

The logo for 'THE RAINBOW REPORTER' is a square with a white border, set against a background of horizontal rainbow stripes (red, orange, yellow, green, blue, purple). The text 'THE RAINBOW REPORTER' is written in large, white, bold, sans-serif capital letters, centered within the square.

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**A Carson Street School
Newsletter, written by
the students, for the
students**

Welcome to the first Rainbow Reporter of the year, cleverly put together by our friends in Wattle Class.

Term One 2024 may have only been 9 weeks long, but we definitely packed a lot in. As a school we were so fortunate to be able to participate in an amazing project with our friends from Sensorium. You can see some photos of the Wattle journalists inside, as well as their review of the book Ten Tiny Things.

We have another BIG interview, as well as some fantastic articles about all your favourite things— food, animals, the playground and using our senses. There is also an update on the Faction totals, Principal for the Day and our Student Council organised event for CE Awareness Week.

We hope you enjoy this edition and that everyone has a safe, happy, treat filled Easter holiday!

Waka Waka

Isabella loves the Waka Waka 2010 Fifa World Cup song and the 2023 Women's Fifa World Cup. To celebrate her love for all things World Cup she has designed her own amazing poster, typing all the words that she wanted on her device.

If you love soccer too, be sure to check out the interview we did with Matildas defender Clare Polkinghorne last year. You can find all back issues of the Reporter on the school website.



Pet Watch With Eliana

Eliana was very keen to know who had a pet goldfish...I think she is on the lookout for a pet of her own. She went around the school and asked the people she saw “Do you have a pet goldfish?” This is what she found:

People who do not have goldfish:

- Mrs Hamling
- Jen at the office
- Mr Salleo
- Christa our chaplain
- Karen in Wattle
- Nurse Jen
- Naomi in Red Gum



People who do have goldfish:

- Mrs Butler (she has 12!!)
- Neda in Wattle
- Naomi in Red Gum



It seems that the person to ask about goldfish is Mrs Butler, as she has 12!!

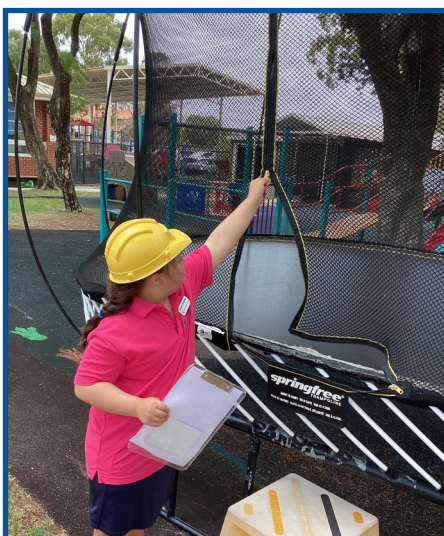
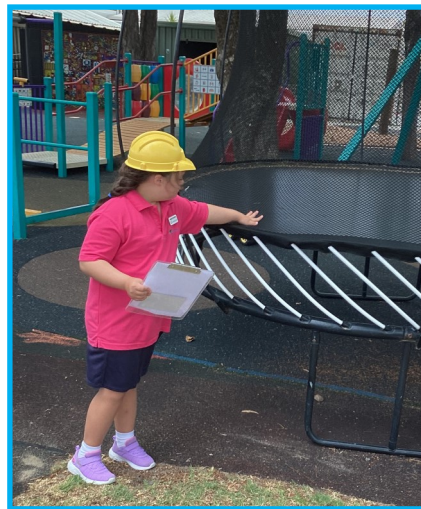
Eliana thinks goldfish are “fun!” and she coloured in a beautiful goldfish to celebrate all things fish.

The Playground Inspector

Mia used her Proloquo to say that she wanted to go to the “playground” to check if everything was “fun and quick” and to check if there is “something wrong”.

She put on her hard hat, grabbed her clip board and went to inspect the playground. At the end of a rigorous check she said there were ‘enough-toys’, she was ‘happy’ with the playground and it has been ‘checked’.

Good news everyone; the playground is open for business in Term 2 as it has the Mia seal of approval.



It's a big thumbs up from Mia!

Who Is Feeling Hungry?

Amna loves the food pages of our class PODD so when asked what she would like to do for her Rainbow Reporter article, it was an easy choice; “Desserts, drink and food!”.

Amna has designed her ideal three course meal...I’m not sure it is the healthiest I have ever seen but Amna is right in saying that it is “yummy!”

What would your perfect menu be? Maybe you can create it...and eat it...over the holidays.



For starters: “Ice cream is polite.”



For main: “Donuts are ok.”



For dessert: “Cake is too cool!”

Michael's Smell Challenge

Michael wanted to test people on “curious smells”. He went around the school with three secret containers of smelly items and people had to guess what the smells were. Michael chose the smells himself by sniffing spices, foods and essential oils. Let's see who has the best nose at Carson Street!

Name	Smell 1	Smell 2	Smell 3
Nurse Jona	Lavender	Cloves	Honey
Nurse Jen	Lavender	Cloves	Honey
Deb	Eucalyptus	Cloves	Yucky
Carolyne	Lavender	Cloves	Honey
Cinnamon	Yucky	Cloves	Smells Off



The mystery smells were lavender, cloves and honey.



Looks like our nurses have a great sense of smell!

Interview with...

Our first BIG interview for the Rainbow Reporter was with our previous Premier, the Hon. Mark McGowan. Last year we interviewed the Prime Minister of Australia, the Hon. Anthony Albanese. Wattle class felt that we had given the Hon. Roger Cook long enough to settle into his job as Premier of Western Australia and so we decided to send him some important questions to find out more about the man who runs our state.



After emailing, we had our speediest reply yet which stated that the Premier was “delighted” to answer our questions and offered his “very best wishes” to all of our students. Thank you to the Hon. Mr Cook for taking the time to answer our questions.

Interview with...The Hon Roger Cook

Do you like the colour green?

Eliana, aged 9

Yes, I was in the green faction at school.



Do you have a best friend, a boyfriend or a girlfriend? Mia, aged 9

My wife Carly is my best friend and my girlfriend.

I like vanilla and choc chip ice cream. What is your favourite flavour? Amna, aged 10.

Definitely vanilla!

Do you have a pet goldfish?

Isabella, aged 10

My goldfish died :(but I do have a cat called Terry.

Do you have fun in your job? What's happening? Michael, aged 11

I have a lot of fun in my job, although it's very busy.

I'm busy building new schools.

Interview with...A Person With Wet Hair

Jouri was on a lovely holiday when we interviewed the Hon. Roger Cook but she used the class PODD on iPad to say she wanted to 'ask a question' to 'wet-hair'. We thought about people we know who have wet hair, and we found Mrs Atkins, Anna and Kylie from the pool.

Jouri used the PODD to think of some questions to ask her favourite swim team.

What films do you like? (activities-watch-movies)

Anna– I like animation movies.

Kylie– I like fantasy movies.

Mrs Atkins– I like romantic comedies and action movies.



Do you like a bargain? (places-shopping-bargain)

Anna– YES I DO!!!

Kylie– Oh I love a bargain, yes.

Mrs Atkins– Oh yes. I love things in the sale.



Are Drs unbelievable? (health-Dr-like words-unbelievable)

Anna– My Dr is awesome and will always make time to see or call me.

Kylie– My Dr is really good. He fixed my back and shoulder.

Kerry– Yes, some Doctors are amazing.



Sensorium Fun

Carson Street are very lucky to have a special relationship with our friends from Sensorium and when they wanted to try a project at a school, they knew we were the best place to come.

Every class was treated to three days of Sensorium fun based around the story 'Ten Tiny Things' by Meg McKinlay and Kyle Hughes-Odgers. Wattle and Banksia classes were extra lucky though...because Meg McKinlay came to join in with our sessions. What was our verdict?...



'I felt fed up and too mad, too calm and too helpless.' Amna

'The "green" machine – I like it!' Jouri



'It was noisy and the same. It was smelly. I felt happy. We sang and practised.' Michael



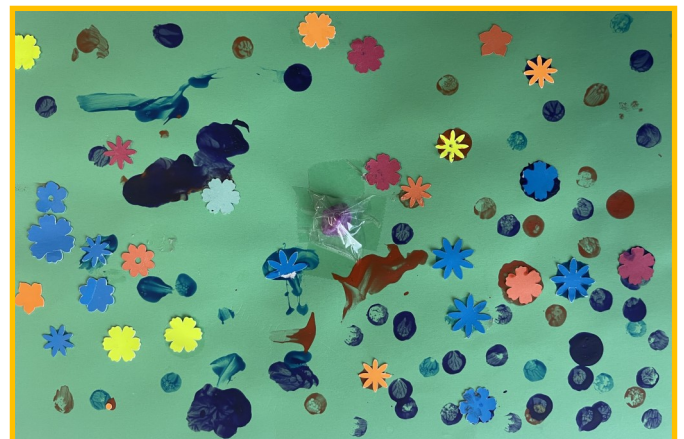
'FUN!!!' Eliana



'We touched toys. It was gentle, casual and fun. I was with friends. Mia

Sensorium Fun

Sometimes a book can inspire you to want to try something for yourself. After our Sensorium experience, Wattle class went on a hunt for our own Ten Tiny Things. With six students and four adults, we found ten things that were so tiny, they fitted into Sarah's hand...with room for more. We used our Ten Tiny Things to inspire some artwork and writing as well. We found Neda's tiny leaf, Isabella's tiny feather, Amna and Michael found tiny sticks, Jouri found a tiny gum nut pod, Eliana found a tiny purple stone, Sarah found a tiny diamond sequin and Karen found a tiny round sequin, Cristina found a tiny stone and Mia found a tiny flower. Can you see them all? Can you find Ten Tiny Things these holidays?



Reading Corner

We loved 'Ten Tiny Things' so much that we decided to review it for you all. There are three copies of the book in the library and Meg McKinlay has written a different special message in each of them, just for the students at Caron Street School.



You should watch this. It is a good job. I like the green. Eliana – aged 9

It was good and surprising. I like the green machine. Michael – aged 11

I like it! I love it! Wonderful! - Mia – aged 9

It was good! Do we like it? I felt excited. Jouri – aged 9

I liked it with the music. It made me want to be a weather reporter. Amna – aged 9

Student Council Fun

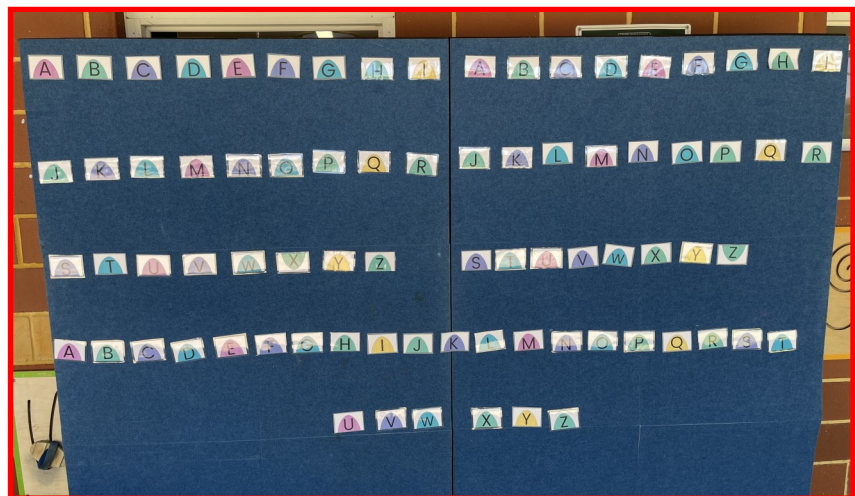
This year is a big year for Conductive Education as it celebrates 20 years of being at Carson Street School. To celebrate, the Student Council organised some fun activities. Mia ran a shop to hand out party bags that contained biscuits from Christopher and Playdough from Haydn. There was book reading as requested by Adrien and Aaliyah, where Christa read books about 'kids like us', and there was bubbles and water play as requested by Ken. Sirish wanted everyone to decorate blue ladybugs. It was a relaxed atmosphere to soak up the achievement of CE at Carson Street. Thanks for your great ideas Councillors.



Principal for the Day

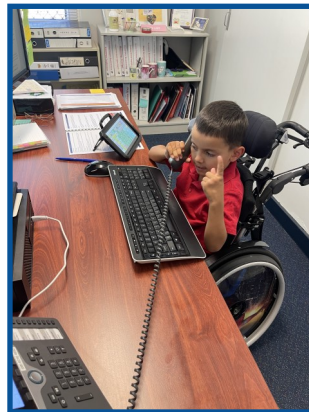
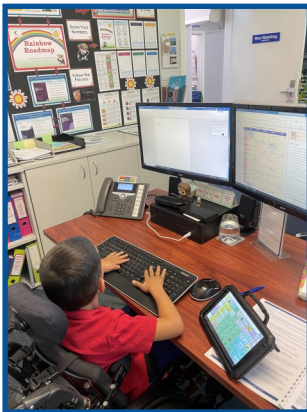
This term's Principal for the Day was Haydn. He wanted everyone to join in with an alphabet hunt so we created a special Alphabet Easter Egg Hunt in the playground. Students had to look around the playground to find the missing parts of the eggs and then match the lower case letter to the upper case on the board. There were some very enthusiastic hunters but everyone got to find at least one letter. Haydn also chose five letters to put a special sticker on and the finders of these letters— Ridhan, Sophia, Wira, Simba and Riley- got to take home an extra prize.

Great alphabet egg hunting everyone, and well done Haydn on coming up with an awesome activity that everyone could join in with.



Principal for the Day

As well as creating an amazing activity, Haydn was very busy on his day as Principal, helping to run the school. He picked the names out of the box to choose the Easter Raffle winners.



He then booted poor Mrs Hamling out of her office so that he could work on the computer and call Mr Salleo to give him a good telling off.

We also found out that when Mrs Hamling is a good girl, Christa our chaplain lets her pick a prize from her special prize box. Haydn got to do the same for being such a great Principal.



Dallas asked Haydn if she could have 'more-money'. Haydn politely told her to "go"...hopefully we still see Dallas next term!

Thanks for a great day Principal Haydn.



Faction Update

Our Faction Captains for 2024 are River as our **Red** captain, Michael as the **Green** captain, Norman as the **Yellow** captain and Chrisha Mae as the **Blue** Captain.

Michael was in charge of Term One's Faction activity and used AAC to help generate his ideas, saying it had to include 'dry-smell-crunchy-loud-heavy'. This sounded like a great challenge to use the senses. Students had to use their sight to locate the dry item, use their sense of smell to guess the mystery smell, use their hearing to play the triangle loud, identify which fruit would taste crunchy and hold two items and find the heavy one. What a challenge to kick off the year; well done Michael!

When the scores were added up, the Green Faction has started the year in the lead. Well done to Cyril U, Jaxon, Mia, Brooklyn, Carlos, Nathaniel, Charlie and Phillip who all scored top



235 points



201 points



196 points



173 points

Happy Easter everyone. Stay safe and we look forward to seeing you all in Term Two!