

Together we grow



Carool

PUBLIC SCHOOL

Term 4 Week 4

7 November 2019

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

STOP THE PRESS!

It's very exciting! The massive efforts of our hardworking families, community members, students and teachers has finally paid off. We have raised enough money for our new playground fixed equipment, which is set to be installed on Monday 25th November. Wow!

We are working closely with the Department's asset management team and negotiating how we want the surrounding area to be landscaped ensuring our students have a fun, safe area to play. At this stage the process is the playground will be installed first and the landscaping will be done in the following weeks after that. Fingers crossed we will have some time at the end of the year, before our holidays, to use and enjoy it!

STAFFING for 2020

I would like to inform you all that Mrs McMahon will return to her position of Teaching Principal at Carool in 2020. I spoke to Mrs McMahon at length yesterday. She is thrilled to come back to her beautiful small school up on the hill. Mrs McMahon is really looking forward to getting back in the classroom and working with the students, continuing to make Carool the special place it is. Mrs McMahon has some great and exciting plans for 2020.

KINDER ORIENTATION

We begin our Kinder orientation program next Wednesday 13th November at 9am with follow up sessions on the 20th and the 27th. We can't wait to spend some time with our new Kinder enrolments. If you know anybody looking to enrol their child into Kinder in 2020, invite them to come along and experience the kind and nurturing school we have here at Carool.

SURFING AND SWIMMING

Our surfing and swimming program start tomorrow. Make sure all notes and money have been sent to the office and that your children **come to school with all the things they will need to participate including swimwear, goggles for K-2, towels, sunscreen for 3-6 and dry underwear.** It's going to be a great session of water sport this term!

SHARING ASSEMBLY

Next Tuesday 12th November we will have our final sharing assembly for the year. The assembly will begin at 1:45 and conclude at the end of the school day. Please bring a plate of food to share with our community.

UPCOMING EVENTS

NOVEMBER

Friday 8

- K-2 Swim Safe & 3-6 Surfing programs commence. Surfing notes to go home as soon as we have all the details of the program.

Tuesday 12

- Sharing Assembly commencing at 1:40pm

Wednesday 13

- Kindergarten 2020 Orientation starts 9-11:40am

Friday 15

- Swimming and Surfing continues

REPORTS AND INTERVIEWS

Student reports will be sent home on Friday 13th December. If you would like to have a formal parent teacher interview after the reports, Mr Russell and I will be available the following Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. We will send home interview times closer to the event. However, if you would like to talk to the teachers before this time, please pop into the school and make an appointment time to discuss your child's progress at school.

A SPECIAL VISITOR

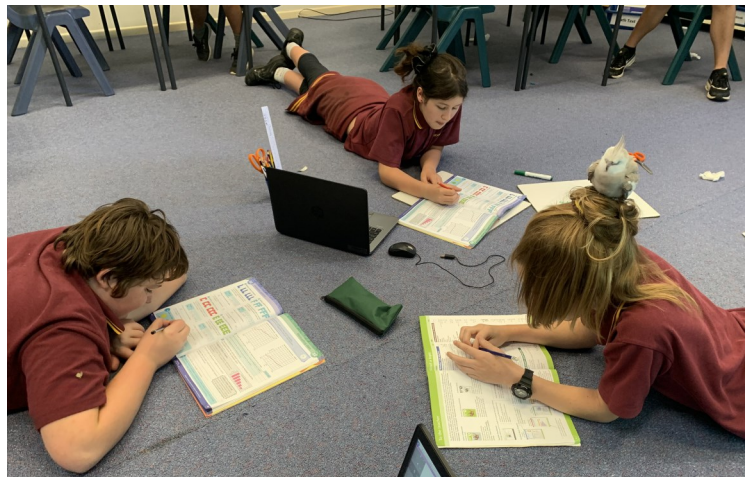
We had something really special happen at school this week. On Tuesday morning after fitness as the students were just sitting down to some fruit and vegetables to snack on, a beautiful cockatiel flew under the COLA and landed on the reading boxes. It was obvious to us all that this bird was tame. We watched the bird for about 5 mins wondering out loud where it had come from, why was it here, what was the purple ring we could see around it's leg? The bird decided to use a few of the student's heads as a place to rest so we quickly knew just how friendly he (we think it is a boy) was. We offered our new friend some apple, which he happily nibbled on. He was hungry. The bird had the whole school, students and staff mesmerised. We decided as a school, that we would pop it in a box and attempt to find the owner.



The 3-6 students went straight into action and made a plan on how we could try and help this lost bird. We decided to make 'Found' posters for the bottom shop, we would post on local Facebook sites, we would talk to our neighbours at school and we would call Currumbin Wildlife hospital and local vets for advice. We also had Mr Shawn write a message on our school sign at the bottom of the school.



After quickly researching effective posters and detailed description writing, our plans were in place. I was overwhelmed by the compassion and sensitivity towards this bird. Every student had genuine empathy for the bird and the 'lost' owner. Watching our students dedicate themselves to helping this bird get home was incredibly heart-warming and reassured me as an adult in this world, that our future is safe in the hands of these caring, proactive individuals doing the right thing.



Unfortunately, by the end of the day we had not found our owner. Hayley quickly volunteered to look after the bird. The other students agreed seeing that Hayley's family are the closest to the school and her family already have a bird. After okaying it with Vanessa and Paul, the bird set off to Hayley's house while we continued our search.

On Wednesday Mrs Flaherty contacted Greenway Dr Vets to see if they knew of any way to track down the bird's owner. They said that they did have someone who had lost a cockatiel and she emailed them a photo and the ID number on the band on it's leg. We are waiting to hear back from the vet clinic to see if this person is the owner. Stay tuned to see how this story ends.

Mrs Eadsforth

Relieving Principal

K-2 LEARNING

K-2 have continued to work hard on their writing. The information reports are coming along nicely and the students have shown great persistence and pride with this challenging task. Looking back over the years writing, it's quite remarkable how much growth the students have made. Well done kids!

We have also nearly filled our kindness jar in our classroom. The kindness jar sits on Mr Russell's desk and if a student or teacher notices somebody doing an act of kindness, a kindness pebble is added to the jar. We can't wait for our whole class celebration when the jar is full!

3-6 LEARNING

This term the 3-6 class are focussing on different types of technology we can use to enhance our problem solving and our design and make skills.

As you know, we started the term with a 3D printer borrowed from the Department's STEM Share Library. Collectively we did not have a lot of 3D printing knowledge in the room. I had no experience to offer. Katelyn and Damon had used a 3D printer before so they were able to offer some help and insights. Phew! However, it has been a journey of discovery and constant problem solving.

I am please to tell you we successfully printed our first object. A 3D cat ring (we have A LOT of cat fans in the 3-6 classroom!).

Students are now designing their own objects to print. Some of these objects might just be something that could change the world!
Mrs Eadsforth



PRESENTATION DAY 2019

Our Presentation Day will be held on Tuesday 10th of December. Please mark this date in your diary. Families are asked to arrive at 5:15pm ready for a 5:30pm start. This will be followed by a light supper and you are asked to bring a plate of food to share.

AWARD WINNERS

Congratulations to our Term 4 Week 4 Merit Award winners Emma and Alice, and to Nik who received a playground award.



FROM THE COMMUNITY

Cancer Council
Healthy Lunch Box

Nutrition Snippet

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A healthy lunch box contains something from each of the 5 food groups plus water.

Our chicken and veg fried rice recipe ticks off 3 of the 5 food groups. Pack it with yoghurt, some fruit and a bottle of water for a complete lunch.

For more examples and to build your own visit healthylunchbox.com.au

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Orientation Day Tweed River High School

WHEN: Tuesday 3 December 2019

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

TIME: 8:35am - 2:00pm

WHO: Year 6 student - all day
Parents: 8:35 - 10:00am

Please feel free to contact TRHS for further information

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