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Carool

PUBLIC SCHOOL

Term 1 Week 6

11 March 2022

From the Principal's desk

Premier's Reading Challenge

The 2022 Premier's Reading Challenge started last week. All students are encouraged to take part in the challenge. The Challenge will run until 19 August.

The Challenge aims to encourage a love of reading for leisure and pleasure in students, and to enable them to experience quality literature. It is not a competition but a challenge to each student to read, to read more and to read more widely.

Students keep an online reading record listing the books they have read. Kindergarten to Year 2 students must read 30 books from any of the PRC booklists. Students in Years 3-6 must read 20 books selected from their Stage level or higher. Titles on the Challenge list cover a wide variety of fiction and non-fiction titles.

K-2 students can read books on their own, read them with someone else, or someone can read to them. Years 3-6 students must read books on their own, but are encouraged to read to someone for part of the reading.

Each week the students will be shown a range of PRC books from each Stage level that are part of our library collection. Students may choose to borrow from these titles or use the online lists to source other titles.

There are hundreds of titles to choose from – search for NSW Premier's Reading Challenge 2022 booklist for the full list of titles.

Home Reading

Congratulations to the students who have achieved the first Home Reading milestone.

* 25 nights - Ziggy



Education

UPCOMING EVENTS

MARCH

Thursday 17 & 24

- Swimming lessons

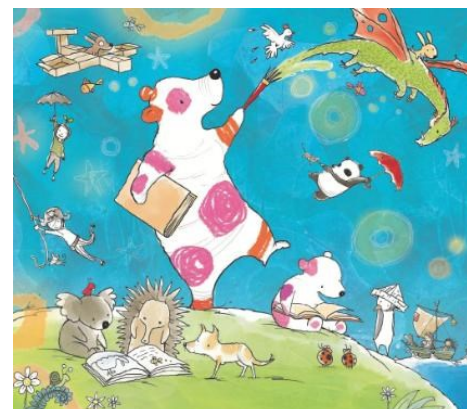
APRIL

Wednesday 6

- Life Education Van visit

Friday 8

- Last day for Term 1
- Small Schools Cross Country Carnival @ Stokers Siding PS



NSW Department of Education

2022 NSW Premier's Reading Challenge

Start reading now!

Artwork by Stephen Michalek

www.premiersreadingchallenge.nsw.edu.au

Key dates for students in K-10:
Challenge opens Monday 28 February
Challenge closes for student entries Friday 19 August



Bus travel to school

Students travelling to school by bus are required to abide by a code of conduct. The code has been designed to keep all students safe as they travel to and from school. A section of the copy of the code has been attached to this newsletter.

NAPLAN & Check-in Assessments

This year, the school will again be participating in mandatory online assessments during Terms 1 and 2. These assessments give our students the opportunity to show us their literacy and numeracy skills and we use this information to help us plan for future learning.

Years 4 and 6 will complete the Literacy and Numeracy Check-in Assessments in the next couple of weeks. Year 5 will do a practice NAPLAN assessment in the week beginning March 28th, before completing the NAPLAN assessments between May 10th and May 20th.

We don't want these assessments to be stressful for students – they are a 'snapshot' on one day and we are here to offer support or guidance should parents or students need it.

Cross Country

The students have started their training for the Cross Country with running loops of the playground during fitness time. The Cross Country will be held on Friday 8 April at Stokers Siding Public School.

Assembly – Amazing person

Simon Bolivar – collaboration

Simón Bolívar was known as The Great Liberator. He led an army of mostly peasants to defeat the Spanish and win independence for Venezuela. Being able to collaborate means we can work together with others to achieve a common goal.

Stewart House Donations

Remember to return your Stewart House donation drive envelope with \$2 enclosed to go into the draw for a chance to win a \$4000 gift voucher. All envelopes need to be returned before the end of Term1.

Mrs Francis
Principal



ANZAC DAY 2022 - REMINDER

ANZAC Day is on Monday 25 April which is the second last day of the Term 1 school holidays (students return on Wednesday 27 April). Schools are invited to march and attend the main ceremony held in Chris Cunningham Park Tweed Heads.

Please indicate on the slip below if your child will participate in the march and return to the office by 18 March. More information will be sent home closer to the date.

ANZAC Day 2022 march and ceremony

My child/ren _____ will participate in the ANZAC march and attend the ceremony on Monday 25 April.

Parent sign: _____ Date: _____

The P&C Annual General Meeting was held on 24 February and all P&C positions were filled with the exception of 2nd Treasurer.

Welcome to our new committee:

- Clare Schoeller - President
- Di Clarke - Vice President
- Katie Goldenberg - Secretary
- Jade Baker -Treasurer

The AGM was followed by the first P&C meeting of the year. Topics discussed were new sports uniform options, Centenary event updates (which will take place in August this year), and fundraising options for 2022. Please note, the planned Easter raffle has been postponed due to recent flood events and recovery needs of the community, and will take place later in the year to support the Centenary event.

The next P&C meeting will be held on the 2nd Wednesday of each term going forwards. So pencil in Wednesday 4 May, 27 July and 19 October on your calendars. All parents/caregivers are welcome to attend meetings.

Centenary Planning Update

Planning for our Centenary event is well underway. Thank you to those community members who have helped with the sorting of archives and who are collating information for a commemorative Centenary booklet.

The next Centenary meeting will be held on Wednesday 16 March (next Wednesday) at the school commencing at 3:00 pm. All welcome.

The agenda will be as follows:

Acknowledgement of Country

1. P&C membership
2. Community engagement - Radio 97, Tweed Valley Weekly, Gmail, Facebook, flyers
3. Fundraising / raffle
4. Pens / mugs
5. Sausage sizzle
6. Banner
7. Booklet update / printing
8. Cool-room hire
9. Sponsors



Carool Centenary
PUBLIC SCHOOL

The Carool Public School community invites you to celebrate
100 years of public education at Carool.

7TH AUGUST 2022
10 - 2PM @ CAROOL PS
WITH FORMAL PROCEEDINGS AT I1AM.

Remembering the past, showcasing our present and looking forward to the future of our small rural school.

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SWIMMING LESSONS



The following Code of Conduct sets out acceptable standards of behaviour for students travelling on school buses and regular route buses.

Students are expected to follow these rules for the safety and comfort of all passengers, including themselves. If the rules are not followed, it may lead to the withdrawal of travel passes for subsidised travel, banning students from travelling on buses, and even police prosecution and court action.

CODE OF CONDUCT FOR SCHOOL STUDENTS ON BUSES

It is every student's responsibility to behave in a manner that ensures the safety and comfort of Passengers and drivers. This includes:

Behaviour on buses:

- Use appropriate language not offensive or racist language
- Fighting, spitting, feet on seats, throwing things in or from the bus is not permitted
- No eating or drinking (other than water) – unless for medical reasons or the bus operator gives written permission
- Offer seats to adults including people with a disability, elderly or expectant mothers
- Do not touch, push or shove other people
- Do not bully or harass other passengers or the driver. This includes photographing, making lewd or suggestive comments, acting in a manner or participating in activities that may be deemed inappropriate or of a sexual nature.
- Avoid attracting the attention of the driver except in the case of emergency
- Do not play music at such volume that it may distract the bus driver or other passengers.

Safety on and near buses:

- Obey reasonable directions from the driver (e.g. where to sit or to remain in the bus)
- Remain in your seat – do not move around the bus unnecessarily
- If standing, remain behind the front passenger seat and keep a secure hand hold at all times
- Keep bags and other items clear of the aisle
- Do not allow any part of your body to protrude out of the bus at any time
- Wait for the bus in a quiet and orderly manner – including at bus interchanges. Stand away from the roadside until the bus comes to a complete stop
- Allow other passengers to leave the bus before stepping onto the bus in a single line
- Wait until the bus stops before moving to get off the bus at your designated stop
- Wait until the bus leaves the stop and you have clear vision before crossing the road
- Cross the road where and when it's safe to do so, use crossings/traffic lights where available.

Legal considerations on buses:

- Wear the seat belt properly adjusted and fastened, if one is available
- Obey the law that bans smoking on buses'
- Ensure that buses are not vandalised – report any damage, e.g. graffiti and window etching, to the driver
- Do not interfere with bus property, equipment and signage

Roles and responsibilities

Students

Students will:

- Behave courteously and respectfully in accordance with the Code of Conduct
- Follow reasonable instructions from the driver (e.g. to wear a seat belt properly adjusted and fastened, where one is available; where to sit or to remain in the bus when the driver is awaiting assistance from the NSW Police)
- Report any unsafe or inappropriate behaviour to the driver/their school.

Students may have the following expectations of the bus driver and operator:

- Safe travel
- Be treated with courtesy and respect
- Travel free from verbal and physical abuse or any form of bullying, intimidation and harassment.

When in possession of a school bus travel pass, students must:

- Show it to the Driver, Authorised Revenue Protection Officers, NSW Police Officers or bus company representatives when requested
- Dip or swipe their pass in the appropriate ticket machine if available
- Always tap on and tap off if they have been issued with a School Opal card
- Travel only on the designated school bus route or, if travelling with a School Opal card, only on approved bus operators and at approved times of day
- Keep their pass for their own use – not lend to, or borrow passes from other students

Student's parents/guardians should call 131 500 or email concessions@transport.nsw.gov.au quoting the student's name, address and school if the console shows the School Opal card is not valid.

Consequences for breach of the Code of Conduct:

- Depending on the degree of misbehaviour, students may have their pass suspended or may be refused travel on the bus for a period of time determined by the bus operator in accordance with these Guidelines
- Heavier penalties may apply to students involved in criminal, dangerous or group misbehaviour
- School Principals have the right to take additional disciplinary action against a student under the school's policies related to student behaviour for any breach of the Code of Conduct
- NSW Police may take action against students in the case of suspected criminal behaviour.

Right to seek review of penalties:

If a student has reason to believe that a bus driver has treated him or her unfairly, they can raise the issue with their parents or guardians. Parents/guardians can then contact the bus operator or TfNSW for a review of the penalty. See page 23 of these guidelines for details in relation to the process.

For the full Student Code of Conduct document visit: <https://transportnsw.info/student-code-conduct>