



# CSS News

November, 2020

Principal: Ros Hamling

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School Board Chair: John Exeter

P&C President: Lia Hackett

## Green Gum

This term Green Gum students are learning about different traditions, festivals and music. During the first few weeks of Term 4 we focused on Australian traditions and special events. We were learning about Australia Day so we decided to cook a traditional Aussie BBQ with the class. Our students have had so much fun exploring the different foods we cooked on the BBQ. Our favourite was grilled pineapple and mini burgers.



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

The arrival of warmer weather has been appreciated by staff and students, especially with the number of special events and activities planned throughout Term 4. Our first BIG event was the amazing Variety WA Ruby Road Trip that included an amazing array of custom painted cars and 4WD vehicles that filled every available outdoor space. Students and staff mingled and had fun with the Variety road trippers, many of whom had themed costumes to match their cars. The event culminated in the presentation of a donation to the school for \$18,001.00 which will be used to equip the school's new school bus with wheelchair access. We appreciate Variety's generosity and thank them for supporting Carson Street.



While on a fundraising theme, I would like to give my heartfelt thanks to everyone who has contributed their time and donations to the school during the past 12 months. The generosity of our parents, friends, family and school staff is extraordinary. The P&C recently raised funds with the sale of stunning plants donated by Swanview Plant Farm. The Playground Committee has also been working hard with fundraising via the 'Loose Change Challenge'. We appreciate the efforts and support of everyone involved.



## Pride of Workmanship Award

We had a reason to celebrate earlier in the term when School Officer, Jennifer Faulkner received a *Pride of Workmanship Award* from the Rotary Club of Como. Jennifer was acknowledged for her professionalism and exemplary customer service. We're very proud of Jennifer and our office administration team for their commitment towards ensuring you are always welcome at Carson Street.



## High School Transitions

With Term 4 well underway, our Year 6 students are transitioning to high school. Although we're

sad to say goodbye to our current graduands and school leavers, we know that they are well prepared for the next phase in their educational journey. This is also a time when we meet students enrolling for next year. If you know a family seeking enrolment for a child who would benefit from our specialised educational programs, please pass on our contact details as we'd be happy to discuss a placement.



## Individual Disability Allocations

Term 4 is also the time of year when we review individual resourcing allocations for our students. If you have received medical reports, ASD assessments, family service plans or any other agency information over the previous 12-18 months *please provide a copy to the school*. This information will help to ensure the level of funding we receive meets the level of support your child requires.

Please Note: Information can be sent to the school with your child in a sealed envelope. A photocopy of the document(s) will be added to your child's school file and the envelope returned home the same day. Those who prefer to bring information to the school please do so. The Department of Education respects the right to privacy. All information collected during the Disability Allocation process is confidential, in accordance with the *Information Privacy and Security Policy* (2001). Please do not hesitate in contacting the school if you require further information.

## Dinner for Dreams

A reminder that the Conductive Education Charity of WA, *Dinner for Dreams*, will be held at the Astral Ballroom, Crown Towers on the 13 November. This gala event is the premier fundraising opportunity for the charity this year and tickets are available.



I hope you enjoy the last few weeks of spring weather and look forward to seeing you at the Graduation Concert on 4 December.

Kind regards  
Ros Hamling  
Principal

## P&C News . . .



The P & C would like to let everyone know about the Containers for Change Scheme which can help raise money for our school. For every eligible container returned to your nearest depot 10cents is refunded into our P & C account. Please type in this Scheme Number- C10302546 to be eligible. Check [here](#) for return locations.

Thanks for everyone who purchased plants during the recent school plant P & C fundraiser. \$700 was raised as a result of plant sales and we would like to thank the Swanview Plant Farm for their generous and continuing support of our school

The next P & C fundraising event will be to raise money for some undercover disabled parking bays in the school car park in front of the Therapy Focus building.

We will also be having a Christmas raffle and looking for donations of food to make a hamper.

Thanks once again to everyone who was involved in these P & C fundraising events and we hope for your continued support.

Kind Regards

Lia Hackett  
P & C President

## From Marian, Community Support Chaplain

The Fun Day held on 30 September was well supported and a great day out for everyone. There was a bouncy castle, face painting, a craft table, lots of games and of course, the Ninja Turtles! Many thanks to all who came along and made the day a success.

If you have a child or someone you know who suffers from a condition that prevents them from regulating their body temperature a company called NikkiG may be of interest to you. NikkiG produces a wide range of products to help alleviate temperature problems. See their website <https://www.nikkigs.com.au> for more information.

Also, you may not know that a subsidy called the Thermoregulatory Dysfunction Energy subsidy is available from the WA Government to people who hold means tested concession cards, (or the dependents of people who hold means tested concession cards) and who require heating and/or cooling to control the temperature in their homes under medical advice. Thermoregulatory dysfunction is defined as significant loss of a person's capacity to control body temperature, and the medical conditions which result in the affected person being at risk of serious detriment to their general health and bodily function, when exposed to extremes of environmental temperatures. The subsidy is paid annually in advance and can be applied for [here](#).



I am usually at Carson Street School on Wednesdays and Thursdays and I am available for confidential chats.

Warmest regards,

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## Orange Gum

Everyone enjoyed checking out the cars involved in the Variety Club's Ruby Road Trip. Of course there were some select cars that were not getting near the scrubby off road areas - particularly



Tyler's favourite. He was pretty pleased to get into the driver's seat of this little red number.



Mahoor was selected to be one of the people to welcome the cars and drivers. Her message was delivered via PODD and put onto a voiced switch. She said: "It is exciting to see all the cars. Can you take me home in one? You can come to my party if you bring a present. I like birds."

She did get to sit in the Thomas the Tank car.....but it didn't get her home. Well done to all the Variety Club drivers and teams....the kids enjoyed your shenanigans.



## Rose Gum

This term Rose Gum has been exploring Australian Aboriginal Culture through stories, art, and music. Each week, we have focused our activities around an Aboriginal book. These include *How the Birds*



*Got Their Colours, Tiddalick the Frog, Ernie Dances to the Didgeridoo, and Colours of Australia.* Rose Gum has enjoyed this topic, especially the art activities. You can see our good work.



## Variety Club

We can't thank the Variety Club of WA enough for their generous support of our school. They presented us with a cheque for \$18,001.00 on the day they visited school with their Variety Ruby Road Trip. They were all so much fun with their wacky outfits and fantastic cars! The students had the best time!



The Variety Club donation was the final amount we needed to reach our goal amount of \$144,425.00 to purchase a new school bus. We now have funds not only

for the new bus but enough to modify the vehicle to turn it into a functioning wheelchair bus to transport our students into the community.

We also would like to acknowledge other sponsors who have donated money to the bus fund. It was an ambitious goal and we could never have got there without everyone.. The new bus will be arriving soon and more information will be in the December newsletter.

The Student Council have suggested names for the new bus, the voting has been completed by the students and the announcement is that the name of the new bus is:

# "Poppy"

The students can't wait to see the bus and are looking forward to going on excursions!



## Banksia

On Friday 30<sup>th</sup> October, Banksia, Wattle and Reach students participated in the ESSN Soccer Carnival at Hossack Reserve in Parkwood. Temperatures were soaring but the students' energy levels and enthusiasm could not be thwarted. They put in a fabulous effort and managed to score some brilliant goals. We could not be more proud of their amazing efforts. Well done Carson Street toucans!



## REACH

The REACH class has had a fresh start in a different classroom at Belmay. The students are enjoying the theme Festivals and Celebrations. At the start of



Term 4 we learnt about Halloween. We have also celebrated the Variety Club visiting our school and enjoyed hanging loose with the Ninja Turtles dancing to the pizza song!



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## Red Gum

Red Gum has been having lots of fun as usual since the last newsletter edition. The petting zoo at the P & C Fun Day and the Variety Bash WA visit were some highlights. Students have



been working hard in class in the lead up to the end of the year. Red Gum successfully presented their assembly item recently and did a fantastic job. Now to work on our concert item.



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## Yellow Gum

We had been waiting for this day with great anticipation -The Variety WA Big Bash!

As early as 9.00am the school was packed with fancy cars and lots of people dressed up in colourful costumes and super hero outfits. Our children had lots of fun and they were all pampered with gifts like bubbles, rings, necklaces you name it!



It was such a great morning which ended with Carson Street School receiving a big cheque! Thank you Variety for giving us such a memorable day at Carson Street!



## South Metro TAFE Students

Students from South Metropolitan TAFE who are completing Certificate IV in Education Support visited Carson Street School recently to observe students in the classroom and get a general feel for work in an education support setting. We received a message from them afterwards thanking us for a wonderful day at school, for our support and to let us know they thoroughly enjoyed the visit.

Thanks to TAFE lecturers Cheryl and Ellie and the students who brought morning tea in for the whole school staff.



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## Blue Gum

In Term 4 Blue Gum are taking an exciting journey, learning about the rainforest and the amazing animals and creatures who live there.

We have ventured through a virtual rainforest, and listened to sounds like trickling streams, squawking birds, and rumbling thunder. We have created our own rainforest artwork, and gone on a listening walk around the school.

We have learnt what an amazing place rainforests are.



## Wattle



In Wattle we have been learning about mini beasts. We have been reading books about lots of different creatures and have written sentences about insects in the garden, frogs and spiders.

We made frogs to decorate the classroom.



## Stepping Stones and Milestones

The Parent and Child Conductive Education groups had a great start to the term with a 5 day intensive program.

We had some wonderful successes and 'firsts' from the children including

- painting independently for the first time,
- sitting independently for the first time;
- maintaining hold of the ladder while walking for the first time AND
- independently holding and moving a baton up and down for the first time!

Wow! What an amazing week!



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## Thank you

Our thanks go to Mandy Laing who has donated over \$1,400 to Carson Street School.

Mandy recently celebrated a special birthday with a get together for friends and family and asked her guests to donate spare cash in lieu of birthday gifts.

Mandy has a special connection to the school as the friend of a former student and we are very grateful for her continuing support. Mandy is pictured here with her son Jordan and friend Maddy who helped to present the funds to school.



## Student Donation



Carson Street School student Ameliah has donated her stander to school for other students to use.

Thank you Ameliah!



The playground committee would like your clean coffee pods for a sensory art project. Send them to the front office or the classroom. Thanks!

P&C have boxes of chocolates for sale that are perfect for Xmas stocking fillers! Buy a box or go halves with a friend, family or neighbour! There are options to mix and match if availability allows. Contact the front office for further details.

Boxes	Price:	Includes:
Fun Pack	\$60	30 Freddo Frogs 30 Caramello Koalas
Goody Box	\$60	16 Crunchie 16 Timeout 12 Toblerone 8 Boost 8 Cherry Ripe
Europe Bars	\$50	25 Nougat Honey Log 25 Summer Roll
Toblerone	\$24	24 Toblerone



Contact the school to order your box.

Hurry! Limited stock available.

**\*\*Options to pay direct debit available\*\***

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## LOOSE CHANGE CHALLENGE

Thank you all for your generous donations and efforts in supporting our playground fundraiser. To those who still have containers at home can you kindly start returning them once they are filled.

Our cut off date for all containers to be returned is Monday 30th November 2020. Thank you.

## Parenting our Kids with ADHD: Strategies to help them Thrive

On Wednesday 25 November at 10am and 2pm there will be a free parenting workshop providing strategies to help with parenting children with ADHD. The workshop will be presented by former registered nurse Lou Brown who is also an ADHD coach, consultant and Master of Philosophy (nursing and midwifery) student. The workshops will be at the Don Russell Performing Arts Centre in Thornlie.

More information [here](#) or at [www.parentingkidswithadhd.eventbrite.com.au](http://www.parentingkidswithadhd.eventbrite.com.au)



Lincoln	Green Gum	10 November	Charlotte	Yellow Gum	25 November
Alexis	Wattle	10 November			
Siham	Blue Gum	11 November			
Lukie	Blue Gum	22 November			
Mark	Rose Gum	25 November			
Faris	Orange Gum	25 November			



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

Thursday 19 November	School Board 8:30am
Friday 4 December	School Concert 9:30am
Friday 11 December	P&C meeting 9:30 all welcome
Monday 14, Tuesday 15 Dec	Santa's Grotto
Thursday 17 December	Last day of school for students
Wednesday 27 January 2021	School office opens
Monday 1 February 2021	First day of school for students

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