



Carlton Primary School Newsletter

Carlton Primary School is a partner in the Carlton Learning Precinct
Supporting children and their families to succeed in life



Term Four 2023
Newsletter #5

Dates to Remember

Monday Dec 18th

- 2.30 OurPlace expo
- 3.15 End of year BBQ



Tuesday Dec 19th

- Last Day of term
- 1pm assembly
- 1.15pm finish

2024

Wednesday January 31st

First day of term 1 for Grade 1-6 students

Thursday February 1st

First day of term 1 for new prep students

Term dates 2024

Term One

Jan 31st – March 28th

Term Two

April 15th – June 28th

Term Three

July 15th – Sep 20h

Term Four

Oct 7th - Dec 19th

We acknowledge Traditional Owners of Country and recognise their continuing connection to land, waters & community and pay our respects to Elders past, present and emerging.

Supervision

Families are reminded that teachers are on duty before school from 8.45-9.00am and after school from 3.15 until 3.30pm. Children should not be unattended in the school grounds before or after these times.

Farewell Grade 6 students

We were delighted to have Ellen Sandell, the state Greens member for Melbourne, attend our grade 6 graduation ceremony recently. Ellen joined with families and the whole school community to celebrate this important event.



Congratulations to:-

- Vera, Thu, Ikran, Yahya
- Brandon, Sirkinan, Hanad
- Ahmed, Aydin, Abdinasir
- Yusuf, Roda, Mohamed
- James, Ethan, Tyler, Brandon
- Argentina, Maryam, Tes

More than half of these students have been at Carlton PS since starting prep here in 2017! In fact, they were the first ever *Leap into Learning* group in 2016! I know that I will be passing on the best wishes of the whole school community to our grade six students for their future success.

Looking after the School

We know that the school grounds get used by people on weekends and at holiday times when they play on our basketball court and the oval. This is fine, as long as people using our grounds are also leaving them in a clean and tidy state and not littering or damaging property. I would really appreciate it if our community can help us look after the school by keeping an eye on things over the Summer break. If you see anything of concern around the school eg. downstairs doors open, people damaging property or engaging in illegal or anti-social behaviour, please notify the police on "000". Your support with this is very much appreciated!

Camp Australia

Our after school care program will continue in 2024 from 3.15-6pm daily. There is room for more children to attend the program. To find out more about Camp Australia or to enrol, contact their office on www.campaustralia.com.au



Farewell to staff who are leaving

At the end of every school year it is usual that we say goodbye to some staff, and this year is no exception. In fact this year we have six staff members who are leaving to work in other schools or try other things. This week we are saying goodbye to Bec, Riley, Lilly, Lucy, Frankie and Jacinta.

All of these staff, whilst moving on to different and exciting places, will be very much missed by the students, families and all of their friends here at CPS. Each of them has worked incredibly hard for your children during their time here.

Whilst we will be thanking and celebrating our departing staff this week, with social events and at assembly, I'm sure that parents will be keen to say their own thank you and goodbyes after school today and tomorrow.

I do want to make special mention of Bec Harris, who started at Carlton in 2006! Over her time Bec has had a number of roles, most recently Wellbeing co ordinator. Bec has been the person who has overseen the embedded student wellbeing approach that our school is now well known for. The work that Bec has initiated will continue here at CPS, being led by other people. Bec has written a book about all she has learnt over her years here, and will be providing professional learning to educators in other schools. Congratulations Bec!

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School Structure

In 2024 we are expecting an increase of enrolments from this year. There will be three learning areas operating across the school with two classes in each area. Teachers in these classes will plan together and co-teach. Our wonderful flexible learning spaces provide opportunities for children to work in collaborative and creative ways throughout the week. Children will work in a range of groupings within and across learning areas, where their "just right" learning in both literacy and numeracy can be targeted and extended.

We will be swapping our P/1 and 2/3 learning areas around to provide our incoming prep children with a learning space that we think will be better suit the needs of children transitioning from an early learning program.

Outlined below is our intended school structure for next year and staff roles.

Last Tuesday children spent some time with their new teachers and 2024 classmates. Please be aware however that at the start of the school year there is sometimes a need to make adjustments to classes as student numbers settle and new enrolments are taken into account.

Staffing for 2024

Julie Large Principal
Lauren Keim Assistant Principal and Acting Principal on Mondays

P-1 Learning Area

Jessi Adams
Sally Fowler
Chloe Upton

2-3 Learning Area

Winter Dunstone
Kaytlin Beattie
Rachael Brazzale

4-6 Learning Area

Cameron Wood
Meg Hatherall

Specialist staff:

Art & Story Hubs	Meredith Dufour
PE & Out & About program	Justin Murphy
Mental Health & Wellbeing Leader	Ellie Bradbeer
Inclusion Leader	Winter Dunstone
Intervention Leader	Anne Argiriou

* Please note Auslan and science will be taught by classroom teachers

Education support staff

Vanessa Basilone	Berhane Lewis
Nora Basher	Annalise Richards
Bethany Robertson	Caitlin Buckingham

Business Manager

Jane Spiers

Ourplace Community engagement co ordinators

Cath Healy, Khadra Omar & Marie Holmes

Wishing a very happy festive season to all those families and staff who celebrate Christmas. To all families, I hope that you have a happy new year and a safe and relaxing holiday break.

I look forward to seeing you in 2024!

Warm regards,

Julie Large



