



CARCOAR PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWS

HAPPY
Holidays



Mr Bullock

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

As we wrap up Term 2, I want to take a moment to thank everyone for another great term at Carcoar Public School. It's been full of learning, growth, and lots of fun along the way.

One of the highlights for me this week has been reading through all the student reports. It's such a rewarding part of the job—seeing the progress each student has made and the pride they take in their learning. The reports will be published to Sentral next week, and I encourage families to take the time to sit down and celebrate the growth with their child.

A big thank you to our amazing staff for another fantastic term. Your care, energy and commitment make all the difference, and I'm so grateful for all you do to support our students.

Next term is shaping up to be another busy one, packed with exciting events, hands-on learning and great opportunities for everyone.

Wishing all our students and families a safe and warm winter break. I hope it's a chance to relax, recharge, and spend some quality time together.

Take care and see you all in Term 3!



Wishing all our families a safe and happy two week Winter break!

Our last day of school for Term 2 will be Friday July 4, which we will be holding our annual NAIDOC celebrations with our Heritage Country Small Schools.

DATES TO REMEMBER



Term 2 Assembly
Thursday July 3 at 9:15am



NAIDOC DAY & Last Day of Term 2!
Friday 4 July



Staff Development Day
Monday July 21



Students return for Term 3
Tuesday July 22



2026 Kindergarten Transition Starts
Wednesday July 30

K-2 NEWS



Students in the K-2 classroom are leveraging the power of computers to enhance their learning, discover new concepts, and cultivate essential 21st-century skills necessary for success in an ever-evolving world.

With a range of interactive activities and creative projects, technology is enabling our learners to:

- **Think critically****
- **Collaborate effectively****
- **Solve problems****
- **Communicate with confidence****
- **Build digital literacy****

And the most exciting part? They are having a blast while doing it!

Our students are publishing their written work, showcasing creativity and effort. We are enhancing their typing speed and accuracy through various activities, leading to noticeable improvements and increased confidence in their typing abilities.



Mrs Rankin



Mrs Carter

In K/1/2, young musicians are thriving with the glockenspiel, enhancing their understanding of pitch and tonality through the seven natural notes. Students are excited to identify notes and compose melodies on tuned instruments, experiencing joy and enthusiasm while developing their musical skills.

3-6 NEWS



We have welcomed our wonderful CSU prac Student Miss Hazell into our 3-6 classroom for the last 4 weeks of Term 2. It is the first time that Miss Hazell has taught at a small school, and from all reports she is really enjoying our smaller environment and getting to know all the students so well. We will definitely miss her presence when she returns back to uni and we hope to see her at CPS again in the future!

3-6 have been reading an incredible book called "Bindi," a poetic journey into the life of a young Gundungurra girl. They're turning into whizzes on personification, similes, all sorts of poetry, and painting pictures with words.

Now, can you figure out which is personification and which is a simile in the examples below?

1. He is as brave as a lion as he approaches the stage.
2. The fire dances through the bush, destroying everything in her path.



Miss Summerson



Mrs Rhodes

We held our first school spelling bee on June 26th, featuring 9 dedicated students from the 3-6 class. Congratulations to our Junior Champion George and Runner-up Ivy, and Senior Champion Jaxson and Runner-up Adelia. George and Jaxson will represent our school at the Regional Finals online next term. Thank you to all families for their support, and we look forward to competing again in 2026.



Meet the Prac Teacher

MISS HAZELL



Hello, my name is Miss Hazell and I am currently studying my Bachelor of Education (Early Childhood and Primary). I am in my 3rd year of my degree and will be completing placement in the 3-6 room from 06/06/25-04/07/25.

I live in Newbridge with my partner and our animals. I love to travel but am also a home body. Nothing beats watching a cosy movie with a big fluffy blanket.

In my spare time, I play and coach netball for Blayney Panthers. I also love spending time my fur-babies, my 2 cats as well as my beautiful chickens!

My favourite quote is
"A good education can change anyone. A good teacher can change everything!"



You're Invited

*Term 2 Assembly
& Open Classroom*

AT: Carcoar Public School

Thursday July 3

9:15am - 10am

ALL WELCOME

CRUNCH & SIP



We're absolutely loving those rare gorgeous winter sunny days and making the most of every chance to get outside.

Our Crunch & Sip sessions are the perfect way to fuel our bodies and minds during the day — with fresh fruit and veg keeping us energised and hydrated. It's a simple but powerful habit that encourages healthy choices and supports learning and wellbeing.

A huge THANK YOU to Bernardi's Blayney for generously supporting us and supplying our delicious fresh fruit each week.

STEM CHALLENGE



The K-6 fashionistas took on Miss Benjafield's wild challenge: craft runway-ready outfits using just 5 sheets of newspaper and a smidgen of masking tape, all in a nail-biting 25 minutes! The goal? Cover the body while keeping the ensemble in one piece. The runway was a paper parade of creativity and teamwork, with students strutting their stuff in their stylish newspaper couture. They're buzzing with excitement to up their game for the next fashion showdown!

PLAYGROUP

Our weekly Playgroup continues to grow as new faces join familiar ones for exciting mornings filled with stories, crafts, sensory activities, games and exploration.

Join us for our final week of Term 2, Thursday 3rd July from 9am-11am in the Library. 0-5 years, all welcome!

Playgroup will resume Thursday 24th July.



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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*accompanied by parent

LIBRARY

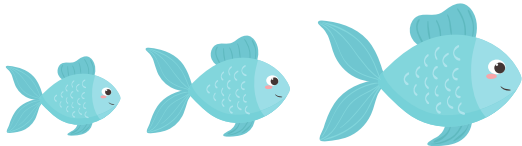
NEWS

LIBRARY DAY IS TUESDAY!

Don't forget
your
library bag!



As we wrap up Term 2 library borrowing, it's been wonderful to see students dive into their books and share thoughtful reviews each week. The excitement around discovering new stories and discussing favorite reads has truly brought our library sessions to life. Alongside our book adventures, we've also had a fantastic time exploring the concept of the upstairs-downstairs brain, learning how emotions and reasoning work together. It's been a term full of curiosity, growth, and great conversations—here's to more reading fun ahead!



Why are fish so smart?
Because they live in schools!!!



Featured Author

Lauren Tarshis is a popular author among our students, best known for her *I Survived* series. Her books bring history to life through thrilling, fast-paced storytelling that keeps young readers engaged and eager to learn.



LIBRARY Fun
Read a story online



<https://www.cbeebies.com/watch/>



Book Review.

Name: Jack Date: 18/6

BOOK REVIEW

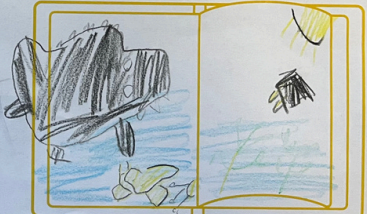

Title: The very itchy bear.

Author: Nick Bland

Star rating: ★ ★ ★ ★ ★

My reason for this rating:
This is bear in the sea
swimming first to rescue frog!

My favourite scene:


Name: Bella Smith Date: 13/5/22

BOOK REVIEW

Title: Where History Happened

Author: Mark Greenwood & Frank Lessac

Star rating: ★ ★ ★ ★ ★

My reason for this rating:
Because it's about history and it tells
us what happened in the past.
it had interesting vocabulary words and I did
not know the meaning of them words

My favourite scene:



Thank you
for the Book
review Jack
and Bella

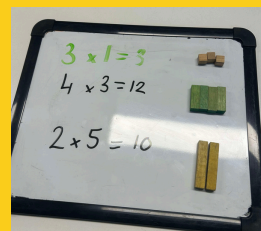
"Reading should not be presented to children as
a chore, a duty. It should be offered as a gift."
-Kate DiCamillo

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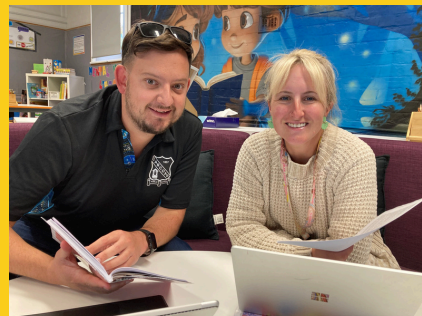


Mrs Hicks

Collaboration and Curriculum



From Cognitive Load Theory to Professional Learning with a focus on Cuisenaire rods, our staff have spent lots of time together collaborating and learning to ensure we provide our students with quality education.



FROM THE P&C

It's hard to believe we are halfway through 2025, and winter holiday break is here! Thank you for supporting our school and P & C in Term 2. We anticipate a quiet Term 3 before a busy Term 4 of fundraising.

On August 15th, the P & C will host a movie night fundraiser at the Carcoar School of Arts Hall featuring the Australian film 'Runt.' Mark your calendars for a fun family night with popcorn, BBQ, and a dessert bar!

Join us for the next P & C meeting on July 28th, 2025, at 3:15 PM in the school library. We welcome anyone interested in supporting our school with ideas or help at fundraisers.

Wishing you a happy and safe school holiday!

Isabel Tait
Secretary

Upcoming events:

Movie night: August 15th
Carcoar Show: October 25th
Carcoar Cup Pasta Night: October 31st

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.



HCSS DAY FOR DOLLY

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SPELLING BEE RUNNERS-UP

CARCOAR PUBLIC SCHOOL



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ENROLLING NOW FOR 2026

Kindergarten - Year 6



SCAN THE QR
CODE TO
ENROL

CONTACT US FOR

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



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**MAKE THE RIGHT START TO YOUR CHILD'S EDUCATION
AND ENROL AT CARCOAR PUBLIC SCHOOL.**



2026 KINDERGARTEN Transition

What we offer:

- Teacher-led full school day
- Integrated classroom experiences alongside current students
- School readiness activities designed to build confidence and skills
- One-on-one support to nurture every child
- Play-based learning to encourage curiosity and creativity
- Literacy, numeracy and social development embedded in everyday learning
- Tailored support for your child's individual learning journey

Why Transition Matters

- Children who participate in transition programmes show increased confidence and greater engagement at school.
- Supports development of early friendships and understanding of school routines.
- Eases the shift from home or preschool to the school environment.
- Helps develop independence and a love for learning from day one.



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PLAYGROUP WEEK 9 & 10

THURSDAY 26 JUNE & 3 JULY

THE PERFECT PLACE FOR LITTLE
MINDS TO EXPLORE, CREATE &
CONNECT.



9AM - 11AM



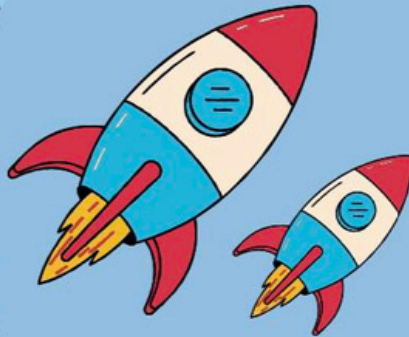
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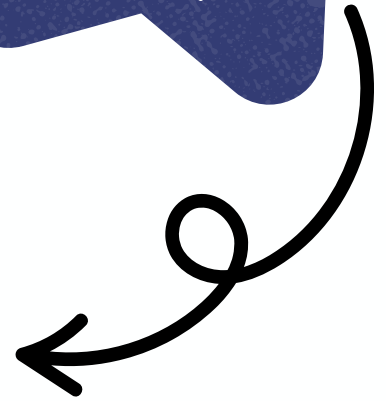
0-5 YEARS



ALL WELCOME



Last
playgroup
for Term
Two!



Last day
of Term
Two!



**THE NEXT
GENERATION:
STRENGTH,
VISION &
LEGACY**
6-13 JULY 2025



HERITAGE
COUNTRY
SCHOOLS
NAIDOC DAY



**FRIDAY 4TH JULY AT
CARCOAR PS**

