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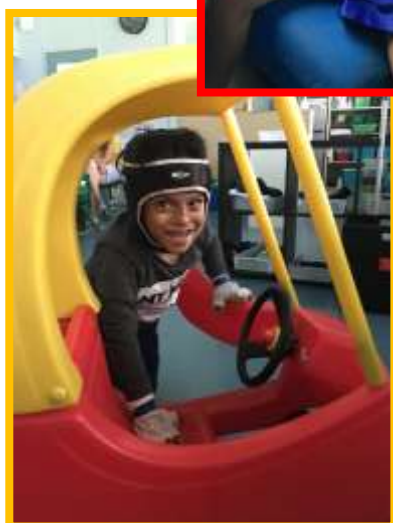
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stars of
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Look how
great we are!



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From the Principal's desk

Welcome to 2020

Welcome back to school!

I hope you have enjoyed a wonderful summer. I also hope you are relaxed, recharged and ready to start a new school year. I am delighted that you are part of our amazing learning community and I look forward to working with you and your child.

New Families Morning Tea

Our P&C and school Chaplain welcomed our new families on Wednesday 19 February. These connections with the community are vitally important and we look forward to a positive partnership with our families as we strive to ensure that every child has a positive, happy and rewarding school experience.



School Grounds

You may have noticed that a few maintenance and construction projects have taken place over the break. Covered walkways, a fresh coat of paint in the Rainbow Room and a rejuvenated pool area have already made a positive difference to our families and students.



We look forward to other facilities improvements this year, including renovations to an indoor/outdoor area currently used to accommodate a Perceptual-Motor Program (PMP) for ambulant children.

Student Education Plans

Classes have settled into a school routine and teachers are well underway with developing each child's Individual Education Plan (IEP). I extend a heartfelt thank you for helping prepare your child, or children, for the new school year.



Summer Holiday Program

I also take this opportunity to thank Janine Beattie, Program Coordinator and her team of Education Assistants for their efforts in making the 2020 Summer Holiday Program an outstanding success. Thanks to school nurse, Kirrilly Owen for also joining the team and supporting the well-being of our students.

I look forward to catching up with you during the year. We provide a number of opportunities for parents and families to get together, to make new acquaintances or to catch up with friends. Please keep in touch and I hope you can make time to share the journey as we make this a year of growth and achievement for our students.

With warmest regards,

Ros Hamling,
Principal

P&C News . . .

Our fundraising goal this year is to cover the disabled car parks and walkway to ensure our children, parents and carers aren't battling the elements especially in summer and winter. We are also continuing to support the bus fundraising this year and are so close we can smell the new bus smell already! If you know anyone who can help quote for the car parks please ask them to contact us by email.



Fundraising: The Entertainment book is now only available online so if you are ready to order there is a special on for those who purchase before March 30th with a JB HiFi voucher and an extra 3 months to use the vouchers! The school has sent an email with all the details, contact us by email or search CarsonStreetSchoolPnC on Facebook where you can also now purchase by using the *SHOP NOW* button or [click here](#).



Cadbury Easter fundraiser: We have sent out order forms which need to be in and paid for by the 27th March. We also have a sneaky stash of various bars available in the school library for anyone who needs a chockie fix!

Easter raffle is on again so anyone happy to send in donations please give to the admin ladies. Tickets will be sent home March 30th and drawn the 8th of April.

HBF "Run for a Reason" is on Sunday the 24th of May, registrations are open and we are submitting a team. Anyone willing and able please contact us to register your interest.

The fun day is happening this term on Tuesday the 7th of April, we are so looking forward to this day as the smiles on the children's faces are worth every cent.

Please contact us by either:

Email: carsonstreetschoolpc@gmail.com or Facebook: CarsonStreetSchoolPnC

From Marian, YouthCARE Support Chaplain

Dear Carson Street School family community,

My name is Marian and I am a YouthCARE Chaplain stationed here at Carson Street School. I have been in this role since 2015. As Chaplain my role is to provide pastoral care and this is defined as caring for the social, emotional, mental and spiritual wellbeing to the school community. The practical translation of this into my role means that I organize networking opportunities for families; research and provide relevant information where appropriate, and importantly am a listening ear when needed.



This year and term, has begun with us welcoming six new families to our school community. We held a new families morning tea in week three where we introduced them to key staff and community members. I continue to extend a warm welcome to the new families and look forward to seeing them around the traps.

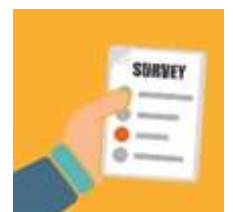
Again, this year I hope to plan information sessions and activities that you will find helpful, enjoyable and informative. My underlying aim is to offer help and assistance to you in your journey, both with your family and with navigating disability world.

To that end I will be sending out a family survey shortly. I am hoping that you will take the time to complete and return it. My hope is that from your feedback I will have relevant information from which to plan events throughout the year.

My usual days are Tuesdays and Wednesdays and I am available for confidential chats and catch ups over a coffee.

Warmest Regards,

Marian Tetlow 0432 570 768 marian.tetlow2@education.wa.edu.au



Summer Holiday Program

What a week...

January 2020

Hooray! The Summer Holiday Program is a special time to begin the year with a week of fun activities, getting to catch-up with old friends and make new ones. It helps us (staff and students) get to know one another - say hello when passing by in the school and build a sense of familiarity, boost well-being and self-confidence.

The main areas provided by the program this year: sensory, art and swimming. All areas kicked off to a great start and provided a range of enjoyable learning experiences! The week finished with a pirate treasure hunt, disco and piñata!

Thank you to the staff for helping to bring out the children's independence and creativity with your enthusiasm and patience. The Rainbow Way canvas art in particular, allowed each child to be as autonomous as possible and show their individuality within a collaborative art project.

Thank you to Kirrilly (nurse), Peter (Deputy) and office staff for their assistance. A very big thank you to our sponsors: City of South Perth, City of Belmont, Perth Airport and Tydan Constructions, we would not be able to run the Summer Holiday Program without your support.

Thank you to parents and carers. We hope you enjoyed this opportunity for your child to be engaged in what we hope is considered a truly worthwhile program. Until next summer...

Janine Beattie and Leone Ashby
2020 Program Coordinators



SENSORY –
**Inside
and Out**



ART – The Rainbow Way
(a collaboration by all participants)



Summer Holiday Program

Thanks to our sponsors...



ART



TREASURE
HUNT



SWIMMING



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Student Council 2020

Our new Student Councillors have been elected for the year. Making some important decisions affecting our school, organising events, taking part in special events and representing their peers in this important leadership role are Mahoor, Norman, Azzrah, Amalie, Lincoln, Mahdi, Elijah, Tyler and Ellaine.

We look forward to seeing what great decisions our leaders make. Keep an eye out for updates on our Student Council board in the Rainbow Room.

Blue Gum

2020 has started off with a bang for Blue Gum! We have reunited with some class mates from last year and welcomed some new additions. We have been busy exploring the deep blue sea and what lives in there. We have been reading lots of facts and fiction and finding out so many interesting things! During sensory times we have closed the blinds, put the smartboard on to an aquarium setting, blown some bubbles and pretended we were under the sea. It's really calm and relaxing under there!



Orange Gum

Welcome to Orange Gum in 2020!

It was so nice to start the new decade with a bunch of kids who just wanted to be here! The laughter and smiles from day one make Orange Gum a fun place to be.

We started the year with fireworks and Valentines (in art) - I think I made an "oops" when talking about the meaning of Valentines because Zack decided to say "I love you from Rob the Robot to Piggy", while the others in the class managed to say "I love you from morning to night" (Mahoor) and "I love you yesterday, today and tomorrow" (Tyler). I wonder who they gave their Valentines to?? Not me!

We have all been active - riding bikes, climbing steps, walking, bending and stretching. We've been making music, making towers and bursting out of towers. We have made friends and reconnected with old friends. And Tyler recreated a classic photo from 2018 which was very clever of him!

May the next 37 weeks
bring more revelations
and fun!



Hobby Clubs

Following the success of last year, the students will once again be joining a Hobby Club this semester. The purpose of the clubs is to get peers together who have similar interests in order to encourage friendships and to give the students another reason to communicate.

All students were presented with a number of options and they selected a club that they were interested in joining. These clubs include Bikes, Newsletter, Art, Cooking, Origami, LEGO and Construction, Drama and Gardening.

For information about what club your child has joined, please ask their class team. Clubs take place on Wednesday afternoons in weeks 2,4,6,8 and 10.

Green Gum

Green Gum class has had a great start to the year. In the first week we celebrated Evie's Birthday! Evie turned 10 years old over the school holidays. She brought in some delicious cakes so we were lucky enough to hold a little party for her with her classmates.

In week two we started to learn about The Rainforest.



Our students loved the story of The Great Kapok Tree written by Lynne Cherry. They selected their favourite animals from the story using their communication system such as PODD and other devices. When we acted out the story, our helper Suzanne volunteered to be the sleeping man and the students dressed up in animal costumes!

What fun we had!

Watch this space for more fun in Green Gum!



Yellow Gum



The year 2020 has started on a very high note. The children are settling in very well to their classroom routines and are quite happy as a group. It doesn't feel as if they have come from a long break as everyone is quite happy and content with their day to day routines and activities. They are finding every aspect of school very exciting: playtime, swimming, music, literacy, numeracy, sensory, to name but just a few.

We are all looking forward to a great term!



Red Gum



Red Gum has had a fabulous start to the school year in 2020. Musa's birthday was in the holidays, so we celebrated with a birthday party on the first day back at school. Of course, we played our favourite party game, pass the parcel! We are enjoying being with our same class mates from 2019, but also some new additions from Room Nine.



We have been very busy already with communication, literacy, task series and using eye-gaze and switching for different activities (to name a few!)

We are looking forward to having fun and learning lots in 2020.





INSPIRE EMPOWER ASPIRE

Autism Open Day brings together the autistic/autism communities, researchers from Curtin University and Telethon Kids Institute, and local service providers.

Join us in an exchange of knowledge and experiences. There will be presentations by renowned keynote speakers, exhibition booths, and discussion on programs that support people with autism.

Keynote speeches:

- "Strategies for improving mental health outcomes for autistic across the ages" by Dr Emma Goodall
- "From diagnosis to functioning and quality of life in autism" by Prof Sven Bolte
- "Understand how to build language in all children on the autism spectrum" by Prof Andrew Whitehouse

Information at exhibition area includes:

- Transition to adulthood
- Peer mentoring program for university students with autism
- Social skills for teenagers with autism
- Early identification and early intervention
- Diagnostic services

Telephone +61 8 9266 1790
<https://carg.curtin.edu.au/2019/10/25/autism-open-day-29-march-2020/>

Make tomorrow better.

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EVENT DETAILS

Date: Sunday 29 March 2020

Time: 10.00am - 3.00pm

Location: Technology Park Function Centre 2 Brodie Hall Drive, Bentley WA 6102

This is a complimentary event open to adults and children with autism, their families, and anyone who is interested in autism research.

Autism Open Day 2020 Information Package:
<https://carg.curtin.edu.au/wp-content/uploads/sites/36/2019/10/20191025-Autism-Open-Day-2020-Information-Package.pdf>



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REACH Class

Welcome to REACH 2020!

REACH are off to a puuurfect start this year with learning all aspects about pets!

We have been caring for Maggie the Dog and Shiny the fish in class. We are learning through play in our "vet" corner where we can dress up and pretend our animals need caring for.

We enjoyed learning the action song BINGO to present at assembly.

We will be visiting animals at the Animal Protection Society and we hosted a fundraiser on March 5th at Carson St. We raised a massive \$140 to provide the animals with food, bedding and vet care. Well done everyone!



Cockburn Ice Arena has an all abilities program. Experience a world of coolness in a safe environment. [Click here for further information and session times.](#)



Gates

A friendly reminder to please close school gates behind you for the safety of our students. Thank you.



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EXCEPTIONAL PROGRAMS at Carson Street School:

CE – Conductive Education

THRIVE Program: Teaching How to Reach Independence Via Education

REACH Program: Rainbow Way, Explicit teaching, All Inclusive program for Carson Street students Hosted at Belmay Primary School



Carson Street Student Factions

2020 sees the introduction of student factions at Carson Street. Students and staff have been allocated into either Red, Blue, Yellow or Green factions. Thank you to the 2019 Student Council for choosing such great colours

Each term will see a different faction event, the first being on Thursday 12th March during CE Awareness Week. We ask that the students come to school wearing something showing their faction colours. If you are unsure what your child's faction colour is, please ask your class team.



We look forward to some fun activities and some friendly competition between students and staff! You can keep updated on the faction points by checking the communication board in the Rainbow Room.

Evie	Green Gum	12 Jan
Musa	Red Gum	14 Jan
Christopher	Banksia	21 Jan
Alisa	Yellow Gum	23 Jan
Khalil	Rose Gum	25 Jan
Zhiqing	Banksia	9 Feb
Adam	Yellow Gum	12 Feb
Veronica	Rose Gum	13 Feb

Samuel	REACH	14 Feb
Christopher	Rose Gum	23 Feb
Wayne-Carey	Red Gum	25 Feb



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

9 March - 13 March	Conductive Education Awareness Week
Wednesday 11 March	Blue Gum assembly 9.00am in Rainbow Room
Thursday 12 March	School Board Meeting 8.30am
Thursday 9 April	Last day Term 1
Friday 10 April	Public Holiday - Good Friday
Wednesday 29 April	Student first day Term 2
Saturday 13 June	The Dinner for Dreams - fundraiser for Conductive Education

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