Tuesday 5th August 2014

Principal's Report
We had another great performance yesterday. The NED show was in town and we were lucky enough to experience the performance. There were lots of yoyo, balloon and paper tricks. The message was also excellent. Please ask your kids about the NED show and what NED stands for. We hope to follow up on this great message over the rest of the year. Yoyos and accessories are available for purchase from the front office!

Once again I would like to commend the kids from Casino West on their excellent attitude to learning. Your efforts in class have been fantastic and we are seeing some real growth. I have been so impressed with the writing samples I am seeing. The students in Mrs Bryant’s writing group have really started to put some great stories together. Well done.

Reading has also been a focus and I have enjoyed listening to the kids read their stories in the office. I hope you get time to listen to your kids read and to read to them every night. These cold nights offer a great chance to cosy up with a book and a hot chocolate. If you need some books to read don’t hesitate to borrow some from school.

Our teachers have been training in two maths programs this year and I can really see the improvement in mathematic skills across the whole school. Great work everyone.

We are also getting along with the development of our own local reading scheme. We are starting to gather stories from the local area and will start to produce some really exciting books to better engage the students in reading and encourage them to write their own stories.

All the best to everyone!
Regards Michael Taylor, Principal.

HOMEWORK CENTRE TOMORROW
Due to Mrs Newton at a conference in Sydney tomorrow and Mrs Castella and Mrs Horne will run the centre.
Regards Mrs Newton.

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Week 4 – Term 3

Dates to Remember

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Canteen Roster

- **Wednesday 6th August**
  - Helen Lynn
- **Thursday 7th August**
  - Trista Hickling
- **Friday 8th August**
  - Megan Keogh
- **Monday 11th August**
  - Vicki Proctor
- **Tuesday 12th August**
  - Trista Hickling

P&C Meeting

Tuesday 19th August 2014
5.30pm in staff room

Agenda
- Fete
- Car parts swap meet

Please come along and be part of the P&C of Casino West. All Welcome.
PIE DRIVE P&C FUNDRAISER – COUNTRY CRUMBS BAKERY
DUE THIS FRIDAY 8TH AUGUST

The P&C are holding a Pie Drive fundraiser. Information sheet was handed out 2 weeks ago. If you would like to order please have your orders in by this Friday. Extra order forms are available from the front office.

Prices range from large pies for $8.70-$9.50 or 6 small pies for $12.50-$16.00.

**Book Week 2014**

This year we celebrate Book Week in Week 6 starting Monday 18th August with lots of activities.

The theme for Book Week this year is “Connect to Reading”. Many thanks to Felice Patton who has taken lots of photos in the last two weeks of all the ways we connect to reading at Casino West. These photos will be on display in the library during Book Week and everyone is very welcome to come along and have a look.

All classes are busy responding to one of their favourite stories and these displays will also be on display in the library.

There will be a colouring in competition for K-2 and 3-6 competition to redesign the cover of the favourite book.

For those children who love their connecting blocks a special competition to create a scene or figure from blocks that represents a favourite story or character.

On Wednesday 20th August everyone is allowed to come to school dressed as their favourite book, TV or movie character. If you can’t find a costume come in ‘green’ this year and be a part of the day. More news and details next week.

*Regards Mrs Bryant*

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**Book Week 2014**

18th August – 22nd August

**Theme: Connect to Reading**

- Photo display in Library.
- Colouring competition.
- Connecting blocks competition.
- Come dressed in your favourite book, TV or movie character.
- Or the colour green.

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**School Banking Rewards now available!**

New reward items for the School Banking program are now available for Term 3! Term 1 and 2 items can also still be ordered. The items currently available are:

- **SWIMMING BAG – NEW!**
- **MONEY BOX – NEW!**
- **PENGUIN OR SHARK KEY RING**
- **WHALE SHARK PENCIL CASE**
- **SCENTED PENCILS**
- **HAND BALL**

For every deposit made at school, no matter how big or small, students will receive a cool Dollarmites token. Once students have individually collected 10 tokens they can redeem them for these exclusive School Banking reward items in recognition of their continued savings behaviour. There are 2 new items to come in Term 4 as well!

Remember our school earns 5% commission on every deposit made (to a maximum of $10 per individual deposit).

If your children are not currently involved in the School Banking program and you would like to know more, please ask for a 2014 School Banking program Information Pack from the School office.

Thank you for supporting the School Banking program and don’t forget that **Thursday** is School Banking day!
Zone Athletics Carnival Competitors

| Zander C | Tallis A | Preston D | Ashley A | Kirell R |
| Damen A-C | Jake P | Jon C | Bailey H-K | Will V |
| Cory T | Isaiah F | Clayton R | Cody D | Nathan S |
| Brendan S | Bryce F | Malachi F | Maleik K | Ezekial K |
| Nikayah H | Mackenzie P | Latasha C | Ella K | Shaylee N |
| Cherakia R | Madison J | Cheyne A | Shanelle C | Libby A-C |
| Kahan S | Tanisha H | Brianna D | Jacinta C | Talar W |
| Mia C | Danielle B | Hailee H | Janaya W | Bethany T |

AGE CHAMPIONS

| Juvenile Boy | Jamarl R | Juvenile Girl | Karimah C |
| Junior Boy | Kirell R | Junior Girl | Jancita C |
| 11 Year Boy | Isaiah F | 11 Year Girl | Mia C |
| Senior Boy | Bailey H-K | Senior Girl | Shanelle C |

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WINNING HOUSE
JABIRU

Congratulations to Jabiru on being the winning team at our recent Athletics Carnival. Notes have gone out to children about the Zone Athletics Carnival at Riverview Park in Lismore on Friday 15th August. A bus will leave school at 8.00am. Cost is $10.00 which covers PSSA Levy and bus fare. Please return notes and money to the front office. Thank you Mr Matthews.

PSSA Basketball Gala Day
A PSSA Basketball Gala day will be held on Monday 18th August. A note will go home today to those students involved in this sport.

Year 5/6 Canberra Excursion
A note went home yesterday with students with information about what to take, medical note and permission note for swimming in the heated pool after the chair lift ride. Please finalise all payments as soon as possible.

ORDER FORM FOR SCHOOL UNIFORM PACKAGE INTRODUCTORY OFFER
PREORDER FORM
EFTPOS IS ALSO AVAILABLE AT THE FRONT OFFICE
1 Shirt/ 1 Shorts/ 1 Hat $35.00
Estimated time for uniforms to arrive at school approximately 11th August 2014

STUDENT NAME ____________________________________ Class _____________

| Shirt size | □ 4 | □ 6 | □ 8 | □ 10 | □ 12 | □ 14 | □ 16 |
| Shorts size | □ 4 | □ 6 | □ 8 | □ 10 | □ 12 | □ 14 | □ 16 |
| Hat size | □ small | □ medium | □ large |

Signed: __________________________ Dated: _______________

Community News

Djanenjam Preschool – Jubunj Market
Ladies are invited to come along and browse the market stalls showcasing local products and businesses. 22nd August 2014. 6.30pm at Casino Public School Hall (Adults only ladies event). Pre-purchase tickets $15.00 person, includes soups and sweets. Tickets and more information is available from Casino Public please phone: 6662 1113