



Carson Street School

# CSS News

February 2022

Principal: Ros Hamling

Deputy: Peter Salleo

School Board Chair: John Exeter

P&C President: Lia Hackett



We are the new Kindy  
kids in Yellow Gum.  
Look at all the  
things we can do!



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

### Welcome Back to School

I would like to extend a warm welcome to our families, friends and community as we begin a new school year, with a special welcome to our new families. I hope you have enjoyed a wonderful summer break and are relaxed, recharged and ready to start a new school year.

Two new staff members were welcomed to the Carson Street team: teacher Brandy-Lee Potger and school officer Miranda Brophy. Teacher Cassie Nelson has also returned to Carson Street. We wish them every success as they settle into school life with us.



Welcome also to Christa DuPlessis who is our new YouthCARE Chaplain. Christa will be at school on Wednesdays and Thursdays.



### Thank you!

The school year began smoothly with two successful school development days, however this quickly changed with the re-introduction of COVID-19 restrictions due to the community transmission of Omicron.

School staff are to be commended for their professionalism and resiliency during this time, especially as the guidelines for schools changed rapidly. Thanks also to our families for your understanding with the pace of change. We appreciate the support you give us, especially with adherence to health and safety requests, including the wearing of masks and social distancing. Drop off and pick up arrangements are flexible with choices for drop off at the classroom door between 8.30am and 8.45am or you can request school staff to pick up and drop off at the car park.

### The Rainbow Way

Our Rainbow Way culture continues to assist us

through difficult times. With our 'Be Positive' mindset and a genuine belief in our *Six Kinds of Best* values, we provide a supportive environment where staff and student wellbeing is prioritised. Our exceptional 2021 Pulse Survey results attest to this statement and you will find survey results in this newsletter. Please complete the survey this term and let us know how you're feeling about our school. We appreciate your feedback and take note of what you tell us.



### Postponed Events

Due to current Level 1 restrictions, we have made a decision to postpone the new family's morning tea and class assemblies this term. There are fourteen families who have joined us since Term 2 last year. We hope you experience a positive partnership with our school as your child begins, or continues, their education.

### Covid 19

Students at Carson Street School are exempt from wearing a mask. If you prefer your child to wear a mask please inform the school.



The most common symptoms of COVID-19 in children are cough, fever, runny nose and gastrointestinal symptoms. If your child shows any of these symptoms or has a cold or flu-like symptoms, even if they are mild, please keep them at home and seek medical advice.

### Seesaw

The school has decided to use the



Seesaw app for students who need to isolate at home this term. Seesaw is already in use and provides a great way for teachers and families to share information. Seesaw also provides a platform for the school to use when a child is learning from home. You will receive more information about this during the week. We will continue to look at ways to maintain our connections with families and carers during the term and will continue to promote student wellbeing and positive relationships, whether your child is learning at school, or at home.

Wishing you all the best,

Ros Hamling  
Principal

## P & C News

Dear parents and caregivers

The Carson Street School P & C Association warmly welcome you back to school and extend a special welcome to all new students and families who have joined us in 2022.

Students and families are enjoying the comforts of the new carport cover which will provide much needed shelter from sun and rain for everyone using the carpark. Thank you to the P&C for initiating the fundraising and for Hannah Beazley MLA for helping us to gain the funding. We would also like to thank Perth Better Homes who installed the shelter.



Thanks also to everyone who collected the Local Matters tokens from Grill'd in East Victoria Park. The school took out the first prize of \$300 for collecting the most tokens! Well done everyone! We will use the money to purchase equipment or items to be used by all students.

**Upcoming fundraisers:** get your donations in for the Easter raffle by Friday 25th March. The Mother's Day fundraiser is coming up - keep your eye out for the paperwork for Billy G's Cookie Dough later in the term.

The P & C Association wish you all the best for the start of the 2022 school year.

Kind Regards  
Lia Hackett P & C President.

## Conductive Education

Welcome back to our new school year. CE Awareness week is in Week 7: 14-18<sup>th</sup> March 2022 with the following activities:

- o Wear blue for CE Awareness
- o Completion of "I can..." posters
- o A sponsored event – students carrying out a challenging physical activity and being sponsored to complete a given number of the skill e.g. pedal their bike for 5 metres, roll 6 times
- o Decorating the words Conductive Education and Be the Best You Can Be – classes given a number of letters each to complete

All of the above will be carried out by every class in school. Funds raised will be going towards the purchase of a Race Runner bike which can be used by a number of students. These bikes cost approximately \$7000.

We have a new Conductive Education Charity of WA (CECWA) board who are very enthusiastic and are keen to raise awareness of CE and link with our families. If you would like to find out more about CECWA and how they support our programs, please contact the school.

Shona Ballantyne CE Program Coordinator





## Blue Gum

It has been a fantastic start to the year in Blue Gum, with students remembering their routines well and settling in beautifully.

Blue Gum students have been enjoying the start to the term with sensory art, Flexibility, and cooking! This term we are focusing on opinions and choice in language, letter revision in Literacy, money and shopping skills in Maths, and washing dishes and clothes in life skills.



We are also practising naming our feelings and learning about what works best to help us return to a state of calm.

It looks like we are all eager and excited to learn and discover more about the world around us.





## Twos-day

On Twos-day 22.2.22  
we dressed up in tutus,  
wore two different socks  
and hair in two bunches.

We had fun!



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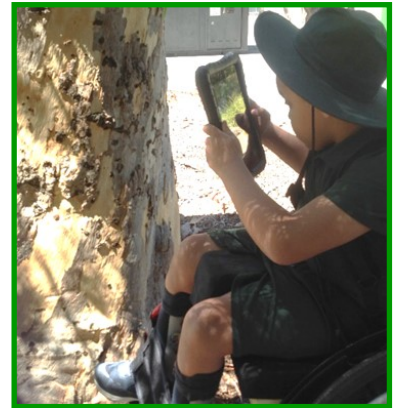
## REACH



Welcome to the REACH class for 2022. We are learning about all things 'mini-beast' this term. We went mini beast hunting at the Variety Place in Kings Park and had a picnic lunch last week for our community access trip. We found a huge orb spider, lots of ants, bees, butterflies and beetles.

We used magnifying glasses to have a closer look at the bugs and took some great photos on our iPads to make a class book.

Did you know that butterflies taste with their feet and ants can carry 20 times their own body weight!?



## Room 9

Room 9 has had a good start to the new year! Our students have been very happy to be back and have already started enjoying their regular activities like swimming, music, sensory, topic work, task series and art. It has been great to see the students settling in well after the long break.

In topic work, students have enjoyed learning about the rainforest, the animals that live in the rainforest and the way the rainforest is structured with different layers. Our reading materials and art activities have all been related to our theme, making it very fun for the students.

Students have been communicating well using their eye gaze devices to answer questions, comment, express their opinions and feelings as well as for general communication with staff. It has been very good to be back and we are looking forward to a great term!





### MEET THE CARSON STREET SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS

The School Board works with the school community to achieve the best outcomes for students. It plays an important role in contributing to good school governance so that school resources are used efficiently and community expectations and the school's priorities reflect the needs of students.



John Exeter  
Chair



Hon. Kate Doust MLC  
Community Member



Les Ozsdolay  
Former Chair



James Royce  
CECWA



Sarah O'Neill  
Education Assistant



Lisa Anderson  
Parent Member



Kym Presenza  
Parent Member



Jan Mason  
Community Member



Marian Tetlow  
P&C Representative



Corina Botica  
Manager Corp Services



Shona Ballantyne  
CE Co-ordinator



Lynne Anderson (Vanquip)  
Community Member



Ros Hamling  
Principal



Peter Salleo  
Deputy Principal

School Board Annual Public Meeting  
is Week 6 Term 2 -

Thursday 2 June at 8.30am.

All parents are welcome.

RSVP by 26 May 2022 to

[Corina.Botica@education.wa.edu.au](mailto:Corina.Botica@education.wa.edu.au)

## Red Gum

It has been a busy start to the year in Red Gum. We have had two students join us, taking our numbers to eight.



We have been learning our letters and have started exploring the Oxford Reading Tree reading scheme. We all really like the stories and are learning about the characters, their dog and all of the things they do. We have been exploring the concept of 'in' – Ridhan is a star with this activity!

Some of us have been learning to use a walker and others how to ride a bike. Our topic is 'Australia our Country' and for the past few weeks we have been learning about the beaches and sea. Our indoor sand pit is a favourite with everyone. We can't wait to share more of our adventures with you next time!

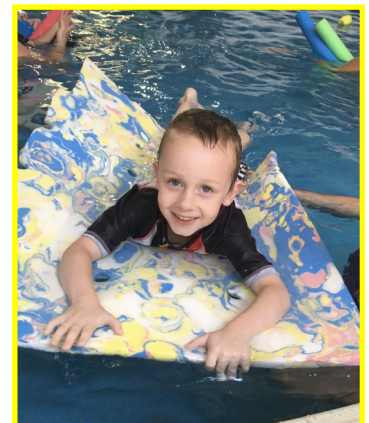
## Green Gum



Green Gum has had an awesome start to 2022! The students have adjusted well to new teachers and EA's. They are having lots of fun at swimming, Flexability and PMP.

The students have been collecting and recycling cartons, playing lots of fun games during maths and literacy sessions, and enjoying outside play when it's not too hot!

We look forward to more fun and learning this term!





## Rose Gum



We have had a wonderful start to the year in Rose Gum. We are very lucky to have seven enthusiastic learners in our room this year; Azzrah, Syahin, Oussama, Jacob, Holly, Zhiqing and Sophia. We also have lots of teachers here to help us learn. Our teachers are Cassie, Leone, Yulia, Taylor, Cinnamon and Ruth. Here are some photos of just some of the fun we have had in the first few weeks back at school.

Holly and Azzrah enjoying the warm weather and water.



In Rose Gum we have been learning letters through sensory play. Here Syahin is learning about the letter S with stars, skateboards, spinners and seals in spaghetti.



Once a week we get on the bus and drive to Flexability. We do lots of fun activities like playing with hoops, throwing, catching and kicking. Everyone's favourite activity at Flexability is playing with the beautiful big parachute.

## Change Table



If you are in need of a change table for use at home, the one shown here is free to any family who would like it. It is an older style with a foot pump for raising and lowering the height and has been in use at school until recently but is no longer required.

Please contact the front office on 6216 4950 for more information or to register your interest.



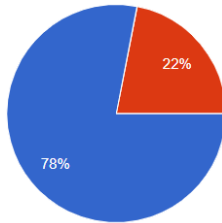
## Parent Engagement Score: 95.5%

Target <b>95%</b>	2020				2021				2021 Av.
	T1	T2	T3	T4	T1	T2	T3	T4	
Score	99.05%	97.82%	99.3%	97.0%	93.75%	94.25%	99.40%	95.5%	95.7%
Responses	26	34	35	33	40	37	41	32	38

● Strongly agree ● Agree ● Undecided ● Disagree ● Strongly disagree

I am happy sending my child to Carson Street School.

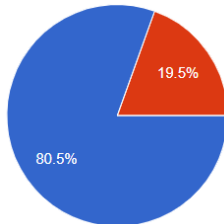
32 responses



	2020				2021				2021 Av.
	T1	T2	T3	T4	T1	T2	T3	T4	
+	100%	97.10%	100%	97%	95%	95%	100%	95.5%	95.7%
-	0%	2.90%	0%	3%	5%	5%	0%	32	38

Carson Street School provides a positive environment for my child.

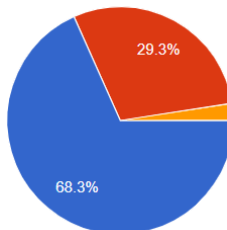
32 responses



	2020				2021				2021 Av.
	T1	T2	T3	T4	T1	T2	T3	T4	
+	100%	100%	100%	97%	95%	95%	100%	97%	97%
-	0%	0%	0%	3%	5%	5%	0%	3%	3%

Carson Street communicates well with parents.

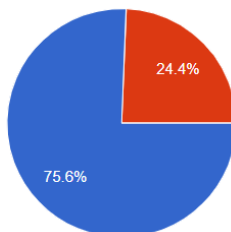
32 responses



	2020				2021				2021 Av.
	T1	T2	T3	T4	T1	T2	T3	T4	
+	96%	97.10%	97.1%	97%	90%	92%	97.6%	91%	93%
-	4%	2.90%	2.9%	3%	10%	8%	2.4%	9%	7%

Carson Street School meets the needs of my child.

32 responses



	2020				2021				2021 Av.
	T1	T2	T3	T4	T1	T2	T3	T4	
+	100%	97.10%	100%	97%	95%	95%	100%	97%	97%
-	0%	2.90%	0%	3%	5%	5%	0%	3%	3%



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## Room 8



The students in Room 8 have had a busy start to 2022! We have begun the year with 'Under the Sea' as our theme and the children have displayed a great interest in the topic during our learning experiences. The students will learn about the ocean and the creatures that live there, listen to stories and poems with oceanic settings, conduct research about oceanic life forms, and write their own stories and poems about the sea.

We are looking forward to have a very exciting year ahead with lots of fun and learning opportunities.

## School Winter Uniforms for a gold coin donation

We have quite a lot of second hand winter uniforms at school for sale for a gold coin donation.

We have short and long sleeve tops in both red and blue and blue track suit pants.

If you need any school uniform items for this winter please let your child's teacher know via the communication book.



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## COVID-Safe Practice at Carson Street

Carson Street has adopted a whole school approach to COVID-19 risk management. We prioritise staff and student safety and wellbeing, alongside the provision of teaching and learning programs. We have established clear expectations for COVID-Safe practice across the school and have prepared contingency plans for remote learning.

Our COVID-Safe practice follows up-to-date advice from the Departments of Health and Education including:

Staff social distancing and wearing masks in classrooms and outdoors, where practicable.  
Well ventilated classrooms and learning environments, air purifiers where required.

Additional cleaning measures.

Minimising the mingling of staff and students across the campus.

### COVID-19 safe measures



Mask supplies for staff and students



Pool of vaccinated school staff available



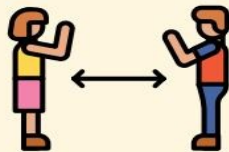
Adequate ventilation for all classes and rooms



Air purifiers supplied where required



Stay home when sick



Avoid unnecessary physical contact



Additional cleaning



Alcohol-based hand sanitiser

17 Feb	Ayub	Room 8
22 Feb	Charlie	Yellow Gum
23 Feb	Christopher	Green Gum
25 Feb	Wayne-Carey	Room 9
28 Feb	River	Green Gum
7 March	Massimo	Orange Gum
12 March	Ridhan	Red Gum

15 March	Cyril	REACH
29 March	Bradley	REACH
31 March	Tyrese	REACH



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

Monday 7 March	Public Holiday - Labour Day
Tuesday 22 March	P&C Meeting - All welcome
Friday 8 April	Last day of Term 1
Tuesday 26 April	First day of Term 2

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