## Together we grow



# Caroo

Term 2 Week 2

5 May 2023

#### 2023 Premier's Reading Challenge

There is still plenty of time to participate in the Premier's Reading Challenge.

Please remember to bring a library bag next Monday if you are wanting to borrow from the school library. Mrs Francis and Miss Juliet will be able to help students select a title from the vast PRC range of titles.



**Reading Challenge** Start reading now!

2023 NSW Premier's

#### **Cross Country**

Congratulations to the students on their efforts in the Small Schools Cross Country event last week. Congratulations to Ben who will be competing in the district carnival at Bilambil next Friday.



#### **School photos**

School photo day will be Thursday 18 May. Students are to wear their sports shirt, black shorts, white socks and black shoes. Please contact the school if you have any questions.



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#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

#### MAY

#### Friday 12 May

District Cross Country Carnival

#### Thursday 18

School photos

#### Wednesday 24

National Simultaneous Storytime

### The School Photographer will visit our school on

18 May 2023

On Photo Day, uniform expectations are

school sports shirt, black shorts, black shoes and white socks. Hair neatly combed and bring your best smile!

Photo Orders can be made online, or by cash in your Photo Envelope.

The School **Photographer** 

#### **School Uniform**

As part of developing life skills, we focus on a specific area each week to look at how we can demonstrate our school expectations of "Be responsible, Be Respectful, Be Honest". Often, many of the ways we can demonstrate these expectations is in the little things we do. One of the ways in which students can demonstrate our expectations every day is by wearing our school uniform. Students also need to wear their school hat throughout the year. It is great if hats can be washed at different times during each term and then put back in the school bag. There may be times when a student is out of uniform – it would be appreciated if families could let the school know by SZapp message or email.

If you have any questions regarding school uniform requirements, please contact the school.

#### P&C meeting

Carool Public School P&C meeting will take place on Wednesday 17 May, all welcome. In order for the meeting to be able to go ahead, we need a quorum of five people to attend. The committee position of president remains vacant and we need someone to take on this role. The role in not difficult and involves the chairing of meetings and being a signatory on the P&C account. Meetings are held once a term. Please consider volunteering for this role.

#### **Mother's Day**

Wishing our mums and grandmothers a very happy Mother's Day for Sunday 14 May.





#### **Home Reading**

It was wonderful to see how many students had been reading regularly over the school holidays.

I cannot stress highly enough the importance of regular reading at home and the benefits that has for learning.

Remember – every student who reads 200 nights or more before Term 4 Week 9 will receive an additional award at our Presentation Assembly. With regular reading, this challenge is very achievable. There are more than 200 nights (including weekends and holidays) to go before Presentation.

Congratulations on achieving the Home Reading milestone:-

50 nights Ben



#### **Staff Development Day - Aboriginal Education**

On Monday 24 April, our staff spent the day at Fingal Head Public School and participated in a day of cultural awareness and understanding under the care and expertise of Uncle Frank. It was a special day where we were able to connect with our local Indigenous history and culture. We also spent the day connecting with our colleagues from 11 other small schools. These days are highly valuable to our team. The day gave staff some insight to ensure our school is welcoming and respectful to all First Nations people who teach, learn and visit our school.

#### **External Validation**

Our school is currently undertaking the External Validation (EV) process. Each year approximately one quarter of NSW public schools undertake EV. The EV process is designed for schools to submit a body of evidence which is measured against the School Excellence Framework. We will use this process to reflect on the systems, processes and teaching and learning practices at Carool to help form our next Strategic Improvement Plan and future goals. It's a big process and our staff are working collaboratively to put our evidence sets together. Our submission was uploaded yesterday and our panel interview is set for Thursday 18 May. We look forward to sharing our results with you when the process is finalised.

#### **Every Day Counts**

We all want our students to get a great education. The building blocks for a great education begin with students coming to school each and every day, and on time! Missing school can have a major impact on a child's future – a student missing one day per fortnight will miss four full weeks by the end of the year. By Year 10 they'll have missed more than a year of school. Students who are away for more than three consecutive days require a medical certificate. Please ensure you advise the school if your child is absent, this is a legal requirement.



#### Joke and Quote

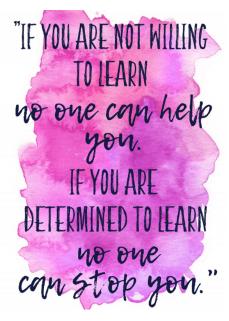
Each day in the classroom starts with the "Joke and Quote of the Day". This is a light-hearted way to start the day as well as an opportunity to promote a growth mindset or present an encouraging thought to the students.

Today's quote was ... "If you are not willing to learn, no one can help you. If you are determined to learn, no one can stop you."



Today's joke was.... What bone will a dog never eat?

A trombone!



#### Art

This term the students will be learning about some famous artists and the techniques they have used.

This week, students tried 'drawing with scissors' using colours as shown on the work of Henri Matisse.

