



## CSS News

March 2019

Principal: Ros Hamling Deputy: Peter Salleo School Board Chairman: Les Ozsdolay P&C President: Liz Green

### CE Awareness Week goes to Cottesloe Beach



Cottesloe Beach was a sea of blue for Conductive Education Awareness Week as the CE classes from Carson Street School visited Sculpture by the Sea. Beach access mats allowed all students to go down onto the sand and get a close up view of the sculptures. There were lots of things to see with students and staff having a great day out.

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## From the Principal's desk ....

As the end of Term 1 approaches I would like to thank our parents and caregivers. Your support and assistance has ensured a positive and productive beginning to the school year. We sincerely value the partnerships we have with our families. By working with you we create a shared understanding of how to support your child with their learning, safety and wellbeing. We have welcomed a number of new families to the Carson Street community this term and I look forward to seeing you throughout 2019.

I would like to take an opportunity to tell you about our important community partners, in particular the school's P&C Association and CECWA. Both organisations provide the school with support and resources that improve educational outcomes for our students.

### P&C Association

The P&C actively participates in the following ways:

- Fundraising and allocating funds raised
- Organising activities and events to promote a sense of school community
- Providing input from a parents' perspective on school policies and other issues that arise.

A highly successful raffle for the *Jersey to Motown Show* was recently held by the P&C and they are now collecting for a giant *Easter Raffle*. They also have the 2019/2020 Entertainment Books on sale. Community members are always welcome. Thank you P&C President, Liz Green and P&C volunteers for your outstanding efforts.

### CECWA

The purpose of the Conductive Education Charity of Western Australia Inc. is to provide children with motor (physical) impairments and associated needs, and their families, access to Conductive Education programs in WA.

In supporting the ongoing provision of CE programs CECWA:

- Aims to educate communities and increase awareness of CE
- Promote the CE program in the Perth Metropolitan Area for children with motor (physical) impairments and associated needs

Fundraise to provide specialist equipment, holiday programs, and subsidy packages for specialised staff (teacher-conductors) and additional support staff.

CECWA is holding an inaugural Sundowner Networking Event on Tuesday 2 April at the University Club from 6.30pm. I would like to thank CECWA Chair, Diana Guttridge and the CECWA Board for their continued, exceptional support.

Thank you to Heike and Tim Davey from Como Rotary Club and immediate past Principal John Exeter for volunteering to help with our Sculptures excursion. Thank you also to the Victoria Park CWA who came by this week with library bags they had sewn for the students.

If you would like to know more about our community partners or how you could help, please contact the school for more detail. We will be happy to assist with your enquiry.

### CE International Student

We would like to say welcome to Franz Heim who is working at Carson Street School as a student placement in our CE classes from Nürnberg Evangelical University in Germany.



### School Pulse Survey

To develop a school culture where all members of the school community are active participants, we ask families to complete a short *Pulse Survey* each school term. This *Pulse Survey* provides our community with an opportunity to let us know what's working well and how we can improve. The survey provides the school with valuable information and is anonymous.

The [Term 1 Pulse Survey is now open](#) and I encourage you to let us know how you feel about Carson Street. Survey results will be available in the first newsletter in Term 2.

I hope your autumn term break is a happy one

Best regards

Ros Hamling  
Principal

## P&C News . . .

Many thanks to all those who returned their "Jersey to Motown" raffle tickets.

Congratulations to the following winners:  
Luca Pain – Red Gum  
Minnie Koleva – Red Gum  
Alisa Tan – Orange Gum

Easter Raffle – tickets have been sent home. Please return named ticket butts and money to school by Friday 12<sup>th</sup> April in time for the draw.

We are also looking for donations of Easter goodies for the raffle. Please send these into school with your child.

Thanks for your support  
P&C Committee

**JERSEY  
TO  
MOTOWN**

**Easter  
RAFFLE**

## From Marian, Community Support Chaplain

Thank you to those who came to our Grandparents and special friends morning tea.

We enjoyed a cuppa and some morning tea. Peter our school's deputy later took us for a tour around the school where the grandparents got to see their grandchild in their class. This was a special time and we were happy to give each visitor a pot plant donated by Bunnings and a thank you card made by the children.

Marian Tetlow 0432 570 768



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## Hobby Clubs

2019 sees the establishment of Hobby Clubs at Carson Street. The students have all selected a club that they would like to join from a list presented to them; water play, bikes, cooking, arts and craft, sports, pottery, books and story writing, drama and dress ups and music. The option for something else was also presented to them, but every student found something that interested them in the list provided.



The purpose of the clubs is to meet up with like-minded peers and to develop friendships through these like interests. A large focus of the clubs is put upon communicating with our friends and learning how to start friendships.

Clubs run on most Wednesday afternoons from 1.30-2.15 and as we develop this concept you might find that you are invited to an art exhibition that the arts and crafts club has put together,



that some food might be bought home from the cooking club members or that your child brings home a review of a book they enjoyed reading.

For more information on the club that your child has joined, please speak to your class teacher.

Thank you to the staff who have volunteered to lead a club this semester. It takes extra time to get resources together and plan activities for the students so we are very appreciative to all those who have shared their interests with us to set up their own club.



## Blue Gum

Blue Gum have been working very hard on their life skills this term and they are becoming more and more independent as the weeks go on. Go Blue Gum!



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## REACH

The REACH class enjoyed an excursion one sunny day to Cottesloe Beach for some art appreciation at Sculpture by the Sea and a healthy picnic lunch. A wonderful time was had by all, we hope you enjoy the pictures.



## Parent & Child

Parent & Child, CE Early Intervention students and parents joined in with the Carson Street School excursion to Sculpture by the Sea this year.

It was very hot but we had a good time.



Hudson is demonstrating his 'I can...' for the CE Awareness week posters.

'I can walk to a cat'.

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## Student Council

The start of the new school year sees the introduction of some new Student Councillors. We would like to welcome Alisa, Sophia, Luca, Tyler, Blake, Jason and Ellaine, joining our established councillors Ian, Wayne, Adrien, Mia, Koyuki, Asha and Einas. As some of our classes have more than one councillor, these students will be sharing the role across the year.

The councillors have already made their mark by organising the CE Awareness Week Fun Afternoon on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March. Using their AAC systems and voices, they picked a fantastic range of activities that they wanted the whole school to participate in.



Wayne chose to set up board games but did pre-warn us using his eye gaze device, that he liked to 'cheat. Oh yeah!!' Luca organised a whole school art piece. Ellaine and Einas combined their ideas to make a 'monster' dress up session. Ian wanted ball games and Sophia wanted some messy play. Lastly, Alisa organised a party with lots of music and dancing!

Our 2019 Council look like they will be a group with plenty of fun ideas. Next item on the agenda is organising our annual Easter Hat Parade so watch this space!



## Orange Gum



Ridhan said: I think it's nice, turn the page, cute, happy, that's all. How old? 6!

I think I look cute and nice in my birthday suit!

Orange Gum's new toilet block had it's official opening this week. Thanks to Ben who organised for the work to be done over the Christmas holidays.





## Rose Gum and Blue Gum at Cottesloe Beach

Students from Rose Gum and Blue Gum went to see Sculpture by the Sea.

We went in a bus and saw lots of people.



## Conductive Education

Our CE Program Coordinator, Shona Ballantyne, has just returned from the UK where she's spent the past two weeks at the Conductive College, at the National Institute of Conductive Education (NICE). Shona undertook the Practice Tutor training to enable her to deliver the Conductor Assistant training and the Multi-Disciplinary Conductor training, here in WA. This will be the very first training of its type in the southern hemisphere and Carson Street School is delighted to be working collaboratively with NICE and the Conductive Education Charity of WA (CECWA) to make this possible.

Watch this space for updates on the progress of the training!



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Start stretching and get your running shoes out! Carson Street School will be entering a team in the HBF Run for a Reason on Sunday 19 May to promote awareness and for fundraising.

You might want to participate in the 4km, 12km or half marathon.

Luca Pain from Red Gum will be entering with his Mum Alana, and family, for the 4km with the strollers and wheelchairs in Wave D at 9:20am and would love some friends to join him!

All participants receive medals and t-shirts. Information on how to register and join the team will be emailed later in the term.

## Red Gum

Red Gum class enjoyed the CE Awareness Week activities. Everyone wrote their 'I Can' sentences and posed for photos showing off their skills— Lucie can talk to horses, Nate can watch TV and Minnie can stretch. The Pre-Primaries enjoyed our first excursion of the year to Sculpture by the Sea and then the fun activities set up by the Student Council on Friday afternoon. What a busy but fun week!



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## Family Communication Workshop

**Thursday 9th May 2019 9.00am-12.00pm**

We are running our family and carer communication workshop again on Thursday 9 May. Please note that this is the only workshop for 2019 due to Sarah going on maternity leave. The next workshop will be held in Term 1, 2020.

The workshop will cover the background and importance of communication for our students and will provide plenty of practice in the use of Augmentative and Alternative Communication, particularly in the use of PODD.

The workshop is run at no cost for attendees. Morning tea refreshment will be provided. Carers who work regularly with your child are also invited to attend. We cannot offer crèche facilities for other siblings so alternative arrangements will need to be sought.

Please register your attendance before Wednesday 1st May by emailing:

[Sarah.ONeill2@education.wa.edu.au](mailto:Sarah.ONeill2@education.wa.edu.au)

A minimum of 4 attendees is required for the workshop to run. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sarah Rowe Program Coordinator—Communication

### Hairdresser

Comments invited from all families on your interest in having your child's haircut at school by a professional hairdresser who would visit the school regularly.



The hairdresser has experience with children with special needs and who may experience anxiety when visiting hair salons. This could be arranged for once or twice a month. Please register your interest through the school office or by commenting in the communications book.



## Room 9

Room 9 enjoyed a very fun and productive CE Awareness Week!

On Monday and Tuesday, students used their communication systems to write, "I can" sentences to contribute to our weekly shared writing.

On Thursday, we dressed in blue and made our way to the beach for Sculpture by the Sea! We finished the week with a fun afternoon of activities organised by the Student Council.



This was one of our favourite sculptures to look at...



...and listen to! Amalie liked this sculpture because it was shiny and made a noise if you banged it!



We had good fun using our PODD books to guess what this sculpture was. Adrien didn't agree with Talicia's guess that it was "things – rubbish" (juicy fruit wrapper).



It was tiring posing next to the sculptures in the bright sun – but overall we had a great day!



## ANNUAL PUBLIC MEETING SCHOOL BOARD

Please accept our invitation to attend the  
annual public meeting of our school board.

**Thursday 6 June 8.30am—9.30am**

Please RSVP by Friday 31 May 2019 to the front office  
or by email to [corina.botica@education.wa.edu.au](mailto:corina.botica@education.wa.edu.au)

**Ros Hamling-Principal and Les Ozsdolay-Chair**



### Congratulations to the award winners this month:

**Belmont  
Forum  
Award**  
Zack Miller

Merit	
Certificates	
Einas	Siham
Koyuki	Jason
Luca	Blake
Christopher	Eiljah
	Samuel

Ridhan	Orange Gum	12th March
Emily	Blue Gum	26th March
Ryan	REACH	29th March
Tyrese	Green Gum	31st March
Kezia	Yellow Gum	1st April
Nate	Red Gum	4th April
Minnie	Red Gum	10th April
Lily	Orange Gum	10th April
Austin	REACH	13th April



### What's on . . . what's coming up . . .

Friday 12th April	Last day of Term 1
Monday 29th April	Staff PD day
Tuesday 30th April	First day Term 2 for students
Friday 3 May	CSS Anzac Service 10:30am

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