Our preschool students are all very excited about our little school. Below we have our brand new shirts that have just arrived. These are now available for sale for $18.00 each. They are in a cotton mix with bright embroidery of both logos. Come on in and have a look.

Our preschool orientation was a great success last week and the children had a great time. Thank you to all parents who attended our information evening. The children have been very busy measuring themselves and are sure to grow a little more before next year!

The aim of this program is to build and enhance confidence in Year 6 girls through group discussions and oral presentations using Stronger Smarter strategies. The girls meet once a week for an hour and yarn/talk about a range of topics which include; building trust & rapport, personal strengths, identity and self-confidence. The yarning circles are always set up in a safe and relaxed environment which allows the girls to contribute with ease.
Rio the Macaw To Visit

Rio is a baby macaw and will be visiting our school over the next few weeks commencing on Monday 9th November when he will be introduced to the Year 5/6 classrooms. We are thrilled to have him in our school. He is still in training and has lots to learn. They are very loud and love to screech. Rio can live to be 80 years old. We look forward to his visits.

While Rio is at school we have some rules to help him settle in.

1. Don’t come too close to Rio.
2. Be quite.
3. Don’t try and pat him.
4. Listen to his trainers.

Primary Assembly Awards 2015
Week 4 Term 4 Host Class 4/5Y

- 2/3S Kayden L Daniel G
- 3/4T Brett L Tina S-G
- 3/4F Tyler N Ella K
- 4/5Y Danyil L Jacksen McR
- 5/6M Bethany T
- Norta Norta Malachi F Keely W
- Playground Winners Breanna B
- Assembly Best Class 3/4F

P&C News

Our garage sale day was a great day with just over $400 raised. All stalls made money on the day, with the Westpac Rescue Helicopter raising over $240.00 in the raffle. Special thanks to Jennie King, Megan and Rob Keogh and Vicki Proctor without their help on the day it would not of been such a success.

P&C Meeting will be next Tuesday 10th November at 6.00pm in the staffroom.

Ham and pork raffles will be run from the canteen for Xmas. Tickets are available for $1.00 each. Prizes will be drawn when 100 tickets are sold.

A Fun Time For All At Casino West

Our Preschool and Kindergarten Orientation first days were a great success. Thank you to the parents who attended our information sessions. We had an outstanding number of parents for our Kindergarten information morning with 32 attending. We had 31 new enrolments on Wednesday and we look forward to seeing them again over the next few weeks.

Thank you to our P&C for holding the Garage sale on Saturday. It was great to come along and meet the store holders and patrons. It was interesting to find out about V8 dirt modified speedway cars, to see a real live Macaw and to see so many people visiting the Gonski stall.

Plans are well underway for the end of term events. We are organising excursions, farewells, discos and presentations and look forward to seeing the kids enjoy these activities.

The kids are working very well in class and have not backed off as we near the end of the year. Keep working hard kids as every day of learning means you are stronger and smarter. We have been working on the word, "presence", encouraging our kids to really concentrate on what is going on, to really be there and not drifting off with their thoughts, and being present to show respect to those who are working to improve their learning. It would be great if you could use the same language at home as this will help the children understand the concept.

As always, I encourage students to read to mum or dad, a brother or sister, a grandparent, a carer or anyone who will give them some time. Doing this every night really helps consolidate reading and understanding of reading. It also shows that you value education, and this helps the kids value their education.

Book fair will be held next week. The books can be previewed in the library this Friday. Children love to have some books of their own and there will be plenty they would love to have at the book fair.

Teachers will be training in science at this week’s staff meeting and we will continue this training in a fortnight’s time. Kids love science so learning in this area will be put to great use. Have a lovely week, hope to see you all at some of the events coming up!
Christmas Book Fair  
Casino West Library

Wednesday 11th & Thursday 12th November

If you are looking for some early Christmas gifts the Book Fair may be a good place to pick up some of the children's favourite stories. On the Wednesday which is the main open day we are also having a 'Dress up as your favourite character Day'.

Children in K-2 who have won a $5 gift voucher for their borrowing this year and students in 3-6, who have won $5 vouchers for the Book Fair Poster competition, are able to use them at the book fair.

On the Wednesday there will be more vouchers given out for the best dressed character in each class.

Come along and join in the fun on Wednesday if you can. Visit your child’s class and bring them down to the fair. School eftpos is available for purchasing books from the fair.

Don't forget!

Dress Up Day for students is Wednesday 11th November – Come dressed as your favourite story character and be in the running to win a $5 book voucher to spend at the Book Fair on Wednesday or Thursday – One voucher per class.

STAGE 2 AND STAGE 3 END OF YEAR EXCURSIONS

Notes will go home shortly for Stage 2 and Stage 3 excursions. These excursions are still being organised. Regards Dean Campbell.

Intensive Swimming

This is a great program to get your child to learn to swim. Available for students 8 years and up. The program cost is $5.00 each day for the two week program at Casino Pool.

Please return your permission notes as soon as possible as we need to clarify numbers for the program. The swimming scheme commences on Monday 9th November and concludes on Friday 20th November.

Year 6 Farewell

Notes went home yesterday for Year 6 Farewell at the RSM Club. Please return dinner orders and payment to the front office. Thank you.
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