Welcome Parents and Carers. The teachers on Year One for 2013 are Ms Stephanie Crowley, Leading Year One and teaching 1C, Ms Samantha Hayes, 1H, Ms Liane Jones 1J and Mrs Ann Hollier teaching 1A on Mondays and Tuesday with Mrs Alison Auld teaching on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. The students are settling in well and learning their new routines and we are looking forward to an exciting and productive year! Here is a brief outline of the Year One Program for Term One.

### Class Organisation

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| 1A    | Leanne Selby  | alison.auld@det.nsw.edu.au  
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| 1H    | Deborah Eburne | samantha.hayes12@det.nsw.edu.au |
| 1J    |                  | liane.jones@det.nsw.edu.au  |

Please email the class teacher if you are interested in helping in some way with our class.

### Textbooks

The children are very excited to be getting their Year One textbooks and exercise books. This year payments are being collected by your child’s class teachers. Please ensure payment has been sent in a named envelope, labelled clearly textbooks, this week.
Library
Please refer to the timetable to see when your child’s class is attending the library. Students must bring a library bag for borrowing to help protect the library books.

Scripture
K-2 Scripture lessons take place each Wednesday from 12.00-12.30pm. Scripture classes are provided for Combined Protestant, Catholic, Jewish, and Baha’i. Children whose parents do not elect a scripture group will go to non-Scripture, where they will be supervised by a teacher. Please send a note to Mrs Carter if you wish your child to change classes.

Painting Shirts
Year 1 students participate in many art and craft activities, and a paint shirt is essential to help protect school uniforms. Commercially produced, cloth paint shirts or a large old shirt is fine – please label with the child’s name.

School Reward System
Castle Cards, Merit Certificates and A-Day Awards are given out throughout the year. Once your child receives 10 Castle Cards, please return them to the class teacher in a named envelope for a Merit Certificate which will be handed out in class. 10 Merits earn a Bronze Award, another 10 a Silver Award and a following 10, earns a Gold Award. This award system continues throughout a student’s school life at Castle Cove.

Attendance/Late arrival and Early Leaving
If for any reason, your child is unable to attend school, written notification to the teacher or a phone call to the office must be provided. An absent note must be provided to the school within 7 days of an absence. School rolls are legal documents.
If your child is late to school (ie after 9.25am) or has to leave early (ie before 3.25pm) a ‘Late Arrival-Early Leavers’ note needs to be obtained from the school office.

HOMEWORK
Homework tasks will vary throughout the year. These tasks will consolidate skills and knowledge learnt within the class. All students must have a plastic envelope folder for homework, notes and readers. Home Reading is a core part of our school’s homework policy. Students take home books two levels below their Instructional level. This is the students’ Independent level which enables independent fluent reading. The Home readers are swapped after students have read their books aloud to an adult at least twice. To demonstrate good comprehension, students must be able to retell what they have read.

Classroom Needs - Thank you for providing the necessary school items for your child.
Would you please ensure that your child has brought all the items listed on the Year 1 requirements note.
We would also like our 1A students to bring in to school the following items:

- 1 small sized roll-on sunscreen (to be kept in the school bag)
- 1 set of propelling style crayons (good quality please)

Thank you for ensuring that your child’s name is on all his or her school items. This makes it much easier to hand back misplaced items.

CASTLE COVE PUBLIC SCHOOL RULES for a happy school
Be Safe      Be Fair      Be Responsible
To yourself, others and the environment