



CARCOAR PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWS



Mr Bullock

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

As we head into the final few weeks of Term 2, there's a real buzz of learning and achievement across Carcoar Public School!

A huge congratulations to Mary and George for making it through to Western Cross Country – what an incredible effort! And hats off to Max for representing CPS at the 2025 CWA Public Speaking competition. We're very proud of you all!

Our staff have been diving into Cognitive Load Theory and exploring how we can make learning clearer and more accessible. This has led to some fantastic explicit teaching happening across the school – from writing and maths to science and even podcasting!

Yes – podcasting! Thanks to our Term 2 loan of STEM T4L equipment, students have been experimenting with microphones and mixing desks. It's sparked so much excitement that we may just need to investigate getting our own kit!

We're also now accepting enrolments for Kindergarten 2026, and as always, we welcome new families to join our small but mighty CPS community.

Enjoy the long weekend - stay warm!



CWA PUBLIC SPEAKING



Max was our 2025 Public Speaking Champion and represented our school last week in Orange. Congratulations, Max!

DATES TO REMEMBER



Swimming
Every Thursday Term 2



June Long Weekend
Monday 9 June

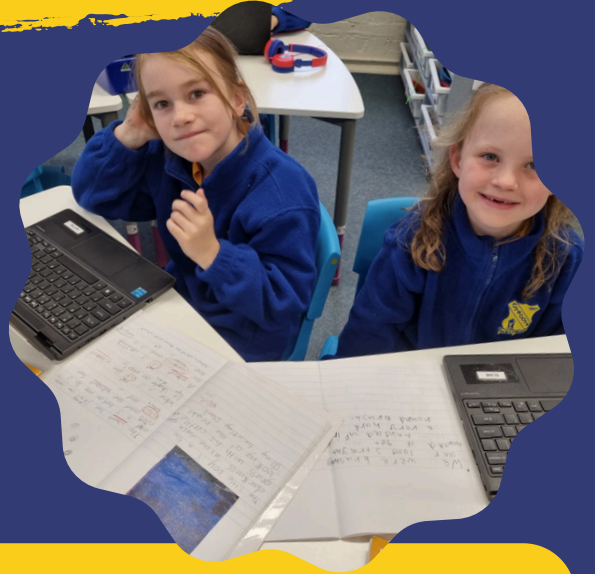


Western Cross Country
Wednesday June 11

K-2 NEWS



In our K-2 classrooms, we believe that learning math can be fun and interactive! Incorporating math games into our daily lessons not only reinforces essential skills such as counting, addition, and number sense but also fosters teamwork and critical thinking. Watch as our young learners develop a love for math while building confidence and problem-solving skills through games.



This term, we have started publishing our writing tasks by typing and printing out work and then adding illustrations. All students are so enthusiastic and proud of their achievements!



The children have been engaging in fundamental movement skills with a focus on the sprint run. This skill has been incorporated into a game where children have eagerly participated. It was fantastic to see the coordination, balance, and strength being practiced by children in a fun way. The benefits of physical exercise are improved health and enhanced mood.



Mrs Rankin



Mrs Carter

3-6 NEWS



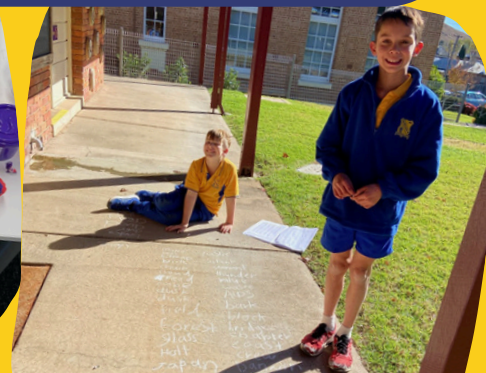
We're continuing our learning about our brains and emotions and have been reading a book called 'Hey Awesome.' We've learned our brain is like a muscle, and we have the power to change our brain!

One big feeling we've been talking a lot about is anxiety and practicing ways to respond to this emotion. Did you know it's a totally normal feeling to feel anxious or worried? It's our brain doing its job!



Students have completed their English unit on the notorious Ned Kelly and the Kelly Gang. As part of this unit, they were tasked with crafting a speech that incorporated everything they learned over the past five weeks, including rhetorical questions, modality, subjective and objective language, and rich vocabulary. We also facilitated a peer feedback session, which students found to be incredibly valuable. It was thrilling to witness their learning culminate in the creation of such an impressive text!

Students are enjoying Friday Maths groups focused on multiplicative thinking. They receive explicit teaching in small groups, practice through hands-on games, and complete individualised tasks on laptops using the Mathematics program. The goal is to enhance their multiplicative knowledge and efficiency throughout the year.



We have 10 eager students who are participating in this year's Spelling Bee. A variety of creative activities are being completed at home and at school to learn and retain these tricky words in an enjoyable way. The photos above show Milla creating words using playdough and Miles and George writing their words outside in chalk.

Our fast-approaching School Spelling Bee will be held in class in just 3 weeks' time on Thursday 26th June. A friendly reminder that all Spelling Bee activity books are to be brought to school each Thursday and Friday.



Miss Summerson



Mrs Rhodes

DISTRICT ATHLETICS



A huge congratulations to all the students who represented our school at the District Athletics Carnival on Friday! It was a day full of determination, effort, and true sportsmanship. Our students gave their best in every event and showed wonderful support for one another throughout the day.

A special congratulations to Mary, Izayah, George, and Max, who have qualified to compete at the Western Athletics Carnival later this year in individual events. We're incredibly proud of their achievements and look forward to cheering them on!

LEARNING IN ACTION



Across the school, students have been diving deep into meaningful learning experiences. In classrooms, we're seeing high levels of engagement as teachers bring lessons to life through clear, explicit teaching. Whether it's unpacking tricky maths concepts, building vocabulary in literacy, or exploring the world through inquiry and discussion, our students are showing curiosity, persistence, and pride in their work.

PLAYGROUP



Our weekly Playgroup for children aged 0-5 has been full of fun and creativity lately! Over the past few weeks, we've explored an "Under the Sea" theme and gotten busy with some exciting building and construction play. Now that the weather's getting colder, we're lucky to have full use of the school's warm and newly refurbished library - a cozy space perfect for stories, play, and catching up. It's been lovely seeing our little ones learning, laughing, and enjoying time together each week.



Miss Baker



CPS PLAYGROUP 2025

from birth - 5 years*



FREE



ALL WELCOME JOIN US AT CPS!

**Thursdays
9am - 11am**

- ✓ play based learning
- ✓ outdoor activities
- ✓ hands on experiences
- ✓ music & movement
- ✓ staff led



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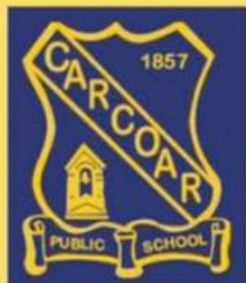
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For more info call



02 6367 3032

*accompanied by parent



PLAYGROUP

Term 2 2025

WEEK 1

Thursday May 1

WEEK 2

Thursday May 8

ALL ABOUT NATURE

WEEK 3

Thursday May 15

WEEK 4

Thursday May 22

CONSTRUCTION & TRANSPORT

WEEK 5

Thursday May 29

WEEK 6

Thursday June 5

UNDER THE SEA

WEEK 7

Thursday June 12

WEEK 8

Thursday June 19

FAIRY TALES

WEEK 9

Thursday June 26

WEEK 10

Thursday July 3

SPACE & ROBOTS

*Themes subject to change.



CPS LIBRARY

0-5 YEARS

ALL WELCOME



9AM - 11AM

LIBRARY NEWS

LIBRARY DAY IS TUESDAY!

Don't forget
your
library bag!



The Brain House

Students are learning about the Upstairs & Downstairs Brain—how emotions and thinking work together. Understanding this helps with problem-solving and managing big feelings.

Book Reviews: A Big Hit!

This term, students have loved sharing their thoughts on books! Their reviews have sparked excitement, helping classmates discover new favorites. Keep reading and reviewing!



I Spy... New Books!

Fresh titles have arrived in the library—thrilling adventures, funny stories, and more! Come check them out and find your next great read!





• Book • ★ Review. •

Name: Margot Berry Mean Date: _____

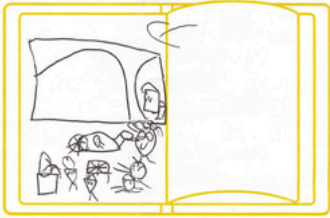
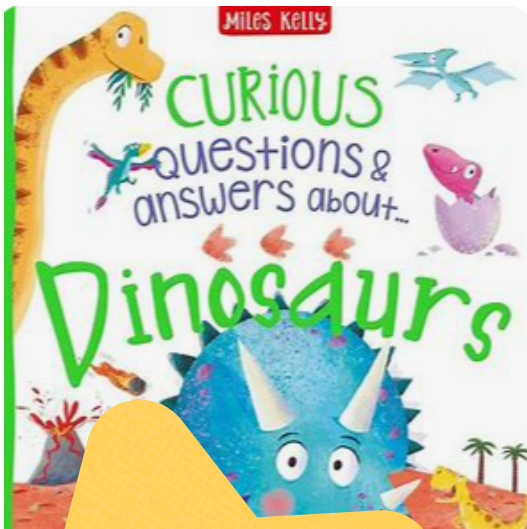
BOOK REVIEW

Title: BAD
Author: BANANA MICHELLEROLINSON

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Star rating: ★ ★ ★ ★ ★

My reason for this rating:
BeSaL Se it Was
funny!
The fruit on the
round about

My favourite scene:

Name: Henry Tai Date: 14.5.25


BOOK REVIEW

Title: Curious Questions + Answers about... Dinosaurs
Author: camilla de la Bedoyere

Star rating: ★ ★ ★ ★ ★

My reason for this rating:
I like this
book because
I like the intere
sting
words and the
funny pictures.

My favourite scene:



Thank you
for the Book
review
Margot &
Henry

- "Believing takes practice." —
Madeleine L'Engle, A Wrinkle in Time

FROM THE APCI



What is an APCI? APCI stands for Assistant Principal, Curriculum & Instruction.

What is my role at Carcoar Public School?

I work at Carcoar Public School every Tuesday, supporting teaching and learning across the school. My role includes:

- **Curriculum Development:** Supporting the design and delivery of high-quality curriculum that meets student needs and educational standards.
- **Instructional Leadership:** Working alongside teachers to enhance effective teaching practices and instructional strategies.
- **Assessment and Evaluation:** Coordinating assessment processes and using student performance data to guide teaching and improve learning outcomes.
- **Professional Learning:** Organising and facilitating professional development opportunities for staff.
- **Collaboration:** Partnering with staff, students, and the wider community to build a strong, collaborative learning environment.
- **Curriculum Alignment:** Ensuring programs align with state and national education standards and priorities.
- **Student Engagement:** Promoting strategies that boost student engagement and motivation.

If you have any questions or would like to discuss anything related to curriculum or student learning, feel free to get in touch with me on a Tuesday.

FROM THE P&C

The P and C and school community would like to say a heartfelt thank you to Emma Jenkins for her work as the P and C president for the last 2 years. Emma has helped coordinate and lead many fundraisers that have helped provide resources and opportunities for our students and we are very grateful for the time and effort she has dedicated to this role. A big thank you also to Gabby Summerson who has gracefully and expertly filled the role of secretary for the past 12 months. You have both left big shoes to fill!

We thank everyone who supported the recent pie drive fundraiser by ordering pies and rallying family members, friends and colleagues to stock their fridges and freezers! Thank you to Sarah Steele for organising this fundraiser and also to those that helped sort the pies for distribution including Pat Pilson who kindly volunteered her time. The funds raised from the pie drive go towards providing the bus to swimming lessons and the upgrade of the eating area for students.

Please note these upcoming events, we would love to see you all there:

Movie Night- Friday 15th August

Father's Day Stall

Carcoar Show- 26th October

Carcoar Cup Pasta Night- 1st November

ATTENDANCE

Attendance is vitally important for your child to do well in school. Our 2025 goal is to have more students attending school over 90% of the time.

Every school day matters. If your child is absent, please use the Sentral app to let the school know.



DOE CORE RULES

The Department of Education has core rules that all students are expected to follow:

Students are expected to:

- Attend school every day, unless they are legally excused, and be in class on time and prepared to learn.
- Maintain a neat appearance, including adhering to the requirements of the school's uniform and dress code policy.
- Behave safely, considerately and responsibly, including when travelling to and from school.
- Show respect at all times for teachers, other staff and helpers, including following class rules, speaking courteously and cooperating with instructions and learning activities.
- Treat one another with dignity and respect Care for property belonging to themselves, the school and others.



Education

COMMUNICATION

At Carcoar Public School, we use Sentral as our main communication tool with families. The Sentral Parent Portal is a one-stop shop for payments, attendance, permission notes, and more.

We use Sentral to send information and updates such as school closures, permission notes, invoices, school events, and student absences. Please download the app, log in with your token number, and turn on notifications. For 2025, we have also implemented Student Pay+ through Sentral, which is our online uniform shop.

We use Facebook to share school celebrations, successes, and promote positive stories about Carcoar Public School. Follow our Facebook page to stay up to date with us!

Just a reminder, as per our communication policy, staff will respond to non-urgent communication within 48 hours. This includes but is not limited to emails, messages on Facebook, and/or the Sentral portal.



BUDDY READING



DISTRICT CROSS COUNTRY

CARCOAR PUBLIC SCHOOL



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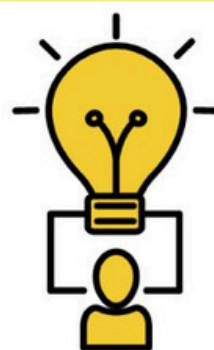
Kindergarten - Year 6



SCAN THE QR
CODE TO
ENROL

CONTACT US FOR

- ✓ more information
- ✓ school tours
- ✓ enrolment meetings
- ✓ open classrooms



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