

Carcoar Public School Newsletter

Out of the Past | Into the Future

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From the Principal

14 more school days left for 2021. For us all, it has been one of the most challenging years we have experienced. At this time of the year we all are ready for a break away from school life. I appreciate that for many of you, you may be experiencing some frustrations with the high levels of emotion that you and your families are feeling at the moment. At a school level, we are trying



hard to minimise the behaviours and emotions of many of our children. We ask that you work with us over the next 14 days before we all go on a well-earned break.

As you may have noticed this week, Miss Milligan has been absent as she is undertaking some important Mum Duties. For the remainder of the term, Miss Milligan will be working with us when she can, as family is the main priority. Rest assured, we are maintaining structure and routines within the school day to minimise disruptions.

We have been hoping for some changes to our COVID-19 protocols. Unfortunately, this is not happening soon. This means, we are unable to have any parents on site for any events. As a result of this, our 2021 Presentation Celebrations will be held on Thursday 9th, during school hours with just our students and staff on site. We feel just as much disappointment as you, but we are working hard behind the scenes to ensure every student is still celebrated this year. We are trying to find a way to be tech savvy and share the celebrations with you virtually. Please bear with us as we do our best. More information to follow.

Attendance

Attendance at school every day is a vital part to your child's educational development. We

94.3%

Attendance Rate

92.3%DoE State

90.0% 92.5% Network SSSG 81.0%

Students Attending > = 90% of the time

73.4%

DoE State

69.7% Network 70.9% SSSG

appreciate at times that your child may be unwell to attend school, however nonattendance that includes shopping, haircuts, and long weekends impact your child's learning.

The NSW Department of Education attendance policy states that all students should attend 95% of the time. As you can see, our attendance so far for Term 4 is at 94.0% overall.

School Visitor Check-in

A single School Visitor Check-in system for every school across the state is coming from 18 October!

The Department of Education has partnered with Service NSW to provide a streamlined, digital school sign-in system for visitors and contractors at every NSW government school.

Benefits of the new system include:

- Accelerating your check-ins to as fast as 20 seconds!
- Linked to NSW Health's COVID-19 contact tracing ensuring every school is compliant with the NSW <u>COVID-19 mandate</u>.
- Giving every school greater access to streamlined NSW Government services.

Watch our short <u>parent video</u> to see how it works for parents or our <u>contractor video</u>.

Who can use School Visitor check-in?

Visitors such as parents and carers, contractors, service providers and volunteers.

Students or visitors under the age of 18 are not required to use School Visitor Check-in. School Visitor Check-in will be ready from 18 October at all NSW Government schools. For more information visit School Visitor Check-in on the department website.

Fairy Bread Day

An irresistible slice of nostalgia, reminiscent of simpler times, Fairy Bread Day is a celebration of Aussie culture. From teachers to tradies, young and old, Fairy Bread Day is now celebrated all around Australia and even around the world on this day November 24.

Who knew such a day existed but what a day of pure joy... and sugar!!





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