



CARCOAR PUBLIC SCHOOL

OUT OF THE PAST | INTO THE FUTURE



Blayney Show

We are all very proud that our school poster won the Small School's section at The Blayney Show!

The theme this year was 'circles' and our students worked hard on creating a garden of 'Carcoar Critters' using only circles.

A big congratulations to Lilly, Ivy & Hattie for winning first place for their beautiful artworks!



K - 1 News

Our K-1 class has been working hard with Mrs Carter. Our Kindergarten students have nearly finished their first school term!

The K-1 students have been learning about length and have been ordering students from shortest to tallest in Maths.

At recess and lunch, our little students are enjoying playing in the sandpit.

K-1 love Thursdays! They enjoy looking through our Library, reading our special books and borrowing them to take home and share with their families.

Well done K-1!



2 - 6 News



Our 2-6 class have had a very busy term. From excursions to swimming carnivals and NAPLAN.

Congratulations to our super swimmers that competed at the Western SSA Swimming Carnival in Dubbo. Our relay team, Maddie, Levi, Max & Lewis, came 5th and Maddie beat her PB for freestyle!



Year 5 and 6 attended Young Leaders in Sydney with our other Heritage Small Schools.

A big well done to year 3 and year 5 that have completed NAPLAN this week. All students gave it their all and loved having special breakfasts each day to get their mind working.



In English, 2-6 have been focusing on the novel Darwin's Dragon as their Novel study for Term 1. All students are engaged and curious to find out what will happen at the end of the book.

2-6 have also been spending lots of time perfecting their technology skills by using google docs, sharing and emailing the teachers their completed work.



From the Principal

Term 1 is always a busy start to the year, and our last two weeks of term will be jam packed with wonderful things happening across our school and community of Carcoar. From bake sale, excursions, Easter celebrations and of course our annual 'Sculptures by the Bush' with Pirates being our 2023 theme.

Mrs Carter and I will also be offering student and family meetings during week 11 to discuss your child's successes and areas for improvement in 2023. These appointments will be made available via Schoolstream, we encourage all families to make the time to discuss their child's progress.

As we continue to improve our service delivery through Sentral later in the year, we will be redesigning our current behaviour system, both positive and negative incidents. During term 2, we will be holding a series of family meeting to co-design this with families, students and staff. I highly encourage you to attend these workshops.

I look forward to seeing many of you over the coming weeks.

Attendance

As you all know attendance is vitally important for your child to thrive at school.

Throughout 2023 we will be working closely with all families to improve their attendance. We are aiming to reach our system target for 2023, which is to increase the proportion of students attending >90% of the time.

Currently we are sitting at 56.5% which is well below our target. Every day is vitally important to be a school, if your child is away, please ensure you are using the Schoolstream app to notify the school.



Pippa Ann Rhodes

We would like to welcome little Miss Pippa Ann Rhodes to our school family.

Pippa arrived on Friday 3/3/23 healthy and well.

Miss Milligan and Pippa are now at home with Benny and Charlie enjoying their special newborn bubble as a family.

We can't wait to meet baby Pippa.

Well done Miss Milligan!



Farewell Ms MacDonald



At the end of this term, we farewell Ms Toni MacDonald from her role of Director of Educational Leadership.

We thank Ms MacDonald for her support and guidance over her time as our DEL.

We welcome Ms Adelia Fuller in Term 2 as our new DEL.

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EMERGENCY PLANNING AND ARRANGEMENTS DURING THE BUSHFIRE SEASON

Dear Families

I am writing to advise you that our school is in a bushfire prone area and is identified as Category 2 on the NSW Department of Education bushfire risk register.

As a community user of our facilities, it is important that you are aware of and implement appropriate emergency preparation and response planning in accordance with the requirements of the *Work Health and Safety Act 2011*.

During the school term, when the NSW Rural Fire Service declares a Catastrophic Fire Danger Rating for Canobolas NSW Fire Area, the NSW Department of Education's policy requires the school to temporarily cease operations for the following day. This means the school will be non-operational on these days. The school will inform the school community after 4 pm if there is a change to the operational status of the school for the following day.

In addition, schools may be made non-operational due to changing higher risk conditions and advice from Emergency Services and the State Emergency Operations Centre.

We recommend that you download the [Parent App](#) and select to monitor advice from our school which will push notifications to you advising that the school is non-operational.

It is important that you undertake appropriate planning and monitor bushfire conditions during the bushfire season and be ready to act when required. If there is bushfire activity in the vicinity of the school while you are at the school, you should contact the school during school hours or if after hours, ring Triple Zero (000) and seek advice.

The NSW Rural Fire Service website provides a range of useful information at: www.rfs.nsw.gov.au.

Further information can also be found at the NSW Department of Education's School Safety website: <https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/school-safety>

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Yours sincerely

Nicholas Bullock
Principal

FIRE DANGER RATING	WHAT YOU SHOULD DO
CATASTROPHIC	<p>For your survival, leave bush fire risk areas.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">› These are the most dangerous conditions for a fire.› Your life may depend on the decisions you make, even before there is a fire.› Stay safe by going to a safer location early in the morning or the night before.› Homes cannot withstand fires in these conditions.› You may not be able to leave and help may not be available.
EXTREME	<p>Take action now to protect your life and property.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">› These are dangerous fire conditions.› Check your bush fire plan and ensure that your property is fire ready.› If a fire starts, take immediate action.› If you and your property are not prepared to the highest level, go to a safer location well before the fire impacts.› Reconsider travel through bush fire risk areas.
HIGH	<p>Be ready to act.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">› There's a heightened risk. Be alert for fires in your area.› Decide what you will do if a fire starts.› If a fire starts, your life and property may be at risk. The safest option is to avoid bush fire risk areas.
MODERATE	<p>Plan and prepare.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">› Stay up to date and be ready to act if there is a fire.
NO RATING	<ul style="list-style-type: none">› Fire danger ratings are used on days when you need to take action. On days of minimal risk, 'No Rating' will be issued.

NSW DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND COMMUNITIES – Workforce Management and Systems Improvement
Work Health and Safety Directorate
www.det.nsw.edu.au

Term 1 Weekly Overview

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Swimming (Wk 4 – Wk 10)		Wellbeing Groups	Library Day Mrs Hicks	Scripture Mr & Mrs Hansen

NSW DoE Core Rules

The department of education has core rules that all students are expected to follow:

Students are expected to:

- Attend school every day, unless they are legally excused, and be in class on time and prepared to learn. Maintain a neat appearance, including adhering to the requirements of the school's uniform and dress code policy.
- Behave safely, considerately and responsibly, including when travelling to and from school.
- Show respect at all times for teachers, other staff and helpers, including following class rules, speaking courteously and cooperating with instructions and learning activities.
- Treat one another with dignity and respect
- Care for property belonging to themselves, the school and others.



Education

School Communication

In 2023, we will continue to use SchoolStream as our main form of communication with our families. Due to some changes and requirements of all DoE schools, we, much like most schools, will be implementing the use of Sentral this year. Sentral includes a parent portal in their programme. This will be utilised later on in the year to replace SchoolStream. We will keep you updated on this throughout the year.

SchoolStream will be used to send out any information and updates such as school closures, permission notes, uniforms orders, school



events and student absences. We ask that you ensure you have this app downloaded, an account created and your notifications turned on. We also encourage all adults in your family to utilise this app.



Facebook will be used to share school celebrations, share success and promote positive stories about Carcoar Public School. Facebook will also be used to post anything urgent. Please like our page!

If you have any concerns or feedback regarding school communication please share your thoughts so that we can continue to improve our ways in which we communicate.

Facebook Guidelines

The intent of our page is to provide a hub for responsible community engagement that celebrates the daily life of our school. We proactively support participation in social media to develop and grow digital citizenship throughout our community. Carcoar Public School values the responsible use of social media articulated in a range of policies and guidelines that govern the expectations of online behaviour. For privacy and protection, we do not permit 'facial tagging' of our students and will only name students where appropriate. We reserve the right to remove any content that we believe is in breach of these policies, guidelines and the values of our school. Carcoar Public School will remove content if:

- It contains content written by a student enrolled at Carcoar Public School or under 13 years
- It is offensive, abusive, obscene, profane, hateful or racial content, links or images
- It contains comments that threaten or defame any person or organisation
- The direct full name or descriptive reference to a student in the comments section
- It contains endorsements by other organisations or endorsements of other organisations
- It is a multiple or repetitive post by a single user
- It is a repetitive post copied and pasted or duplicated by single or multiple users
- It contains anything else that the school deems inappropriate and does not align with our values, standards, policies and guidelines of the Department of Education.





SCULPTURE BY THE BUSH



1 PIRATE SCARECROW PER FAMILY

CREATE AND DESIGN AS YOU WISH WITH YOUR FAMILY



**JOIN US ON SITE
WEDNESDAY APRIL 5**

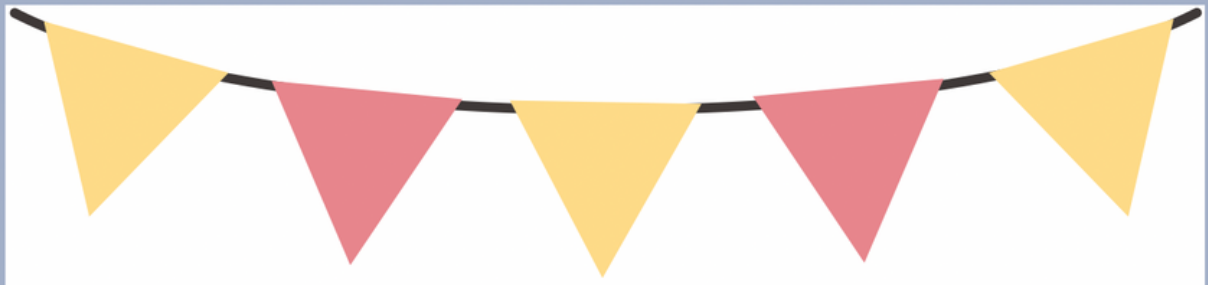
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COME AND GO AS YOU PLEASE THROUGHOUT THE DAY.

**PLEASE BRING DONATED SUPPLIES WITH
YOU. INCLUDING CLOTHES, SHOES, HAT
FOR YOUR PIRATE SCARECROW.**



**THIS ART INSTALLATION WILL BE MOUNTED
THROUGHOUT THE VILLAGE AS PART OF
THE SCULPTURES BY THE BUSH AND THEN
MOUNTED ON OUR FENCE THROUGHOUT
THE YEAR.**



Election Day

BAKE SALE

SATURDAY, 25TH MARCH

Raising funds for Carcoar Public School

PLACE YOUR VOTE AND GRAB SOME
GOODIES ON THE WAY OUT

