment Books 2014 – Now available from the school office
These books are great value and offer hundreds of discounts to local eateries and attractions.
This year you have a choice between the traditional book or a digital membership. We have limited stock of traditional books, so be early:

Sydney Greater West (The old Parramatta Book) $65
Sydney/Sydney North $70

To collect your book, please go to the school office with your payment or you can order online.
Please make cheques payable to “Castle Hill Public School Community Club”.

- Simone Pedler 0438 809 993 or lstcp@internode.on.net

P & C News
Carol Coyle is retiring …
After almost 30 years of serving the CHPS community, our wonderful Canteen Manager Carol Coyle will be hanging up her apron and moving onto the next phase of her life. To celebrate this wonderful achievement and to show our appreciation, we are holding a couple of events:

Luncheon at CHPS
Date and Time: Thursday July 31, 12:30pm - 1:30pm
Venue: School Hall, Castle Hill Public School
Please RSVP to Annette (annette2310@live.com) so we have an idea of the numbers attending. Please bring a plate of food to share.

Celebratory dinner at Full Moon Thai restaurant
Please join us for a night of laughter and 30 years of canteen memories!
Friday August 1, 7:00pm till late
Full Moon restaurant, 3/33 Terminus Street Castle Hill. Cost $35pp for a set menu
Please email Lisa (stokan@bigpond.com) as soon as possible if you would like to attend the dinner, so we can book enough tables at the restaurant. Please include any special dietary requirements. To help the night run smoothly, we ask that you pay the $35 in advance by direct deposit into the CHPS P&C account (BSB 062347; A/C no. 10144924). In the reference section please put the code “CCR and your surname” (eg. “CCR Stokan”) as this will make the accounting easier for our P&C Treasurer!

CHPS Community Present for Carol
We are also collecting money for a present for Carol. Whether or not you can attend one of the functions, if you would like to contribute to the present, please do the following:
(1) Direct deposit your contribution into the CHPS P&C account (BSB 062347; A/C no. 10144924). In the reference section please put the code “CCP and your surname” (eg. “CCP Stokan”) as this will make the accounting easier!
(2) Please email Lisa (stokan@bigpond.com) letting us know about your contribution.
If you know of any ex-parents/canteen volunteers who might like to participate in these events, please feel free to pass this information on. We would love to see canteen volunteers from Carol’s early years at CHPS as well as the current volunteers. Thank you! We hope to see you at one or both of these events for Carol.

- Lisa Stokan, P&C Vice President
  stokan@bigpond.com
School Community Club (SCC) News
As some of you would know, the Community Club is now using Mail Chimp to send out emails. This will help us keep our mailing list up to date, and allow a better flow of information to you. There are two mailing lists, one for meeting notifications and minutes (previously known as our general information mailing list) and the other is a list of volunteers and these emails will provide information on upcoming events and opportunities to help. If you would like to be added to either of these lists please send an email to rebeccaoshea@iinet.net.au

Upcoming events - for the diary
Grandparents Day July 30, 2014
Grandparents Day is coming up on July 30. The classroom doors are opened up for the morning and we welcome our Grandparents and other special visitors to come along, visit the classrooms and see our school at its finest. As part of this day the SCC turns the canteen and COLA into a cafe, serving scones, tea and coffee to our guests.

To make this happen we will need your help to order scones, pick up supplies, whip cream, and serve our guests. If you can help with any of organisation of this in the lead up to the day, or can help in the canteen on the day between 8.30 and 12.30 (for as long as you can, or as little as you can - all help is appreciated!) please contact the SCC by reply email.

Next Meeting - July 15 at 9am.
Our next Meeting will be held on the first Tuesday in term 2, being that the June meeting was cancelled and the July meeting falls in the school holidays. Please put this date in your diary and come along to discuss what's happening at school over the next term.

A great big thank you!
A huge thank you to those who gave their time and support to make our recent Book Fair a great success. We are still filling a few back orders, but once that is done we will be able to report in our next meeting and in the school Newsletter the total sales and the amount earned through those sales that we can use at Scholastic to refill the book shelves in our classrooms.

I must say, we were a bit short in some shifts and more help with these activities and events would be welcomed. Thank you everyone who make our school a community and support the students and teachers, and contribute to these events. It makes a real difference and the kids love it!

Book Fair Orders!
A quick note for those waiting on books. The last of the Book Fair orders have been placed and I am hoping they will arrive before the end of the week so that they are delivered before school holidays.

The SCC wish everyone a happy holiday, and look forward to seeing you all next term. Don't forget our next meeting on the first Tuesday back at school (July 15) at 9.15am in the staffroom. We would love to see some more parents coming along to these meetings.

-Rebecca O'Shea, President
0400 479 639; rebeccaoshea@iinet.net.au
Uniform Shop News

Volunteer Roster  Thursday June 26 - Katherine Mullen, Abby Bishop, Abby Hui
Term Three  Monday July 14 - PUPIL FREE DAY - CLOSED
            Thursday July 17 - Marie Dols, Lee Lau
            Monday July 21 - Annie Hanna, Sam Paturi, Teddy Samuelson

Dr Shoe will be at the school on the following days next term
Monday July 28 and Monday September 1, 8.30am - 9.30am

Uniform Shop Half Year Dinner
When- August 7
Where- Full Moon Thai - Castle Hill
Time- 7.00pm
RSVP to Simone by August 31
If you would like to come please give Simone $20 deposit as your commitment to attend. It should be a fun night so please come along.

This year you are able to order online through Flexischools. Please go to www.flexischools.com.au where you can place your orders, which will be delivered to the classroom. Parents are advised that Flexischool orders will be signed for by the child. Loss of orders will be the responsibility of child and their parents.

- Simone Pedler, Uniform Shop Manager
Ph: 0438 809 993 or simone.pedler@det.nsw.edu.au

Canteen News

URGENT REQUEST
Due to work commitments we now need volunteers on the following days:
   1st Tuesday (1 person)
   2nd Friday (2 people)
   2nd Wednesday (2 people) URGENTLY NEEDED even if only 9am-11am
   3rd Friday (2 people)
   4th Friday (1 person)
If you have a few hours to spare on these days, please ring Carol or Robyn on 9634 4306.

A reminder to the mums who help on canteen. If you are unable to do your rostered day on the canteen, could you please try and organise a substitute. If you can't find anyone, please let Carol or Robyn know on 9634 4306 so they can organise someone. Thank you.

Canteen Roster
Thursday June 26  Daniella Fattoretto, Tracey Anderson
Friday June 27  Toni Bray, Bayzer Wah, Katherine Watson
Term 3
Monday July 14  STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY (NO STUDENTS)
Tuesday July 15  Gillian Paynter
Wednesday July 16  Cindy Wills, Justine Bowerman
Thursday July 17  Wenzia Li, Sutha Siram, Wendy Newman

- Carol Coyle
## Term Overview as at June 24

### Jun 23
- Parent/Teacher Interviews
- Rugby League vs Beresford Road PS – 12.45 →
- K-6 Assembly – 2pm + CHHS band

### Jun 24
- Parent/Teacher Interviews
- New enrolment tour – Kindergarten 2015 focus – 2pm
- Silver afternoon tea – 2.30pm

### Jun 25
- Parent/Teacher Interviews
- Gold lunch – 12.15pm

### Jun 26
- Parent/Teacher Interviews

### Jun 27
- PSSA 11.30am – Peer Support
- Last day of Term 2

### Jul 14
- Staff Development Day – no students

### Jul 15
- All students return
- Soccer Gala Day

### Jul 16
- EAL/D interviews

### Jul 17
- SiSA
- EAL/D interviews

### Jul 18
- PSSA

### Jul 21
- K-6 Assembly – 2pm

### Jul 22
- K-6 Musica Viva incursion

### Jul 23
- OC Placement test

### Jul 24
- SiSA
- Debate @ North Rocks PS 5 - 11.30am →

### Jul 25
- PSSA

### Jul 28
- Education Week – Castle Towers performances
- No K-6 Assembly
- ICAS English

### Jul 29
- Education Week
- 3-6 Athletics Carnival @ AH Whaling Reserve

### Jul 30
- Education Week – Open Day / Grandparents’ Day + Café – 9.30am →
- K-2 Tabloid Sports Carnival

### Aug 4
- K-6 Assembly – 2pm

### Aug 5
- SCC meeting – 9.15am
- Yr 3-6 Athletics carnival back-up date

### Aug 6
- SiSA

### Aug 7
- PSSA

### Aug 11
- K-6 Assembly – 2pm

### Aug 12
- ICAS Maths

### Aug 13
- Band evening – 6.30pm
- P&C meeting – 7.30pm

### Aug 14
- SiSA

### Aug 15
- PSSA
- SRC Discos

### Aug 18
- Zone track carnival – Blacktown Athletic Park
- No K-6 Assembly
- Yr 3-6 Book Week incursion

### Aug 19
- K-2 Book Week incursion

### Aug 20
- Book Week Parade – 9.10am

### Aug 21
- SiSA

### Aug 22
- No PSSA
- Zone field & teams carnival – AH Whaling

### TERM 3 ShowCase this term

### 1
- Jul 14 Staff Development Day – no students

### 2
- Jul 21 K-6 Assembly – 2pm

### 3
- Jul 28 Education Week – Castle Towers performances
- No K-6 Assembly
- ICAS English

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- Aug 4 K-6 Assembly – 2pm

### 5
- Aug 11 K-6 Assembly – 2pm

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- Aug 18 Zone track carnival – Blacktown Athletic Park
- No K-6 Assembly
- Yr 3-6 Book Week incursion

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Community News

Kenthurst Preschool Fete
The annual Kenthurst Preschool Fete is rolling around again! On Sunday August 3, around 3000 people will come along to this event, which is always a fun day out for our local families. Over the years the preschool has had great support from the community and we welcome everyone through our gates for what will be an exciting event.

EOS Awareness Week – competition
August 3 - August 9 is National EOS Awareness Week. Help us raise awareness for the condition by completing the colouring in sheet [available from the office] and returning it to the front office by September 1. There are lots of prizes to be won, so good luck and have fun.

Castle Hill RSL Cricket Club Registrations
Every Saturday in July at Fred Caterson Reserve Field 2 - 9am – 12pm  U/9s through to A Grade Boys & Girls Welcome. For more information, call Lance Soles on 0448 160 801.

Royal Institute for Deaf and Blind Children Annual Community Fair
We are holding our annual Community Fair, formally known as the Book, Toy and Music Fair. Our aim is to raise $50,000 for the Royal Institute for Deaf and Blind Children to continue their work helping to provide services and education programs to children with a sensory impairment.

There are some fantastic bargains to be had and a chance to support the local community- we have thousands of books (adult, children and rare), toys, plants, CDs, DVDs and LPs.

The fair is on at the Royal Institute for Deaf and Blind Children 361-365 North Rocks Road, North Rocks Friday June 27 through to Sunday June 29 8am to 3pm

If you have any questions, please don’t hesitate to contact me on 0417773391 or email me on Kaye.bailey@RIDBC.org.au
ANNUAL ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

I am able to assist at the Athletics Carnival on Tuesday July 29, 2014.
My preference is:

[ ] Timekeeping

[ ] Novelty Events

[ ] First Aid

Name: ___________________________

Child’s Name: ___________________________ Class: ____________