Principal’s Message:

I would like to begin by congratulating the students, staff and community for a wonderful celebration of our 100 Days of Learning. I would also like to say a warm welcome to our Carter Club students and their families.

We have many events happening at our school throughout the year. Please check with your child for any notes as we do send information regularly. You can also look for information on our school web site or Facebook page for updates.

Flu season is here!
Influenza is spread from person-to-person through the coughing or sneezing of infected people. Remind your child about these good hygiene practices to minimise the spread of infection:

- Anyone who is sick with influenza symptoms should stay home until their symptoms are gone.
- Cover the nose and mouth with a tissue when coughing or sneezing. Throw the tissue in the garbage bin after use.
- Wash hands often with soap and water, especially after coughing or sneezing. Alcohol-based hands cleaners are also effective.
- Avoid touching eyes, nose or mouth. Germs spread that way.

If you or your child develops influenza-like illness, seek the advice of your family doctor as you would with any other illness.

The seasonal influenza vaccine, which protects against the pandemic influenza strain as well as two other influenza strains, is now available free to eligible people. More information about the vaccine is available from the NSW Health Immunisation Unit’s vaccination page.

Previous vaccination with the pandemic influenza vaccine, Panvax® is not a barrier to also receiving the seasonal influenza vaccine.

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**Year 4-6 Camp**

Final date for total payment of $260 being due Monday 1st September 2014.
There are places available if you now wish your child to attend. Please see Ms Hayes with any questions.

**Carter Club**

If your child is starting Kindergarten in 2015 at CPS then come along to our school readiness program. Carter Club will be running two sessions on Monday and Tuesday. First session will be between 9.00-11.30am and the second session between 12.30-3.00pm.
Any questions please see Mrs West.

YOU CAN DO IT: Keys to Success – Confidence Resilience Getting Along Organisation Persistence
Bell times
Just a quick reminder that school starts at 8.55am and students need to be here on time to take part in all of the Morning Routine. School finishes at 2.55pm and children need to be picked up at this time, unless prior arrangements have been made with the office.

Dentist forms
Please return all dentist forms to the office before the end of term.

Festival
Our students in the dance and drumming groups will be performing at Mounties for the Western Liverpool Festival of Performing Arts in week 8. The dance group is performing on Monday 1st September 2014 and the drumming group will be performing on Tuesday 2nd and Wednesday 3rd September 2014. Information about purchasing tickets to attend the event will be sent out in the next few weeks.

Zone Athletics Carnival
The Zone Athletics Carnival will be held on Tuesday 19th August 2014 at The Crest Bankstown. The students who have qualified to participate in events will be provided with a note shortly.

K-2/3C Excursion
The students in KM, K/1C, 1/2R and 2/3C will have the opportunity to attend an excursion on Tuesday 26th August 2014. The students will participate in a Living World study at Audley National Park. Permission notes have been sent home with students. The signed permission note needs to be returned to school along with payment of $18 by Friday 15th August 2014.

Maths Catch –up Sessions
If your child has an absence, he or she is provided with the opportunity to ‘catch-up’ on the maths lesson that he or she may have missed during their absence. The catch up session goes for 20 minutes. Please note that this is not a ‘detention’ or ‘consequence’ for being away. Our priority is to ensure that students do not miss out on important learning. This year we have introduced an intervention maths program across 3-6 classes. For students to get maximum benefit from this program, it is important that they do not miss any sessions. As such, if a child is away they are given the opportunity to catch up with the missed session the next day during eating time and a little bit of play time. If you have queries or do not wish for your child to have the catch up session, please see your child’s classroom teacher.

P&C
Please remember to bring your raffle tickets back to the box in the office. The raffle tickets need to be returned regardless of whether you have sold the tickets or not. If you would like any more tickets please ask the office ladies for another book.