Dear Parents and Caregivers,

I would firstly like to inform you that I have enjoyed my secondment to Cassia Primary School this term and have enjoyed working with staff, students and parents in developing our three core focus areas.

1. An Inspired and Capable Staff
2. Enhanced Student Achievement
3. Enriched Community Partnerships.

It gives me great pleasure to announce today that I look forward to continuing working with you as I have won the position of Principal, Cassia Primary School.

SWIMMING CARNIVAL

Congratulations to all of the staff and students for their fantastic participation in our School Swimming Carnival, it was rather a warm day, however all reports point to great skin protection through the application of regular sun cream, the wearing of hats and placement of students in shaded areas. Many thanks to the teachers for the preparation of students and to Mrs Brittain and Mr Ross for their organisation. Please note the Interschool Swimming will be occurring on the 4th of April, parents will be notified within the coming week.

BIKE WEEK

This week Cassia Primary School celebrated Bike Week with some exceptional examples of decorated hats and some special visitors. Well done to all students who spent time developing their special looks for the day. Due to an increase in the number of bikes coming to school we are looking at installing more bike racks in the quadrangle in the coming months.

INDUSTRIAL ACTION

As you would be aware from the letter we sent home this week from Director General of Education Sharyn O’Neill that the State School Teachers’ Union, CPSU/CSA and United Voice have announced a “community day of action” on Tuesday 1 April 2014. Today we have had it confirmed from the Director General that Cassia Primary School will be closed on Tuesday 1st of April due to the industrial action. Whilst every attempt has been made to ensure minimum disruption it is not possible to provide adequate supervision for students.

THANK YOU

A special thanks to Deanna Kelly our work experience student for an exceptional newsletter this week.

WELCOME

Welcome to Dee Baum who is our new school officer. Due to unforeseen circumstances Mrs Michelle Panoho has left Cassia PS and we wish her and her family all the best for the future.

P & C

Please note a P & C meeting will be held on Monday 31st March at 2.45pm in the staffroom to fill the position of Treasurer. Please see Page 3 for more information.

Thank you and I look forward to continuing to work with you all.

Regards

Narelle Ward
Principal
CONGRATULATIONS to the following students who each received Merit Certificates this week!

TA1 Melinda McKenzie and Jackson Webster
TA2 Jimmy Hollandrose and Veronica Gould
TA3 Riah Leon and Cody HIngston
TA4 Codi McLennan and Wyatt Wilson
TA5 Jaxon Cummin and Jayda Woodley
TA6 Jayden McAuliffe and Emilia Clark
TA7 Joey Hollandrose and Layne Dhu-Dickie
TA8 Chalee Hollandrose and Danica Taylor

TA9 Jason Dhu, Patricia Dodd and Vila Maea
TA10 Brandon Taylor and Alyssa Sheppard
TA11 Bailey Ward and Mackenzie Shinners
TA12 McKinley Robson and Matthew Stewart
TA15 Jaykob Fitzgerald and Courtney Charles
TA16 Ty Kilmartin and Emily Schulze
PE William Vincent and Adrianna Armstrong

HEDLAND TEEBALL ASSOCIATION
South Hedland Shopping Centre
Marie Marland Reserve

6 to 12 year old boys and 6 to 13 year old girls
$60 per player and $40 for each thereafter
Please bring a copy of your child’s birth certificate
For any queries please call 0477 903 067

INTERSCHOOL SWIMMING CARNIVAL
Selected students from year 3-7 have been invited to participate in the interschool swimming carnival hosted by South Hedland Primary school on Friday 4th April between 9.00am and 12.30pm. The Venue will be at the South Hedland Aquatic Centre. They will be leaving school at 8.30am and returning approximately 1.00pm.

EASTER EGG RAFFLE
The Year 6 & 7’s are holding an Easter Egg Raffle to raise money for Graduation. Tickets are now on sale. The Easter Egg raffle will be drawn on 9th April 2014.
The Prices are:
$2 Per Ticket
$5 For 3 Tickets
$10 for 10 Tickets
Thank you for supporting our Year 6/7s.
This week I had the great pleasure in participating in Cassia Primary School Parents and Citizens Annual General Meeting. The attendance of our community members was tremendous with 17 participants. I would like to thank those that were able to attend and would like to extend a welcome to all parents to support your P & C throughout the year.

At the AGM all positions were declared vacant and a new P & C has been elected for 2014. I would like to commend and thank the following outgoing members for their dedication and commitment to Cassia Primary School, some whom have been involved in the P & C for a considerable length of time.

P & C Executive Committee 2013
Lisa Armstrong - President
Michelle Kilmartin - Vice President
Jacqui Morris – Secretary
Gayleen Horne - Treasurer
Janelle Maasikas - Uniform Shop.

Congratulations to the following people for their successful appointments. I look forward to the contributions that the P & C will continue to make to our school

P & C Executive Committee for 2014
Josh Hallion – President
George Cartright – Vice President
Kate Kendrick—Secretary
Treasure – vacant
Kristie Thomas—Uniform Shop

As the position of Treasurer has not been filled the P & C will be holding a General meeting on Monday 31st March at 2.45pm in the staffroom. If you would like to nominate for this position or know of someone who may like to fill this position please come along. The treasurer’s position is of primary importance to the functioning of the P & C.

Upcoming Local Events
CASSIA PRIMARY SCHOOL

GOOD WORK
SUPERSTARS

TA8- Corryn

TA1- Ebbaney

TA12- Isabel, Charlie and Shari

TA3 Scott and Rhys

TA13- Tristen

TA8- Sam

CONGRADULATIONS
SUPERSTARS

TA4- Wyatt, Cody, Jasmine and Darcy

TA1- Ngaire and Lester

TA3 Christopher

TA13- Lewis

TA-7 Keli