



Caroline Chisholm School
Preschool to Year 10

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NEWSLETTER

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Senior Campus Term 3 Week 6

Dates to Remember

26 Aug Saturday	JC WORKING BEE-----9am
29 Aug Tuesday	JC Pelicans Blokes Breakfast-----Preschool @ 9 -11am
29 Aug Tuesday	JC Excursion: Year 3 Questacon
29 Aug Tuesday	SC Southside Athletics Carnival-----@ Woden Athletics Park
30 Aug Wednesday	JC Meerkat Productions Book Week Performance
30 Aug Wednesday	FETE Subcommittee Meeting-----JC Family Room @ 7pm
30 Aug Wednesday	SC Touch Football Community Day
31 Aug Thursday	JC Rosellas Blokes Breakfast-----Preschool @ 9 -11am
01 Sep Friday	Father's Day Stall-----9am
01 Sep Friday	JC Preschool Subcommittee Meeting-----Preschool 9am
01 Sep Friday	Scholastic Book Club Issue 6 Due Today
4-8 Sep Monday	JC Book Fair-----JC Library
04 Sep Monday	P&C General Meeting-----JC Staff Room @7pm
04 Sep Monday	Board Meeting-----JC Staff Room @5.30pm
05 Sep Tuesday	JC Southside Athletics Carnival-----@ Woden Athletics Park
07 Sep Thursday	LSU 'Be the Best You Can Be' Sports Day-----AIS
08 Sep Friday	JC Assembly-----2.15pm
08 Sep Friday	SC Social-----SC Hall @6-9pm
12 Sep Tuesday	SC ACT Athletics Carnival-----@ Woden Athletics Park
13 Sep Wednesday	JC Canteen NOW OPEN WEDNESDAYS-----Including Preschool (Wed only)
13 Sep Wednesday	JC Learning Journey
14 Sep Thursday	ACT Athletics Carnival
18 Sep Friday	SC Dance Festival Rehearsal
19 Sep Tuesday	JC Graduation Fundraiser-----Sausage Sizzle
19 Sep Tuesday	SC Astronaut STEM Workshop
20 - 22 September	SC Year 7 & 8 Camp
21 Sep Thursday	SC Dance Festival Performance
22 Sep Friday	Last Day Term 3
17 Nov Friday	Twilight Fair-----4pm - 8pm

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Dear Families

I am happy to say that we have progressed through the middle part of this term with a very 'learning focussed' atmosphere within the school. Caroline Chisholm School (CCS) - both Junior and Senior Campus'- is busy navigating through the enrolment processes for 2018. We have experienced a lot of interest in the school which while being very encouraging, does place some enrolment pressure on all year groups. If you know of any in-area families that want to come to CCS in 2018 but are yet to enrol, please ask them contact the school **ASAP**. We have quite a number of out of Priority Enrolment Area families that we are unable to take at this point until all of our numbers are finalised.

NAPLAN

CCS has again achieved some solid results in the NAPLAN testing carried out early in Term 2. Our students had 90% of our mean scores above the Tuggeranong average out of the 5 areas tested across years 3, 5, 7 and 9. This strongly validates the excellent work our teachers do every day to get the best out of our students. NAPLAN is just one

assessment in a point of time, and therefore not the most statistically valid of tools at times, but other information and learning results I have analysed across the school mirror this story.

Centre for Innovation and Learning

You will have noticed that the structural steel is now up in the new STEM building and that it is starting to take shape. I will be visiting a number of schools in Sydney, as well as some of the executive staff in the NSW Department of Education, to help inform the learning programs that will be developed and delivered from the centre. We want to have a strong focus on developing the important skills required for students to access STEM subjects; those of critical thinking, complex problem solving, collaboration and creative thinking. These skills are highly sought after by employers who are operating in an ever changing and complex work environment.



Limelight and Dance Fest

I wish our Junior Campus students all the best for our performance at Limelight on Thursday evening at the AIS. This is an exciting opportunity for them to perform in front of a large crowd and have been rehearsing diligently to ensure they perform to the best of their ability. Our Senior Campus students have also been madly preparing for their DanceFest performance held at The Canberra Theatre later this term. This is always a fun night and I am sure the students will once again do us proud. I would like to sincerely thank all of the staff who work so hard to give these opportunities to our students, it is much appreciated.

Kind regards
Kris Willis

School Satisfaction Survey for Parents and Carers

The 2017 School Satisfaction Survey for Parents and Carers is now open. If you have not already completed the survey, please complete the survey by Monday 28 August 2017. A letter about the parent and carer survey was emailed to parents and carers. If you do not have a letter for each child in your family, please contact the school office. The letter contains all the information you will need to access the survey. The key ACT results from the 2016 School Satisfaction Surveys have been published on the Education Directorate website (www.education.act.gov.au) and a summary of our school results is provided in our 2016 School Board Report. Thank you in anticipation of your participation in this important school survey.

JUNIOR CAMPUS

Acacia News - 000 Ambulance Visit

Today Kindergarten and JLSU had a visit from the Ambulance! (Cleo's Grandfather)

Students took turns to go inside the ambulance and learn what to do in an emergency.

The teachers were asked to lie down on the ambulance bed while the paramedics showed the children how patients are strapped in, and wheeled in and out of the van safely.

Before saying goodbye, kindergarten excitedly gathered to watch the flashing lights and listen to the sirens of the ambulance.

A message from the paramedics:

It is vital that our children learn:

- Their home address
- Their parents/care giver/s names
- The emergency number **000**

Big thank you to Cleo's mother Sarah for organising this incursion, it was filled with exciting and important lessons.

Have a wonderful weekend

Shiri Marx, Claire Sturgess & Michele McCarthy

Kinder & JLSU

Kurrajong News

Kurrajong Unit was looking exciting last week with many characters from different books visiting the unit on Friday!

Thank you to all caregivers for the help with costumes making our book week celebration so wonderful. We hope many of you got to see the fantastic assembly item that Kurrajong performed in the afternoon.

Year 2 is busy completing the fun experiments that go with our science unit, 'Push and Pull'. This week we looked at push and pull forces through air and in the next few weeks we will look at push and pull forces through water. There are many wonderful films on YouTube that explore these forces for children.

A reminder that we would like home readers returned daily so we can check on progress and reward our students in a timely manner.

Our lost property is once again overflowing. Please ensure that all items of clothing are clearly named, sometimes the names fade and do need to be rewritten. We are back into hats on time so please make sure all students have hats for the playground. Enjoy the rest of Term 3.

Annette Harasymiv & Meg Rowe

Year 2

Melaleuca News

Years 3 have had a super busy couple of weeks hosting an assembly and learning a new song for our Book Week assembly piece. All the students had an amazing day on Friday, dressing up as their favourite book characters and reading some great stories in their classes.

Year 3 have been learning all about day and night as part of our science unit and have had lots of fun exploring shadows. Students have also been working hard researching and publishing information reports on Australia's neighbours as part of their Geography and writing units.

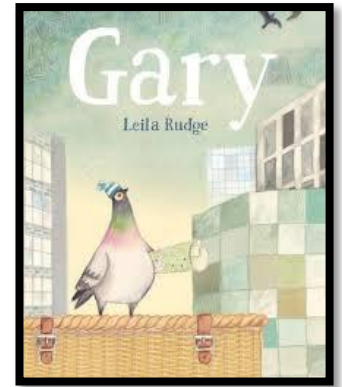
A reminder that year 3 students have an excursion to Questacon coming up on Tuesday 29 August. Any parents interested in coming along to help out are encouraged to see their child's teacher as soon as possible.

Enjoy the rest of the term.

Kayla Catling & Marjorie Waugh

Year 3

Library News – Junior Campus



What a fun week we've had celebrating books! The assembly and dress up day last Friday produced some amazing costumes and fabulous performances. Well done everybody. It was also great to see so many parents, grandparents and friends come along to share the day with us.

On Wednesday 30 August we are having Meerkat Productions come to CCS to perform a play based on the shortlisted book *Gary* by Leila Rudge. If you haven't yet brought back your permission note and money, please do so as soon as possible. All the classes have had the book read to them in library lessons and are very familiar with the story. Seeing a live performance brings the book to life.

Another exciting event will be the Week 8 Book Fair which will be held in the JC library from Monday 4 to Friday 8 September. This year I am trialling a different company – Carnival Book Fairs, so come along before and after school to have a look. All sales generate a commission for our library.

Irene Ovchinnikov

Teacher Librarian



Chess

Yesterday I proudly accompanied a group of accomplished JC students to the ACT PRIMARY SCHOOLS CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP FINALS. All students played their best in an intense environment.

At the end of the day all students were encouraged to pack up, I was approached by a teacher from Trinity Christian School (the hosting school), saying that I should be very proud of our students as they were setting an excellent example to others by working together efficiently and effectively. Well Done!

Although we came 11th and 17th out of 25 teams, Aaryan A. took home the coveted prize of a **PERFECT SCORE 7/7**. Please join me in congratulating these lovely students on their win and representing our school so well.

Marjorie Waugh

JC Chess co-ordinator



SENIOR CAMPUS

Careers

Work Experience

Juwan D and Paul B (top photo) have been doing their work experience setting up the new ASICS store in the DFO outlet. They have worked very hard and the store looks incredible! The managers are very happy with their attitude and as a result this placement is planned to continue into Term 4. Well done lads!



Phillip B and Dominic U (middle photo) are past the half way mark with their studies and practical work for the Certificate II in Construction Pathways with Master Builders Group Training. They have completed theory and been learning to use a range of power tools in a variety of trades in preparation for their two week practical placement in November. This placement will occur on a building site in a trade of their choice. Both have interacted well with the trainers and class mates and can be proud of their achievements to date.



Adam F (bottom photo) has completed work experience at Canberra Trucks and has been commended highly on his positive attitude, ability to learn and hard work. As a result he has accepted the offer to continue on a two day a week basis till the end of the year. Impressive effort Adam!



College Course Selection

Parents and carers are welcome to meet with me to discuss college course options for their Year 10 child in the coming months.

Open Days - *Australian Catholic University, Australian National University, Australian Defence Force University of Canberra and Canberra Institute of Technology* - Saturday 26th August

This is an incredible opportunity for anyone considering study or training after Year 12. Go online and look up what's on (there are course information presentations and tours of the facilities etc), look at the facilities and speak to students doing the various courses. In summary, get all the information you can about the different pathways available to you!

Work Experience

Years 9 and 10 students are welcome to meet with me at lunch time to discuss options for work experience. Appointments for carers /parents and students are also possible after school and can be useful in getting started. Work Experience allows students to take a peek into a given industry to see if it really is for them. It can also help students choose appropriate college courses or possibly even open the door to employment or an apprenticeship in the future. Well worth doing.
Livia Tigwell
Career Development teacher

P&C News

Junior Campus Working Bee:

Bring your gloves and a trowel, or your paint shirt and brush, or just a friendly smile and can-do attitude on **Saturday 26 August** to the Junior Campus working bee from 9am. We will be providing some love and attention to the Preschool and Kindergarten playgrounds.

Even if you can only spare one hour, that would be a huge help as many hands make light work. There will be small gardening and painting jobs, creation of sensory displays and basic odd jobs to be completed. Specific direction will be provided on the day.

The P&C will be providing lunch afterwards for all the hardworking volunteers, everyone is welcome. We are also asking everyone to start collecting **plastic lids**, of all shapes and sizes, and old stainless steel **cutlery and utensils** to be used in the sensory displays. Please bring your donations to the Front Office.

Junior Campus Canteen:

Due to the overwhelming support and patronage from the Junior Campus community, from **Wednesday 13 September** the JC Canteen will commence trading on a Wednesday in addition to our Thursday and Friday each week. Tania will also be offering the lunch order service to Preschool students **only on a Wednesday**.

Uniform Shop:

Do you have any good quality uniform items that are no longer needed? Why not donate them to the School Uniform Shop for the **Second Hand Uniform** service!

Just bring your laundered, good quality items to the shop during opening hours and leave as a donation or you can choose to sell items on consignment by completing a simple form.

The Uniform Shop operates on **Tuesday 8am-10am** and **Thursday 2.30pm-4.30pm**, each week during school terms.

Father's Day stalls:

The **Junior Campus** will be running a Father's Day Stall on **Friday 1 September from 9am**.

We are asking families to please donate a small item towards the stall, the kind of thing you might like to receive.

Students will be able to purchase an item at the stall for a gold coin donation. Please note: your child might choose a gift other than the item you donated.

All donations may be left at the Front Office and volunteers to help on the stall are most welcome.

Please call 0405 357 425 if you are available to assist on the day.

On the **Senior Campus** the House Captains will also be running a Father's Day stall on **Friday 1 September at recess and lunch**. Students will be able to purchase an item from the stall with prices from \$1 - \$8

Preschool Fundraising:

Orders with payment for **Picture Plates** need to be finalised by **Friday 25 August**.

Any families from our K-10 school community wishing to purchase plates, please collect an order form from the Front Office.

FETE, Friday 17 November - DONATIONS NEEDED:

The Preschool are seeking donations of second hand toys/books/games that are in good, clean and working condition to sell at their stall. Small fun items to fill **tombola** jars are still needed also. For example: matchbox cars, hair accessories, marbles, lollies, small chocolate bars, etc.

Please donate your good condition books, CD's, DVD's and records for the Book stall.

Please bring your donations to the Front Office.

If you wish to hold a stall or you have a business that wishes to make a donation, please contact the Fete Committee on ccsfete@gmail.com

Save the dates:

Next Fete Subcommittee meeting - Wednesday August 30 @ 7pm, JC Family Room

Next P&C General meeting - Monday September 4 @ 7pm, Junior Campus Staffroom

Next Preschool Subcommittee meeting: Friday 1 September @ 9am in the Preschool Family Room.

ALL WELCOME!

The CCS newsletter is the best way to keep up to date with what's happening across our school. Please update or provide the Front Office with your current email address. Should you require any further information, please contact us via one of the methods below:

Email - ccs.pandc.contact@gmail.com

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

Alternatively, you can call Fiona directly on 0405 357 425

Kind Regards
Fiona Green
P&C President



ACT Council of Parents & Citizens Associations

The parent voice on public education

ACT schools have a strong history of parent support, but many P&Cs are now struggling for volunteers. To help, P&C Council, along with other parent organisations, is conducting an online survey and they'd love to hear from all parents, whether you currently volunteer or not. Find the survey here:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/VolunteeringinSchools>

the purpose of the survey is to better understand what motivates people to help at school and what barriers stop parents from volunteering. The results will help shape new resources tailor-made for the school environment to help schools attract new and valuable volunteers.



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Student Injury Insurance and Ambulance Transport



The Education Directorate does not provide any insurance cover for injury, disease or illness to students resulting from school activities or school-organised excursions. Claims for compensation are met where there is a legal liability to do so. Liability is not automatic and depends on the circumstances in which any injury, disease or illness was sustained.

As there is no automatic insurance cover for personal injury if your child is injured at school or during a school organised activity/excursion you should therefore consider whether taking out personal insurance cover for your child is warranted.

This insurance might cover contingencies including medical/hospital expenses, ambulance transport outside the ACT, and cancellation of transport/accommodation or loss of/damage to luggage.

The ACT Ambulance Service provides free ambulance transport for students who are injured or suddenly become ill at school or during an approved school organised activity **within the ACT**.