

NEWSLETTER

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Friday 27th October 2023
TERM 4 WEEK 3

WEEK 4

Monday 30th October

12:50 – 2:10pm 101 pool session

Tuesday 31st

11:30 – 12:40 8 food B Pasta assessment part 1

6pm P&C meeting

Wednesday 1st November

8:45 – 3pm Boys Basketball gala

9am – 12:30 yr4 TIMSS Assessment

9am – 11am URFab parents and small group students

9:10 – 11am TIMSS Testing

11:15 – 12:15 URFab 3 /4

individual class sessions

11:30 – 12:50 class 102 pool session

Thursday 2nd

All day – K-2 football gala

9:15 – 2:30 yr9 girls gala day

Friday 3rd

2:15 – 3pm Kinder JC assembly

8:15am SheLeads Conference

11:30 – 12:50 122 pool session

WEEK 5

Monday 6th

JC fundraiser

Tuesday 7th

All day - 5/6 soccer gala day

10am – 8:30pm Hospitality

Murder Mystery Dining Event

Wednesday 8th

All day – Jervis Bay camp 1

9am – 11am URFab parents and small group students

11:15 – 12:15 URFab 3 /4

individual class sessions

Thursday 9th

All day – Jervis Bay camp 1

Friday 10th

All day – Jervis Bay camp 1

All day – Krispy Kreme Doughnut

Day

9:15 – 12:30 1 /2 Bush Play Fridays

Today is World Teachers' Day 2023.

The teachers at Caroline Chisholm School are incredible. They work tirelessly and collaborate from Preschool to Year 10 to ensure that all our students are provided with a huge range of opportunities. Our teachers enrich the lives of children and young people in many ways, from providing daily education at school, to attending camps over several days and nights, to planning enriching experiences through excursions.

The theme for 2023 is 'Hats Off to Teachers'. Please take the opportunity to reach out to the teachers at CCS that have made a difference to the students at CCS and thank them for their work.

Public Education Excellence awards

Nominations are now closed for the Public Education Excellence Awards for 2023. My congratulations go to the following staff who have been nominated this year.

New Educator of the Year	Jessi-Lea Freund
Primary Teacher of the Year	Jordan Rodger
Secondary & College Teacher of the Year	Cassandra Hoolihan
Learning Support Assistant of the Year	Rebecca Brown
Learning Support Assistant of the Year	Ashley Winn
School Support Person of the Year	Joseph Knezevic
School Support Person of the Year	Kerrie Prutti
Allied Health Professional of the Year	Katrina Reese
Excellence in Cultural Integrity Practice	Candace Cord
School Leader of the Year	Phil Perkins
School Leader of the Year	Jennifer Howard



From all of these amazing nominees, we have 2 finalists, and the awards ceremony will be held tonight at the Llewelyn Hall, ANU.

These 2 finalists are:

School Support Person of the Year

Joseph Knezevic

School Leader of the Year

Jennifer Howard

Join me in thanking all of the nominees, our broader fantastic staff, and wish Joseph and Jen the best of luck!

End of Year celebrations

Term 4 is a busy term, filled with lots of learning and also some celebration. Some of the key events include:

- Graduation ceremony (Year 6) 7th of December
- Graduation ceremony (Year 10) 6th of December
- Year 7-9 presentation afternoon 6th of December
- Year 10 Formal 12th of December

These events provide an opportunity to celebrate some of the achievements of students at Caroline Chisholm School and are a great way to connect with our community. Further details will be available closer to the events.

JC Classes for 2024 - Reminder

This term we will be working as a staff to plan our classes for 2024. A great deal of time and effort is involved in planning our classes each year. Staff have an in-depth knowledge of ways to enhance learning and they will use this knowledge to support the placement of students in classes for 2024. This information is combined with student strengths, personalities, friendships, and student support requirements. Students on our junior campus will be asked to complete a sociogram where they are asked to list five children, they feel they work well with. Students will then be placed into classes with at least one child from their list. If you believe your child's placement needs special consideration, please let us know in writing by **Friday 3rd November 2023**. This can be done via email Nicky.smith@ed.act.edu.au or by making an appointment through the front office. It is imperative that all requests are made directly to Nicky so that she is able to ensure appropriate considerations are made. Please remember that requests cannot be made for specific teachers. Junior Campus families will be informed at the end of January 2024 through teacher introductory letters as to staffing arrangements and class placements for 2024.

Voluntary contributions

On behalf of CCS and the School Board I would like to extend my sincere thanks to families who have contributed to the school through their voluntary contributions. We acknowledge that the year has provided many complexities and pressures for families and your ongoing willingness to support our school ensures we are able to provide the learning opportunities for our students to continue to grow. For families who may be considering supporting the school through a voluntary contribution, we will be sending out updates for families in the coming days. We appreciate any contribution you are able to make.

Thank you for your ongoing support!

Shane

Preschool news

Term 3 was a busy term at preschool with Kenny Koala's visit leading into our very successful wheels day. We also had Book Week parades, showing our families what we do at preschool during our learning journey and the dinosaurs' assembly with 5/6I buddies. We have settled into our final term of preschool, continuing to spend time with 5/6I buddies and now Wednesday afternoons with Year 5 students who will become our Year 6 buddies next year. The preschoolers are very excited about our buddy visits and regularly ask if the 'big kids are coming today?' The Tigers will also have visits from 5/6S over the next few weeks. We are also enjoying doing GymbaROO with Ms Kristie this term.

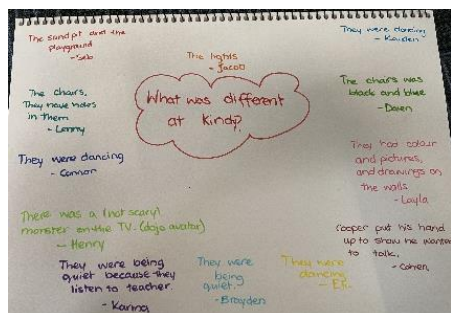


The Very Cranky Bear

On a visit to the library, we read *The Very Hungry Bear*. Back at preschool we read the first book in the series *The Very Cranky Bear*. We used this familiar book to talk about the setting, who the characters are and what problem is in the story. Children drew a character from the book. Here are some of our drawings. We also used the book to identify words that rhyme. The children loved coming up with extra words that rhymed with words from the story.



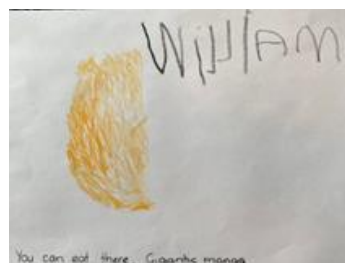
As part of our transition to kindergarten, we did a secret mission to investigate what the kindergarten classroom looked like and what the children were doing. We



connected our mission to help Pigeon from the book, *Pigeon HAS to go to school*, who was feeling scared about school. In small groups our secret spies visited the kindergarten space to observe and report back on what they noticed.



We discussed what was some things that are the same, things that are different. Children noticed that the chairs were different to ours (and all the same colour!). They saw that the children were sitting listening to the teacher just like preschool. We drew some pictures to show Pigeon that school is not scary at all.



5/6 News

Welcome back to Term 4! It has been a busy start to the last term of the year, with graduation preparation, visits to preschool, Year 6 Mash Up Day and a whole lot of learning.

The year 6 students have gotten straight into the swing of their final term of primary school with getting ready for their graduation and transitioning over to the senior campus. They have started to learn their graduation dance with the help of Miss Tsekenis.

Year 6 students headed over to the Senior Campus in week 3 for Mash Up Day! The students engaged in a variety of activities to prepare them for year 7.

Students have been showcasing their leadership skills through regular preschool visits. They have been enjoying their time down in preschool running around and getting to know the younger students. It looks as though they have all developed some great relationships with the preschoolers.



We have been busy learning so much this term already in year 5 and 6. In writing we have been studying the book *Waves* BY Donna Rawlins and developing our understanding of the journeys in which many people have taken to live in Australia.

Our writing unit links in perfectly with our Inquiry unit where we have been learning all about Australia from colonisation to federation – the students have been super engaged in these lessons.



This term in maths it's all about measurement! We have revised our understanding of length, area, and perimeter so far this term, with some fun hands-on experiences included in our learning. We will continue to learn about the different types of measurement throughout the rest of the term.



Year 7 news

What an honour and a privilege is it to be the Year Coordinator for this cohort. I am in shock that this is our final term before stepping up into Year 8 and being the leaders that Year 7 of 2024 need us to be. I am, however, confident we are up to the task! This year has seen a transition from primary school to high school, new expectations, school spirit at carnivals, new friendships form, old friendship evolve, camp, elective trials, new classes, new teachers, new timetable, awards, good times, difficult times, dress ups, mufti days, times where resilience was required and times where goals were reached through persistence.

Our school values are Respect, Responsibility and Perseverance, and it is a pleasure to watch this Year 7 cohort adhere to these in their own ways. I look forward to continuing working with this incredible group of students as they navigate their way through the new challenges as Year 8's.

Tanya Turner
Year 7 Coordinator

In Term 1, we heard how nervous, though excited, Year 7 students were about starting High School. Let's hear what they have to say about it now:

It was fun to get to know how it's going to feel beyond school. I feel like the content of the classes prepared me for next year and the outside world.

- **Kacey E**

I liked making new friends from different schools and its different from primary school because you get to learn from a bunch of teachers rather than just one.

- **Shyla K**

I liked connecting with people from different schools and making a big friend group.

- **Zoe B**

The classes are different from primary school. It was a good change with having different teachers.

- **Jack W**

Trying out the new electives was exciting. I am looking forward to Year 8 where I can have more choice in electives. My math teacher said I'm good at algebra, so I am excited for harder work next year.

- **Maddie S**

All the teachers have made me feel included here. I feel really comfortable here because I am shown that I can be who I am and who I want to be. Tabletop is a club I am part of and my favourite thing about it is meeting students from others grades and talking to people I wouldn't usually speak to.

- **Mya S**

I have enjoyed meeting new friends. My favourite elective has been Art because I could do whatever I wanted to do creatively. I am probably going to do Art and Dance, maybe Food Tech next year.

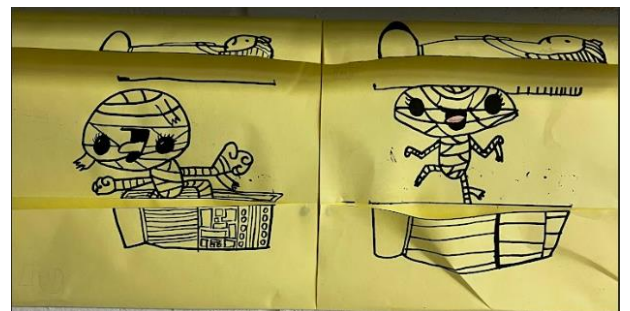
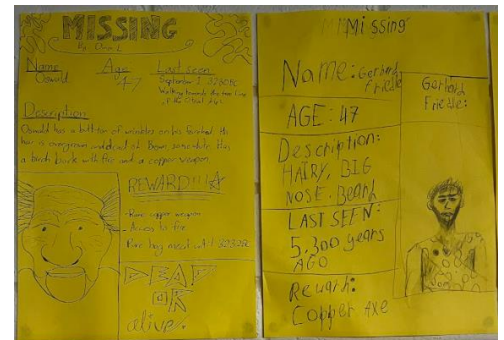
- **Charlee P**

I have enjoyed finding mates that are older than me because I can kick the footy with them at breaks. Not many people came over from my Primary School, so I had to make new friends. I enjoyed Woodwork and look forward to doing that and Food Tech in Year 8.

- **Lukah S**

HASS:

This semester students have, and will continue to, study the ancient past in HASS. Term 3 looked at how and why we study history. The aim was to gain an understanding of the basic principles of historical study, which provides the foundation for the study of history in high school. There were discussions on ethical dilemmas regarding archaeological practices, with a focus on human prehistory. This term, we will be looking at ancient civilisation and how our current society functions, based on historical choices. Students are encouraged to utilise the research skills they have learned in HASS to continue to evolve as learners, as well as be open minded in their growth towards their contributions to society after school.



Other Reminders:

- ❖ Speeches for 2024 Student Advocates will be taking place next Monday (week 4). This is an opportunity for our current Year 7's to go for Year 8 Student Advocate for 2024 and be the voice for this cohort.
- ❖ Students will be picking their two elective classes for Year 8 during this term, so please have a conversation at home about what preferences students may have.
- ❖ Year 7's last day of school is Friday, 15th December (week 10), with our Year 7-9 Presentation Ceremony on Wednesday 6th December (week 9). This ceremony will be on 11:30am – 12:20pm with invites being sent to families of students who have achieved an award/commendation this year.
- ❖ Please ensure your young person is still attending school organised with their equipment; Chromebook (fully charged), pens, books, and food for the day, as there is still plenty of work to complete for Term 4.
- ❖ Uniform – As it begins to warm up, please ensure students are wearing appropriately length shorts (the school shorts) and their school shirt.
- ❖ HPE – with the weather warming up, we would love to continue to see a change in top for practical lessons, as well as students bringing hats and water bottles.

Sporting Achievements

Last week Perrie competed at the Australian Taekwondo National Championships in Perth which was held over 3 days and brought together over 1600 of the best Taekwondo competitors from all over Australia, Perrie represented his club Lee's Taekwondo Australia and the A.C.T state team.

Perrie comes back to Canberra a National Champion with an outstanding individual, Team, and state result across the whole competition.

- Perrie and his team won a Gold medal in the team Poomsae event 10-11yr division.
- Perrie took out the Silver Medal against an older competitor from South Australia in a very tight exciting match.
- Perrie won the Bronze medal in the individual Poomsae.

This year Perrie has worked very hard towards his first National title, and we congratulate him in all his sporting efforts this year.

Well done Perrie and Congratulations on your 2023 National Taekwondo Championship title



2023 NAIDOC FAMILY DAY

SATURDAY 28 OCTOBER 10AM - 4PM, BOOMANULLA OVAL, NARRABUNDAH

BRING THE KIDS OUT FOR A DAY OF FREE ENTERTAINMENT, FREE RIDES AND ACTIVITIES

STOP BY THE TALENTED BLAK BUSINESS MARKET STALLS FOR SOME SHOPPING

BUY A FEED AT THE FUNDRAISER BBQS!

SNAP A SELFIE WITH OUR SPECIAL GUESTS

BRING YOUR PICNIC BLANKET AND SETTLE IN FOR A DEADLY LINE UP OF
CANBERRA'S FINEST FIRST NATIONS PERFORMERS

STAY TUNED FOR A FULL LINE UP
ANNOUNCEMENT!



FOR OUR ELDERS

2-9 JULY 2023

CCS P&C IMPORTANT NEWS

P&C Meeting 31st October 6pm

Senior Campus Boardroom.
All are welcome, we'd love to see you
there. Snacks will be provided.

There are dinosaurs coming to Glebe Park for Children's Week!





Scan this QR code to download the Magical Parks app and start playing

Fun!

Glebe Park (on the grass in front of the rotunda)
7am to 7pm, 21 - 29 October

A gift from the ACT Children and Young People Commissioner, Jodie



BATTLE OF THE BANDS

FRIDAY 10 NOV 4-9 PM

FREE! ALL AGES!

IN THE LANEWAYS TUGGERANONG

12 BANDS, MARKET STALLS, FOOD TRUCKS, ACTIVITIES AND MORE!



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