From the principal…

Welcome back to another busy term! Hopefully in the next week or so, we will be able to finalise our Athletics Carnival, keep your fingers crossed for some fine weather.

A huge welcome to our new Assistant Principal, teaching 1/2Z, Ms Thea O’Sullivan and our new Office Manager, Mrs Kelli Bell. I am sure they will enjoy their time here at Caves Beach Public School. We also welcome Miss Abbey Wright who will relieve for Mr White. Ms Weekes will be relieving as Assistant Principal in his absence.

Don’t forget, if you wish to discuss your child’s report, please don’t hesitate to make an appointment. If you phone the office, the message will be passed onto the teacher.

Mrs Jo Mazzitello will take over this term as Canteen Supervisor, Welcome Jo.

At the end of last term, we received some new student desks and chairs, which leaves us with some older desks that we have no use for. If you are after a desk or chairs, please let me know. Otherwise all desks will be returned to the furniture depot. We also still have one of the larger library tables left, if anyone wants it. Please let me know asap.

Denise Rispen – Principal

TEACHER PROFESSIONAL LEARNING

This term’s School Development Day, last Monday, was planned to cover two sessions on Focus on Reading and stage planning, but with Mrs Pascoe and Mr White both sick, last minute changes were heralded. Mrs Scott and Ms Weekes both stepped in to deliver a workshop focused on technology and our new Assistant Principal, Ms Thea O’Sullivan who is also trained in Focus on Reading, stepped in at the last minute to deliver one of the sessions on Focus on Reading. Stage planning still went ahead. A hugely successful day full of effective professional learning!

ASSEMBLY – Friday at 12.15pm

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GATE CLOSURE TIMES

Mornings 8.45 – 9.30 Afternoons 2.30 – 3.15

THIS WEEK
22/7  Bandlink
23/7  Bandlink
24/7  Girls Soccer PSSA

NEXT WEEK
27/7  P&C meeting 7pm
28/7  Athletics Carnival
29/7  UNSW English competition
30/7  Rescheduled (again) K-2 Reptile Park excursion
      Galgabba Public Speaking Competition Stage 2 & 3
      Science Fair

ENROL NOW FOR KINDERGARTEN 2016
If you have a child who will be commencing Kindergarten next year please contact the office at your earliest convenience with their details. This will enable us to place all names into our system and get the enrolment package out ASAP.

THE SCHOOL APP
The school app is now available for Windows phones. Simply search ‘Caves Beach Public School’ in your app store.

CONGRATULATIONS
A group of our very talented musical students were selected to present guest spots on a new show on the GO! television channel called So There on Sundays at 12pm. Congratulations to Brooklyn Kristian and Ruby on their screen debuts!

NATIONAL CONSISTENT COLLECTION OF DATA
What is it?
As of April 2015 all schools are required to collect and report information annually on the number of students within their school requiring ongoing adjustments to support their access to the curriculum.

For the purpose of the national data collection, students with learning difficulties such as dyslexia or auditory processing disorder, as well as chronic health disorders can be included. Students who do not have a specific diagnosis but have significant learning difficulties may also be included.

A full explanation will be placed on our website as soon as possible for you to read. Any questions please do not hesitate to ask.

Jenny Coughtrie
Learning and Support Teacher
WHAT’S NEW IN THE CLASSROOMS

Early Stage 1 – KT
It’s great to be back! Many thanks to Mr Powell for teaching KT while I was away. I know he had an enjoyable time working with your delightful children. He will be back this Wednesday and Thursday while I am at BandLink with the school band. In class last week we read a book by Graeme Base called The Legend of the Golden Snail. The children were enthralled by the detailed illustrations and learned from the character Wilbur that if you do something kind for someone, they will return the favour when you are in need. The class enjoyed some very insightful and valuable discussion about the moral to the story and the point of view of the characters. Please feel free to join us for reading groups Mon/Tues/Thurs - 9.30 - 10.20am and Wednesdays 10-10.40am. No notice is needed, just turn up! Have a lovely week.

Stage 1-1/2P
1/2P has had a busy start to Term 3, with concert practice well under way. Unfortunately the bad weather resulted in our excursion to the Reptile Park being rescheduled for the 30th July and we are all keeping our fingers crossed for a sunny day. Don’t forget to send in your green permission note. This term in English we are learning about ‘Perspective’. We have had fun trying to put ourselves in ‘other people’s shoes’ and reading some wonderful texts. In Art we have also been investigating ‘Perspective’ and our masterpieces are coming along brilliantly. Homework starts today. Keep reading every night and remember to bring in your Reading Logs.

Stage 2 –3/4S
We are all busy getting ready for our school concert! We have 8 weeks to perfect our performances so be ready to be amazed!! In Literacy this term we are looking at fairy tales and how we can put a modern twist into the storyline of a tale. We will put some of our writing twist on our blog so be sure to check it out! www.cbpsstage2.weebly.com

It has been quite cold this term so please remember to wear your jumpers and maybe an extra shirt under your school uniform!

Stage 3 –6W
It’s been a busy start to Term 3 in 6W. We have been looking at mapping and coordinates. Students used a map of Caves Beach to plot and record familiar locations and coordinates. We are studying the book ‘The Thief Lord’ by Cornelia Funke, which is set in Venice Italy. If you have a copy at home would you please bring it in?

Students have been learning the art technique of Zentangle and are producing artwork that expresses their creativity.

SPORT
On Friday 17th July Joel O’C, Kaylee D, Hayley W and Tegan T represented Caves Beach Public School at the cross country. Joel placed 8th, Kaylee 19th, Hayley 32nd and Tegan 11th. We are very proud of their achievements.

Netball
The senior girls’ netball team played against Belair Public School in round 3 of the PSSA Knockout. It was an extremely tough game and all girls played very well. Unfortunately for our girls Belair triumphed on the day and they will progress to round 4.

Athletics carnival
New date is set for Week 3. Tuesday 26th July. With a backup day on the Wednesday if the weather turns bad again!! Parent helpers would be wonderful, let Mrs Scott know if you are available please!! Thanks

BAND NEWS
BandLink this Wednesday and Thursday - The change of venue to the Newcastle Jockey Club this year should provide an even more rewarding time. If your child is being transported by another parent please arrive at school by 8am as we need to leave by 8.15 sharp. If your child is late, you will have to transport your child to the club. If you are meeting us at the venue, please meet out the front of the ‘Glasshouse’ for roll call. There will be ample signage to assist you to find your way. Each child is asked to take a music stand from school to use over the two days and return it to school afterwards. Your child can wear their band shirt over the two days. The concert begins at 1.30pm on Thursday - all parents and families are welcome at no charge. Be prepared to be blown away as you listen to each band perform what they have learned during the two day workshop. Committee meeting this Friday morning at 8.30am (Due to Bandlink)

Have a great week!
Michelle Thurston

PUBLIC SPEAKING
Congratulations to our Public Speakers Maggie E and Harry L from Stage 2, and Hannah W and Brooklyn W from Stage 3, who participated in the Multicultural Public Speaking Competition last term. Maggie and Hannah came second in their respective stages. Well done girls!

SPELLING BEE
Wordlists and password have been released for this year’s Premier’s Spelling Bee. If your Year 3 to Year 6 child is interested and you would like to help them practise at home, please access the following website to download the lists. Year 3 and 4 use the junior list while Year 5 and 6 use the senior list. Due to copyright issues you will need to ask the class teacher for the password as we are unable to publish it. www.artsunit.nsw.edu.au

Mrs Dennis - Spelling Bee Coordinator

RAFFLE TICKETS IN THE OFFICE
Chloe S in Year 6 has been selected in the NSW PSSA Soccer Team. Chloe will be going to Pacific Schools Games in Adelaide in November.

Fund raising raffle tickets to assist with the cost of attending this event are available from the school office for $2 each. Huge congratulations Chloe!!!
Great prizes including 55 inch 3D TV, Go Pro HD Action Video Camera, Apple IPAD Mini 32GB, Olympus TG-3 Waterproof Camera and Sony Noise cancelling Headphones.

**Canteen**

Roster Week 2

- Monday 20 July – Wendy S
- Tuesday 21 July – Sue G and Kerry W
- Thursday 23 July – Dea F, Rebecca W and Benita O
- Friday 24 July – Liana W, Yeni L, Denise McK, Kim S, Lisa G

Roster Week 3

- Monday 27 July – Tania S
- Tuesday 28 July – Danielle W and Alicia L
- Thursday 30 July – Fiona R and Georgie P
- Friday 31 July – Amanda O, Stacey G, Shani W and Leanne F

Thank you to all of our volunteers 😊

**Uniform Shop News**

Perfect for those cold days, Microfiber Track Pants have been added to our school uniform range - black, straight leg, fully lined, with a zip at the leg bottom (Size 4 - 16). These will sell for an introductory price of $25 for Term 3. From Term 4 they will be $29.

With the chilly weather well and truly here we also have plenty of stock in warm winter uniforms - Jumpers ($16), Jackets ($44) & Long Sleeve Tees ($10) plus long pants for girls & boys.

Did you know we stock scarves, gloves and raincoats too??

**Ordering Your Uniforms - Too Easy!**

2. Fill out your order form.
3. Pay online via direct deposit - details are on the order form. Attach a copy of your direct deposit receipt to your school or call in & see us at the uniform shop.
4. Drop your order & receipt to the school office (or send with your child to hand in to the office).
5. Your order will be delivered to your child's classroom or you can collect it from the office.

It’s that easy - no need to rush around!!

From Wednesday 15th July, when anyone from your school community - staff, parents, friends shop at Woolworths, they can collect stickers to place on sticker sheets they have been provided. They’ll get one sticker for every $10 they spend*. Once they complete their sticker sheets they can place them in a collection box, at either your school or local Woolworths.

**Community Notes**

**Blackert Gymnastics Academy Has Moved!**

Blackert Gymnastics Academy (BGA) is a successful and established gymnastics club that is fully affiliated with Gymnastics Australia. This year we have moved to a brand new, fully equipped, state of the art gymnastics centre and are offering a new and exciting range of programs. All programs are supervised by fully qualified gymnastics coaches and delivered in a fun, friendly and professional manner.

- Kindergym: 18months - 5 years
- Recreational Gymnastics: 4 years+
- Regional Levels Gymnastics: 7 years+
- Tricks & Tumbles: 7 year
- Fitkids: 5 years+
- Competitive Gymnastics: 5 years+ by assessment only

It's Party Time!!!

Looking for a fun, easy, energetic and exciting place for your child’s birthday party? Then why not try one of our gymnastics parties! It’s the simple, stress free place for your child’s next birthday party.

School Holiday Fun!!

We also have fun holiday programs to keep the children busy and active during every school holidays. So why not come and give one of our programs or parties a try.

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