



# Carson Street Independent Public School

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## ROOM 7

Welcome to 2011 and Room 7. Hannah, Zac, Liam and Lucas have joined Jayde and Brayden in the "Class with Attitude". Education Assistants Trask and Grace join Debbie to complete our team. While we haven't quite worked out what will be important this year, our theme for the term is Mexico (please don't ask me why!) so as far as I'm concerned there will be lots of eating, drinking and wearing of som-breros. Stay tuned for further updates during the year.



## ROOM 8

We had our first cooking session last Wednesday. We made creamed corn fritters and all had a turn at mixing with a spoon and electric mixer. Then we placed the mixture into the frying pan. They were really yummy and some of us ate up to eight of them!



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## From the Principal's Desk ....

I am pleased to confirm that the start of the new school year has gone well, with students and staff settling into their new classes. I would like to offer a special welcome to all our new students and their families. I look forward to seeing you in school at forthcoming events such as Activity Days and hope that you are able to give your full attention to the development of your child's Individual Education Plan (IEP) when planning commences. Your input is vital. The theme for this newsletter is 'Back to School'. A revised Parent Handbook will be available shortly for your information.

### Welcome New Staff.

We welcome teachers Deanne Jones (Room 5) and Graham Scougall (Room 9) to our teaching staff for 2011. Farewell to Folmer and Inger Rasmussen Folmer (driver) and Inger (bus aide) have been part of the life of our school for longer than even I have but sadly both retired at the end of last year. We thank them both for their loyal service to the students on their bus over a long period and their genuine interest in the school and all of the students.

### Schools Plus

The majority of our staffing depends on information supplied to Schools Plus and we are grateful to all those parents who have sent in information to support our applications. The more thorough we are when describing each student's needs, the better we are resourced and this can only benefit our students. Special thanks to Deputy Ros Hamling who has the unenviable task of co-ordinating the school's numerous applications.

### School Web Site

You can read recent copies of past school newsletters on our web site at [www.carsonst.wa.edu.au](http://www.carsonst.wa.edu.au). You can also find lots of useful information including pictures of past school events and current programs.

### P&C first Meeting

The first meeting of the P&C is on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> February at 9am in the staffroom. Our hard working President Liz Green would love to see as many parents in attendance as possible.

### School Board Meeting

The Board meets in week six each term on a Thursday at 8.30 am. Our first meeting will therefore be on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> March. The help and guidance received from this representative group is very much appreciated. Current members are:

Chairman: Les Ozsdolay

Parent Rep: Liz Green

Staff Reps: John Exeter (Principal), Mim Little, Ros Hamling (Deputy Principal), Shona Ballantyne

Community Reps: Nichola Tomkins (Town of Victoria Park), Darryll Ashworth (Metier Consulting), Ben Wyatt MLA,

Lois Hall (CECWA), Julie Holding (Hon Secretary), Sue Carpenter (Department of Education), Dominique Taylor (Disability Services Commission)

### Summer Holiday Program

Thanks to teacher Barbara Wheeler and her team for running this year's Summer Holiday Program with input from the WA Disabled Sports Association (WADSA). WADSA has already offered to assist in the delivery of a number of new programs later this year.

Best wishes for a happy and fruitful 2011.

**John Exeter**

Watch out for this NEW regular newsletter item to read all the latest information from the P and C....

### P & C NEWS

A big Thank You to all who donated items for the Xmas Concert Raffle. Congratulations to the winners. We raised \$530.00

In December, the local newspapers were giving away Woolworths vouchers to one worthy organisation. The P&C applied and was lucky enough to win \$1,000 worth of vouchers through the Southern Gazette. These can be used throughout the year to provide food/drink for any functions, fun days or events that we need to cater for.

Everyone should have received their uniform order forms by now. All completed forms and money need to be returned to the front office by Friday 18<sup>th</sup> Feb. We will no longer be able to accept late orders as the cost of freight is too high.

Coming up—School Banking. This will be available to both CSS students and their siblings. The application process is very easy and the students can earn rewards. WATCH THIS SPACE!

NEXT P&C MEETING—Friday 18<sup>th</sup> Feb 9am in the

### NEWS FROM THE NURSES.....

#### Soccer

Soccer has started again for this year after school on Tuesdays from 2.30pm to 3.30pm. Students must be collected at 3.30pm.

#### Healthcare Forms

Parents, could you please return completed Health Care Forms to school as soon as possible.



## SUMMER HOLIDAY PROGRAM

Many thanks go to the Commonwealth Bank Staff Fund, the City of South Perth and the Town of Victoria Park for sponsoring this year's Summer Holiday Program. The stu-



dents had a fantastic time and were able to try lots of new activities. The weather was hot so we cooled off in the inside AND outside pools! Many thanks also to the staff at WADSA for their participation.



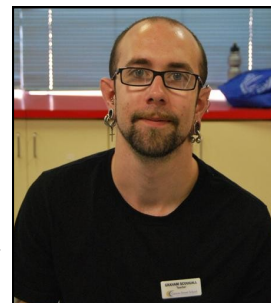
## TWO NEW TEACHERS AT CARSON STREET!



Hi, my name is Deanne Jones. I am a married mother of two children and I have been a teacher since January 1988. I taught junior primary students in South Africa for 10 years before emigrating to Perth in December 1997. I have been work-

ing with the Education Department of Western Australia since 1997 teaching children with special needs. I worked at Carson Street school in 2004 in Room 7 and in some of the other classes. For the last few years I have worked as a relief teacher and on a fixed term basis at Riverton ESC. I am excited to be working in Room 5 and look forward to working with the students during 2011.

I'm Graham Scougall and I'm from Perth in Scotland! I first began working with special needs children at 13 as a volunteer during my school holidays. I then worked as an Education Assistant at a Secondary School for 4 years, then as carer for a teenager with cerebral palsy for 7 years. I qualified with a BA in secondary education in 2010 and whilst at university I worked with Shona Ballantyne at the Scottish Centre for Children with Motor Impairment. I arrived in Perth Western Australia in December 2010 to work in CE at Carson Street School. I am teaching in Room 9 and am really enjoying living in Perth. I am looking forward to an exciting year ahead at Carson Street.



Happy Birthday to you! Compañeros Feliz ...

Kate Rm 2 17th February

Abbie Rm 1 23rd February

Sophie Rm 9 4th March

Hannah Rm 1 6th March



## THE INDEPENDENT LIVING CENTRE

The Independent Living Centre is holding a half day workshop entitled "Safe Transport in Cars." This is a valuable workshop for anyone who is involved in transporting and loading people in and out of vehicles and will include demonstrations of safe transfer techniques of people and transfer equipment. The workshop will be held on Thursday 3rd March 9.30am to 1pm at the Independent Living Centre in Nedlands. To register call Sue Roberts on 9381 0612 by Monday 21st February .

### FOUND

If you have lost a digital video camera and may have left it behind at the school last year, please contact Julie in the office to claim it! The battery is flat so we can't identify any pictures. 9361 7500

### Can You Help?

Do you have a second hand pram to sell or know someone who does? One of our parents is looking for a strong, sturdy second hand pram to buy in good condition. Please contact any of the staff in Wattle class if you can help.



### The Dinner of Dreams

Join us for an evening out to raise money to help our children with motor difficulties and associated special needs, to access Conductive Education programs.

Ticket price includes beer, wine and soft drink plus a three course dinner, DJ and dancing. Amazing items up for grabs in raffles and by auction. Tickets \$150 per person (single tickets and tables of 10 available),

THE ASTRAL BALLROOM BURSWOOD, 6.30PM START SATURDAY 16TH APRIL 2011,

DRESS : Glamorous, MC for the evening : Verity James

Early Bird ticket prices—any complete table of 10 purchased by 1st March 2011 \$140 per person (\$1400 per table).

## A FRIENDLY REMINDER.....

### ABSENTEES

We remind all parents that children who are away from school are required to inform the teacher or bring a note explaining their absence when they return to school. Students attending Education Support Schools are expected to attend every day that the school is open. The school is obligated to report to District Office when a student has more than 10 unexplained absences. We request that all parents inform the school should their child be admitted to hospital or be absent from school for any reason. We thank you for your continued help with this.



### What's on ..... What's coming up ...

P and C Meeting	Friday 18th February 2011 9am Staff Room
Public Holiday	Monday 7th March 2011
Bike Week At Burswood	Thursday 24th March 2011
Last Day Term 1	Tuesday 19 April 2011
First Day Term 2	Thursday 6 May 2011

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