From the Relieving Principal’s Desk

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

It’s been a wet and woolly time in Casula lately. Luckily, we have been so busy that we haven’t noticed the cold weather.

Welcome to our new students: Adam, Ahmad, Radwan, Blake, Chanel, Ali, Christopher, Yusuf, Diyar, Safir.

NAPLAN results 2015

I begin this newsletter with some outstanding results from our 2015 NAPLAN tests. As always our students have done amazingly well and I am incredibly proud of the students and their families for their commitment to student improvement. At Casula Public School outstanding teaching happens here every day. We have hard working, enthusiastic, passionate teachers who work to improve student outcomes for all students. I would be exceptionally proud to send my own child to this school. Below I have outlined the highlights:

Year 3
Writing results at State average level.

Year 5
All areas of testing – Reading, Writing, Spelling, Grammar and Punctuation, Numeracy are all well above state average.

Growth for students moving from Year 3 to Year 5 is above state level in all areas except for Spelling.

The Year 5 results, particularly in Reading, are our best in quite a few years.

Visit by Liverpool Mayor Ned Mannoun

Last week Liverpool Mayor Ned Mannoun visited the Healthy Harold van as ambassador for Life Education. He sat in for a lesson with 4N and commented on how great the students were. Healthy Harold will be finishing up at the school this week. Thank you to Karen, the Healthy Harold teacher, for her engagement and enthusiasm. The students have loved their visits.

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Important Dates

TERM 3

Week 8
1 September - P&C Meeting
Pre Kinder “Jump Start”
2 September – Grandparents Day
9.30 – 11am, School Hall
School Assembly, Yr 1
2.10pm, School Hall
3 September – Kindy Orientation
9.15am to 10.15am or
5pm to 6pm
4 September – Parent Forum
(21st Century Learning)
Swim scheme ends

Week 9
8 September – Pre Kinder “Jump Start”
9 September – Zone Regional Athletics
School Assembly, Kindy
2.10pm, School Hall
10 September – LAaFF

Week 10
15 September – Pre Kinder “Jump Start”
16 September - School Assembly, Stage 3
2.10pm, School Hall
17 September – Casula PS Concert
K-2: 9.15am
3-6: 10.15am
18 September – Diamond Cup

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Japanese Student Visitors

We really enjoyed our visit from our Japanese students over the past fortnight. They were such a great bunch of students, very kind and thoughtful with our kids. There were many tears shed on their last day but I know they enjoyed their time here immensely. Thank you again to the families that hosted a student and to Miss Wenham who hosted the teacher of the group and Ms Sutarov who hosted a student.

21st Century Learning

Over the past few weeks teachers at Casula Public School have been engaged in what it takes to teach a child in the 21st Century. We have discussed and looked deeply at the world students live in now – a very different one to the world most of us grew up in. We have looked at the 4Cs of education in the 21st Century – communication, collaboration, creativity and critical thinking. These characteristics MUST be evident for students to have success in their careers in the 21st Century. As educators it is our role to ensure that students leave us being capable in these four areas. Our school vision also outlines a variety of 21st Century skills that we want students leaving our school being able to do. You will see lots of learning in groups, hands on problem solving and ‘real’ authentic learning outside the classroom as we endeavour to achieve our goals.

I will be presenting a parent forum on 21st Century learning on Friday, 4 September at 9.15am in Mrs Lloyd’s room. All parents are welcome to attend.

Public Speaking Regional Final

Congratulations to Karina White and Natalia Jovanovich who represented Casula Public School at the Regional Final of the Multicultural Public Speaking in Lewisham last Wednesday. The great news is that BOTH girls have made it through to the State Final in October. This is very, very impressive and never happened at our school before. Natalia spoke about sport breaking down barriers and Karina’s speech was about Identity. Both performed exceptionally well in the impromptu speech section. These girls deserve high praise for this outstanding accomplishment.

Year 6 Fundraiser – Crazy Hair and Mufti Day

Thank you to the school community that so generously supported our Year 6 Fundraiser last week. The Crazy Hair and mufti clothes filled the school with colour and the students loved the day. We sold lots of cakes at the stall.
Stuart Beveridge
I’m ending this newsletter on a very sad but happy note. I announced last newsletter that Mr Beveridge and Miss Williams were engaged. They have now bought a parcel of land in Victoria and will move there at the end of this term. We are very lucky to have Mrs Krautz teaching 5/6B for the rest of the year.

Grandparent’s Day
A reminder that this Wednesday is Grandparent’s Day at Casula Public School. The day begins with an assembly showcase of the great things happening at our school then visits to classrooms and a morning tea in the hall. This is always a beautiful day and I would like to thank Mrs Weston for her excellent organisation.

Swimming Scheme
Our students are having an excellent time at Swim Scheme. They are improving everyday. Swim scheme continues this week.

Only electronic copies of the newsletter are available. Check the school website or Skoolbag App to access the newsletter. If you would like a paper copy please fill out a form and give it to the office staff.

Have a great fortnight,

Mrs Diamond
You’re invited to
Casula PS Concert
2015

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

We would like to invite you to come along to our special Casula PS Concert!

When: Thursday 17th September, 2015
Years K-2: 9.15
Years 3-6: 10.15
Parents are all welcome

Where: School hall

Donations: There will be donation bins available outside the school hall from 9.15-11. All donations will go towards the Children’s Hospital at Westmead.

We look forward to seeing you at the Concert!

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Thank you for supporting The Children’s Hospital at Westmead
Spelling Bee

On Thursday the 13\textsuperscript{th} of August, Casula Public School had the school spelling bee to send through the top two spellers of stage 2 and 3 to the local Final of the Premier’s Spelling Bee.

A variety of students from different classes fought for a spot to represent their class and hoped to be the represent the school.

Many great spellers had participated but only the best of the best made it. Here are the results:

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Good Luck to all our spelling bee winners who will compete in the Local Final at Miller Public School on 11\textsuperscript{th} September.

By Nisha, Christina, Bharathi, Karina from 5/6D
What happened in 1MK?

1MK had a shock one Friday morning to find that Mr King was nowhere to be found...

There were clues that 1MK had to work out. Each group talked and worked together to find out what happened to him. The class discussed the clues and came up with scenarios as to what Mr King was up to.

1MK had to write what they thought happened and how Mr King ended up at the hall instead of Reading Recovery.

The question 'How much water should Mr King drink while he was on his travels?' was discussed and students worked out how many cups in a 2 Litre bottle.

Mr King was found by 1MK and everything was back to normal.

By Miss Morallo and Mr King
Hi, my name is Ben Cooper and I am so excited to be a part of this exciting and amazing school. I am originally from Wollongong and prior to teaching; I graduated with a Bachelor of Science from the University of Wollongong. Teaching and learning has always been a part of me and therefore, I made the switch to teaching, graduating from the University of Wollongong in 2013. After working and surfing alongside my class in Coledale last year, I was fortunate enough to be appointed as a targeted graduate here at Casula Public School. I believe that learning is a skill that once learned will provide a lifetime of growth and adaptability. I look forward to chatting, learning and growing with every part of this amazing community.

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**PSSA RESULTS**

**Term 3 – Round 10**

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CASULA HIGH SCHOOL UPDATE

This week at Casula High:

- Good luck to all of our year 7 students participating in a local schools gala day.
- Well done to our creative arts students who have been given approval to hold a performing arts presentation at Casula Powerhouse, we can’t wait!
- A huge congratulations to one of our coding students who is currently ranked in the top 20 internationally in the Python Coding Challenge.
- 60 of our year 10 students have been involved in Lawyers in Schools. All received excellent feedback from the lawyers.
- Some of our students were lucky enough to be special guests at the launch of the Sydney Science Festival.
- Our annual Brain Busters competition is upon us with year 7 teams ready for their competition for selection.
- Our Community of Schools, which includes representatives from Casula HS, Casula PS, Daimeny PS, Prestons PS, Glenwood PS and Glenfield PS, recently had a meeting which has enabled all schools to build relationships. We can’t wait to strengthen this community and the learning outcomes of students.
- For more updates on our exciting achievements why not like us on Facebook? Find us at www.facebook.com/casulahighschool

If you have any queries please contact the school on 9602-4270. Emily Signorini, Transition Co-ordinator

You are invited to Casula High
‘Taste of High School’ evening

Date: Tuesday 8th September 2015
Start: 5pm in the library
Finish: 6:30pm
Location: Casula High School, Myall Rd Casula

All year 5 students and their parents are invited to attend the Casula High School ‘Taste of High School’ evening. Students and their parents will have the opportunity to attend lessons run by our expert teachers on subject areas such as Coding, Drama, English, Science and Music.

For questions or to let us know of your interest to attend please RSVP to 9602-4270 or email at casula-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au

Come and experience the 21st Century Learning that Casula High School has to offer!

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS AGAIN?

Bring the kids down to the Wests Kids Disco!

Thursday 24th September
11am – 1pm

$5 entry and includes free soft drink and great prizes

Held in the Wests Leagues Club Auditorium

Tickets available now from reception
Call 6528-4168 for further details.

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