



Carson Street Independent Public School

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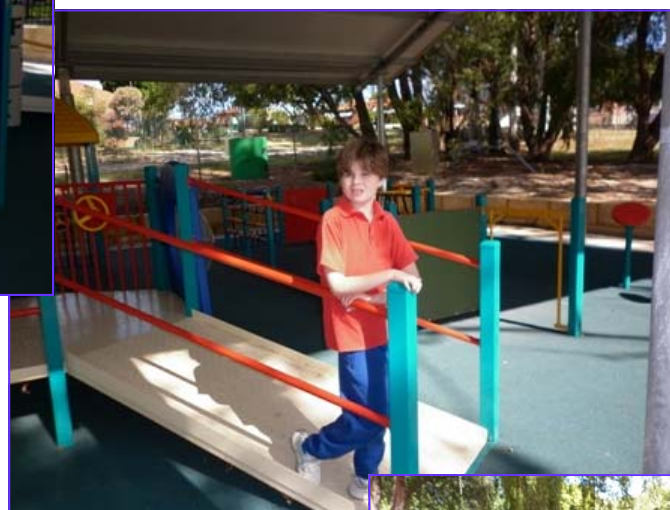
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SPECIALIST PROGRAMS AND EQUIPMENT

May 2012

Room 7

We have had great fun exploring the new playground. We can't wait to play in it each day! We also look forward to our fortnightly scheduled Sensory Room time!



All Donations \$2.00 and over made to Carson Street School Gift Fund are tax deductible

From the Principal's Desk

Independent Review of Independent Public Schools

In 2010 the Department of Education Services was appointed by the Minister for Education to conduct independent reviews of Independent Public Schools at the end of the first three year cycle. The purpose of the review is to assure the school community, the Director General and the Minister for Education that the school has met it's commitment as outlined in it's Delivery and Performance Agreement and associated Business Plan. The school's review of it's own performance will be complemented by the independent review which aims to confirm the school's strengths, affirm areas for development and if applicable recommend areas for improvement. Our review commenced on Monday 28th May.

National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS)

A forum was held at Carson Street offering families the opportunity to have their say and receive an update on the reform courtesy of Parliamentary Secretary for Disabilities and Carers, Jan Mclucas and Senator Mark Bishop. The NDIS is a recognition that essential services and supports for people with a disability are often grossly underfunded, provided on a crisis only basis and therefore quite disempowering in nature. A NDIS would address this.

The main thrust of the scheme is to ensure people with a disability have more control over the support they receive and are able to access care that meets their needs wherever they live. It aims to assist them to participate in school, work and the community to their fullest potential.

Companion Cards

Many parents may already be aware that Companion Cards help keep the cost of school excursions down to a minimum. The Companion Card enables our students to participate at venues and activities without incurring the cost of a second ticket for their companion. Their teacher or staff member presents the card at [participating affiliate organisations](#) (for instance the Perth Zoo) to purchase a ticket or pay an entry fee. Under the scheme, parents may also use their child's card in any State or Territory when on holidays or traveling. Upon application two cards are allocated to each student. If you have already joined the program we ask that one of the cards be sent into school for use on outings. If you have not joined the program we will shortly be sending



home the application package which we hope you will complete and return to school ASAP. Thanks for your anticipated cooperation.

United Way Painting

During the holiday break a team from Chevron Texaco, working under the direction of United Way supervisor Tim, painted two classrooms and the room 8 and 9 corridor. The effort of all the volunteers are much appreciated and helps to improve the school learning environment. Thanks once again to United Way for their support of the school.

Bottlebrush Meeting and Staff Office

The new demountable has been turned into a place where school leaders can work and groups like the P&C can meet in comfort. It is also set up for the delivery of professional development to staff.

Library Changes

With the transfer of the room 3 office area to the new demountable, work has just about finished on joining rooms 3 and 4 into one large workable library with the installation of a joining door.

Attendance - Student Absences

If your child is going to be absent please ring the office and leave a message which will be relayed to the classroom teacher. Reasons for student's absences must be communicated in writing, by parents/guardians to the school and will be retained by the school. When the child returns to school the reason for the absence should be confirmed in their school diary/communication book.

The onus is on parents to give a written explanation to the school explaining a child's absence, otherwise "unexplained absence" will be noted as the reason for the absence and this will appear on returns to the Department of Education.

John Exeter
Principal

P&C News.....

Thank you to all those who bought tickets in the Mothers' Day raffle. There were five prizes which were won by staff and families.

If anyone has any school uniforms their child has grown out of, the P&C will gladly receive them as part of our second-hand uniform shop. We currently have a few winter items available in larger sizes (size 10-16). Each item costs \$2.00. Please email Liz lizgreenpnc@hotmail.com, if you require spare uniforms or if you are waiting on size 4 winter school uniforms. On Thursday 17th May the P&C, in conjunction with Volunteering WA, held our "Thank You" morning tea as part of National Volunteer week. We are lucky enough to have volunteers from the school Board, P&C, CWA, local Shires, community members and families and through funding we put on a fully catered morning tea and each volunteer received a Certificate of Appreciation and a small gift. Without the support of these wonderful volunteers, we wouldn't be able to help the school enrich the lives of our children. Could all morning tea Evaluation forms please be completed and sent back to school, at your earliest convenience.

Liz Green
P & C President



National Disability insurance Scheme (NDIS)

Parliamentary Secretary for Disabilities and Carers, Jan McLucas and Carson Street School Principal John Exeter pictured at the National Disability Insurance Scheme forum held recently at Carson Street School .

New Face At School

Our Registrar Julie Holding has taken a contract position in the Department of Education's head office for some months and Dee Maddin will be working as Registrar in Julie's absence. Dee has had experience over many years working in various schools in the Perth metropolitan area and we welcome her to Carson Street.



VOLUNTEERS



Michael Lutz

Michael is from Dallas, Texas USA and is studying international business and finance at Curtin university. He has been working with students in the pool.

Lee Tse Yin

Lee (Mandy) is studying Nursing at Curtin University and has been coming to Carson Street on Wednesdays for the last couple of weeks helping out with PE. Lee also helped out with Bike Week.



Parent and Child Class at Carson Street

The Parent and Child Class currently has some vacancies. If you would like further information, or if you know anyone who would like to take up a place in these specialised classes, please contact Anne Metcalf at school or Chris or Lisa in the school office.

Noah's Ark WA—Computer Club

Saturday Computer Club is a service for children with disabilities aged 5 years and under. It provides recreational, social and learning opportunities and provides access to a variety of specially adapted equipment. Experienced staff take into consideration the special circumstances of each child and their ability level. Morning sessions 9.30am to 11.30am afternoon 1pm to 4pm. Further information available on 9328 1598.

Dental Health

The Dental Therapy Centre in Carlisle wishes to advise all parents that the clinic is available for appointments and dental staff can be contacted for advice should urgent treatment be required at any time. Dental staff would also like to request that if your child is unwell the appointment should be cancelled and another made at a later date. You can contact the clinic at Cnr Orrong Road and Wright Streets, Carlisle. Telephone 9362 2950.

Happy Birthday to You!



Lauren	Redgum	31st May
Hannah	Room 7	13th June
Mujaheeda	Yellowgum	13th June
Violet	Yellowgum	15th June



	<i>What's on What's coming up ...</i>
Monday 4th June	Foundation Day holiday
Thursday 21st June	After School finishes