



# The View

Your Fortnightly Carool School Newsletter

Term 4, Week 6

22 November 2018

## From the Principal's desk

### What a week!

What an incredible week we had last week at Carool Public School. On Monday we had our video conference with James Morrison (see next page), Tuesday we had a very successful sharing assembly where we presented our school choir for the first time to a very impressed audience. Then on Wednesday, we had a special visitor, Steve Fowler from the Northern Rivers Amateur Bee Association (see next page), visit and share his knowledge on bees. Last week was one of those special weeks that only a small school can bring. Flexible timetables that can easily incorporate the wider community into our quality learning experiences making our learning real and authentic. I would like to commend every single Carool student who openly immersed themselves in all three experiences and represented our school with exemplary behaviour and conduct. Congratulations Carool!

### Community Engagement and Feedback Survey

The end of the school year is a great time for a school to once again check in with the community and seek feedback on how they feel the school is operating. Areas that are of interest include opinions and thoughts on teaching quality, student engagement and connectedness with the school and the staff. I am asking the families of Carool to please complete a survey that will provide valuable information for the staff which we can then use to improve the learning environment and teaching practices of the school. The survey is short and easy to fill out. You can do it online by using the following link or you can complete it via the paper version attached to this newsletter. I do encourage everybody to have a say as everybody's opinions are important and count.

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSd0VGh\\_lxQ8ih1mJuK8tbTSCacys6USy7hYZ49aL4H6tP9gcA/viewform?usp=sf\\_link](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSd0VGh_lxQ8ih1mJuK8tbTSCacys6USy7hYZ49aL4H6tP9gcA/viewform?usp=sf_link)

### Staff Development Days Term 4

Students finish the school year in 2018 on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> December. The following two days Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> and Friday 21<sup>st</sup> are Staff Development Days. However, the teaching staff at Carool Public School have worked hard throughout the year participating in multiple professional learning experiences outside of school hours. The professional learning experiences included learning about Maths differentiation, Spelling programs, Moderating Writing, various Stage Team meetings and mandatory training such as CPR and Anaphylaxis. What this means for the families and students of Carool is that there will be no teaching staff at school on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> or Friday 21<sup>st</sup> of December. School will be non-operational on these days.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### NOVEMBER

#### Friday 23

- Swimming lessons

#### Wednesday 28

- Kindergarten orientation - 9 to 11:30 am

#### Friday 30

- Final swimming lessons

### DECEMBER

#### Tuesday 4

- Tweed River High School Year 7 2019 orientation day

#### Tuesday 11

- Presentation evening commencing at 5:30 pm

#### Wednesday 19

- Last day of Term 4 for students

## PRESENTATION NIGHT

2018

Tuesday 11 December

commencing at 5:30 pm

followed by light supper -

please bring a plate of food to share.

All family and community members are welcome to join us to celebrate our achievements for 2018 and induct our 2019 school leaders.

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## International Jazz Day - Video Conference with James Morrison

As mentioned in my opening paragraph, our participation in International Jazz Day last week was a huge success. James Morrison facilitated a video conference with many public primary and high schools across NSW including Carool! We were fortunate enough to have also been asked to submit a students melody composition for James to listen to, critique and offer advice. Emily in Year 2 sent her song about Bullying to James. He spent about 5 minutes during the video conference talking to Emily and giving her advice on her song. It was truly an incredible experience. Since this event I have become aware that we now have another 3 students also writing their own songs outside of school. I am so impressed. Go Carool! If you would like to see Emily and the Carool students in action, please take a look at this video link.

<https://vimeo.com/300398301>

## Bee Expert

On Wednesday, we had a special visitor Steve Fowler from the Northern Rivers Amateur Bee Association drive all the way from Lismore to visit our school and talk bees. Steve was amazed at how interested the students were and how many intelligent questions they asked. We learnt the information we needed to progress further in our bee unit. We also got to extract fresh honey from some hive frames Steve brought from his own hives. It was an incredibly interesting process. I hope all Carool families are enjoying the honey that the students were able to bottle and take home.

## Peach and Pineapple Crumble and Playground Bench seat

Lately we have been collecting lots of peaches from our school peach tree. About 30 peaches were soft and ripe on Monday after the weekend. Rather than let the peaches over ripen and spoil, the K-3 students decided to make a peach and pineapple crumble. Thank you to Miss Wilson who brought a pineapple to school on Monday! The crumble was a huge success and all students enjoyed a nice dessert after their lunch on Tuesday. Even Mr Shawn enjoyed some peach crumble with a cup of tea at lunchtime after he had finished building our new bench seat garden in the playground. Mr Shawn said it was so delicious that he would do the dishes! There were no complaints from the students.



## 2019 Planned School Budget Allocation

Carool Public School has received the planned budget allocation for school funds for next year. All schools have a school plan which shows their school community how they propose to support students. The annual school report (ASR) also provides information on how school funds were used to improve student learning at the end of that year. Principals consult with staff, parents and carers to determine the best way to support learning needs of students in their school. If you wish to discuss the budget allocations for 2019 and offer any suggestions on how student outcomes can be improved please make an appointment through the office to meet with the principal.

## HELP for presentation night

The student's and I have big plans for our presentation night finale song. We would really like to include some keyboard and simple drums. I am after 2 keyboards that work well and can be amplified and I would like a kick bass and snare drum. If anybody just happens to have these instruments lying around the home and wouldn't mind if we borrowed them for the next few weeks that would be amazing! Please come and chat to Belinda if you can help out.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Presentation Night - Tuesday 11th December

After several discussions including community members, Mrs McMahon and myself, we have decided to change the time for the presentation assembly back to the evening so we can have more parents and family members attend the event.

**The assembly will commence at 5:30pm.**

The evening will run as follows:

2:45 pm	- students go home as usual - students have a restful afternoon and something big and healthy to eat (an early dinner or a late afternoon tea to tie them over)
5:15 pm	- students return to school in full school uniform (maroon shirt), white socks, black shoes, hair neat and tidy
5:30 pm	- Assembly and presentation commences
6:45 pm (approx )	- assembly finishes - light supper
7:15 pm	- home.

Please fill out the tear off slip at the end of the newsletter to indicate if you will be attending the presentation assembly, how many people will be attending (not including Carool students) and what plate of food you will be able to bring on the night to share for supper.

## FUNDRAISING

### Piggabeen Markets

On Sunday we had another fundraising event at Piggabeen Markets. Unfortunately, the weather was not the best for a market stall however thanks to the efforts of the Carool community, we raised \$375 dollars towards our playground equipment goal. A big effort from a small rainy market day!

Thank you to the following families and community members who contributed their time and/or items to sell:

Tania (Sonny's family), Vanessa (Hayley's family), Fiona, best relish and chilli sauce maker (Elena's family), Anna, Denis and Liam (the whole Jess family who were at the market all day and helped with pack down and returning everything back to school the next day - a huge family effort!) and a parent of two Year 1 students. If we have missed anyone we thank you too. Everyone's efforts are truly appreciated.

A special thank you to Mrs Flaherty who worked tirelessly behind the scenes beforehand and then on the scene on market day to make sure this market event went ahead. Deb, we really appreciate all the extra work you do for the students and families of the Carool community.



## Tupperware

We have had our local Tupperware consultant Debbie (not Mrs Flaherty) offer to help with our current fundraising efforts. If we can get a group of interested community members to attend a Tupperware event, Debbie has offered some nice incentives and financial rewards which we can contribute to our playground fundraising efforts.

If this is something you would be interested in and you would like to attend and or host this event, please fill out the expression of interest slip at the end of the newsletter and return to school ASAP. Please feel free to invite friends and community members that may also be interested. It would be great to get this event occurring in the next two weeks so we can use some of the rewards as raffles on presentation night.

## Bottle Recycling

A big thank you to Vanessa, Paul and Benji (Hayley's family), who have been delivering our collected bottles to the recycling centres and earning money for a school. It's a huge help and we really appreciate it.

## UPDATE ON LEARNING K-6

The last fortnight we have been deeply immersed in our bee unit. Both classes have finished detailed information reports on various bee topics. We have learnt so much about bees here in Australia and around the world and we are beginning to really understand the problem for humans with the drastic loss of bee numbers. We are really looking forward to sharing our learning with the school and greater Carool Community later in the term on presentation night.

In Maths this last week, all students have been learning about the content area of position. The older students in Stage 3 have been finding locations on maps and making reference to towns and landmarks using positional language. Students in Stage 2 have been learning to calculate the distance between two points on a map using a simple scale. The younger students in K-2 have been using correct positional language such as 'between', 'next to', 'behind', 'inside', 'left', and 'right' etc. to describe the locations of objects. You can imagine the treasure maps we have created!

## Tyalgum Ridge Camp

The 4-6 students have returned from a fantastic 3 days on camp. Mr Hartmann reports that he is very proud of the Carool students. Elena, Sonny, Tyler, Emma, Eliza, Damon and Katelyn enthusiastically participated in all the challenges they were faced with. Many challenges were physically demanding and mentally challenging. I have also been told that our students made some new friends with students of Duranbah. Congratulations Year 4, 5 and 6 on representing our great school with pride and integrity.

The biggest thank you is to Mr Hartmann who attended the camp with our students. Sam, the staff, families and students appreciate that you gave up your time to go to camp to guide and support Carool students as they learn important life skills that can only be learnt in a camp environment. We hope that 1.00 am wake up didn't take too much of a toll and that you got a good night sleep last night.



## Tropical Fruit World

K-3 had a magical time at Tropical Fruit World yesterday. We spent the day riding tractors and a ferry. We sampled many different types of fruit including star fruit, jack fruit, mango, white raspberries and macadamia nuts, which we cracked ourselves! We fed the animals on the farm which included sheep, lambs, calves, horses, emus, chickens, ducks, turtles and eels! Again, the students of Carool participated enthusiastically and represented our school beautifully.



## Book Club

Issue 8 Book Club catalogue went home today. Please ensure orders and payment are returned to the office by Friday 23 November. Parents can also order online via LOOP. Visit [scholastic.com.au/LOOP](http://scholastic.com.au/LOOP).



### Presentation Evening Tuesday 11 December 2018

**Please complete this slip and return to the office by Monday 3 December**

Students name: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of people attending presentation evening (not including Carool student): \_\_\_\_\_

The plate of food I will bring to share for supper is: \_\_\_\_\_

Print name: \_\_\_\_\_ Sign: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_



### Playground Fundraising Tupperware party

#### Expression of Interest

**Please complete this slip and return to the office by Wednesday 28 November**

Parent name: \_\_\_\_\_

*Please tick*

- ☐ I am able to host a Tupperware party for Carool parents, friends and staff
- ☐ I am interested in attending a Tupperware party

Information on when and where will be communicated to parents as soon as we gauge interest/support for this event.



# CHILDREN'S BOOK LAUNCH

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PRIZES



Come along and celebrate the launch of local author/illustrator Lisa Tiffen's latest book:

## "SORROWS"

The third book in a series of quirky picture books that portray the emotional world of children.

**FREE EVENT**

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## Orientation Day

### Tweed River High School

WHEN: **Tuesday 4th December 2018**

WHERE: Tweed River High School  
(Sport & Entertainment Centre)

TIME: 8.35am - 2.00 pm

WHO: Year 6 students- all day

Parents: 8.35 - 10.00am

Please feel free to contact TRHS for further information

Mr Luke Buchanan  
2019 Year 7 Year Adviser

Ms Bronwyn Mackney  
HT Welfare



The Child Oral Health Service would like to remind parents and carers that teeth are important for normal development, function and health. They help children eat, speak and smile.

- Poor oral health can have adverse effects on growth, self esteem, nutrition and social behavior.
- Adult molars erupt behind the baby molars at about 6 years of age. Children need help to clean their teeth effectively
- Help your child to brush their teeth until age 8-10. Use a small amount of fluoride toothpaste, encourage children to spit out not rinse.