Principal’s Message:

Yet another eventful term draws to an end. I would like to take this opportunity to highlight some of the wonderful achievements of our students and the collective work of our teachers and the community.

First of all, congratulations to all our Year 3 and Year 5 students who would have received their NAPLAN results. It is with great pleasure that I would like to inform the community that our students performed exceptionally well in the area of Writing. 95% of our Year 3 students and 90% of our Year 5 students achieved at or above National Minimum Standards. This score is above state average, which means our school has achieved better than the average scores of all NSW schools in the area of Writing. This is a wonderful achievement and I would like to congratulate all the students, teachers and parents/carers. However, while we celebrate our successes, we must remember that there is still a lot more work to be done. We shall continue to have high expectations for our students and support these expectations with great teaching.

A big ‘well done’ to our fantastic dance group who made me and I am sure all the parents who attended the Performing Arts Festival at Mounties, very proud. The students did an excellent job. I had several teachers and principals and some other community members who complimented the students’ performance. The drummers, who were not going to be outshined, received the same accolades. Both these groups will perform at our Annual Presentation Day. I am sure the community of Cartwright Public School is looking forward to their performance.

A huge ‘thank you’ to Mrs Hall for her time and support. Parents and community support is always a great booster and they add value to school activities.

Cartwright Public School continues to have teachers from other schools visit us. Recently, I had a principal who observed some demonstration lessons and gave me some feedback about the teaching and learning that was happening in the classroom. The feedback I received was nothing but praise for the students.
and of course the teachers. As a principal, I never get tired of hearing how wonderful my students or my teachers are. I invite parents to come and observe your children at school whenever the opportunity is available.

We are hoping to establish a ‘Coffee Club’ next term. At this point, I am not able to provide much details as we have to yet chalk out the details. However, what I can detail is the intended outcome of this venture. We are hoping that parents, carers and community members can get together in an informal setting. There is no agenda attached or any formalities, other than to provide an opportunity to meet in a friendly manner and come up with ideas/suggestions in how we can work together to help out students.

I would like to inform the community that Mr Haywood and his wife, Emma have had an addition to their young family. Mackenzie Thea Haywood was born on 4th of September, 2015. Mr Haywood is currently on paternity leave and shall return to work in week 3 of term 4. We congratulate him and his family and wish them the very best.

Finally, I wish you all a very safe and relaxing break.

M. Gazula

Teaching & Learning at CPS

Our students are always producing some excellent work. A number of students visit my office to proudly show their work to me. As an educator I have always believed that success is the greatest confidence booster. When children realise their own potential, they challenge themselves and that’s when we see real progress. Here are some pictures of some fine work achieved by students.
Cartwright Public School Dance Group

Makayla Clark, Saloa Tango, Sally McPherson, Joy Bhatt, Trinity Hall, Idris Tellaoui, Raphat Tellaoui, Abebreana Hall, Alexis Armstrong, Ana Palu, Hailey-Jade Hill, Amerita Safi & Ana Funaki(absent)

Our drumming group, The Switch, lit up the stage with their outstanding composition “Candle” to a packed hall at the Performing Arts Festival. Pfieffer and Jordan gave a muscular performance on the ‘Dunn-Dunns’, while Blair, Danny and Brayden led the rest of the team in the core rhythm before branching off into different roles on chime bars and bin lids. Alexis, Raphat, Idris and Amerita contributed well on djembes, doumbeks and boomwhackers, with Estee and Joy impressing everyone as gifted multi-instrumentalists. Congratulations to this exemplary group of young musicians.

Mr Chris Leech
An information report by a year 4 students.

An information report by a year 1 student.

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The Partners in Learning parent feedback survey

Our school will be participating in the Partners in Learning parent survey on student engagement. Running this survey will help our school understand parents’ and carers’ perspectives on their child’s experience at school. This valuable feedback will help our school make practical improvements.

The survey is conducted entirely online at home or on public computers. The survey will typically takes 15 minutes or less to complete and is completely confidential. The parent survey will be conducted between 17 August and 16 October. Participating in the survey is entirely voluntary; however, your responses are very much appreciated. Parents and carers access the survey via this direct link: https://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/j_acegi_security_check?j_username=parent16910&j_password=Car4360

Mrs West
**Athletics Carnival**

Well done to all students who attended the Zone Athletics Carnival. All students showed excellent sportsmanship and exceptional behaviour. Congratulations to the following boys who made it to the Regional carnival where they performed with great pride:

Liam Armstrong, Luke Laulilii, Peter Setefano, Kit Laulilii & Wiremu Tango

Miss Murphy

**Student of the Term**

I would like to congratulate the following students for being selected as Student of the Term:

KM – Caroline Kelly
1S – Dante Zonta-Tuta
1/2H – Marina Maraha
2R – Ashley Quach
3Z – Sabah ElRozz
4H – Nakayla Magnus
5/6C – Vivian Nguyen
5/6KL – Hayley Hand

These students have demonstrated outstanding behaviour and attitude towards their learning. Congratulations.

Mrs West

**Writing Club**

The students involved in Term 3 Writing Club hope that you enjoy reading our recent publication *The Cartwright Companion*.

Mrs West
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