From the Relieving Principal’s Desk

Dear Parents and Carers,

Wow 2015 is coming to a close. The time has flown and I am so proud to have led this great school through a very busy but successful year.

There is so much for us to be proud of throughout 2015. Our academic and sporting achievements have been exceptional and we continue to lead the way locally with our NAPLAN results and placements in OC and selective high schools. Congratulations to Natalia Jovanovich and Karina White for their representation at a state level for public speaking and debating. Our PSSA teams have won grand finals and the number of students representing Casula PS at a zone and regional level has been very high. Four teachers at the school have been promoted to Assistant Principal for 2016 – Mrs Coates, Mrs Lloyd, Mrs Valensise (began 2015), Miss Le (in a relieving position at Strathfield South PS). This is an enormous accolade for our school, exemplary teachers being chosen to lead other public schools.

Throughout 2015 we have enjoyed partnerships with many great organisations to do important work on behalf of kids – Canterbury Bulldogs, Learning Links, IGA Casula, Woolworths Casula, Kelloggs, Casula Fruit World, Stewart House, Mission Australia, Liverpool Police, Sydney Opera House, Museum of Contemporary Arts are all pivotal at Casula.

Thank you to our parents, particularly our volunteers who give of themselves each and every day to make our school a wonderful learning environment – our breakfast Club mums, classroom helpers, P&C members, library helpers, scripture teachers, banking mums – you all make our school a better place!

I would personally like to thank the school leadership team, in particular Mr Field and Ms Goulder who do a fantastic job supporting students and families across the school. The teachers in this school are great! I wouldn’t want to work anywhere else. They are always trying to extend themselves and upskill themselves to be the best teachers they can be. They are approachable and hard working!

To the office staff and Mr Jeff, thank you for your tireless support of kids and making sure our grounds look great. To the cleaning staff, crossing lady, canteen staff – you all help to make our school an effective working partnership. It is a pleasure to work with you all.

If you are not returning to the Casula community in 2016 please let the office know this week.

School finishes this Wednesday for all students. We will be farewelling YEAR 6 through our traditional archway from 2.40pm. All parents are welcome to attend.

I want to wish all families a great Christmas and a restful summer holiday. Recharge and relax. School resumes for all students in Years 1-6 on Thursday 28th January. Kindergarten families don’t forget your BEST START appointments.

Take care and be safe these holidays!

Mrs Diamond
To all of our students and their lovely parents,
I SEE YOU...

It's a time of badges, certificates, medals, trophies, recognition, awards, prizes and 'seeing' of high achievement. I love seeing the kids that shine at this time of year - a big high heartfelt round of applause to you. You so deserve it for the effort you have put in. But this message is for the kids that didn't get called up for any of the above... I SEE YOU.

To the child that conquered their fear of heights, or sleeping in the dark, or riding without training wheels or sleeping out for the night for the first time this year, I SEE YOU.

To the child that managed to resolve more conflict than they started this year, to the child that learnt to say the impossible; "I'm sorry", and to the child that walked away from the fighting instead of getting involved, I SEE YOU.

To the child for whom school is a huge struggle, you get up everyday and you go, I SEE YOU.

To the child that battled all year with the maths, or reading, or concentration, or speaking out in class, or learning their words, but persevered anyway, I SEE YOU.

To the child that found the kindness in their heart, reached out in anyway to another person or to an animal in need or in pain, I SEE YOU.

To the child that learnt to give and to share for the first time this year and even found joy in these, I SEE YOU.

To the child that battles to make friends and to be social, you made new friends this year and for that, I SEE YOU.

To the child who wanted so much to please, but was just out of sight of an adult who perhaps was too busy or too distracted, I SEE YOU.

To the child who lost a friend or a loved one this year, but carried on everyday bravely even though their heart ached, I SEE YOU.

To the brave parents that try everyday to do the best for their kids, I SEE YOU.

May you and your children revel in small but significant victories that you have both experienced this year, as I will with my beautiful children. For every year there is progress and growth, we don't need a podium or handshake or a hall of applause to be seen. I SEE YOU.

Love from all the teachers at CASULA PUBLIC SCHOOL.

If you see any security breaches during the holidays please contact Liverpool Police or School Security on 1300 880 021.