



CARCOAR PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWS



Mr Bullock

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

As Term 3 comes to a close, we reflect on what has been a fast-paced and exciting term filled with learning, growth, and memorable events. Every student has shown progress in their learning, and we are proud of the commitment and effort they bring each day.

We warmly welcome new families who have joined our school community this term. Our Kindergarten 2026 Transition Program is well underway, giving our future students a confident start, while our Year 6 students are busy preparing for their next big step into high school.

With spring now here, it's been wonderful to see students enjoying more outdoor learning and play. Alongside these celebrations, we are also responding to the challenges posed by online gaming. We continue to educate students about safe and balanced technology use and will be offering family workshops in Term 4 to support everyone in navigating this space.

As we look ahead, Term 4 will be a time of celebration, reflection, and preparation for 2026. We will soon be inviting families to complete a survey to help guide our planning, and your feedback will be greatly appreciated.

We wish you a safe and restful holiday break and look forward to finishing 2025 on a strong and positive note together.



HAPPY
HOLIDAYS

5 DAYS TO GO!

DATES TO REMEMBER



Term 3 Assembly
Wednesday Sept 24 | 2pm



Gala Sports Day & Last day of Term
Friday September 26



Staff Development Day
Monday October 13



Term 4 Begins for students
Tuesday October 14

K-2 NEWS



Our infant's students have been enjoying an engaging and fun learning experience exploring repeating patterns! Using colourful Cuisenaire rods, they created patterns and described them in terms of colour and value. They named their patterns using letter sequences such as ABAB and ABCABC, providing another way to represent their designs. One particularly curious student took the exploration further by inventing a new pattern using five different letters: A B C D E. The students then transferred these patterns onto a hundreds chart, enabling them to see their creations represented in a new format. This activity encouraged the children to think mathematically and develop problem-solving skills in a playful and meaningful context. We look forward to more exciting learning moments ahead!



Mrs Rankin



Mrs Carter

Our K/1/2 students showed their love this Father's Day by cooking up little balls of chocolate goodness! They had so much fun measuring, mixing, cutting, rolling—and just a little bit of taste testing too. Cooking together not only sparks creativity but also helps develop important skills like teamwork, maths, and fine motor coordination. We hope everyone enjoyed this sweet treat made with lots of love and laughter!

3-6 NEWS



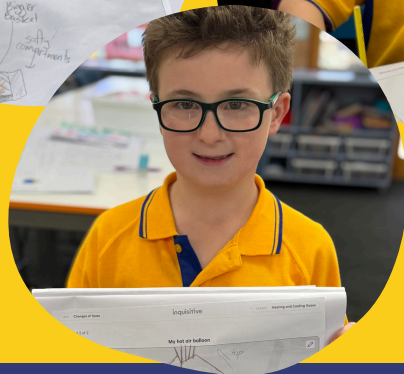
Students have been learning the world of measurement with Miss Graham.

From measuring the capacity of different containers to sorting items by volume, students have enjoyed lots of hands on and real- life opportunities to develop their knowledge of this mathematical concept.

Netball

10 of our students recently travelled to Orange to play our first game of netball against Cummnock Public School. We were all so proud of how well our students played. Most of them begun with little to no netball experience and have developed passion and skill for the game. Unfortunately we lost but the score didn't reflect how well our students played.

Miss Graham will complete her university placement with us this Friday. It has been a pleasure having Miss Graham as part of our class and staff and we wish her the best of luck as she completes her studies. Hopefully we will see Miss Graham back at CPS in the future!



Our class have been learning all about solids, liquid and gases in Science. Last week, they were tasked with designing their own hot air balloons. Designs included an unlimited chip bowl, football field design on the floor, adding a 2nd basket so more people can use it at a time and even a steering wheel to assist with driving.



Miss Summerson



Mrs Rhodes

KURT VISITS CPS



What a special treat we had when the amazing and inspirational Kurt Fearnley popped in to say hello!

Kurt, who completed his primary schooling here at our beautiful little school, was back in the village and took the time to drop in and chat with our students. He was pleasantly surprised to see how much we've grown—sharing that there were only 8 students here when he was in primary school!

Each year, we proudly present the Kurt Fearnley Award at our Presentation Day, and Kurt was especially excited to meet Delighlah & Olivia, our 2024 and 2023 award recipients, and congratulate them on her hard work and dedication.

The kids were absolutely starstruck!

We are so grateful to have Kurt as part of our school community and deeply appreciate him taking time out of his busy schedule to visit us.

LIFE EDUCATION VAN



Our students had an amazing day joining other small schools at Neville Public School for a special visit from the Life Education Van – featuring the one and only Healthy Harold!

Throughout the day, students participated in stage-based activities that focused on important themes like keeping our bodies healthy, building strong friendships, and learning about respect, relating, and connecting with others.

They also learned essential first aid skills, including how to handle asthma and snake bites, AND took part in some fun Jump Rope for Heart activities that got their hearts pumping!

WESTERN PSSA



Today, Mary, George, Jaxson, Max, Olivia, Maddie and Ziggy are representing Carcoar Public School at the 2025 Western PSSA Athletics Carnival.

Making it to this level is a huge achievement in itself, and it shows the effort, determination and talent each of these students have put into their sport. We are so proud of the way they represent our school with courage, resilience and great sportsmanship.

Enjoy the day, give it your all, and know that your whole school community is cheering you on!

NETBALL



Ten of our students from Years 2–6 represented Carcoar Public School in the NSW PSSA Small Schools Netball competition. For many, this was their very first introduction to the game of netball and the many rules and skills it involves.

Although the final score didn't go our way, we could not be prouder of the dedication our students showed through training, their willingness to improve, and their outstanding display of teamwork and sportsmanship on the court. We wish our friends at Cumnock Public School the very best as they continue in the next round.

Miss Baker – Proud Coach

ES1 & S1 EXCURSION



K-2 students enjoyed a fantastic day in Bathurst with other small schools, visiting the Bathurst Rail Museum to learn about the railway system and play with a giant Brio train set.

They then explored the Australian Fossil & Mineral Museum, marveling at stunning crystals, ancient fossils, and a life-sized Tyrannosaurus rex skeleton.

The day concluded with a treat at Annie's Ice Cream Parlour, choosing flavors like Sofala Gold, Chocolate, and Strawberry, making it a delightful end to a day of discovery and fun.

TRANSITION



The 2026 Kindergarten Transition students at Carcoar Public School have completed an exciting term of learning and making new friends. This term, Bart, George, Austin, Bronte, and Lilly joined the school, marking important milestones for them and their families.

The new learners have engaged confidently in classroom activities and outdoor adventures, showing growth and settling into school routines as proud members of the community.



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

What a beautiful day of sunshine, fun, and hands-on learning at CPS Playgroup! Our little gardeners were busy getting creative — painting their very own plant pots, digging in the dirt, and planting a variety of delicious veggies including tomatoes, snap peas, cucumbers, and capsicums.

Each child also took home a special herb in their hand-painted pot, ready to add a touch of freshness to cooking at home!

It was a joyful day spent outdoors with friends, and we're so excited to watch our plants grow, care for them, and eventually enjoy some yummy garden-fresh snacks.



Miss Poidy

CPS Library
0-5 Years
Thursdays, 9am - 11am
ALL WELCOME

CPS PLAYGROUP 2025

from birth - 5 years*



FREE



**ALL WELCOME
JOIN US AT
CPS!**

**Thursdays
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- ✓ 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 our final library session of the term, we'd like to say a big thank you to Mrs. Hicks for introducing our students to the hilarious world of Andy Griffiths, his wild imagination and crazy characters made library time a real highlight this term.

As the holidays begin, we hope everyone takes some time to relax with a good book. Reading is the perfect way to unwind, laugh, and escape into new adventures — no matter your age.

Have a wonderful break, and we can't wait to hear all about the books you've enjoyed when we return.

Happy reading!



Why did the book go to the doctor?
It lost its spine!



LIBRARY Fun
Read a story online

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BOOK REVIEWS

Name: Lilly Darmody Date: 14.8.25

BOOK REVIEW

Title: Monster chef
Author: Nick Bland

Star rating: ★ ★ ★ ★ ★

My reason for this rating:
This book is really funny and enjoyable because not only brings smiles to faces, but it teaches a lesson you just have to find your own way to do things sometimes.

My favourite scene:


Name: Elsie Bird Date: 20.7.25

BOOK REVIEW

Title: PARTY PETS
Author: Adam Wallace

Star rating: ★ ★ ★ ★ ★

My reason for this rating:
It is funny

My favourite scene:


Name: milly Date: 24.6.25

BOOK REVIEW

Title: Baby wombat's week
Author: Jackie French

Star rating: ★ ★ ★ ★ ★

My reason for this rating:
I like it just not my type of book, and it needs more words in it.

My favourite scene:




FROM THE APCI



Mrs Hicks

NSW Check-in Assessments

This term, our students in Years 3–6 have participated in the NSW Department of Education's Check-in Assessments for reading and numeracy. These online assessments provide valuable information for both teachers and schools, helping us to monitor student learning and track growth across key areas of literacy and numeracy.

The Check-in Assessments are not high-stakes tests, but rather a tool that allows teachers to gain timely insights into each student's strengths and areas for further development. The results are used alongside classroom assessments and teacher observations to help us plan targeted teaching and support for all learners.

At Carcoar Public School, we value the opportunity these assessments provide to reflect on student progress and celebrate growth in learning. Families will also receive feedback later in the year, so you can see how your child is developing in these important foundation skills.

We are proud of the effort and focus our students showed during these assessments, and we look forward to building on the results to continue strengthening literacy and numeracy across our school.

FROM THE P&C

We are looking forward to the Carcoar Show on the 25th October, where the P&C will be running a stall just outside the pavilion. There will be fresh sandwiches, homemade slices, tea, coffee and cool drinks available to purchase. Please pop by to say hello and support our school fundraiser. If you would like to volunteer an hour of your time on show day to help on the stall, we would love to hear from you! Please see Sarah Steele or email carcoarpnc@gmail.com

On the eve of the Carcoar Cup running event, the P&C are proud to be hosting Pasta Night! This will be held on the night of Saturday 1st November in the Carcoar School of Arts Hall. More information will follow in Term 4. We are seeking as many extra hands to help with serving, cooking and cleaning up. If you are unable to help out on the night, maybe you have a business that would be able to kindly donate some supplies for the event? Please reach out to Bec Fenwick or email carcoarpnc@gmail.com if you wish to help out in any way.

We appreciate your support of our school and P&C.
Thank you.

Carcoar P & C Team

Upcoming events:

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.



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Kindergarten - Year 6



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



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