Music

Music class at Carson Street is a busy and happy occasion. Music is used as a vehicle for stimulation, desensitisation, relaxation and concentration. The main focus concepts in music are beat, rhythm, high and low, loud and soft, and fast and slow.

Students are exposed to a wide variety of music styles, and different instruments are used to explore the beat of the music. They are encouraged to interact with others during the music sessions and above all to enjoy music. We are all looking forward to the big concert at the end of the year!
It is difficult to believe that we are almost half way through Term Four with the halls alive to the sound of concert practices. At the end of term we will be saying goodbye to 13 of our students who are graduating and moving on to various schools for their secondary schooling in 2016.

Fun Day
The recent P&C Fun Day was a huge success with a number of very interesting activities. A sausage sizzle was enjoyed by visitors, staff and students at the end of this entertaining morning. We send our thanks to our hard working P&C once again.

Reports
Teaching staff are working on Annual Reports for all our students. This is an opportunity to report on their amazing progress and how hard they have been applying themselves when completing the targets in their Individual Education Plans.

Playground Improvements
The new playground equipment is very popular with our students and they are enjoying the challenge it provides. Our students are indeed fortunate to have such a range of equipment for their use during recess.

Board Meeting
Our final Board Meeting for the year is on Thursday November 19th. The School is fortunate to have such a supportive and dedicated group of staff and community members helping the school to enhance the learning of our special needs students.

Parent Morning Teas
Our School Chaplain/Community Support Officer has arranged a number of information morning teas for our families. Recently Therapy Focus staff shared information regarding equipment and funding. The next session on Tuesday 24th November will be very interesting as well. Kristina Johns from the Genetic and Rare Disease Network will lead a discussion on providing quality respite services for our students. Please come along and join in the discussion.

Summer Holiday Program
Notes have gone home for the Summer Holiday Program starting Monday 11th January till Friday 15th January from 9:00am — 1:00pm. The nominal cost is $50.00 a week. Applications due on Friday 20th November and places are limited. Please note there is no CE program this year.

Kind Regards
John Exeter
Principal
P&C News . . .

On the 28th October the school and P&C held it's annual Fun Day. We had pony rides, a bouncy castle, tractor rides, face painting, bubbles, a photo booth plus many more activities.

   There was a sausage sizzle for lunch too.
   This day is for the kids as they have worked so well during the year and have made great achievements.
   Thank you to the "Sizzlers" - Lisa Wells, Bryan Wright, Linda Skerry, Sue Carpenter and Janice Greaves - great job and very efficient.

A few weeks ago The Good Guys in Cannington ran a "Doing Good" project where they supported local schools and organisations by donating items that could be used during the year for fundraisers. We were fortunate enough to be one of the schools chosen. We have received a DVD player, noise cancelling head phones, an iPod shuffle plus some other items.

   It was lovely to meet the owner, Elaine Anfield and her staff.
   Thank you so much for supporting our school and it's students

DISCO: Friday 27th November at Carson Street School.
6pm - 7.30pm
Come and meet DJ Dan.
Prizes for the best dancers.
Come dressed up in Christmas colours.
Room 7 has had a good start to Term 4. Our theme this term is "transport" and we have been going places! The students are really enjoying the outings. Our trip to the airport was a particular favourite.

The children enjoyed going through terminal 2, looking at passengers and going through security checks. It was an interesting experience for the whole class.

On the 22nd of October, Room 7 and Banksia took part in the WADSA Sports Carnival at Kensington School. This was a great day for our students, it was fantastic to see them competing with students from other schools, something they don’t do very often.

All of our competitors thoroughly enjoyed the day and we look forward to our students being involved in more sporting events such as this one.

Well done everyone!
RATs and Therapy Focus

This semester the Risk Assessment Team has been working closely with Therapy Focus to implement training sessions on a variety of topics. These professional development sessions serve to bridge any gaps in understanding between therapists and new staff, to refresh the knowledge of existing staff and to give all staff the opportunity to ask questions and network with the therapists.

So far we have had sessions on Sensory Processing Disorder, the purpose and use of standing frames, and the importance of oral hygiene for our students. We look forward to continuing this practice next year, covering a wide variety of topics, and strengthening the working relationship between Therapy Focus and Carson Street School.

Marketing in 2015

The Marketing Committee aims to promote Carson Street Independent Public School to families and the community so it is recognised for its "expert staff and exceptional programs". Current members are Principal John Exeter, Deputy Ros Hamling, Registrar Corina Botica, Schools Officer Lisa Sinclair, and Education Assistants Ann Gray and Dallas Bird. P&C President Liz Green was seconded for the Pozible project.

The group is always looking for new ways to promote and support school programs.

One example of innovation was the successful Pozible campaign this year (Crowd Funding) in order to raise funds for a Community Support Officer. This was an interesting project which highlighted the individual expertise of the members in planning and marketing so that our goal of $10,000 was reached. The web site is updated by Lisa. Our Facebook page updated regularly by Dallas has proved a quick and efficient way of getting messages to families and supplements the newsletter items, edited by Lisa, is always very well received by the school community. The school letterhead has been redesigned in line with the web design.

The 2015 calendar edited by Ann is to be printed by Office Works and should be available before school closes for the holidays. A number of brochures and policies have been updated. Dallas edited the school video down to 30 seconds and entered it into the Department’s ‘Shining Star’ competition.

We came fourth in the people’s choice section and had our certificate presented by the Minister when he visited. The digital photo album display in administration is regularly changed and the On Hold phone message is modified according to the time of the year and current projects. All in all we have had another busy year with and I thank the group for their expertise and support.

John Exeter, Principal
Congratulations to the Parents for School group who have collaborated with Development Disability WA to prepare videos showing a window into the lives of a parent with a child with a disability. This is the link if you would like to see the videos: http://www.carsonst.wa.edu.au/windows-to-our-world/

Thank you so much to the parents from the Parent and Child group: Brechtje Hodes, Joy Fitzgerald, Renae Telo, Margaret Mtambara, Taryn DiCandilo, Rebecca Collins and the teacher Laurie Rushton, who were brave enough to front the cameras.
CECWA news

Dinner for Dreams
The next meeting for our Dinner for Dreams is Sunday 22 November at 2:30pm at the Hyatt. Save the date for the Dinner for Dreams on Saturday 28 May, 2016.
Do you know a local celebrity- sporting or entertainment who could sign a book or t-shirt for us to raffle? Maybe you know a business who is searching for a charity in 2016 to donate a major prize product, service or cash prize to?
Our children's not for profit group is surely a worthy contender!!! Start the chat and ask if they can. The worst they can say is no!
Thank you to all those who attended the recent AGM. Our CECWA committee remains unchanged but we are always looking for volunteers and general committee helpers. It can be a small commitment or an annual one!
Our website is http://www.conductiveedwa.com.au/

CECWA T-shirts
We are selling CECWA t-shirts. Kids and Adult t-shirts are $15. They can be ordered via Linda at president@conductivedwa.com.au or secretary@conductivedwa.com.au

Happy Birthday to You!
Noah Burbridge 14 Nov
Ryan Room 5 15 Nov
Lukie Bluegum 22 Nov
Charlotte Burbridge 25 Nov
Faris Bluegum 25 Nov
Grace Redgum 29 Nov
Harrison Burbridge 30 Nov
These are a great idea to brighten up the doors in your house for special occasions.

The ‘socks’ are made from stretchy material and easily slip over the top and bottom of a door.

They would make a great gift for children, or a stocking stuffer for that person who already has everything.

To purchase one, write your name, and the number of the design you’d like on the front of an envelope with payment of $20ea, and return to the school office.

Questions can be directed to Chris or Lisa in the office.

Part proceeds are donated to the school.

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**ORDER FORM**

Name: .........................................................  Contact Phone: .........................................................

Child’s Name: .......................................................  Child’s Class: .............................................................

Design No. ............  Qty Required: ............  Total Amount enclosed: .........................................................

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