Education Week (18-23 May) is next week and we have a number of events planned. There will be a Book Fair for that week only (there is still one later in the year). There is an open morning on Wednesday 21st from 9-11 and parents are invited to come along and spend time with their children in the classroom. If you know anyone who is thinking of sending there children here next year, invited them too! In addition to this, we are having a Favourite Book Character Dress Up Parade on Monday morning. No superheroes allowed. This is your advance warning! We will also be doing National Simultaneous Storytime on our Open Morning.

We are still VERY DEPERATE for help with the cycling catering on the weekend. We need to make this a successful fundraising event for our school and community. There are 1000 house points available to every family who helps out over the weekend.

NAPLAN is now done and I congratulate the Grade 3’s and 5’s on the very sensible way in which they all approached the test. We will look forward to the results in a few months time.

Attendance is an important focus for us at present. Families who have three or more unexplained absences will be receiving a letter from the school so that we can update the records. Please fill this out and return promptly, otherwise this may trigger the next step in a process for poor attendance.

Thank you to all the mums and grandmothers who turned up for Mothers Day breakfast last Friday. It was great to celebrate this special day with you all. We had 43 of our 50 mums and quite a few grandmothers. A special thank you to all the staff who came in VERY early to do the catering.

Grade 1-2 children have received their notices today for their camp which is coming up in June. Please return the paperwork as soon as possible. We would love all children to attend as this is an important part of our curriculum, so if there are financial issues, please come and have a chat with me.

Diary Dates
School Banking every Tuesday

MAY
16th Lunch Order: See page 2 for details
17th & 18th Catering - Castlemaine Cycling Club
18th to 23rd Education Week
19th Dress up parade—favourite book character (no super heroes)
20th Grade 5/6 Interschool Netball Wesley Hill
20th Parent Gathering - 9am coffee at Skydancers
21st Open Morning 9-11am
21st, 22nd & 23rd Book Fair - see page 3 for details
22nd Grade 3/4 Interschool Netball Wesley Hill
22nd CSC Opening Morning 9am-Junior
23rd Grade Prep-2 Tabloid Sports CSC Junior Campus
23rd Lunch Order: See page 2 for details
27th Parent Gathering - 9am coffee at Skydancers
28th School Council Meeting 7.30pm
30th Lunch Order: See page 2 for details

JUNE
3rd Grades Prep—2 Maths morning as C/Maine North PS
3rd Parent Gathering - 9am coffee at Skydancers
6th Lunch Order: See page 2 for details
9th Queens Birthday Public Holiday
11th Arts Performance: Out of Africa
12th - Grade 1/2 Bendigo Camp
13th Lunch Order: See page 2 for details
13th Except for Grades 1 & 2
27th Last Day of Term 2
2.30pm finish
**Art Room News**
We are seeking 25 used clean laundry bottles, the ones with handles built in on the side and old CD’s (as many as possible) for use in the Art Program this term.

Suzan Redlande
Art Teacher

**Friday Lunch Orders**
Don’t forget students can hand in their lunch orders with correct money on either Mondays, Tuesdays or by 9am Wednesday mornings.

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<td>30th: Sausage Rolls (2 X 3inch)/ Banana Cake</td>
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<td>June 6th: Baked Potatoe (coleslaw &amp; cheese) / Apple Strudel</td>
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<td>13th: Fried Rice &amp; 2 Dim Sims / Brownie</td>
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<td>27th: 2 Sausages in Bread / Sticky Date Pudding</td>
<td>Raelene &amp; Elsa</td>
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Mains $3 each
Dessert $1 each

**Parental Occupation Forms**
A form was sent home last week to each family to update our records with parents occupations and ensure the school receives the correct funding from the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development.

**Please return the form by Friday 23rd May.**
If you have any questions regarding the form please contact the school office.

**Students Of The Week:**
Grade Prep/1: **Shannon**: Learning more letters and sounds.
**Nate**: Reading numbers in the 10s skip counting pattern.
Grade 1/2: **Hudson**: For his great questions and answers in Values Ed with Mrs V-G.
Grade 3/4: **Enion**: For his courage and persistence when riding his bike.
Grade 5/6: **Patrick**: A great attempt at NAPLAN.

**Reading Nights**
Students that have achieved 50 nights of reading:
Lainey, Julie, Luey, Shayla

Students that have achieved 75 nights of reading:
Angus, Hamish, Fraser, Shannon, Beatrice, Eve, Nate

**Well Done!**

**Attendance or is it absence?**
Number of days that students have been away this week:
Grade P/1: 2 days
Grade 1/2: 2 days
Grade 3/4: 1.5 days
Grade 5/6: 3 days

Cool to be at school winner is Grade 3/4
Early Bird winner is Grade 5/6

**Every day counts – school attendance**
Harcourt Valley Primary School Footy Tipping Competition 2014
Each week the winner receives a hot beverage or milkshake voucher from ASQ Skydancers Cafe.
Last weekend winner was: Phobe (see photo below)

Interschool netball—Grades 3/4 and 5/6
DATE: Grade 5/6 Tuesday the 20th of May
       Grade 3/4 Thursday the 22nd of May
DEPARTS: 9.00am for a 9.45 am start at Wesley Hill
RETURN: 2.30pm
COST: $6 if the excursion levy has not been paid.
VENUE: Wesley Hill Netball courts
CHILDREN WILL NEED:
Drink Bottle filled with water
Appropriate school uniform (Jumper)
Runners, play lunch and lunch.
Permission form and money must be returned to the school by: Monday the 19th of May.

Tabloid Sports - Grade Prep to 2
DATE: Friday 23rd May
DEPARTS: 9.00am
RETURN: 1.00pm
COST: $7 if the excursion levy has not been paid.
VENUE: Castlemaine Secondary College - Junior Campus (Blakeley Road)
CHILDREN WILL NEED:
Drink Bottle filled with water
Appropriate school uniform (Jumper)
Runners, play lunch and lunch.
Permission form and money must be returned to the school by: Wednesday 21st of May.
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Presentation

**Leading expert in Cybersafety**

Lesley Harrison: has worked for three years on a government initiative in the promotion of mental health in education of which cyberbullying was a key area. Lesley is passionate about improving the wellbeing of young people and sees Cybersafety as a key component of this.

**Helping your Child to Stay Safe Online**

Young people today are immersed in digital technologies. They use the internet and mobile phones to socialise, study, exchange ideas and play. While online activity has many benefits, there are also risks.

To help your children stay safe online, Castlemaine Secondary College is hosting this Cybersmart Outreach — Internet Safety Awareness presentation — offered by the governments lead agency Australia Communications Media Authority.

**The presentation covers a range of issues including:**

The ways children use the internet and emerging technologies

Potential risks for children online, such as cyberbullying, identity theft, inappropriate contact and exposure to inappropriate content.

Tips to help children stay safe online.

This event has been organised by the Secondary School Nurse and Wellbeing Team of Castlemaine Secondary College.

We hope you are able to come along to this evening which aims to be both informative and enjoyable.

**Details are:**

**Date:** Tuesday 20th May

**Time:** 7 - 8 pm

**Venue:** Multi Media Centre.

Wellbeing Building.

Blakeley Rd Campus.

Castlemaine Secondary College

**Light Refreshments:**

Will be provided prior to the presentation

**Cost:** There is no charge.

To register your attendance, please contact the Castlemaine Secondary College : General Office to book your place.

(03) 95479 1111.

Enrolments will also be accepted on the night.

For more information, on cybersafety resources, visit [www.cybersmart.gov.au](http://www.cybersmart.gov.au)