



Carson Street School

CSS News

May 2023

Principal: Ros Hamling Deputy: Peter Salleo School Board Chair: John Exeter P&C President: Lauren Kelly

ANZAC Day

The REACH class were honoured by having the responsibility to lead an Anzac service at Carson Street to pay respects to those who have served, and still serve, to protect our country.



We practised a song to sign and move to called, 'Can You Hear Australia's Heroes Marching?' It's a national war memorial song and a tribute to the Anzac spirit of mateship, courage, and sacrifice.

The REACH class made us all proud with their role in the service.

When discussing what the Anzac service means to our students, the answers were:

Tyrese: "by being respectful".

Ellaine: "We do this for the soldiers who protect our country".



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From the Principal's desk

ANZAC Celebrations

The school community welcomed our return to school this term by proudly celebrating the story of ANZAC throughout the week. Students were involved in Anzac based activities including baking Anzac biscuits, making poppies, and learning an Anzac song. The week culminated in a special Anzac service which was presented by our REACH class. I'm very proud of the REACH class as they provided us all with an opportunity to be the Community Kind and the Learning Kind.

Paul Harris Fellow Award

We are proud to announce that Deputy Principal, Peter Salleo was recently honoured with a Paul Harris Fellow Award. This award was presented to Peter by the Como Rotary Club and is the highest form of recognition a Rotary Club can bestow. Peter has been instrumental in organising and enhancing Rotary youth camps for young people living with disability and is commended for making an outstanding contribution to the community. Well done, Peter!



School Development Days

Our school development day this term provided opportunities for staff to share their expertise and to gain skills and accreditations. Four Team Teach trainers provided professional learning to a local mainstream primary school, 12 staff were accredited with Senior First Aid and others attended a 'Care and Recovery' Conference held at the Perth Convention and Exhibition

Centre. Providing our staff with opportunities for professional growth increases skill sets and benefits our school community.

Schools Upgrade Fund \$25,000

The Australian Government Department of Education recently announced that Carson Street has been awarded a \$25,000 Schools Upgrade Grant. This grant will be used to upgrade our school bell, alert and paging system and we hope to have the new system installed during the September break. Many thanks to our Manager Corporate Services, Corina Botica for preparing and submitting a successful grant application. Your time and effort are greatly appreciated.

Preparation for High School

Transition to high school is an important part of every student's educational journey. The school recently held an information session for families whose children will be heading to high school in 2024. Parents were provided with an overview of the steps involved in the process and the educational choices available to them. The presentation was well received and to ensure a smooth transition, support from the Student Services team will continue throughout the year.

Student Health & Wellbeing

Many thanks to families for helping us to maintain a safe school environment by keeping sick children away from school when they are unwell. As the weather cools down, we expect 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](#)
- [Childcare centres and schools](#)

Kind regards,
Ros Hamling
Principal

P&C News . . .

The Easter Raffle was very well supported. Thank you Carson Street families. You all raised \$700! These funds will be used towards future P&C sponsored events.

Congratulations to our raffle winners:

[Alex Ridge](#), [Christa](#), [Winston](#), [Massimo](#), [Cinnamon](#), [Jordan](#), [Wiwi](#), [Horatio](#), and [Nate](#).

Our students thoroughly enjoyed choosing a gift from our Mother's Day stall. We hope our Carson Street mums, grandmothers, and carers had a wonderful Mother's Day. The stall this year gave our students the opportunity to practise money handling.

Quiz Night



Table bookings are open! Gather your team together, book your babysitters or support workers, and start studying those random facts! **Saturday 19 August** is the night and the Carson Street Quiz Night is the place to be! This is a major fundraising event for Carson Street School P&C. We look forward to your support AND a great night! More details to follow.



From Christa, Community Support Chaplain

Term 2 week 5. Yes, that is where we are already. Things are up and running for the term, the mornings are darker when we wake up, and we are now leaving home most mornings with some long sleeves because we are reaching the end of Autumn and Winter is around the corner.

Talking about seasons, some people come into our lives for a season, and some for a lifetime. I feel so privileged to be part of the Carson Street family for this season. We all know that circumstances change, but we can during storms bring our own sunshine to a place, our own refreshing rain, our exhilarating snowstorm, wind that braces us up and then realise that there is not really something like bad weather but different kinds of good weather.

So, with that in mind, let's hope that for the rest of term 2 our focus will be on the many beautiful things we will see and experience, and because of that be able to make a difference in the lives of people around us.

Have a blessed term 2 and rug up for Winter.

Warm Regards,

Christa



Sensory Room

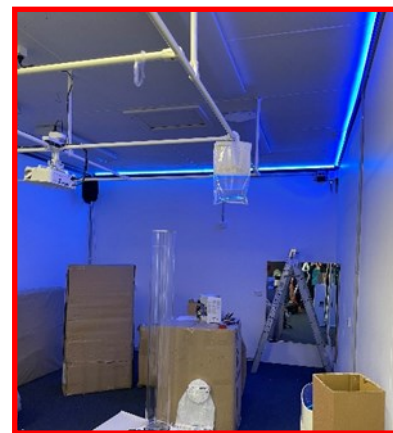


After much anticipation and years of fundraising, the time has come... Our brand new sensory room equipment, with up to date technology has finally been installed! We almost can't contain our excitement!

Have a look at these progress photos...



DAY 1: The unpacking has begun!



DAY 2: Mood lights on the ceiling, and speakers are installed!



DAY 3: Vibroacoustic ball pool has been installed and the bubble tube with modular seating was taking shape.

DAY 4: By the end of the fourth day, the installation was complete!



Training Day: All the staff participating in the training were a barrel of excitement for the anticipation of what they were about to experience.



Training Day: Many staff became very comfortable and made themselves at home on the equipment including Vera chilling on the vibro-acoustic water bed and Brandy -Lee enjoying some deep pressure in the vibroacoustic ball pool.

This achievement was truly a team effort and without the support of many, none of this would have been possible. So, we would like to give an enormous shout out and massive thanks to the following people...

Andrea Rees and Roberta Taylforth for attending a free sensory Professional Development session back in 2019 which was run by Jade Bilusich from Link Assistive Sensory. From that PD session they were left in awe of the fancy new equipment and technology and knew many of our students at Carson Street would benefit. The mission began to bring it to Carson Street School!

Carson Street P&C for raising and providing \$20,000 from the annual quiz night, which was then kindly donated to contribute to the purchase of the new equipment.

School for Parents who also kindly donated \$15,000 towards the room.

Corina Botica for being the glue holding the entire planning process together from the financials, to overseeing the draft plans, building prep and being an overall cheerleader for this vision.

Jade Bilusich from Link Assistive Sensory, who worked with us to design and develop a room which meets the specific sensory needs of our cohort of students at Carson Street School. All our equipment was then ordered through Link Assistive. Jade also delivered a day of training across two sessions with many of our staff on how we can begin to utilise the many features of the sensory room with our students.

Prasad Chandrasena and Rob Telfer from Link Assistive who oversaw the entire installation process and bringing the room to life.

Special Opening: Please stay tuned for an invitation to our parents and community where we will have an opening for the new Sensory Room and a show and tell of our new equipment!

Communication News—Sarah Rowe

The Premier's Reading Challenge for 2023 is running from 8 May until 8 September. If you would like your child to participate, you need to sign them up at home and log every book you read together. Let your teacher know and they can tell you the titles of any books read in class, for you to add.

Students can help with the process of reading by selecting books, assisting to turn pages, chatting with their AAC about the books, providing opinions and saying words with their voices or AAC.

The challenge is to read 12 or more books over the four months. There are weekly prizes for those who log a new book each week and every child will receive a certificate of participation.

We would love as many of our students as possible to join the challenge, to promote the joy and excitement of reading a good book anywhere! We hope you all have fun finding some new adventures in the pages of a book.

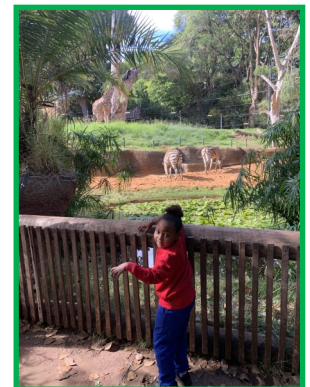
For more information and to register, please visit:

<https://www.premiersreadingchallenge.wa.edu.au/>



Wisteria

During the first weeks of Term 2 Wisteria students had a blast! They celebrated Anzac Day by making colourful poppies. They went to the park and gathered autumn leaves to create amazing art projects. And to top it off, they went on a thrilling zoo excursion to learn about fascinating animals. Fun and learning combined, it was an unforgettable start to the term!



Jarraah

For ANZAC Day, we learned about our soldiers who made sacrifices for our freedom. We learned about the special march the soldiers do through our streets as a remembrance of the soldiers that died in the wars.

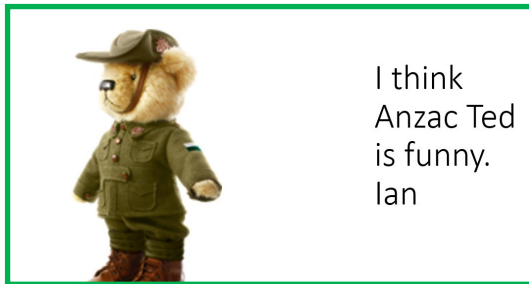
Our class made special poppies that reminded us of the soldiers, and silhouette window frames.

We were all very quiet and attentive during the ANZAC Day Assembly. We are so lucky to live in Australia and have the freedoms we enjoy.



Blue Gum

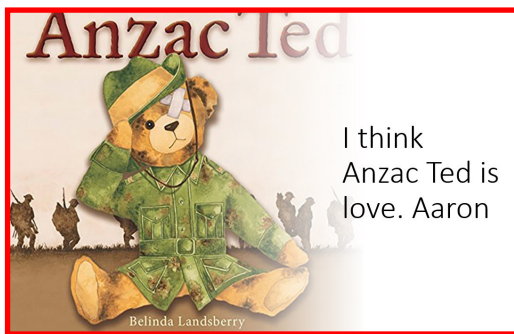
To honour our Anzacs Blue Gum made a collaborated piece of art of poppies. To decorate them they used cellophane and twill. Also, we read the story Anzac Ted and the students used their communication devices to write a message of what they thought of Anzac Ted.



I think
Anzac Ted
is funny.
Ian



I think
Anzac Ted is
good.
Oussama



I think
Anzac Ted is
love. Aaron



I think
Anzac Ted is
hungry.
Nikolai

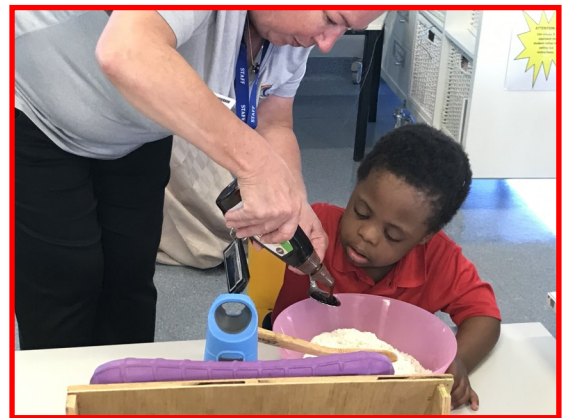
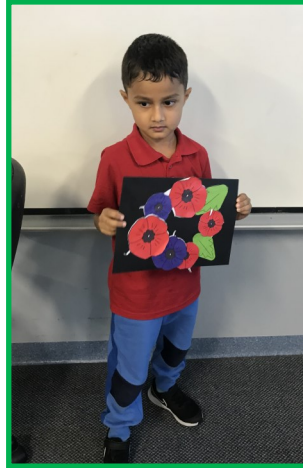
Wattle

We have been busy getting creative in Wattle this term. We have made poppies and Anzac biscuits for Anzac Day. We also painted pots for Mother's Day and baked scones for our Mother's Day morning tea.



Green Gum

Green Gum really enjoyed the Anzac assembly that our friends in REACH performed. In memory of our Anzac heroes we made Anzac cookies and Anzac wreaths. We followed Mr Salleo's recipe and they were delicious.

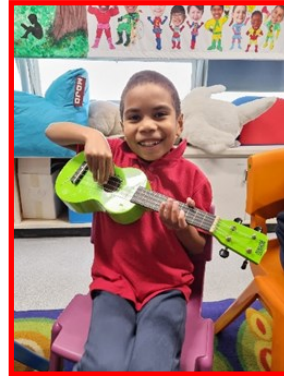


Orange Gum

In Orange Gum we made red poppies as part of our Anzac Day crafts. We really enjoyed sprinkling the glitter.



Music



Music is always an enjoyable session here at Carson Street School. Our students can play the djembe, the ukulele, the ocean drum, the bells, the piano and the tapping sticks. We sing, clap, and move along to the music. Music is so much fun!



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Conductive Education

Everyone has returned from their Easter break full of enthusiasm. We are making the most of the good weather and getting outside during our task series time, when we can.

Each task series now has a 'Task Series Superstar' badge which is awarded to the student who has been trying their hardest or has demonstrated a skill to the best of their ability. Once awarded, the student can wear the badge for the whole day to show everyone how clever they have been.

Riley participates in the sensory task series, and was a worthy winner of the 'Superstar' badge!

Last week we welcomed four new children and parents to our Parent and Child groups, taking their numbers to 12.

All teachers are busy collating information in readiness for report writing. Term 3 will see us completing our annual Gross Motor Function Measure assessments which demonstrate improvements that students have made in their physical skills.

Shona Ballantyne

Conductive Education Program Coordinator



Nurses Corner

We're definitely starting to feel those cold mornings as we progress into Term 2. Runny noses, colds and flu season are upon us.

Please continue personal hygiene measures:

- Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth;
- wash your hands often for 20 seconds with soap and water;
- use alcohol-based hand sanitisers when you can't use soap and water;
- clean and disinfect surfaces you use often such as benchtops, desks and doorknobs.

RATs, both nasal and saliva lollipop style, are available at the office.

If your child is unwell, please keep them home and notify the office.



Starkick All Abilities Football has many clubs across Perth, all ready for kids to have a go, and have fun!

To find your local club, scan the code, or visit the [website](#).



STARKICK
ALL ABILITIES FOOTBALLERS

"IF YOU WANT TO PLAY, WE WILL FIND A WAY"

Starkick is a multi award winning all-abilities football program that caters for boys and girls 5 to 17 yrs of age. Children who by circumstance or choice that may be unable or unwilling to participate in a mainstream sporting team are supported by a team of volunteers.

WHAT DO PARENTS SAY?

"My son has autism spectrum disorder, and this is one of the only places he's welcomed, here they understand my child's disability."

"Starkick is something I wish I knew about years ago! It was so cool to see other kids using walkers, wheelchairs and other mobility aids playing the sport they love".



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4 May	Sirish	Green Gum
7 May	Chrisha-Mae	REACH
12 May	Jacob	Rose Gum
27 May	Mia	Banksia
29 May	Isabella	Banksia



♥ Welcome to Kindergarten



Carson Street School will be holding a 'Preparation for Kindy 2024' talk for all families who have a child who will be Kindy age in 2024.

Please come along on **Thursday 25 May at 11am** in Bottlebrush classroom. A morning tea will follow.

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

Thursday 25 May	Kindy 2024 information talk 11am.
Wednesday 31 May	Wattle Assembly 9am.
Monday 5 June	WA Day public holiday. No school.
Wednesday 7 June	Orange Gum Assembly 9am.
Wednesday 21 June	Wisteria Assembly 9am.
Wednesday 2 August	School photos.

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