



Carcoola Primary School

Let us Grow

What's coming up?

Term 3

- Monday 8th September - Jumps and Throws
- Friday 12th September - Faction Carnival and Sausage Sizzle
- Monday 15th September - School Assembly
- Wednesday 17th P & C Cupcake ECE 2
- Thursday 18th September - Big Day Out 2
- Friday 26th PJ Day Year 6 - Fundraiser
- Friday 26th September Last Day of Term 3
- 13th October - First day of Term 4.

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A message from our Principal

We are now in the Noongar season of Djilba, a time of new growth, colour and change. It's been wonderful to see this same sense of energy and renewal reflected in our school over the past few weeks. Students loved celebrating Book Week with creative costumes, enjoyed special activities for Father's Day, and threw themselves into the fun and discovery of Science Week. Our Learning Journey evening was another highlight, giving families the chance to step into classrooms and share in the learning achievements of our students.

Our staff have also been busy learners! Teachers spent a day at Waroona DHS refreshing their practice around high-impact teaching strategies with Shaping Minds, while our Education Assistants worked with Mrs Hook to begin unpacking the Australian Teacher Aide Professional Standards. These opportunities help us keep growing together as a team so we can continue to give our students the very best.

A huge thank you goes to our wonderful P&C, who have been super busy supporting all of these events – from providing food and raffles to organising fun activities. Your time, energy and generosity make such a difference, and we are so grateful for everything you do for our school community.

Bev Garnett
Principal





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A message from our Deputy Principal

Every Day Counts – Don't Miss Out!




❤️ School is Cool – Be There Every Day! ❤️

Every day at school is an adventure! You get to learn new things, see your friends, and have fun. When you miss a day, it's like skipping a page in your favourite story – you might miss something exciting!

Here's how to be a School Superhero:

- ✨ Get plenty of sleep so you wake up ready
- ✨ Be dressed, packed, and on time each morning
- ✨ Tell a teacher if something is making school tricky

Remember:

-  17 Every day you're here, your brain grows bigger!
-  Every day you're here, you get smarter and stronger!
-  Every day you're here, we're happy to see you!

So come to school, join the fun, and be the hero of your own learning story!

Peta Kapor
Deputy Principal

All Public Schools in Western Australia are in the process of moving to a new way of communicating with families. Each week, important updates are sent out via text—so if you haven't received any messages lately, please take a moment to check your phone.

SMS - Text Messaging

If you're not receiving weekly texts, we encourage you to contact the school office so we can confirm or update your contact details.

Thank you for your patience as we navigate this new system. We appreciate your support in helping us keep everyone connected and up to date!

Compass School Manager App

Through the Compass App, you can:

- Receive important announcements and reminders
- Notify the school of absences
- Consent to school excursions
- View calendar events and more

Download the app from the App Store or Google Play by searching "Compass School Manager."

Login details have been emailed to all primary carers. If you need help logging in or haven't received your login details, please contact the front office and we'll be happy to assist.



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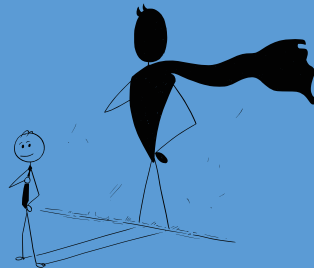
Week 4 Science Week

We celebrated National Science week with a fun filled incursion presented by Alcoa mid week. The day was pack with explosive science experiments. We learned many things about solids, liquids and gases the world round us.





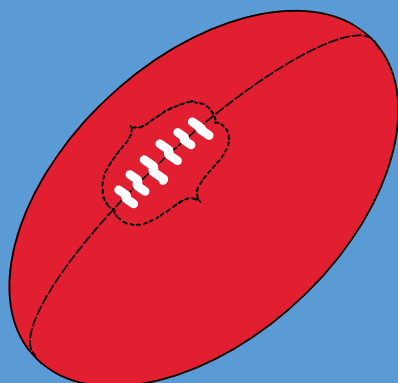
Year one Shadow Experiments



Week 4 Big day Out 1

In Week 4 our Year 6 students enjoyed an exciting day out, combining real-world learning with a lot of fun! The morning was spent at Optus Stadium, where students explored behind the scenes of one of Perth's most iconic venues. They were fascinated to learn about the architecture, sports science, event management, and cultural importance of the stadium within our community. Afterwards, students swapped their learning hats for golf clubs at mini golf. Laughter and friendly competition filled the course as they tested their putting skills, celebrated hole-in-ones, and encouraged each other along the way.

It was a fantastic day that balanced education, physical activity, and plenty of fun. The students represented the school beautifully and came back with both new knowledge and big smiles.







Week 5 Book Week

This week was a time to foster a love of reading and celebrate the joy that books bring to our lives. Throughout the week the students participated in a Book Parade, some purchased from book fair which supports our school and K - 3 enjoyed an Incurtion Meet the Author presented by the Shire of Murray. Above all we all got to explore new books, engage with stories and take part in all the special events.



You're invited to our SCHOLASTIC Book Fair

THE MAGIC LIBRARY 10
OCEAN ADVENTURE
All sorts of sea animals are waiting for you to explore!
Illustrated by: PAUL PETERLIN
AGES 5-8

TWO CRANKY BEARS 10
Can two cranky bears ever be best friends?
Illustrated by: PAUL PETERLIN
AGES 5-8

Wombat 10
Illustrated by: PAUL PETERLIN
AGES 5-8

THE PUPPY CLUB 6
A new series of about 100
fun and funny stories. Each
story is a chapter book.
AGES 6-8

ANN DO GIRL 10
Can Miss Do and Karate
Ellen save the day from
a scary monster?
Illustrated by: PAUL PETERLIN
AGES 5-8

PIZZA TACO 10
Dare to be
scary?
Pizza and Tacos go Great!
Illustrated by: PAUL PETERLIN
AGES 5-8

SLEEPOVER BY THE BIG DREAMS 10
Three girls - a Princess
and a plucky kangaroo
parties for a special
night!
Illustrated by: PAUL PETERLIN
AGES 5-8

EVERY DOLLAR EQUALS RESOURCES FOR OUR SCHOOL

SCHOLASTIC







Breakfast Club

Our school provides breakfast club Tuesday to Friday in the morning at 8.15am. It's important for parents and carers to be reminded that our breakfast foods must comply with the Department of Education's Healthy Food and Drink Policy. (More information can be found by visiting www.education.wa.edu.au)

Our Chaplain, Karen Burke, co-ordinates our breakfast club, and is always looking for volunteers to assist on these mornings. If you may be available from 8.00am for one hour, we would love for you to help us out. Your child/ren would love to see you in breakfast club too!



Crunch & Sip

Let's Crunch&Sip!



Participating in a daily **in class** Crunch&Sip break provides an opportunity for children to drink water and eat an extra serve of vegetables or fruit to support good health and to help with learning and concentration in the classroom. All while they are sitting at their desks!

By choosing to pack vegetables more often, Crunch&Sip is also a fantastic opportunity to increase vegetable intake.

Let's hero healthy habits and remember to pack Crunch&Sip every day!

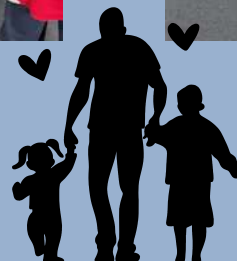
Don't forget to pack Crunch&Sip® every day...

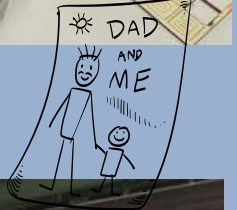
Crunch&Sip® is a set time for your child to eat vegetables or fruit and drink water in the classroom.



Week 7 Father's Day Bunnings Activity and Father's Day Stall

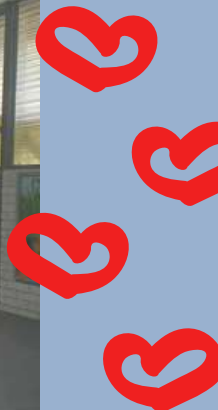
For Father's Day this year our fabulous P & C organised for Bunnings to visit our school. Bunnings provided a workshop with all materials which allowed us to create picture frames with our Dad's for a Father's Day gift. The P & C also provided the students with a Father's Day stall to purchase gifts for their special person. We would like to formally thank both Bunnings and the P & C and volunteers for giving the student this opportunity.

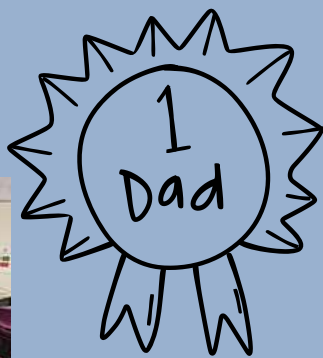






♥ HAPPY ♥
FATHER'S
♥ DAY ♥





The Deadly Carcoola Chef Program

This term we began The Deadly Carcoola Chef Program. We have had a couple of groups participate in the program so far giving them a combination of hands-on cooking along with Nutrition education and STEM skills. They have been able to take their delicious meal home for their families to enjoy.

The Deadly Carcoola Chef Program

Proudly supported by Alcoa Pinjarra and Murdoch University

WHY IT MATTERS IN SCHOOLS
Schools play a powerful role in ensuring healthy eating, by modelling good habits and embedding food and nutrition into the curriculum: we help students develop positive attitudes towards food for life.

About the program
The Deadly Carcoola Chef nutrition and cooking classes are run each school term, catering for up to 12 participants per class. Sessions combine hands on cooking with nutrition education and STEM skills, covering:

- Food and kitchen safety
- Shopping and meal planning
- Preparing and cooking meals
- Food storage and hygiene

Students will create healthy, delicious meals to share at home - building skills that last a lifetime.



Spaghetti Bolognese



Spaghetti Bolognese

Ingredients

- 400 g spaghetti or other pasta
- olive or canola oil spray
- 1 onion, finely diced
- 2 cloves garlic, crushed
- 500 g lean beef mince
- 2 celery, diced
- 2 carrots, grated
- 2 x 400 g can no-added-salt diced tomatoes
- ½ bottle of Passata
- 1/2 cup reduced-fat cheddar cheese
- green side salad, to serve

Method

1. Place spaghetti in a pot of boiling water on stove. Cook for 10 minutes.
2. Spray a frying pan with oil.
3. Gently cook onion and garlic until soft.
4. Spray frying pan with a little more oil and brown mince, breaking up with a wooden spoon.
5. Add in celery and carrot, reducing heat to medium, stirring constantly, for 3-5 minutes.
6. Once vegetables have cooked through add tomatoes and passata to pan.
7. Stir over high heat for 5 minutes.
8. Once spaghetti is cooked, drain the water and serve onto a dinner plate.
9. Top spaghetti with a scoop of the meat bolognese sauce.
10. Sprinkle with cheese and serve with a garden salad.







Chaplain's Chat

It was lovely to watch the children take part in the Jumps and Throws on Monday and see so many people come together to make the day a successful one! This includes our wonderful students and staff but it also includes so much more! I saw family members cheering on the children, I saw former staff members coming out to help. Our fantastic P&C Group were there, as well as our Canteen staff working hard to provide lunches after all the sporting events. And it really made me feel that THIS is what Carcoola Primary School does well. We are a COMMUNITY that CARES! ❤️

I would also like to commend all the students that took part. They cheered each other on and tried their very best. We were blessed with beautiful sunshine and it was a wonderful morning for everyone! 😊

In my work as a Chaplain, I'm supported by so many amazing organisations and I'd just like to name a few that regularly support our students to show our thanks appreciation.

Bendigo Bank- generously supports our Breakfast Club every week. They provide funding for the essentials as well as extras, like yoghurt, cheese & fruit.

IGA Austin Lakes- supports our Breakfast Club with Milo throughout the year. They also generously supported our recent Year 6 Sausage Sizzle fundraiser.

Food Bank- keeps our cereal, long life milk and canned goods stocked for Breakfast Club

Lion's Club and Feed It Forward- provides bread, produce and other food items for our Food Trolley which runs on the premise, Take What You Need, Give What You Can.

Bridge Builders- provides backpacks to bridge the weekend hunger gaps.

Generous Donors & Volunteers- parents and community groups, including churches, that periodically helps with any shortfalls and help with Breakfast Club.

All of these people & organisations are so appreciated! Thank YOU for helping our School Community be the very BEST it can be!

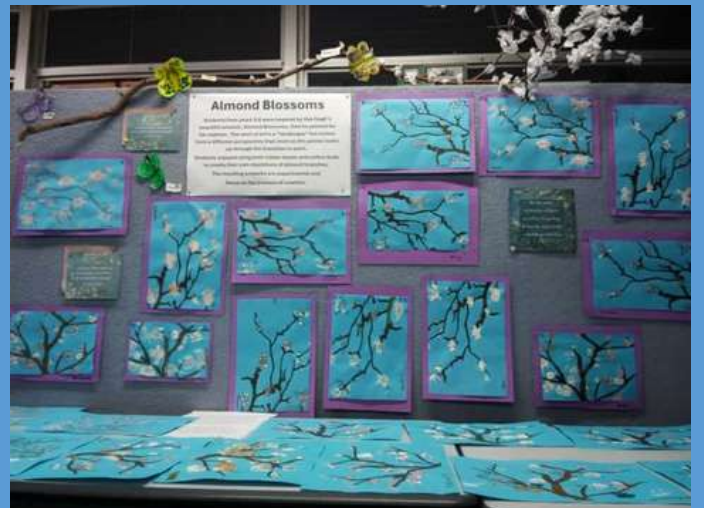
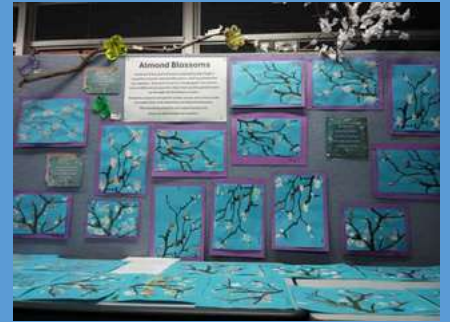
Warm Regards,
Mrs Burke

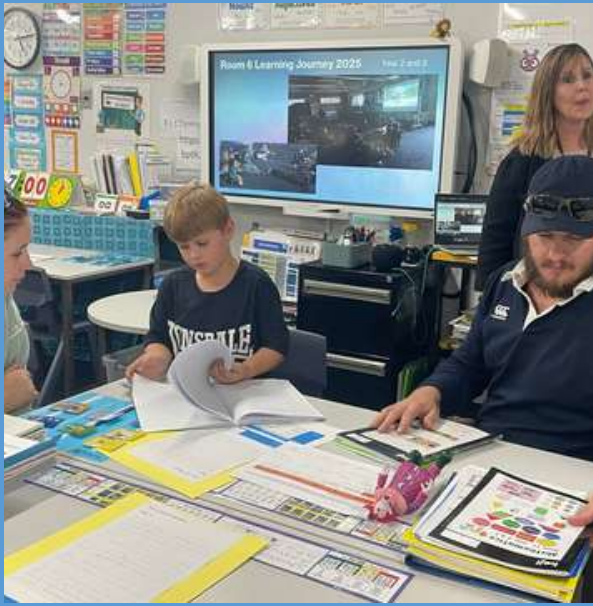


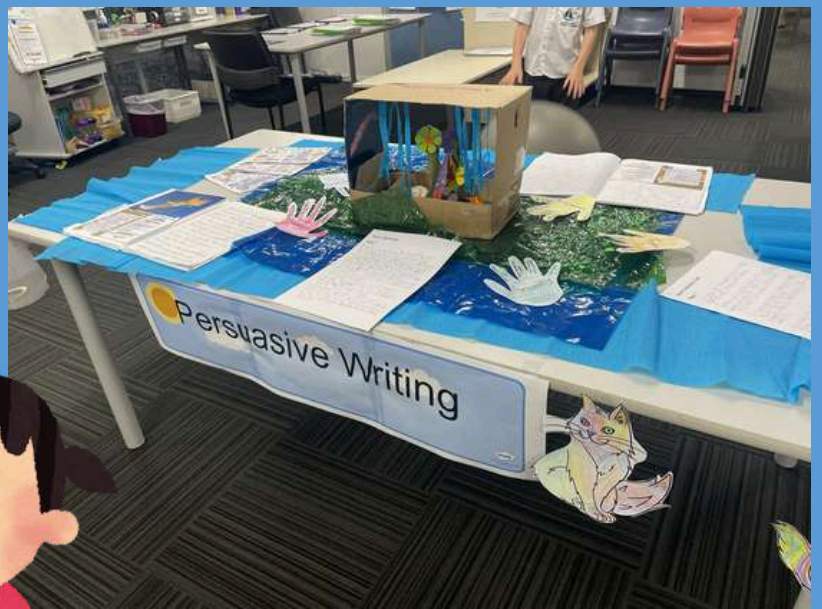
Week 7 learning Journey

During Week 7 Carcoola Primary School hosted Learning Journey. This was an opportunity for the students to act as tour guides with their families and share everything they have been learning so far this year across all subjects. The evening ended with Beef and Gravy Rolls provided by the P & C. What a fabulous turn out it was.









Understanding the Good Standing Process at Carcoola Primary School

At Carcoola Primary School, we believe in recognising and rewarding positive behaviour. Our Good Standing policy encourages students to make responsible choices and maintain respectful conduct throughout the school year.

Students with Good Standing are eligible for:

- School rewards
- Excursions and incursions
- Representing the school in sporting events
- Attending school functions (e.g., discos)

However, Good Standing may be lost if:

- A student receives 3 detentions within 2 weeks (subject to admin review)
- A student is suspended (results in immediate loss of Good Standing)

The good news?

Students can earn back their Good Standing after demonstrating two weeks of good behaviour.




School Council Update –



We are currently seeking a new parent representative to join our School Council. If you're interested in supporting the direction and development of our school, nomination forms are available at the front office.

Being part of the School Council is a rewarding way to give back to the Carcoola Primary School community. It's a chance to collaborate, share ideas, and help shape the future of our school.

Our next School Council meeting is on Thursday 18th September 2025 .



Our School Council

Being a member of the School Council is an important and rewarding role that contributes greatly to the success of our school.

What does the School Council do?

The council or board of a public school 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.

The functions of councils and boards are covered by legislation and include both approval and advisory roles. Some of the matters councils and boards may make decisions on include:

- fees and charges
- book lists
- sponsorship
- dress codes.

Councils and boards make these decisions with the principal and other relevant decision-makers who ensure the decisions adhere to legislative and policy requirements.

Principals may also seek the advice of councils or boards to inform themselves before making management decisions. Council and board members have the right to understand the principal's decisions (except where they involve confidential information and decisions about people or families).

The council or board does not intervene in the control or management of the school. This is the role of the principal.

How can parents join the School Council?

When a parent representative position on the School Council becomes available, the Principal will invite parents/carers to nominate for the vacancy through the school newsletter and/or Compass. Should there be more nominees than places available on the Council, the Principal will conduct an election.

What's the difference between the School Council and the P & C Association?

The School Council and the P & C both have valued, but different roles in our school. Members of the Council and the P & C often work together on different projects.

The functions of P&Cs are covered by legislation. P&Cs promote the interests of the school. They do this through:

- cooperation between parents, teachers, students and members of the community
- assisting in providing resources, facilities and amenities for the school
- fostering community interest in educational matters.

P&Cs are very highly regarded in public schools for their organisation of fundraising and other benefits for the good of the school.

Parent feedback and involvement in our school is strongly encouraged.

Our School Vision

Encouraging the best from everyone.

Our School Motto

Let us grow.

Our School Values

Strive to Achieve.....
Motivated to Learn.....
Accept Challenge and Leadership.....
Respect.....
Take Care of the Environment.....

Meet our School Council

Beverley Garnett
Principal



The School Council is a highly valued and important decision-making group at Carcoola Primary School. The skills, experience and dedication that our Council members bring have a meaningful impact on our school community. It's a privilege to work alongside them, and on behalf of the whole school, I thank them for their time, commitment and contributions. I look forward to continuing our partnership as we work together to ensure the best possible opportunities and outcomes for all students at Carcoola Primary School.

David O'Donnell
School Council Chair



I was appointed as the Chair of the School Council in 2023. My two youngest sons both attend CPS and I am passionate about ensuring that all our children have the best possible start in life, and the best opportunities to achieve their own personal best. I value the efforts of our teachers and support staff, and am proud of the inclusive, positive culture at the school. I believe in honesty and integrity and have a strong work ethic. I believe in providing a positive role model for the students and take pride in attending as many of the events scheduled during the year as I can fit in around my work commitments. My family also enjoys providing additional support to specialist areas within the school, with a particular focus on supporting the school library

Marion Hook
Manager Corporate Services



My name is Marion, and I am the Manager Corporate Services at our school. I have worked in school administration for several years and take great pride in supporting the smooth and efficient running of our school's operations. I'm passionate about creating a welcoming and inclusive environment for families, staff, and students alike. I am proud to be a Council member, contribute my knowledge of school operations and finances, and to work collaboratively with the Council and leadership team to help shape the strategic direction of our school for the benefit of our entire community.

Sachelle Savage
Parent Representative



As a dedicated parent, I joined the School Council to stay informed about my child's education and contribute to the school community. Through my involvement in the P&C and School Council, I gain valuable insights into the inner workings of the school. By voicing my opinions and thoughts on the School Council, I aim to make a positive impact on the education system and benefit my school. My personal hobbies include reading and swimming. These allow me to stay relaxed and help clear my mind.

Brad Purvis
Parent Representative



I joined the School Council to help shape future decisions that continue the legacy and strong sense of community of the best school in the area. My two daughters attended Carcoola Primary School and they are now in high school. My son is currently in Year 1 at the school. I am excited to be able to 'give back' to the school community.

Emily Boyle
Staff Representative



I was born in England and moved to Australia when I was nine years old, which gave me a unique perspective on different schooling systems and communities. I now live in Mandurah with my partner Aidan and our cheeky little cat Eddie, who definitely keeps us on our toes. Outside of work, I enjoy spending time cooking and baking in the kitchen, and unwinding with a good police drama show. I decided to join the Carcoola Primary School Council because I care about the future of our school and want to play an active role in shaping it. I'm passionate about supporting both students and staff, and I believe that strong communication and community input are key to making a school thrive. While this is my first time being part of a school board, I'm excited to learn, contribute, and grow alongside the dedicated team already in place.

Natalie Myers
Community Representative



Hi I'm Natalie, your local Bank Manager at Bendigo Bank Pinjarra. I decided to join the School Council as I love giving back to my community. This role ticks 2 important boxes for me- Community & Education, 2 things I hold dear to my heart. Our kids are the future, lets help them grow.

Trish Milward
Staff Representative



I have been fortunate to be a member of our school community since 1991, both as a teacher and a parent. I appreciate the time and effort Council members dedicate to ensuring Carcoola Primary School continues to thrive. I am looking forward to working with a great team.



CANTEEN MENU

OPENED: MONDAY, RECESS & LUNCH



TRAFFIC LIGHT SYSTEM

GREEN: HEALTHY CHOICE

AMBER: SOMETIMES CHOICE

KINDY & PRE PRIMARY STUDENTS ARE REQUIRED TO PREORDER RECESS WHICH WILL BE DELIVERED TO THEIR CLASSROOMS. ALL OTHER STUDENTS CAN PURCHASE AT THE CANTEEN DURING RECESS TIME.

RECESS

SEASONAL FRUIT	\$1.50
VEGGIE CUPS WITH HUMMUS	\$1.50
FRUIT CUPS WITH SEASONAL FRUIT	\$1.50
PIKELETS (3)	\$1.00
BANANA BREAD	\$2.00
YOGHURT CUPS Greek yoghurt & berries	\$1.50
GRANOLA Scoop with a yoghurt cup	0.70c



RECESS SPECIALS

RECESS SPECIALS WILL BE AVAILABLE WEEKLY. THESE WILL BE POSTED ON OUR FACEBOOK PAGE THE WEEK PRIOR



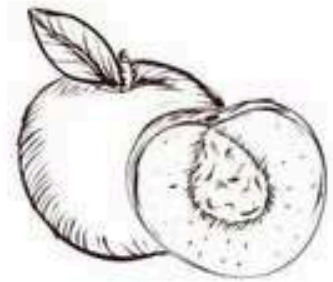
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BREAD OPTIONS

- WHITE, WHOLEMEAL & MULTIGRAIN BREAD
- WHITE WRAPS
- GLUTEN FREE BREAD & WRAPS

FRESH/TOASTED SANDWICHES

VEGEMITE & CHEESE	\$3.50
HAM & CHEESE	\$4.50
HAM, CHEESE & TOMATO	\$5.00
CHICKEN, CHEESE & MAYO	\$5.50

FRESH SANDWICHES/WRAP

HAM & SALAD*	\$6.00
CHICKEN & SALAD*	\$6.00
TUNA & SALAD*	\$6.00

*SALAD: LETTUCE, CARROT, TOMATO

EXTRAS: 0.70C EACH

- BEETROOT
- CHEESE
- MAYO
- RED ONION
- CUCUMBER



ADDITIONAL

LASAGNE	\$6.50
SEASONAL RAW VEGGIE CUP	\$1.50
SEASONAL FRUIT CUP	\$1.50
SALAD BOWLS	\$7.00
Lettuce, carrot, tomato, cucumber, cheese with chicken OR tuna. Mayo	
MACARONI & CHEESE	\$5.00

DRINKS

WATER 600ML	\$2
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LUNCH SPECIALS

LUNCH SPECIALS WILL BE AVAILABLE WEEKLY. THESE WILL BE POSTED ON OUR FACEBOOK PAGE THE WEEK PRIOR.

PAPER BAG FEE

A bag fee of .20c per order is to be added to cover the cost of the paper bag the order comes in.

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P & C News



Your 2025 P&C team is:

President - Tenille Greene
Vice President - Jazmine Butters
Treasurer - Kelly Slater
Secretary - Caitlin Birch
Canteen Coordinator - Tamara Harrington
Fundraising Coordinator - Taihlor Jordan
Executive Members - Torinanna Jones,
Sachelle Savage and Danielle Slattery.
General Members: Sinead Miles, Jorja Hart-
Barnes, Imogen Howell, Damion Howell and
Tonia Hayward.
School Board Representative - Schelle
Savage

By creating an inclusive platform for parents and caregivers to actively participate in their child's education, P&Cs foster stronger school-home partnerships. This collaboration enhances communication, engagement, and involvement, leading to better academic outcomes and overall student success.

Parents & Citizens Facebook Group

Did you know there is a Carcoola P&C Facebook group? Please join and stay up to date with events, reminders, updates & general school activities. Please join! Search "Carcoola Primary School P&C" on Facebook! Link: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/carcoolapc> We encourage you to communicate any ideas or concerns you have with your P&C team by reaching out in person, email or via our Facebook group.





TERM 3 PLANNER 2025

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WEEK	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	
1 JUL	21 Students return for Term 3 K	22 Alcoa Site Excursion K	23 K	24	25	26/27
2 JUL/AUG	28 K	29 K	30	31	1 AUG	2/3
3 AUG	4 K	5 St John First Aid training K-6 K	6 K	7	8 Year 6 Hot Dog Day Dental Incursion P-3 9:30 AM	9/10
4 AUG SCIENCE WEEK	11 Special Assembly Parents Welcome Lego Club K	12 Year 6 Big day Out K	13 ALCOA Incursion P-6 K	14	15 Book fair Wish List	16/17
5 AUG BOOK WEEK	18 Book Parade 9 AM Book Fair K	19 K	20 11:15 AM Meet the Author K-3 K	21 Board Meeting	22	23/24
6 AUG	25 ECE2 Science Assembly 2 PM Class Room 9	26 Father's day Stall K	27 Bunnings P+C Fathers Day Act	28	29	30/31
7 SEP	1 K	2 K	3 Learning Journey K	4	5 Staff Development Day	6/7
8 SEP	8 Throws + Jumps Lego Club	9 K	10 K	11	12 Faction Athletics Carnival	13/14
9 SEP	15 Rm 6 Assembly 2pm K	16 K	17 Cupcake Day (Year 1) K	18 Big Day Out	19	20/21
10 SEP	22 K	23 K	24	25	26 PJ Day Yr 6 Fundraiser Last day Term 3	27/28

Every Monday is Early Closing. School finishes at 2.30pm

K—Kindy day

Students return for term 4 on Monday 13th October 2025