



Carcoola Primary School

Let us Grow

What's coming up?

Term 3

- Friday 26th PJ Day Year 6 -Fundraiser
- Friday 26th September Last Day of Term 3
- 13th October - First day of Term 4.
- 24th October Interschool Athletics Carnival held at Carcoola Primary School.
- 27th October Art and Indonesian Assembly.
- 30th October PSHS Visit.
- 31st October Staff Development Day.
- 3rd November Fire Drill and Lego Club.

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A message from our Principal

As we come to the end of Term 3, I'd like to sincerely thank all our families for your support throughout the term. It has been wonderful to share so many learning and community experiences together. I wish everyone a happy and safe holiday break and look forward to welcoming students back refreshed and ready for Term 4 on **Monday 13th October**.

Bev Garnett
Principal





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A message from our Deputy Principal

Holiday Message to Our Wonderful Students

As we head into the holidays, we want to wish each and every one of you a safe, happy, and refreshing break!

- Stay safe when you're out and about on your bikes, scooters, and e-scooters—always wear your helmet and be aware of your surroundings.
- Try to limit screen time and gaming—your brain deserves a break too! Use this time to rest, recharge, and enjoy the world around you.
- Have fun and enjoy the sunshine! Whether you're playing outside, spending time with family, or exploring something new, make the most of the beautiful weather.

Check out these great School Holiday tips to survive 😊😊 <https://www.tsv.catholic.edu.au/surviving-the-school-holidays-helpful-tips/>
We can't wait to see you back, refreshed and ready for another exciting term!

Ms Kapor and the Carcoola Primary Team

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.



Week 8 Jumps and Throws Carnival

Our Jumps and Throws Carnival was a fantastic day full of energy, effort and team spirit! Students from DJARLMA, KAARLA, and PINJAR gave it their all in long jump, triple jump and vortex throw events.







Winners are Grinners









Week 8 Faction Carnival Day

What an incredible day we had at the Faction Carnival! With blue skies above and cheers echoing across the oval, our students gave it their all in a fun filled day. All three factions showed fantastic sportsmanship, resilience and determination throughout the day. From the sprints, team games, relays and long-distance events it was so nice to hear the encouragement and energy from fellow students, staff and families. A huge congratulations to our place getters and champions and of course our winning faction [DJARLMA](#).









Week 4 Big day Out 2

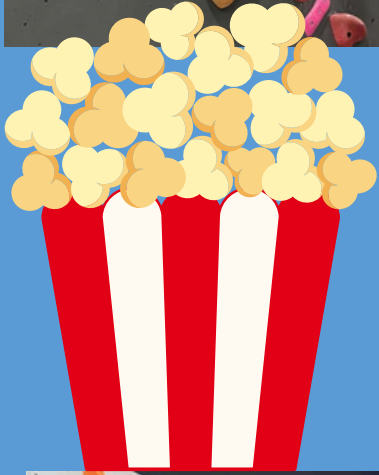
What an exciting day for the Year 6 students on their second Big day out. Students had a bus trip to Rock Climbing first up and then to the Mandurah Foreshore and Reading Cinema's to watch the Australian Film Kangaroo.

We had an amazing day. The rock climbing was a lot of teamwork, resilience and helped the students with personal confidence as they navigated challenges together and supported one another.

The Australian Film gave us a deeper understanding of Australia and its identity and wildlife.







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.





During Art, we have been inspired by the paintings of Vincent Van Gogh!

Can you spot the Van Gogh paintings amongst the incredible works of art by our students??

Look closely!! 👁️👁️

Thanks Mrs
Burke



CHAPLIN CHAT!

From the Chaplain, Ms Burke

School Holiday Fun!

Murray Library and the Murray Leisure Centre are hosting some free or low cost activities this school holidays! I encourage everyone to get off their devices and get out in nature, enjoy the wildflowers and see what's on offer in our beautiful community!

Sept 30- Cardboard Creations @ Murray Library
10-11:30am (free)

Oct 1st- Holiday Lego @ Murray Library
10-11:30am or 3:30-4:30pm (free)

Oct 2nd- Movie & Popcorn @ Murray Library
3:30-5:30pm (free ages 5-8 yrs)

Oct 3rd- Pool Inflatable @ Murray Leisure Centre 1-3pm (cost \$8.40/child)

Oct 7th- Kid's Paint & Sip @ Ravenswood Community Centre 10-11:30am (free ages 6-11 yrs)

Oct 8th- Nature Crafts & Picnic In The Park @ Edenvale Gardens 10am-noon

Please note that you may need to register your child(ren) for the above events. Usually supervision by a responsible adult is required. To book or for more information please have a look at murray.wa.gov.au events calendar

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 –



This term, we hosted our learning journey, where teachers showcased students work from various classes, including specialty subjects such as Art, Science, Indonesian, Digital Technology, and Sports, in addition to regular year group classrooms. The event saw a significant turnout of parents, providing an excellent opportunity for them to engage with teachers and gain insights into their child's progress.

Furthermore, at the Term 3 board meeting, we discussed the results of our parent-student survey, which provided valuable feedback on areas where we can improve. We encourage parents to participate in such surveys, as their input is crucial in helping us identify and address issues, ultimately driving positive change within our school community.



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.

Special Thanks!



Thank you Oz Harvest for your weekly contribution of fresh, fruit bread and staples that we supply our families.



Thank you Austin Lakes IGA for your generous donation of Footballs, Basketballs, Sausages for the Year 6 Fundraiser and Milo for Breakfast Club

THANK YOU!



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Thank you Murdoch University for your contribution to our Deadly Carcoola Chef Program.



Thank you Alcoa for your continued partnership with Carcoola Primary School this Term

- Art Project
- Science Incursion
- Alcoa Sponsorship
- Deadly Carcoola Chef



Special Thanks!

Thank You!

- David Brooks O'Donell for your monthly Library Donations
- Pinjarra Rotary Club - Providing Sandwiches for families in need.
- Bendigo Bank - Breakfast club Donations
Coles - Weekly Bread donation.
- RDA Murray for fabulous program they offer our students
- Murray Shire- Meet the Author Incursion.
- Bunnings -For the Fathers day workshop.

To the P &C - We like to thank you for all your assistance over term. We have had some fabulous raffles, Canteen, Fundraisers - Cupcake stalls, Beef and Gravy rolls, sausage sizzles that make our special days amazing. We appreciate everything you do for the school.



Back Buddies

Thank you for your continued support of food in the bags for families in need. Also for the bread that is donated.



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	\$1.50
Greek yoghurt & berries	
GRANOLA	0.70C
Scoop with a yoghurt cup	



RECESS SPECIALS

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



- ALLERGENS -

PLEASE NOTE, WHILST ALL OUR STAFF HAVE CONDUCTED ALLERGEN AWARENESS TRAINING, IT IS IMPORTANT TO NOTE ALL FOOD IS PREPARED IN A SHARED KITCHEN & CROSS CONTAMINATION OF ALLERGENS MAY OCCUR. GLUTEN FRIENDLY OPTIONS WILL BE PROVIDED UPON REQUEST.



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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 4 PLANNER 2025

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WEEK	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT/SUN
1 OCT	13 Students return for Term 4	14 K	15 K	16	17	18/19
2 OCT	20 K	21 K	22	23	24 Interschool Athletics	25/26
3 OCT	27 ART / Indonesian Assem bly K	28 K	29 K	30 PSHS Visit 9am	31 Staff Development Day	1/2 NOV
4 NOV	3 Fire Drill K Lego Club	4 K	5	6	7 Year 6 Big Day Out 3	8/9
5 NOV	10 K	11 Dino world Incursion K K—year 1	12 Life Edecation Incursion K-6	13	14	15/16
6 NOV	17 K	18 K	19 PSHS Activity Day Yr6	20 New Kindy Transition	21 Year 6 Fundraiser	22/23
7 NOV	24 Reflection Assembly K 2pm	25 K	26 K	27	28 Colour Run	29/30
8 DEC	1 DEC K Lego Club	2 K	3 New Kindy Transition	4 PSHS Orientation Yr 6	5 Ear Bus 9 –11 PSHS Orientation Yr 6	6/7
9 DEC	8 K	9 K	10 K	11	12 Year 6 Grad Ceremony	13/14
10 DEC	15 K	16 EOY Presentation K Concert & Yr 6 Reflection	17 Yr 6 Graduation Activity	18 Last day 2025	19 Staff Development Day	20/21

K-Kindy Day

Every Monday is Early Closing. School finishes at 2.30pm

Updated 03/02/2025

Students Return Term 1 2nd February 2026