From the Principal's Desk…

Star Struck is over for another year and once again our students from Charlestown East behaved and performed superbly. Thank you to the parents of our dancers who assisted with all the transporting to and from rehearsals and performances and to those who helped as parent supervisors during the performances. Thank you also to Kelsie, our choreographer at school and Maree Foster for her wonderful dedication getting some difficult costumes ready for performance week. Thanks also to Kylee Bootland for your assistance with costumes. Tania Burgess and Sue Timbrell once again gave up a lot of their time to ensure the group were well supervised and looked after throughout this exhausting but very rewarding experience.

There is some temporary fencing that has been erected in parts of the school to surround trees that have been marked for removal. The timing of this removal work is unknown at this stage. We are removing the tape from around the new turfed area of the oval so students can have access to more of the soccer playing area as the turf has established quite well.

A number of students are working their way through University of NSW academic competitions at the moment. Paying students from Years 3 to 6 have already completed the Computer and Science papers and this week some will be doing Spelling and Writing. These competitions are quite challenging and any certificate such as a merit or better should be highly prized and kept. Our P. and C. Association cover the cost of all Year 5 and Year 6 students completing the English and Maths competitions. These will take place early next term.

Our annual school photo day is next Monday, 23 June so please remember to have the students in their best uniform and brightest smiles on this day. Envelopes should be returned if you are purchasing a pack of photos. We will start with a staff photo before school begins, then run through the classes with the youngest going first. Family photos will be taken for those who request it at recess time. The photographers will return later in the year for a second session taking sports photos and any other groups missed on Monday.

This is the final Bulletin for this term. Semester 1 reports will come home towards the end of next week. School breaks up for the winter vacation after Friday, 27th June. Students return to school for Term 3 on Tuesday 15th July (teachers return on Monday 14th for a Staff Development Day).

Neil Sneddon
Principal

"From Rags to Riches!"

The students from CEPS Senior Netball teams would like to say a Great Big “THANK YOU” to Events Cinema and Central Charlestown Leagues Club for their generous sponsorship which allowed us to buy new uniforms.

We look FANTASTIC!

Maryanne Harris
CLASS BULLETIN NEWS

K/6A
We use iPads in our classroom to enhance the educational outcomes for all our students. Bruce Rowles, Principal of Aspect South Coast School, tells us, “The beauty of the iPad is that it immediately captures the child’s interest. It makes lessons practical and accessible at school and home.” In K/6A iPads give the students a voice and a way to interact with the world.

K/6C
K6C have taken on the responsibility for putting out and collecting the schools garbage bins. They are all working together to ensure that they are in the right positions. Congratulations to you all for a fantastic job. Our cooking has provided us with the wonderful flavours of Portugal and Germany. We discovered that frankfurts come from a place called Frankfurt in Germany, unbelievable I know!

KM
This week kindergarten celebrate the colour ‘purple’ as we head towards the end of Term 2. Pizza Day was very much enjoyed as it gave KM something yummy to write about. Speeches are of a Personal Topic this week. Children are starting to misplace their jackets so please ensure names are on them so they can find them and come to school warm!

K/1B
Another fortnight has flown by and we are surprising Mrs Burgess with how clever we are! Wishing you all a great, restful holiday at the end of next week!

1H
1H have been working on preparing speeches in class and presenting them to each other and the class as a whole. Our public speaking skills have improved enormously as we learn to ‘think before we speak’, look at the audience and to be entertaining. Well done!

2T
What a busy fortnight we have had and our speeches have been so entertaining! Don’t forget next week projects are due and the last speech for the term will be the presentation of the project. Thank you for your support with speeches and the projects. We have really enjoyed the theme and have learnt so much.

3R
3R has a busy 2 weeks leading up to the end of term. Our gala days will be a lot of fun and we have been enjoying completing our Lost Thing artworks. Next term we will be having an intern, Ms Amanda Andrews. Have a safe and happy holiday!

4S
4S have produced some amazing artworks inspired by Shaun Tan’s The Lost Thing. We have also enjoyed learning about Ned Kelly and the language of early Australia. This week’s gala days will be a lot of fun and good luck to our chess team in Thursday’s tournament.

5/6H
Well done to 5/6H for their hard work this term and I’m delighted to be with you while Mrs Harris is away! Congratulations to our class members that participated in Star Struck. Have a wonderful, relaxing holiday.

5/6V
Well done to all our Starstruck girls! Congratulations on all your efforts. We hope you enjoyed every moment. We have completed reading War Horse and are looking forwards to Rabbit Proof Fence as our next study in Accelerated Literacy. It’s great to see so many engaged students in our literacy sessions. You do need to back up at home the learning focus in class.

LIBRARY
Another Term has flown by in the Library! Just letting everyone know that while Mrs Reinhard is working on 5/6H, Mrs Bell will be doing library lessons. Please remember that this is the last week for borrowing this term. Next week (week 9) all books must be returned please, especially those that have been hiding under the bed!!!

QUALITY EDUCATION AWARDS: Weeks 7 and 8

K/6C
Week 7
Owen Taylor
Campbell Burnett

Week 8
Caitlyn Henderson

K/1B
Week 8
Kai Foster

2T
Week 8
Finn Bell

3R
Week 8
Blake Miles

Week 8
Tyler Buckton

4S
Week 8
Tiarna Wesson

Week 8
Max Buckley

5/6H
Week 7
Liam Michel

Week 7
James Palmieri

5/6V
Week 8
Jordan Wesson

Week 8
Zane Walker

LIBRARY
Week 7
Miah DeAngelis

Week 8
Callie Thomas

Britt Elliot

Hayley Craig

Paige Carr

Zoe Wise
MATHLETICS:
The leading classes in Mathletics are:
1st is 4S with 35 awards
2nd is 3R with 33 awards
3rd is KM with 12 awards.
So far students have accumulated over 105 awards this year. Well done Charlestown East students!

READING EGGS:
(new report now available)
Charlestown East students have accumulated an amazing 2469 Reading eggs!
Well done Charlestown East students!
The leading Reading Eggs classes are as follows:
1st is 1H with 581 Reading Eggs
2nd is 3R with 497 Reading Eggs
3rd is KM with 415 Reading Eggs

COMPUTERS:

Early Stage 1 (Kinder)
Early Stage 1 students have been working through a great problem solving game called Purble Place. This game helps to teach children memory, pattern recognition, and reasoning skills. As students progress they can go to more difficult levels.

Stage 1 (Years 1 & 2)
Stage 1 students are still learning all about Microsoft PowerPoint. Students have started to discover how easy it can be to put an amazing slideshow together. They have nearly finished their PowerPoints on Space which we will be showing over the next two weeks.

Stage 2/Stage 3 (Years 3 & 4 / 5 & 6)
Students are finishing off their www.Code.org course. Congratulations to Robbie Flick who has finished his course and have been issued with their Introduction to Computer Science certificate!
What a great achievement! He will now have time to explore other coding courses including:

Tynker: http://www.tynker.com/hour-of-code/
Intro to JS: Drawing & Animation: https://www.khanacademy.org/computing/cs/programming

To help ensure students’ progress is tracked and a certificate can be issued students are reminded to log in with their student email account which is their: first name.lastname@education.nsw.gov.au To link with other CEPS students they are required to use the following code:
Visit: www.code.org/join and enter their section-code: YDROLF

This 20-hour course introduces core computer science and programming concepts. The course is designed for use in classrooms for grades K-8, but it is fun to learn at all ages. http://learn.code.org/s/1/level/1

Students are learning the fundamentals of coding through a great website aimed at Primary School students. Have fun coding this Term Stages 2 & 3!

Macquarie Soccer update:
Unfortunately due to the rain Macquarie soccer has been cancelled over the last two weeks. Students are very keen to try and play this week against Floraville. Senior students are to check where they are in the rotation and let the school know if they are unavailable.

We should all be reminded that Charlestown East PS supports the Play by the Rules guidelines for Friday sport which is all about inclusivity, being fair and safe for all students.
Free Microsoft and Adobe software for all DEC students!

Did you know that your child can download the following software products for free including Microsoft Office 2013, Adobe software. There is also a vast range of other software ready to download at very cheap educational rates.

How do I download this software, simply find the link for your child’s DEC student portal. Called Adobe DEC software.

Visit: www.student.det.nsw.edu.au Login in with your child’s username and password. Ensure you find the link.

There is now a YouTube clip that shows the instructions on how to complete this: (10 minutes)

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rK9DcAYmWEA, (This is now linked on our Video section on the Charlestown East website)

See the video which shows instructions on how to access the free Adobe and Microsoft software for all DEC students.

https://student.det.nsw.edu.au (To access my Student Portal and email at home)
Students required to use their DEC login.

Remember the following:

Username: firstname.lastname (sometimes students have a number at the end of their lastname)

Password:

Email address of students are: firstname.lastname@education.nsw.gov.au
UNIFORM SHOP
On Tuesday 29th July in conjunction with the monthly cake stall we will be holding a 2nd hand uniform sale from 2.45pm. White logoed shirts, boys grey shorts and long pants, logoed jumpers and jackets, girl’s skorts and tunics all for sale. The uniform shop will also be open on this day for new sales. If you have any 2nd hand uniforms that you would like to donate please hand them into the office. Thank you for supporting your Schools P & C and their initiative to build a strong consistent look with uniform across our playground.

PHOTO DAY
Reminder School Photo Day is next Monday the 23 June 2014.

Please take time to read the relevant information on the MSP Photography payment envelopes and remember these helpful points.

- Don’t seal envelopes inside each other. You can pay for all children in one envelope however each child needs to have their own envelope on photo day
- Family envelopes are available at the school office upon request
- Please enclose correct money as no change is given. Cash and money orders only (sorry no credit card accepted)

Envelopes can be left at the office prior to Photo Day

PIZZA DAY
Thank you to everyone who supported the Year 6 Fundraiser last week with over $315 being raised. A huge thank you to Tracey and Ian Baggs and Slice Gourmet Pizza, Adamstown for the yummy pizza!

P&C UPDATE

BUNNINGS BBQ
On behalf of the school community, I would like to thank Rebecca Cornish and the families who have volunteered their time for the Bunnings BBQ this year. The Bunnings fundraising opportunity has directly raised $5286.95 for the school over the last 2 years.

These BBQs are important to us as they bring much needed funds for our children into the school from outside our direct family community. It is imperative that we continue to take advantage of this opportunity with Bunnings next year.

I would encourage all families to consider volunteering some time when our turn arrives in 2015.

TRIVIA NIGHT
We would love it if you and your friends and family could join us for our fun and relaxed Trivia Night on Saturday 30th August, 2014.

Venue : Charlestown Bowling Club
Cost : $10 per person or $90 for a table of 10

At this stage, we are just asking that you book this date on your calendars and we will be sending out further details shortly.

CHARITABLE DONATIONS
At last night’s P&C meeting it was mentioned that some larger organisations/company’s look to donate/grant money to schools, sporting associations etc as part of their charitable charter.

If anyone is aware of any opportunities in this regard, please contact either Tracey Baggs or Rebecca Woodrow (details on CEPS website).

CHOCOLATES
Chocolate boxes will be sent home with our children this Thursday 19th June, 2014. The total cost of the box will be $50.00 or $1.00 a chocolate.

We make a valuable amount of money from the sales of these chocolates to directly provide our school with additional resources. If you are able to sell more than 1 box, please let us know and we will happily provide you with another.

It would be appreciated if all money be returned to the school by 16th July, 2014.
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CANTEEN ROSTER

Thursday 19th June
Anna Deangelis
Jody Pavlou

Friday 20th June
Lucinda Brown AM
Lisa Weir
Renae Carr PM

Tuesday 24th June
Lauri Scully AM
Ian Stewart
Vicky Markovski

Thursday 26th June
Nicole Mitchell
Peta Sutherland

Friday 27th June
Jennie Ryan
Sam Stewart

Tuesday 15th July
Sandra Clement
Gary Clement

Thursday 17th July
Dayna Goldsmith
Nicquel Rebrik

Friday 18th July
Brodie Reynolds
Teagan Robertson

Tuesday 22nd July
Jennie Ryan
Sam Stewart

Thursday 24th July
Kristie Krainz
Steph Harrison

Friday 25th July
Michael O’Hearn AM
Kyle Weary
Michelle Brand

Tuesday 29th July
Rebecca Howard AM
Christi Wallace
Thanatya Rayner PM

Thursday 31st July
Emily Holdom
Kady Brown

Friday 1st August
John Hobkins AM
Derrick Wong
Ian Stewart

Tuesday 5th August
Lauri Scully AM
Ian Stewart
Vicky Markovski

Thursday 7th August
Anna Deangelis
Jody Pavlou

Friday 8th August
Liz Freeman AM
Annette Hubber
Kayleen Buckton PM
Newcastle Permanent
Junior Ranger Fun Day
To coincide with NAIDOC week, children will learn about Australia's Indigenous culture through craft, games and interactive activities.
When: 11am - 1pm, Tuesday 8 July 2014
Where: Richley Reserve top flat (entry off Freyberg St)
Free Sausage sandwich for children only, $1 each for adults. Drinks available for purchase. No bookings required.
Compulsory parental supervision at all times. Children must wear fully enclosed shoes.
Blackbutt Reserve Office: 4904 3344
Email: blackbuttadmin@nsc.nsw.gov.au

GET THE KIDS ACTIVE!
Do you find it challenging to get the kids away from their computer or TV to play outside?
We all know how important it is for a child's health, growth and development to be physically active each day, but with increasing technology in our lives, this can sometimes be a real challenge!
We may have the answer for you!
Go4Fun is a FREE healthy lifestyle program for families with children aged 7-13. It is run after school hours by a qualified Dietitian and Exercise Leader. To see if your child qualifies for the Go4Fun program, or for more information, visit the Go4Fun website at http://go4fun.com.au or call 1800 780 900.

TERM 3 programs being offered in Maryland, New Lambton, Raymond Terrace, Anna Bay, Matilda and Belmont North – even a Saturday afternoon program to meet the needs of busy families.

REGISTER BEFORE THE END OF THE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS!!!!!
Encourage your child to be active, happy and healthy TODAY!

HOLIDAY PROGRAMS
Join in the Fun these holidays!
Tramp & Tumbling  Acro  Team Gym
General Gym  Gym Fun  Tumbling & Tricks
Gym Games  Trampolining  Urban Sports  Skills Clinics
• Qualified Gymnastics Instructors
• Suitable for all levels no experience required
• Safe Environment
• Premier Facility & Equipment

BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL Contact the Centre:
Ph: 4953 6366  Fax: 4953 6587  www.hsc.org.au

VACATION CARE  4 - 12yrs
July 2014
Come join us these holidays we will have you reaching new heights participating in:
Tramp, Tumbling, Acro, Gymnastics skills and themed games, craft, science, athletics and cooking just to name a few.
Vacation Care is available from Monday 30th June - Monday 14th July
7.30am - 6pm

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Registration forms available from school office