



Carson Street School

CSS News

May 2022

Principal: Ros Hamling

Deputy: Peter Salleo

School Board Chair: John Exeter

P&C President: Lia Hackett

REACH

The REACH class made us very proud at our Carson Street School Anzac service on the 28 April by performing the Australian national anthem and the 'thank you' song to thank veterans for their service and to thank those who are currently serving to keep us safe. The students collaboratively made a large Anzac poster to reflect on just how lucky we are to live in Australia.



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From the Principal's desk

Dear parents, carers and families,

Although the term began with the easing of COVID-19 health measures, schools have continued to experience the impact of the pandemic. The variability of student and staff attendance has been particularly challenging however we are managing each situation as it arises. I would like to commend the school community including our families, friends, students and staff, for coping with the disruptions to normal programs and the frequent changes to school routines. Thank you for your patience and for being so accommodating.

Pulse Survey Results

The school has closely monitored the wellbeing of students during the semester and it's pleasing to note that the trend measured in a recent Pulse Survey remains positive. This year we have a particular focus upon student happiness and wellbeing, especially as we continue to navigate our way through a difficult year.



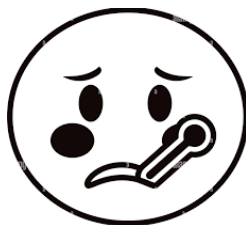
Rapid Antigen Tests (RATs)

I hope all families have received their RAT allocation from the school. This allocation can be used to test family members for COVID-19. Please let us know if you have not received your allocation. The school has a supply of RATs if you require more.



Student Illness in Schools

I would also like to thank families for their vigilance in supporting COVID-19 health directives. Maintaining a safe school environment is our priority, and as the weather cools down, we may find there is an increase in the number of students with colds, flu and other illness. Parents and carers are reminded to *Be the Community Kind* by keeping a child who is



unwell away from school.

I have provided two links with health information that will help to keep our school community safe.

[Control of communicable diseases manual \(PDF 1.3MB\)](#)

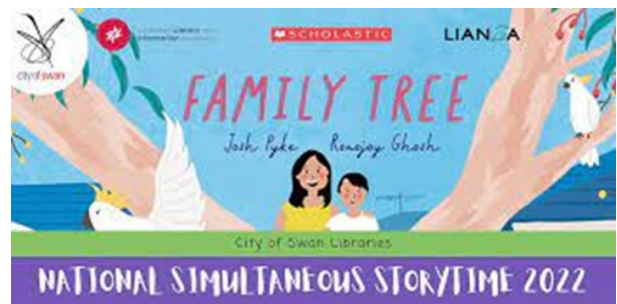
[Childcare centres and schools \(health.wa.gov.au\)](https://health.wa.gov.au)

Student Reports: Semester One

In response to the impact of COVID-19 upon student attendance, our reporting procedures for this semester will be modified. Students who have attended for a significant portion of the semester will receive their usual Semester 1 report. Those who have been absent for more than 50% of Terms 1 and 2 will receive a student portfolio with general comments in learning areas. Families are invited to make an appointment to discuss their child's report and progress with class teachers.



National Simultaneous Storytime



Earlier this term, all students participated in the National Simultaneous Storytime. This year students across Australia read or listened to the story of *The Family Tree* by Josh Pyke. All classes were involved in this Storytime opportunity. The REACH class immersed themselves in the story by producing a collage depicting each student's family tree. This fabulous artwork is now proudly displayed in the administration office at school.

I hope you enjoy the long weekend by celebrating WA Day on the 6 June.

Wishing you all the best,

Ros Hamling,
Principal

P&C News . . .

Dear parents and caregivers,



New Families

A number of new students have joined the Carson Street School community this year and the P & C Committee would like to extend a warm welcome to all of these families.

Easter Raffle

Congratulations to the winners in our Easter raffle. We raised \$385.00 and would like to thank everyone who participated and to staff and families who donated chocolates and gifts for prizes.

Fundraising

Thank you also to those who ordered cookie dough from Billy G's in the P & C Mother's Day fundraiser which raised a further \$272.00.

Our current fundraiser is to fund a new sensory room for our students. This room will be a therapeutic space with a variety of equipment that will support students' emotional, behavioural and sensory needs. An estimated cost of \$50,000 is needed to make this wonderful room possible and we encourage you support the P & C fundraising efforts in whatever way you can. More details available soon.



We are still participating in the Containers For Change initiative. You can help by placing plastic items into the bin at school, located near the Sensory Room, or by taking them to your nearest Containers For Change depot using ID number is C10302546 in the name of Lia Hackett. Click [here](#) for your nearest return location. Thank you.

Kind Regards,
Lia Hackett, P & C President

Community Support Chaplain

Dear parents, friends and carers,

After a crazy start to the school year things have finally settled down! I feel so blessed to be part of this amazing school community and I enjoy every single day I spend with your wonderful children and the staff who are always willing to go the extra mile for the students.

I would like to send a very warm welcome to all new students and their families who have joined the Carson Street School community since the last newsletter. I hope this is the beginning of a new chapter in the life of your child and that it will be coloured with beautiful pictures and memories for years to come.

A very big thank you also to all who have donated food to help some of the families in our school who are going through a challenging time. With your support and the support of the wider community, we have been able to set up a food pantry that will enable us to help these families.

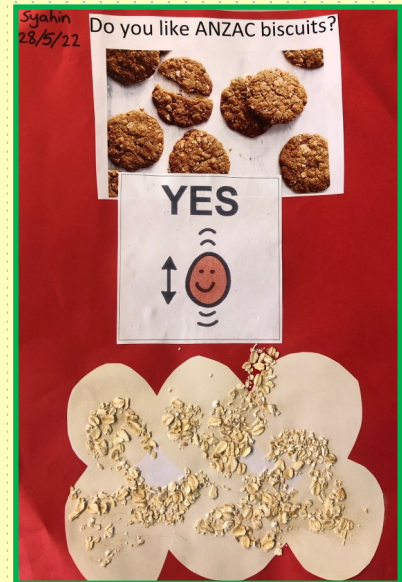
I hope you all have a great term two and if you would like to have a chat at any time I am at school on Wednesdays and Thursdays or I can be contacted through the school office. You can also email me at christa.duplessis@education.wa.edu.au

Kind Regards,
Christa du Plessis, YouthCARE Chaplain



Rose Gum

In Rose Gum we commemorated Anzac Day by reading some books about the Anzacs. We listened to the Last Post and watched a video of a man playing a bugle. We did some painting and made poppies to say thank you to the people who help to keep us safe. We tasted Anzac biscuits and we all thought that they were delicious. We even got to make some Anzac biscuit art and did sensory play with oats.



Leavers Shirts

Presenting our new leavers shirts!

The new leavers shirts have arrived and our Year 6 students will be wearing them with great pride.



Shade Sail

We are very pleased with the new shade sail which has been erected between Orange and Rose Gum classes.

The sail is providing much needed shelter from the sun, allowing students to use the area for play, learning and relaxation.

You can see from the photo how much students are enjoying the new addition!



Easter Raffle

There were some fantastic prizes to give away in the annual Carson Street School Easter raffle.

River from Green Gum was the raffle master and drew the winning names out of the bucket and the following students were all lucky winners :

Alisa - Red Gum

Khalil - Orange Gum

Zhiqing - Rose Gum

Other winners were Dolly and Tina, from the school buses, and Dallas and Miranda, who work in the school office.

Thank you to everyone for your support!



Thank You!

We would like to send a special thank you to John Rees of Best Loans who donated some furniture to our school.



Best Loans relocated their offices recently and John kindly arranged for us to take a number of cupboards and whiteboards which the company no longer needed.

We have made good use of these items, especially the cupboards as storage is always in short supply here at school! Thank you very much!

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Donation

We are thrilled to announce that Carson Street School has received a donation of \$7,500 from the Disabled Children's Foundation.

The DCF Board recently voted to include Carson Street School in their 25th Anniversary Gifting Program as they consider our school to a positive and valuable recipient. The Disabled Children's Foundation have acknowledged the hard work undertaken by Carson Street School in providing awareness and valuable services to the Disabled Community.

We are extremely grateful to DCF for this generous donation and also for the Disabled Children's Foundation's long standing support of Carson Street School. The funds will be used to purchase items or equipment for use by all students at Carson Street School.



CONDUCTIVE EDUCATION

We have had a busy start to the term with new students joining both our 0-4 and school-aged services. Welcome to those new families!

As you will have been aware, we had CE Awareness week last term and had a sponsored 'Move for CE' event. The total raised was an amazing \$1460 which will go towards funding a race running bike. Thanks everyone!

We will seek the remainder of the funds from The Conductive Education Charity of WA.



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Room 8

Week 1 of Term 2 has been spent celebrating Anzac Day. We talked about what Anzac stands for and what sorts of traditions occur on Anzac Day. Reading the story, "Anzac Ted" helped us to understand why it is important for us to remember the people who fought for our freedom in Australia. We also made some Anzac Day Poppy Art.



In Weeks 3 and 4 Room 8 were busy thinking about the people in our community that help us and about the role of lots of different professions. We started by looking at the role of people who work in medicine such as doctors, nurses and dentists. Room 8 learnt about where they work, what they do and how. Soon we will explore the roles of vets, teachers, the police, the fire service, and farmers.





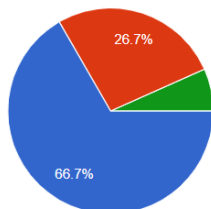
Parent Engagement Score: 88.33%

Target 95%	2021				2022				2022 Av.
	T1	T2	T3	T4	T1	T2	T3	T4	
Score	93.75%	94.25%	99.40%	95.50%	88.33%	0.00%	0.00%	0.0%	0.0%
Responses	40	37	41	32	15				0

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

I am happy sending my child to Carson Street School.

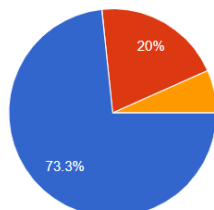
15 responses



	2021				2022				2022 Average
	T1	T2	T3	T4	T1	T2	T3	T4	
+	95%	95%	100%	97%	93.3%				
-	5%	5%	0%	3%	6.7%				

Carson Street School provides a positive environment for my child.

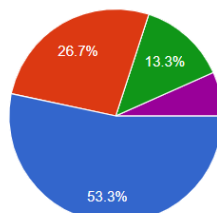
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Carson Street communicates well with parents.

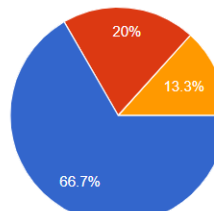
15 responses



	2021				2022				2022 Average
	T1	T2	T3	T4	T1	T2	T3	T4	
+	90%	92%	97.6%	91%	80.0%				
-	10%	8%	2.4%	9%	20.0%				

Carson Street School meets the needs of my child.

15 responses



	2020				2022				2022 Average
	T1	T2	T3	T4	T1	T2	T3	T4	
+	95%	95%	100%	97%	86.7%				
-	5%	5%	0%	3%	13.3%				



Room 9

The Room 9 students enjoyed taking part in making Anzac poppies as part of their commemoration of Anzac Day 2022.

We played the Anzac song in the background as the children worked on the activity.

The students who participated were all very proud of their efforts.

It was also very special to join the rest of the school at assembly to celebrate this special day together.



Red Gum

Red Gum has had a fantastic start to the term welcoming a new student Abigail. Our topic this term is Pet Shop.

We have greeted quite a few visitors including Monty the dog, Wookie the cat, Zezsy the fish and Lavern the chicken.

Students have explored what these creatures need to live and how to care for different types of animals.



Blue Gum

Blue Gum students have been having a wonderful time this semester learning different skills that are needed around the house. Students have been learning how to use a washing machine, hang and fold clothes, match and roll socks, and wash and dry their dishes.



On Thursdays, we have been learning how to cook healthy and tasty meals. Students are becoming very accustomed to following an ingredients list, mixing, whisking, sifting and baking.

Blue Gum students have been working hard to follow the rainbow values this term and have been learning to listen to their bodies to help keep themselves calm.

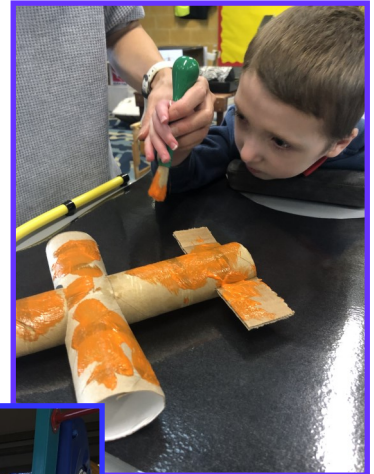
It has been fantastic to see everyone being kind to themselves and others by using their words and devices to ask for things that they need to keep themselves in the green zone.





Yellow Gum

Yellow Gum Kindy are learning all about transport this term. Among many other things we have looked at our own cars, had car races, watched the transport on Berwick Street, made planes to hang in class and been for bike rides.



Transport is a fun topic.



Welcome to our new teachers



Belinda Chan is the new teacher in the Wattle classroom and brings a broad teaching experience to Carson Street.

We also welcomed Emily Wildeboer to Red Gum class. Emily is enjoying getting to know her students with the help of her wonderful team of EAs.



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CLASS of 2023



Registrations for Kindy for 2023 are now open! If your child, or someone you know, is Kindergarten age in 2023 and is living with a disability, Carson Street School is the place to be.

We would like to invite all eligible families to register their applications for a place in our Kindy for 2023. There will be a Kindy talk and school tour on Wednesday 15th June for all interested families; watch our social media for further information.

All enquiries to Dallas.Bird@education.wa.edu.au

BIRTHDAYS

7 May	Chrisha-Mae	REACH
11 May	Hur	Orange Gum
12 May	Jacob	Rose Gum
25 May	Aahan	REACH
28 May	Imogen	Room 9
29 May	Isabella	Blue Gum



Save The Date...



Thursday 8 September 2022

Crown Perth - Grand Ballroom

Grand Opening 9- 9:30am

Exhibition Open: 9:30am - 1:30pm

The Abilities Expo is for people of all ages with disability, their families and carers who want to know more about the services they can access and the organisations that provide those services.

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For further information

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

Thursday 2 June	Annual General Public School Board Meeting 8:30am — all welcome
Monday 6 June	WA Day Public Holiday
Wednesday 8 June	9:00am New Families Morning Tea
Wednesday 15 June	9:30am Kindy Talk
Wednesday 22 June	9:00am Yellow Gum assembly
Friday 1 July	Last day of Term 2
Tuesday 19 July	First day of Term 3

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