



Caroline Chisholm School
Preschool to Year 10

An ACT Public School

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NEWSLETTER

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Term 4 Week 4 2018

Dates to Remember

Sun Smart Hats ON for the Rest of the Year

Week 5		Year 2 Aqua Safe Program	
Sunday	11 November	Armistice Day 100 years Celebration	11am Simpsons Hill Chisholm
Mon-Tues	12-13 November	Preschool 2019 Interviews	
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Thursday	22 November	Russ the Bus Visit	
Friday	23 November	Kurrajong Unit Assembly	2:15pm JC Hall
Wednesday	28 November	Preschool 2019 Meet & Greet	
Thursday	29 November	Kinder 2019 Info Session	3:30-4:30pm Acacia Unit
Week 7	27-30 November	Scripture in Schools Program	
Wednesday	05 December	Preschool Fun Day & Graduation	
Friday	07 December	MUSIC WITH THE STARS	
Thursday	13 December	Kinder Excursion – Tidbinbilla Nature Reserve	
Friday	14 December	JC student reports go home	
Wednesday	19 December	JC Graduation Celebration	
Friday	21 December	Fair Well Assembly	2:15pm JC Hall
Friday	21 December	Last School Day 2018	Merry Christmas
Monday	04 February	First Day Pelicans & Kinder	
Tuesday	05 February	First Day for all returning students	

Campus Principal's Report



Hi everyone

Mid-term 4 is fast approaching and our calendar on the Junior Campus is absolutely jam-packed with great events! Some of these include: 2019 Preschool Interviews, Preschool to Kindergarten Orientation Sessions, Year 2 Aqua Safe, Year 4 and 5 attending the Senior Campus' production of The Little Mermaid, Scripture and Graduations. Please ensure you keep an eye on our 'Chisholm Catch Up Calendar' and emails from Lisa to ensure you don't miss any important events.

Term 4 is a busy time in schools as we are working on ensuring the school year finishes on a high as well as planning for the following school year. To support students to make successful transitions into the next school year, we will be providing them with opportunities during Term 4 to get to spend time with potential teachers and classmates they may have next year. If you have any questions or requests regarding classes for 2019, please do not hesitate to speak to me.

To wrap up my article this week I would like to share a highlight for me. During the week I was invited down to the '2T Environmental Department' for a very important meeting to discuss how we at Caroline Chisholm School can be more environmentally responsible. Each student read a prepared statement outlining their ideas with supporting reasons. I was utterly blown away by the quality of arguments the students came up with and how passionately they spoke about the issue of the environment. This goes to show that when children are writing for authentic purposes and audiences, they can produce high quality writing that is meaningful. You may have heard the recent news story where a little girl was so disappointed with only males being represented on the Nutrigrain cereal box

that she wrote a letter to the company. So why not try something like this at home with your child? Perhaps there is an issue or a topic your child or family are particularly passionate about and would like to write about? I'd love to read them!

Have a great weekend.
Nathan Pepper
A/g Campus Principal

Acacia Unit



This term the Acacia Unit is taking part in a Science Unit about living things. At the beginning of the term we welcomed our class pets, two female spiny leaf insects. We've been learning about the difference between living and non-living things, and the basic needs of living things in our environment.

We've also started a gardening project in the Kindergarten gardens and are looking forward to watching our veggies grow and using some of them in cooking activities later this term.

In Week 9 Kindergarten are looking forward to their excursion to the Tidbinbilla Nature Reserve to continue our learning about living things and their habitats. Parent

volunteers would be very welcome to join us.



Rachel Dawson & Shiri Marx - Kinder
Alinta Turner & Annette Harasymiv - JLSU

Kurrajong Unit

In Year 1 we have been very busy planting carrots, zucchini, strawberries and tomatoes as part of the Fresh Tastes program. We had to clear the garden beds of weeds ready to plant our seedlings. Each student in 1C has the responsibility of helping to care for the plants. Hopefully we will be able to reap the

rewards of our hard work!

Year 1 have also been learning about procedures in writing lessons. We have looked at and examined lots of different types of procedures, including recipes. We have started to draft our own 'stew' recipes. We started by generating ideas for our writing and then we organised these ideas into a plan. From our plan we used the word wall and our ear and eye key to spell words we didn't know to write in sentences. The next step will be to edit and then publish our work.

In maths we have been looking at different ways to solve addition and subtraction problems. In maths group we have been looking at doubles and near doubles and how these can help us to do addition and subtraction problems quickly. We also had a special visit from Constable Kenny Koala. He came to talk to us about being safe around the school and when we walk to and from school. We even got to see his police car and listened to the siren and saw the lights.





Anna Connell & Jayne McDonald
 Laura Tapp & Meg Rowe

-Year 1
 -Year 2

Melaleuca Unit



This term Year 4 have started writing their house leader speeches. Students are working hard at following the writing process to plan, draft edit and publish their work. They have included fantastic persuasive devices including exaggeration, rhetorical questions and the use of high modality words. The teachers are very excited to listen to their finished pieces and I know the students are looking forward to presenting them to their houses.

Year 4 and 5 were lucky enough to go on an excursion to see The Little Mermaid performance at the Tuggeranong Arts Centre. Everyone had a great time and couldn't stop talking about how great the performers were! It was a great way to support the students at the high school and for the Year 4's to see the opportunities offered at the Senior Campus.

Roz Thomson & Marjorie Waugh - Year 3
 Teagan Gaukroger & Katelyn Lindsay - Year 4

Grevillea Unit



As part of their Humanities and Social Sciences Unit on the Gold Rush, 5I and 5R have been playing a Gold Rush game to find out what life was like as a prospector and learn how the gold rushes of the 1800's impacted and shaped the Australian Colonies. In the game, the students report to Commissioner Hollywood (Ms Riley) or Commissioner Longsdale (Mrs Irving). The students go panning for gold each day and then report to the assay office to get their findings valued. They also pick chance cards and run the risk of an injury or flood which can affect them personally or their whole class. The students are enjoying the game and learning about teamwork and resilience.

The SLSU have been busy learning about the life cycles of plants and animals during their current Science Unit. They planted sunflower seeds in Week 1 of this term and have been recording their observations of their plants' growth each week. The students have also been busy planting and caring for the garden beds outside the Grevillea Unit and in the unit sensory area. They have planted tomatoes, french beans, carrots, strawberries as well as cucumber and pumpkin plants. The plants are growing well except for a few of the plants which have been nibbled on by birds or snails.





Andrea Irving & Jenny Riley
Lydia Kepich

- Year 5
- SLSU

Library News

As the year ends I would like to thank the parents who have tirelessly covered books for me. Jaci, Wanda, Natasha, Bec, Karen, Danijela and Haley, your help has been invaluable.

This term several students are being invited to visit Russ the Story Bus. Numbers are limited, so students who have completed the Chief Minister's Challenge or have borrowed consistently throughout the year will be the lucky ones. The bus is a creative space filled with bookshelves (full of the latest children's books) and spots for children to read and listen to stories. Damon Young (author) will be on board to talk to the students. The bus will be visiting us on 22 November from 9:30-11:30am.

On 23 November I will be taking 4 students to accept our awards from the Chief Minister's Challenge. This year we have won in all three categories:

- Preschool to Year 2
- Year 3 to Year 4
- Year 5 to Year 6.

A fabulous result.

Borrowing this year will stop in Week 6 to enable me to get all the books back so I can start the stocktake process.

There are quite a few books overdue and students will be receiving reminder notices of which books they still have out. Please help your children look for them – books have been found in the most unlikely places!

Irene Ovchinnikov



Chess News

Our Primary Girls did our school very proud last week, going down 6-2 to a strong Turner Team in the Nationals Chess Playoff. Congratulations to Michelle H, Kathleen L, Mikayla W and Lindsay C-B, as well as Gabriella S and Charlotte C, who both played a big part in helping the girls qualify. We can be very proud of the girls' teamwork supporting one another as clear underdogs yesterday. It was wonderful seeing how determined they were to return to their training and keep improving for next year!

Steve Sengstock
SC Chess Coordinator



STUDENT ABSENCE

For all student absences - please inform us as soon as possible. Email is the best form of communication.

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P&C News

Fundraising:

The first ever **CCS Colour Run event** held last week was fabulous, even with the cloudy weather! It was wonderful to see all members of the school community, staff, students, and parents having such fun together.

Now is the time to finalise all those sponsorship pledges. Online donations have now closed, and any remaining cash donations need to be brought into the Front Office asap.

Prizes can be ordered through your online profile page until **11:59pm Wednesday 14 November**. This will also be the cut-off date for prizes ordered by returning your summary sheet (back page of sponsor booklet) to the Front Office as we have a strict deadline to get our prize order in and filled before the end of term!

Music With the Stars:

Our last event for the year is the BBQ and raffle at "**Music with the Stars**" our school's annual end of year celebration on **Friday 7 December** from 5:30pm. Raffle tickets were issued to every student this week and are due back at school by Friday 30 November.

We would love some assistance on the BBQ so if you can spare half an hour to help out, please put your name down on the volunteer roster outside the Front Office. If you wish to donate any Christmas non-perishable food, decorations, or gift items to the raffle hampers, please leave your donation at the Front Office.

If you need any further information, please call Fiona 0405 357 425.

Preschool Fundraising:

The Preschool Family Fun Day, including presentation ceremony, will be held on **Wednesday 5 December**. Information notes and pre-order forms for the sausage sizzle have been sent home with students and need to be returned to the Front Office by Friday 23 November.

Need more information? A P&C representative is always only a click away!

Email - ccs.pandc.contact@gmail.com

Facebook page - <https://www.facebook.com/ccspandc>

Alternatively, you can call Fiona directly on 0405 357 425.

Next P&C Preschool subcommittee meeting: Monday 3 December @ 2.15pm, JC Front Office

Next P&C meeting: 2019 AGM - Monday 25 February @ 7pm in the Junior Campus Staffroom - All welcome!

Kind Regards

Fiona Green

P&C President

Scripture in Schools Program



Caroline Chisholm School will be hosting the Scripture in Schools Program team in Week 7, Term 4. If you are new to our school and would like your child to participate, please see the front office for information and a consent form.

Our school has received a request from parents for their children to receive Christian Education as part of our school curriculum, based on provisions in the Education Act 2004.

At this point in time, the Christian Education program available to our school is the Scripture in Schools Program. It comprises 4 lessons during Term 1 focusing on the Christian celebration of Easter and 4 lessons during Term 4 focusing on the Christian celebration of Christmas. Children permitted to attend the program will be placed in age-appropriate groups during the lessons.

Parent permission is essential for children to attend the Scripture in Schools Program. To assist the Christian Education coordination process at our school, please see the front office to indicate your interest in your children attending the Scripture in Schools Program, Term 4 2018.

If you gave consent for your child to attend the Easter program, they will get to attend automatically. If you would like to change your consent (whether to opt in or opt out) simply contact the front office.
