



Carcoola Primary School

Let us Grow

What's coming up?

Term 4

- 1st December Lego Club.
- 3rd December New Kindy Transition Day.
- 4th December PSHS Orientation Day.
- 5th December Ear bus 9-11am and PSHS Orientation Day.
- 10th December K/PP Cupcake Day.
- 12th December Year 6 Graduation Ceremony.
- 16th December EOY Presentation Concert and Year 6 Reflection.
- 17th December Year 6 Graduation Activity.
- 18th December Last Day.
- 2nd February 2026 First day of term.

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From the Principal's Desk

As we approach the end of Term 4, I want to extend a heartfelt thank you to all our students and families for the incredible effort and commitment shown throughout this term. Your hard work and support have made a real difference, and it's wonderful to see the growth and achievements across our school community.

Reports are currently being prepared and will soon be sent home. Parents should feel proud of their children's accomplishments this year - there is so much to celebrate!

A special thank you to everyone who attended the Colour Splash Dash last Friday. What an exciting afternoon it was! Not only did we have a lot of fun, but we also raised significant funds for our P&C. A big shout-out to the P&C team for their hard work in organising such a successful event.

As we head into the final weeks of the school year, we have many exciting events coming up, including:

- Year 6 Graduation
- Whole School Presentation Assembly and Concert
- Year 6 Graduation Big Day Out

I'm looking forward to sharing these special moments with you all as we wind down and celebrate the end of the 2025 school year.

Thank you again for your ongoing support and involvement in our school community.

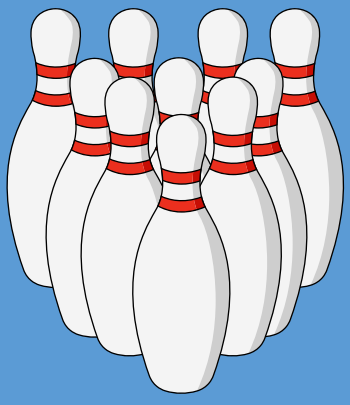
Warm regards,
Peta Kapor
Principal



Week 4 - Big Day Out 3

Our Year 6 students recently enjoyed their 3rd Big Day Out . The day began with a guided tour of Fremantle Prison, where students learned more about Western Australia's early convicts and settlers, before heading off for some friendly bowling competition and teamwork. A delicious waterfront lunch at Cicerello's rounded off a memorable and exciting day for our students.





Week 5 - Dino World Incursion

Our Kindergarten to Year 1 students were treated to an exciting Dino World incursion, where they stepped into the fascinating world of dinosaurs and fossils. The highlight of the session was meeting James — the much-loved giant inflatable dinosaur! Students thoroughly enjoyed exploring prehistoric history in an interactive and imaginative way.



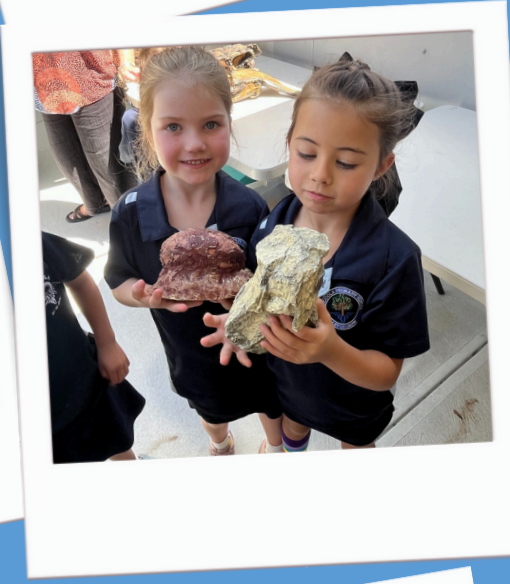
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Week 5-Life Education Incursion

This term, students from Kindergarten through to Year 6 participated in the Life Education incursion, taking part in a range of fun and engaging programs supporting their social and emotional wellbeing. Through hands-on learning and lively discussions, students explored healthy relationships, positive choices, and personal resilience. It was a wonderful opportunity to strengthen essential life skills across all year levels.





The Deadly Carcoola Chef Program

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Proudly supported by Alcoa Pinjarra and Murdoch University



WHY IT MATTERS IN SCHOOLS

Schools play a powerful role in promoting 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.



OFFICIAL



Easy Banana Pancakes

Ingredients

- 1 Banana
- 1 Egg
- 1 Cup SR flour
- ¼ Tsp cinnamon
- ½ Cup of milk

Method

Mash banana in a bowl with a fork until it is soft.

Add flour, egg and cinnamon and milk. Batter should be quite thick

Mix

Cook in a frypan



Week 7 - Splash and Dash and Colour Run

The P&C Family Picnic and Colour Run was a spectacular whole-school event filled with colour, excitement, foam, and plenty of laughter! Students, staff, and families came together to celebrate our school spirit and enjoy an afternoon of active fun.

A huge thank-you to our wonderful P&C and Mr Peter for their hard work and enthusiasm in organising such a successful community day.



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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.



ART with Mrs Burke

This Term, Carcoola PS Students have been looking at the artist, Bronwyn Bancroft, a Bundjalung Aboriginal woman, and have been inspired by her colourful artworks in some of the 41 books that she has illustrated! She uses vibrant colours and beautiful shapes and patterns in her artwork that concentrates on the amazing animals and unique landscapes of Australia.



CHAPLIN CHAT!

With sunny days upon us, it's the perfect opportunity to reinforce essential sun safety habits. Australia has some of the highest rates of skin cancer in the world, and a significant amount of UV damage occurs during childhood. By teaching children to be Sun Smart now, we are giving them a lifetime of protection!

It is important to remember that it is the sun's UV (ultraviolet) radiation, not the heat, that causes skin damage and sunburn. UV cannot be seen or felt, so damage can occur even on cool or cloudy days.

The Five "S" Steps to Sun Safety

Teach your child these five simple, but vital, steps for staying safe in the sun:

- 1) Slip on Sun Smart clothing, such as long-sleeved shirts and dresses with collars.
- 2) Slop on SPF 30 (or higher) broad-spectrum, water-resistant sunscreen. Remember to reapply every two hours, or more often if swimming or sweating.
- 3) Slap on a broad-brimmed, bucket, or legionnaire hat. These styles are best as they protect the face, neck, and ears.
- 4) Seek out shady areas Use trees, umbrellas, or built shade structures.
- 5) Slide on sunglasses that meet Australian Standards to protect young eyes from UV damage.

Remember: Role Models Matter!!

Children often mirror the behaviour of parents and caregivers. By practicing good sun protection habits yourself, you set a positive example and help normalise these behaviours from a young age. By making sun safety a part of your daily routine, you are protecting your child's health today and into the future!

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

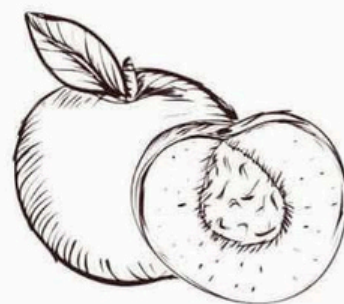
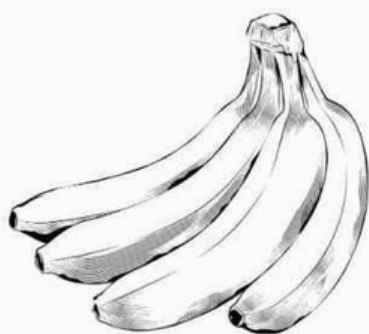


Hi I'm Natalie, your local Bank Manager at Bendigo Bank Pinjarra. I decided to join the School Council as I love giving back to my community. This role ticks 2 important boxes for me- Community & Education, 2 things I hold dear to my heart. Our kids are the future, lets help them grow.

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.



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	



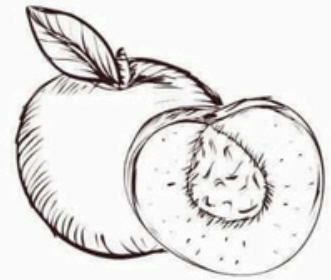
RECESS SPECIALS

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



- ALLERGENS -

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BREAD OPTIONS

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

FRESH/TOASTED SANDWICHES

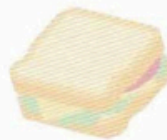
VEGEMITE & CHEESE	\$3.50
HAM & CHEESE	\$4.50
HAM, CHEESE & TOMATO	\$5.00
CHICKEN, CHEESE & MAYO	\$5.50

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

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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 Cupcake Day K/PP 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