

FORTNIGHTLY NEWSLETTER

Carranballac P-9 College

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College Director

Brendan O'Brien

School Council President

Penny Heron

Dates to Remember:

Tues 15 to Thurs 24 March

Year 2 Boardwalk & Jamieson Way Swim Program

Tuesday 15 to Friday 18 March

Year 9 Boardwalk & Jamieson Way Camp

Friday 18 March

Year 7 Immunisations Boardwalk & Jamieson Way

Sunday 20 March

P&F Family Portrait Fundraiser

Thursday 24 March

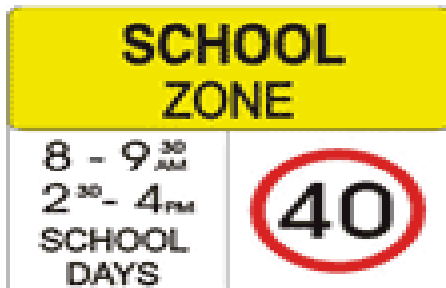
Last Day Term 1 2pm Finish

Monday 11 April

Curriculum Day

Tuesday 12 April

Students resume for Term 2



Every minute counts!



Statement of Purpose

In our unique, innovative and growing community we develop a passion for life long learning so that students achieve individual excellence and are confident, capable, respected citizens of our local and global communities.

Student Absence: Please SMS student absences by 9.00 am to

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D irector's Report

Dear parents and family members of the Carranballac community

I am pleased to be able to announce that I have been provisionally appointed as the new Director of Carranballac P-9 College. The provisional nature of the appointment is for two weeks, from last week and allows time for other applicants to appeal the decision should they believe there was an error in process.

Carranballac is a wonderful educational institution with incredibly dedicated staff and a welcoming community and I have thoroughly enjoyed the last twelve months working with everyone.

I am looking forward to the days, weeks and months ahead as we strengthen our resolve to improve student learning outcomes.

Brendan.

POOL NEWS:

It is important for us to understand **how wonderful our students are at Carranballac**. I have included this email from Amy Hudson to share with you.

Hi Brendan

I'm just writing to inform you of some feedback we received from the Aquapulse Leisure Centre regarding our students.

Today they had their 'fun day', where they got to experience the water park and the inflatable. Of course, this meant mingling with the public. One of the instructors came and informed me of how impressed both the centre staff and members of the public were regarding the behaviour, good manners, and overall respect our students demonstrated. In particular, a family with small children expressed how pleased they were by how careful our students were around the toddlers sharing the play pool space.

The staff member informed me that they normally received complaints regarding school groups from the public, and from staff, but they had nothing but praise about our kids.

Just thought you should know about the positive perception of our students and the great way they represent the college.

Regards

Amy Hudson

Jamieson Way P- 9 School

WALKATHON:

How incredible are our Parents and Friends' team at Carranballac. Every meeting is filled with positive ideas to build a better College and a search to find additional ways to raise funds for much needed facilities items. Last week's walkathon was an excellent example of their hard work on show.

Did you come along to support your children? If you did you would have seen the incredible **HOUSE BANNERS** being used as laneways for the students. Amazing! Thanks must also go to Mr Villani and his student helpers who made the banner frames/stands – craftspersonship at work – well done.

PRE-SERVICE TEACHERS:

Over the coming weeks you will see a number of new faces at the College. We have 20 pre service staff members from Victoria University commencing this Thursday. In term two they will all be present for the first four weeks, then following this placement they will attend every Tuesday and Thursday. Please make them feel welcome as they are an excellent asset to our teaching and learning programs.

Have a wonderful fortnight ahead.

Our next newsletter will be in week one of term two.

Don't forget to keep an eye on our College webpage.

Have a great week.

Brendan O'Brien



Boardwalk School Report

Congratulations to all our Walkathon participants, Guardians and staff for a very successful event on Friday morning. A VERY BIG THANK YOU to the many parents and friends for supporting the activity, especially those on the organising committee. Job well done!

A number of our Year 9 students left school Tuesday morning for their camp at Cave Hill Creek. This program is designed to build confidence, resilience, independence and initiative in an expedition environment. Students will camp, cook and abseil as well as hike in teams.

The Year 2 swimming program is in full swing, so please remember to check all swimming bags for wet items!

We have begun our Cross Age Sharing/Buddies program. It is most rewarding to see the older students react very positively in helping and supporting the younger ones.

This term has been remarkably busy and the end of term is fast approaching – next week, in fact!

Please be aware that we finish the term on Thursday 24 March at 2.00pm.

Have a relaxing Easter and holiday break with your family.

Enjoy the rest of the week!

Kay Kearney



Jamieson Way School Report

What a fantastic effort last Friday for our Parents & Friends' Fun Run. Our community really got behind this fundraising event. Well done to the amazing group of parents who were tireless in their organisation. Our oval was a sea of red, blue, green and gold!

Little legs were walking, big legs were running and laps were being marked by a big group of parents. Our student leaders, from Year 5 right through to Year 9 were sensational in the running of this event across the day. Our banners looked AMAZING!

Well done to our Year 9 students Taylah and Nicolas who worked with Mr Villani to make the stands to ensure our banners were proudly on display.

Our Year 7 students set the bar high for learning and enjoying camp in 2016, especially the horse riding! However reports from our Year 9 teachers tell us that our oldest students are also achieving great feats! Our year 9 campers are out for four days this week in the bush near Beaufort, under canvas, having an incredible adventure. The personal growth and resilience developed through these outdoor education experiences will be strong.

Well done to our Year 2 swimmers who are being very responsible this week as they move through their water safety and swimming program. Thank you to those parents who have labelled EVERYTHING! Our Year 3/4 swimmers demonstrated their developing leadership skills as they had some great comments from their teachers, the pool staff and members of the community when they went swimming.

Enjoy your child this week!

Sandy Naughton



S tudent Awards



Week 7 Winners:

Lara Artajos	Yang Yang Jia	Brady Murnane
Robert Bituin	Vedant Joshi	Kaavya Niranjana
Rawley Bryant	Isac Kawaguchi	Hannah Rogers
Cooper Buttigieg	Jaxon Kirkiri	Aiden Ruskin
Mason Carew	Lara Koprivica	Avni Sachdeva
Bobi Cekanceski	Jesse Lang	Parisa Shah
Oliver Cheung	Ricky Le	Aadi Shetty
Jett Clark	Logan Loncar	Naveah Sienna
Ben Cuppen	Jessica MacKenzie	Dennym Simmons
Jonte Cuppen	Riarn Mackie– Holloway	Jaskirat Singh
Georgie Di Domenico	Tia– Razleigh Mareroa– Tuari	Jonathan Snow
Alexander Gale	Ben McAteer	Harmony Spencer
Chloe Gardiner	Caleb Milloy	Jett Templer– Collins
India Grubelic	Peter Moffitt	Jemima Thompson
Valerie Ioane	Carlyn Muaiava	Daniel Uapo

Japanese Awards:

Minji Kim	Gus Robinson
Soliman Mohamed	Thomas Borg
Samuel Spriggs	Henry Le Nguyen
Erin Cristiano	Rafe Hatton



Congratulations to all of our award winners this fortnight!

C anteen News



The canteen will be closed for lunch orders on Thursday 24 March. We will open the windows for sales at snack and lunch.

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ouse Points



Week 6

Jamieson Way School:

Sea Eagles—212
RAAF—198
Cheetham—182
Golden Wattle—174

Boardwalk School:

Sea Eagles—38
Golden Wattle—37
RAAF—32
Cheetham—30

Week 7

Jamieson Way School:

RAAF—220
Golden Wattle—206
Cheetham—197
Sea Eagles—185

Boardwalk School:

Cheetham—41
Golden Wattle—38
RAAF—34
Sea Eagles—31

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amps, Sports & Excursion Fund (CSEF)

Parents are reminded that if you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for the CSEF. A special consideration category also exists for asylum seeker and refugee families. The allowance is paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund helps to ensure that no student misses out on the opportunity to join their classmates for important, educational and fun activities. It is part of making Victoria the Education State and the Government's commitment to breaking the link between a student's background and their achievements.

The annual CSEF amount per student is:

- \$125 for primary school students
- \$225 for secondary school students

How to Apply

Contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or download from the CSEF website. Applications close 3 June 2016.

As part of our Early Years Literacy and Numeracy program in our College, two **Classroom Helpers** programs will begin shortly. The **Classroom Helpers** program provides parents with understandings about the organisation of the Literacy and Numeracy blocks in the classroom together with insights into the strategies we use to assist children with their learning.

Upon training, Classroom Helpers may assist in the classroom under the direction of the teacher, supporting us by working with small groups of students and being a role model for learning.

It is the practice of this College that Classroom Helpers do not work in their own children's classrooms.

Classroom Helpers is a course of four sessions.

Program 1 with Rose Pell at Jamieson Way has already commenced.

Program 2 with Deb Way at Boardwalk

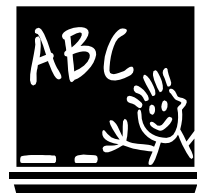
Program 2 has been **postponed** until week 2 of Term 2.

Session 1 Wednesday April 20 9am- 10.30am

Session 2 Wednesday April 27 9am- 10.30am

Session 3 Wednesday May 4 9am –10.30am

Session 4 Wednesday May 11 9am- 10.30am



Parents from Boardwalk and Jamieson Way are welcome in either program.

Sessions cover an outline of how children develop, expectations of Classroom Helpers assisting in the classroom and basic strategies for supporting students with Speaking and Listening, Reading, Writing and Numeracy.

Classroom Helpers may be rostered to help in any Early Years classroom, depending on their availability and timetable constraints. However, your own arrangements will need to be made for toddlers while you help in the classroom.

Once trained, Classroom Helpers will need to undergo a Working With Children Check **which can be organised at no cost for volunteers through Australia Post.** The list of newly trained parents will be presented to our School Council as a pool of parents who are recommended to support in classrooms. Upon completion of the program you will gain a certificate that is recognised in all government schools across Victoria. **Please contact Deb Way or Rose Pell if you have already completed the training at another school or in previous years and wish to be a Classroom Helper at Carranballac College in 2016.**

Please complete the reply slip and return it to school as soon as possible.

Looking forward to working with you!

Deb Way

Early Years Sub School Manager
Boardwalk School

Rosemarie Pell

Early Years Sub School Manager
Jamieson Way School



CLASSROOM HELPERS PROGRAM 2016

Name: _____

Contact Phone Number: _____

Child's Name: _____

Child's class: _____

I am interested in the **Classroom Helpers Program 2 at Boardwalk**

I understand that I need to attend all four training sessions.

OR

I have already completed the Classroom Helpers Program and am interested in helping in a classroom.

Signed: _____

S science & Sustainability Report

Boardwalk Campus Oval Upgrade

Students, staff and College Council are very excited to announce that the long awaited upgrade to the Boardwalk Campus oval and grass areas will begin in the next few weeks. The work including irrigation and earthworks is being done by Total Eden, and other works including a concrete footpath from the Kingsley Ave car park into the artificial turf areas will follow. The work has been made possible by means of state government grants obtained by the College. We thank the State Government for their support.

Clean Up Australia Day

Clean up Australia Day for schools was held by Car-ranballac College on Friday 4 March 2016 between 9.00am and 10.45am. Over 200kgs of rubbish was collected off site and students enjoyed giving a little of their time to a worthwhile community activity. Data on common items from six classes outside the school grounds are shown in the graph opposite. Some student comments follow:

Clean up Australia day was a good opportunity to clean up the wetland to make it a happier place for all the birds and other animals that live there. After the clean up the wetlands were spotless and tidy.

Isabella Dermody 5/6 R

It was a lovely day to pick up rubbish. We all walked around picking up rubbish to make our community a safer and healthier environment for our animals and people.

Lani Pio5/6 R

A special focus was made of collecting and analysing small items within the school ground.

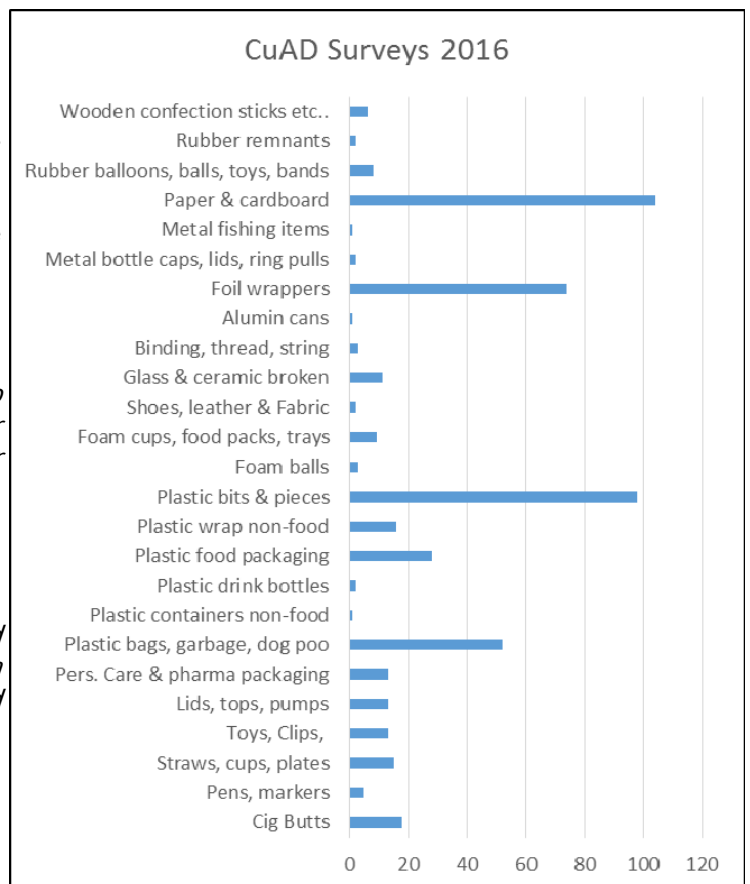


Photo below: Some of Year 2 Ruby's collection of micro-pieces found at Jamieson Way campus.



Earth Hour Day

On Friday 18 March the College will participate in Earth Hour Day. This is the annual day we hold to focus on reducing the usage of electricity in as many ways as possible. The Green Gang will be undertaking a number of audits of classrooms to establish how efficient those rooms are in their use of electrical items in the rooms.

Vacation Care



Vacation Care Forms are available on the College website. Please hand completed forms to the Service Providers at each campus or, alternatively, email forms through to Chriss Barker.

Thank you

Music Report

Minor Sensation performed at the 10th birthday celebrations of the Jamieson Way Community Centre last Sunday.

Congratulations to everyone involved for such a great effort.



Gaye Edmonds
Assistant Principal
Performing Arts

Performing Arts



Our Cert III Music students participated in the Songmakers program last week.

Australia's best songwriters and producers mentor students to create and record new music. For two days, students are immersed in a hothouse collaborative environment and given unparalleled insight into the forces that drive today's contemporary music industry and the creative process. Students worked with producer and conductor Grant Windsor and Kav Temperely from Eskimo Joe.

Gaye Edmonds
Assistant Principal
Performing Arts

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ADIDAS SCHOOL FUN-RUN/WALKATHON

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL THE KIDS WHO TOOK PART IN THE EVENT ON FRIDAY 11 MARCH!

SO MANY LAPS WERE COMPLETED, IT WAS GREAT TO SEE ALL THE
HOUSE COLOURS, YOU ALL DID AN AMAZING JOB!

PLEASE REMEMBER YOUR SPONSORSHIP FORMS AND MONEY
ARE DUE BACK TO THE OFFICE BY MONDAY 18 APRIL TO
QUALIFY FOR YOUR PRIZE.



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Principal Sandy Naughton

