



CSS News

December, 2019

Principal: Ros Hamling

Deputy: Peter Salleo

School Board Chair: John Exeter

Graduation Concert

Congratulations to Asha, Adam, Jason and Blake who graduated from Year 6 on Friday. Students presented amazing performances in classrooms this year.

Well done everyone!







Carson Street School is an independent public school.

From the Principal's desk

As we approach the end of another busy year, staff have been reflecting on our successes and celebrations as a school. I'd like to use this final newsletter to share few of our achievements and highlights.

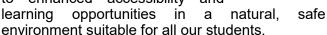
2019 Summer Holiday Program The school ran its popular Summer Holiday Program during the 2019 school holidays. This was a wonderful opportunity for families as



children were provided with a week of fun activities with their friends and peers and families were provided respite. Students and families are already looking forward to the 2020 opportunity.

Nature Scape Garden

The school's Nature Scape Garden and Playground was refurbished with soft-fall. This led to enhanced accessibility and



Communication Workshops for parents and families.

More than twenty participants attended a workshop aimed to assist families with developing an understanding of Alternative and Augmentative Communication (AAC) and how to use AAC systems. The feedback was very positive with many participants requesting opportunities for workshops in in 2020. Our school strives to create a 'communication culture.'

International Student Franziska Heim

We were pleased to host international student, Franzi Heim as she completed a university placement in an Australian school. Franzi was an asset to our teaching and learning programs and we were sorry to see her leave in August.

Multi-Disciplinary Conductor Training

Multi-Disciplinary Conductor Training began in Semester 1. The training of staff in the area of Conductive Education is an important area in our workforce planning.



Milestones Early Intervention Program

A new early intervention initiative catering for children 0-4 year old who are not meeting their developmental milestones has been established. The Milestones program complements the Stepping Stones program by providing the next phase along the developmental continuum in early childhood.

Assistive Technology

Thanks to a generous donation through Officeworks, the school was able to purchase eye-gaze equipment. More students at CSS now have access to an eye gaze device which will lead to them improving their eye gaze skills and potentially seeking a trial of their own device via their therapists.

High School Conductive Education (CE) Pilot at Castlereagh School

A CE pilot at Castlereagh has been rolled out during Semester 2. Students at Castlereagh have been assessed for the program and students at Carson Street have attended transition opportunities. Conductor, Jessica Cornelius will be based at Castlereagh in 2020. This is an exciting time for both schools as CE establishes in a secondary school setting.

To end the year, I would like to thank all parents and carers for their support. A great deal of what we do in school cannot be achieved without you and your co-operation and backing. Many thanks and we look forward to working more closely with you in 2020.

Finally, I would like to wish all children who are leaving us all the very best on their journey. I know that they have all had a great start here at Carson Street and know that they will go on to achieve great things in the future.

Have a wonderful summer holiday and we look forward to seeing you all again on Monday, 3 February 2020.

Kind regards,

Ros Hamling Principal



P&C News...

<u>FUNDRAISING TOTAL SO FAR FOR 2019 \$21,076.87</u> Firstly a huge thank you to the staff of Carson Street School for keeping the P&C afloat in 2019!

Calling on parents, grandparents, carer's or uncles and aunties... We need your help... Next year we need our families to support the P&C or we will not be able to run. Our 2020 fundraising goal is for the carpark to be covered and I know this affects many of our families. Current positions filled are Secretary: Suzanne Hodgkiss (a student's grandparent) and Treasurer: Renee Danzo but we still need a President, Vice President and Purchasing officer to run an effective committee.



This year has been my first year joining a Parents & Citizens Committee. I have found it very rewarding, with only two meetings per term and a few more around quiz time it's not really that much time to take out of our already busy schedules, and with the huge fundraising total for the year it has definitely been worth the effort! We will be sending out a survey soon on times and days that majority prefer so we can hopefully build a successful committee in 2020!

Congratulations to the winners of the raffle on drawn on Friday 13 December. A big thank you to the Stevens Family Foundation for donating money for the graduations catering.

Lastly, we received a donation of \$366.80 from Zac Miller's family (Blue Gum) from their annual Dundon family cricket day – THANK YOU!

Renee Danzo, P&C Treasurer

Community Support Chaplain

We have had the pleasure of having Charmaine White attend our morning tea and to address the very important message on self-care for carers.

Charmaine not only knows what it is like to care for a special needs child who has complex medical issues, as an experienced coach, she also helps parents to understand how important it is to maintain their own self-care.



Here is a quote from Charmaine's website: SCFTC "From my personal experience going from corporate to full-time carer for my son, Jack, for over a decade, I came to see that when we thrive, we are then able to give our best selves to not just ourselves, but also to the people we love. I

believe that what constitutes self-care is different from one individual to another and it changes from one life stage to another."



We look forward to arranging more opportunities for Charmaine to return and share more of her knowledge on self-care. If you would like to find out more here is the link to her website. https://www.selfcareforthecarer.com/

Warmest Regards Marian Tetlow 0432 570 768 <u>marian.tetlow2@education.wa.edu.au</u>







The Rainbow Way



Rainbow Heroes:

Ridhan is doing his best to be independent. He is the achieving kind.





Zhiqing is packing away after activities. She is kind to the environment.

I am Ken, I am the learning kind.





We are the learning kind. We can go to special places like the bike excursion.









Riley is gardening.

He is kind to the environment.



Adrien is making a collage. He is the learning kind.

Russell can play with others.

He is kind to others





Mia is using her alternative pencil to write her name. She is the learning kind.

Sophia can participate in school activities. She is the learning kind.



Orange Gum



Could this possibly be the end of yet another year? It just seems like yesterday that we were all nerves, starting our journey with new kids - well some of them—new staff, new classroom, new parents, old parents. The year stretched in front of us, endlessly, and then BAM!!! It's almost the end.

Thank you to my team, my kids and my parents for the amazing times we've had, for your support and enthusiasm and for being willing to go on the journey. Thanks to Jess and Tyran for giving us your expertise and your humour—we are nothing without laughter. Let's look to next year with 2020 vision!





Here is our kaleidoscope of fun.

Rose Gum

Rose Gum is finishing off the year in style by 'wrapping it up' with a cool Christmas display.

Happy holidays everyone! Love Rose Gum.



Banksia













This year has seen our students grow and mature and produce fantastic results across the learning areas. We have had a great year and enjoyed many fun, learning moments. We bid Blake and Jason a fond farewell and wish them the best as they leave us to start their new learning journey in high school.

Here's wishing you all a Merry Christmas and a wonderful, relaxed New Year from everyone in Banksia.

Yellow Gum



Yellow Gum students have had a great year! We have had lots of fun and every one has shown the 'I can' attitude. Children have been involved actively in school events and it has been a pleasure to see what they are capable of. Well done to you all! Congratulations to our 2019 graduates Asha and Adam. Kezia and Grace are also leaving Carson Street.

I wish everyone a great holiday and a Merry Christmas!









REACH



The REACH program have been busy this term and Term 4 is whizzing by!

We were lucky to have the Bunnings team to join us at Swan Care to have morning tea and celebrate Christmas early with the Grannies. The Bunnings staff then presented the students and Swan Care residents with Blake the Bunnings Bear for Christmas.

We all had fun reading Christmas books, eating yummy Christmas treats and doing some Christmas craft. Merry Christmas everyone!



Room 9

Room 9 students have had a wonderful year! 2019 has been filled with learning, fun and friends. The students have made so much progress at school, especially in communication and literacy. There have been fun days, hobby clubs, excursions, incursions and birthday parties. We are all looking forward to the holidays, so we can rest and come back to do it all again next year!













Blue Gum

Ahoy there! Wow! What a fabulous year we have had in Blue Gum.





We have some great excursions, and many adventures, but we saved the best for last, pretending to be pirates aboard the Duyfken. Staff and students enjoyed learning the history of the ship and found it very interesting.

Wishing you a Merry Christmas, we look forward to seeing you all next year.







Red Gum











This term Red Gum students have been busy little gardeners. They have planted green bean seeds, observed their growth and learnt what plants need to grow: soil, water and sun. Our little gardeners were successful in growing seedlings and transplanting them into the school garden.

In week six Red Gum students presented "The Gardener Plants the Seeds" song at the school assembly showing off all they have learnt.





DECORATIVE DOOR SOCKS

Decorative door socks are made from stretchy material and easily slip over the top and bottom of a door.

They make a great gift for children, or a stocking stuffer for that person who already has everything.











To purchase a door sock, write your name and design you'd like on the front of an envelope with payment of \$20ea, and return to the school office.

Part proceeds are donated to the school.

Only while stocks last!

Further designs are available:

Educational Numbers

Dragon Boy

Dragon Girl

New Zealand Flag



WE'RE NEARLY THERE!

We have now raised \$100,000 towards the cost of purchasing a new school bus!

Our target amount is \$140,000 so only \$40,000 to go!

Thanks to everyone who has helped so far—let's keep going!



Belmont Forum Award:

Koyuki Rainbow Heroes Terrific Kids Award

Christopher Sophia



Merit Certificates:

Mahdi

Asha

Adam

Einas

Congratulations to staff member, Tye Ranieri who was the winner of the Primary Non-Teaching Staff award and Jen Faulkner who was a finalist of the MCS and Support Staff at the recent WAESPAA awards night.





Green Gum	2 December
Red Gum	4 December
Room 9	5 December
Room 9	11 December
Blue Gum	21 December
Yellow Gum	1 January
Green Gum	12 January
Room 9	14 January
Banksia	21 January
Orange Gum	23 January
Rose Gum	25 January
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What's on what's coming up	
Thursday 19 December 2019	Last day for students for Term 4 2019
Tuesday 28 January 2020	Carson Street School office opens
Monday 3 February 2020	First day for students Term 1
Thursday 9 April 202	Last day for students Term 1

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