

Carenne School

Newsletter

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TERM 4 WEEK 4 2019

CALENDAR DATE

11th December

Year 12 Graduation



FUN FACTS

It is impossible for most people to lick their own elbow.

Like fingerprints, everyone's tongue print is different .

Carenne Art Show and Family Fun Day

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Last weekend we held our prestigious art show The Carenne "Archies" and our Family Fun Day. As well as displaying portraits created by our talented students we also showcased some local musicians, a BBQ and face painting. We also welcomed the Bathurst Rural Fire Brigade and our pets as therapy animals. Thank you to those that joined us for the fun event, purchased a sausage sandwich



or art masterpiece. All money raised from our art show goes towards our school's art program. We would like to thank Ms Moore and Ms Jones for their organisation of the event and Ms Allen for leading the Carenne Choir who treated us to a range of classic



Elton John hits. We would also like to thank our special guest Rachel Ellis, our fabulous teachers, students and community who make such an event worth while.

2019 Presentation Day

A reminder that our Presentation Day will be held at Bathurst Memorial Entertainment Centre on Friday 6th December from 12:30pm. This is a lovely day to celebrate the achievements of our students. Yearly reports and class placements for 2020 will also be given out on the day, as well as the announcement of our 2020 School Captains.



Yr 12 Graduation

Another important event in our Term 4 calendar is the Year 12 Graduation evening held at Carenne School on Wednesday 11th December at 6:00pm. Tickets are \$15 a head for adults and \$5 for children and can be purchased through the front office.

School Spectacular

Over the last term a small group of students led by their amazing dance teacher (Mrs Kemp) have been quietly practising for the upcoming School Spectacular. We wish them all the best for their big stage debut and performances on Friday 22nd and Saturday 23rd November. If you can't make it to see them at Qudos Bank Arena in Sydney, make sure you catch them on the TV!

I will be on leave from Tuesday 19th for two weeks. See you at Presentation Day. Jane

We acknowledge Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples as the traditional custodians of our lands, Australia. We acknowledge the Wiradjuri nation as the traditional custodians of these lands we now call Bathurst, and we pay our respects to their Elders both past and present.

Attendance

We would like to remind everyone that if your child is absent from school it is important to let the teacher know why they have been absent. A short note in the communication book is all that is required or you can call the office to leave a message.

Art Show Purchases

Another quick reminder that you can still purchase your child's art work through the front office.

Outdoor Classroom Day

This year we have participated in the outdoor classroom day for the first time. Our students joined a group of over 3 million students and 25000 schools globally who participated in lessons outdoors. The whole school had a fantastic day creating, playing and learning in our beautiful grounds.



CLASS K Janelle Kemp/Meg Turner-Mann (Teacher) Yvette Smith (SLSO)

Term 4 has had a flying start in Class K. We have started with new units of work on Safety and Transport. The students are enjoying the activities and lesson in these units and have been enthusiastic learners. We have been lucky enough the have the new Neopost iPad Touch Table in our room this term and our students enjoy playing a variety of games on this. The Neopost can have multiple hands touching the screen unlike an iPad which makes it a group friendly activity. In sports time we have been concentrating on hand eye co-ordination by playing a variety of ball games. We have played tee ball and tennis so far this term. It has been wonderful to see the students' skills improving every week with these games. We recently visited beautiful Machattie Park in town and we enjoyed walking through the Fernery. What a lovely tranquil place this is to visit! In class we have been busy working through our book work and have started assessments ready for reports. It has been wonderful to see how much every student has progressed this year.



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CLASS Mc Kylie McDonald (Teacher) Marg Rowe (SLSO)



During Term 4 Class Mc will be working on our Personal Development / Health unit all about Safe Living. We have recently completed activities on sun safety and the importance to Slip, Slop, Slap, Seek and Slide. Our favourite sun safety song is <u>You've Gotta Be SunSmart – Jay Laga'aia</u>. Class Mc will also be learning about Water Safety, Fire Safety, Emergency Services and Road Safety.



This term Class Mc are also learning about the many types of Celebrations that people enjoy. We have been learning to sing and sign the 'Happy Birthday' song and 'Advance Australia Fair' during our weekly assemblies.

This week we learnt about The Melbourne Cup; we made our very own race horse puppets and we viewed a great powerpoint all about "Australia's Greatest Horse Race".







Class Mc enjoyed many Outdoor Learning Activities with their friends in Class K on Thursday; kinetic sand, water play, catching bubbles and dancing with balloons were some of our favourite things.







CLASS C

Kerryn Cafe (Teacher) Steph Cupples (SLSO)

Term 4 is really flying by and there is so much to try and fit in before the end of the year! This term we continue to work hard in literacy and numeracy groups, we also practise our reading and writing skills as part of morning desk work activities. We have just finished our history unit 'Change and Continuity' and are about to start our new unit 'Australia as a Nation'. In personal development we have completed our growth and development unit and are now learning about safety. We've learnt how to be an 'Upstander' by helping a friend if they are in trouble. We've also learnt about the importance of sleep and some things we can do if we are having difficulty sleeping. Our creative and practical arts unit this term is 'Australian Summer'. In music we have learnt percussion to 'Sounds of Then' by Ganggajang. In art we have been making summer themed works such as Ken Done inspired paintings of Sydney Harbour and an outback shack at sunset. We continue to enjoy sport with Class K on Tuesday's as well as pet therapy and horse riding sessions.

A highlight of the term has been our learn to swim program. We swim each Friday at D2F Gym and all of the students have been thoroughly enjoying these lessons. We have been so impressed to see how well they listen and follow instructions. We have seen all students make progress already and it has only been three weeks, we can't wait to see what they can do by the end of the term!



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CLASS F

Sue Flude (Teacher) Emma Rush/Katherine Porter(SLSO)

Welcome to an action packed Term 4! This term we have completed two book studies so far—Two Mates and Mulga Bill's Bicycle. Everyone is contributing to class discussions with very creative ideas. We are using many words and constructing our sentences using capital letters, finger spaces and full stops. We heave been enjoying our time with Ms Smith in the library, listening to a story and completing a craft activity. It's great to see the students interested in exploring books. We have been down to Pet Therapy this term to feed and pat the animals. We were very excited to find two eggs in the chicken coup. Sport this term is tennis. We started off with the small bats to improve our control of the bat and ball. But we quickly moved on to tennis racquets. We are hitting the balls back over the net using forehand and backhand tennis skills. We have enjoyed improving our fine motor skills in cooking activities. This week we made celery caterpillars which required us to chop and spread the different ingredients.



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CLASS D Dezarae Bastow (Teacher) Rachelle French (SLSO)

<u>Technology Mandatory</u>: Wednesdays quickly became our favourite day of the week because we were joined by our friends Kade and Jessie and we got to do so many cool projects. Over the year we have worked through Agriculture and Food Technologies, Digital Technologies and Material Technologies units where we developed a range of new skills. It was challenging but we had lots of fun trying something new.

<u>Agriculture and Food Technologies:</u> We explored the process of getting produce from the paddock to our plate and attempted to grow some of our own vegetables. We enjoyed making, cooking and tasting a range of foods and learned new food prep and handling skills. We also enjoyed serving our meals to Ms Crosland and Ms Dwyer, and receiving their feedback.









<u>Digital Technologies</u>: We explored how we use devices in everyday contexts (mobile phones for communication, ATMs to access money etc.) and how to safely participate in social platforms like Facebook and Instagram. We were also fortunate enough to loan two STEMShare kits which enabled us to build a large range of robots and use block coding to program them.











<u>Material Technologies</u>: We were given instructions to make our own tot bags and took an excursion to Spotlight to choose our own material. We found the most wonderful fabrics and enjoyed measuring them and drawing our patterns. We cut our material to size and used a sewing machine to sew the lining and then the bag together.











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CLASS M Arlene Monaghan (Teacher) Wendy Lynch (SLSO)

This term Class M have settled well into literacy groups. Students are focusing on handwriting and keyboarding skills and are enjoying illustrating creative images and stories which entertain and inform the reader.

In Creative Art, Class M have worked throughout the term to create a quality piece of artwork for every student to display in the "Carenne Archies". We had a lot of fun working on this project, which has resulted in a fantastic collection of unique self portraits.

The Stage 4/5 literacy program has also been very successful this term. Students have learned a variety of literacy concepts when reading and comprehending language. This initiative has increased student engagement to learning in literacy and has resulted in individual success, for all learners, in line with individual's literacy goals.













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CLASS B

Anne Baskerville/ Meg Turner-Mann (Teacher) Kym Tattersall (SLSO)

Hello everyone we have moved on to our next set of Dr Seuss books for Term 4 and have started with "The Cat in the Hat Comes Back" and "Yertle the Turtle". Class B have made a couple of our own Dr Seuss style books with Miss Meg. One is like "Green Eggs and Ham" and the other is like "The Cat in the Hat Comes Back".

We had a wonderful time with Ms Allen in week one when she bought in lots of different instruments. We experimented with them and listening to all the different sounds they made.

Kaydee came to visit and it was fantastic to see her big smile again, we hope to see a lot more of her real soon.

We hope you all had a chance to call in and see all the wonderful artworks at the Art Show, we sure do have a lot of very talented artists at Carenne. The 2019 Face of Class B was a real hit, ha ha ha!

Until next time take care and keep smiling from the Class B crew.





Class B Students working on their artworks for the Art Show



Music fun with Ms Allen

CLASS E Rebekah Ravesi (Teacher) Kathleen Matheson (SLSO)

Welcome to Term 4, wow this year has flown. Class E have continued to work hard, on our Key Word Sign and communication seeing great strides forward in this area.

This term we have been working hard researching and cooking traditional and celebratory food for Halloween in Mandatory Tech. Joining with Class N we had a wonderful time finding out all about All Hallows- preparing, setting up and creating a party together. Traditional games and the making of three different types of slime were enjoyed.

Our biannual Art Exhibition was a smashing success with Class E enjoying every minute of creating their very individualised artworks. Each student focused their designs on "My Identity". A school standout was Emma's depiction of herself using a medium of foaming ink on canvas. It was wonderful to see the Colley and Adams families joining us, being active school community members ; and volunteering their time. Will has been enjoying an agricultural experience with Mrs Gavin on a Tuesday. He is learning valuable skills such as moving stock, shovelling feed and animal care. A important part of each week for us is our Hydro program. We are delighted to see the progress our children are making and the transfer of these skills to our self care. Wonderful work Class E students.



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CLASS R

Aimee Sutton/Suzanne Ryan (Teacher) Mick Phillips (SLSO)

What a great start to a new term. Lots of exciting learning going on in Science (we're investigating the forces of motion), when students designed and made their own Lego vehicles. They tested how fast they would go down a ramp using gravity and momentum. In geography we are studying water, how it works in a cycle and how important it is to save our most precious natural resource. For art we're looking at famous art works and reinterpreting them. Class R loved working on their own version of Vincent Van Gough's Starry Night. Josh particularly liked this and is still working away on his piece.

Most of Class R are doing school maintenance as part of their Technology Mandatory unit or what we call at school "work experience." They are learning valuable horticultural and garden maintenance skills they can use for gardens anywhere and how to work as a team to complete set tasks faster.

For Maths and English the course structure has stayed as Mr Ryan programmed, with spelling each morning followed by English and Maths. The students are on track and enjoy these routines.

Members of Class R have also enjoyed extracurricular activities at school. Caitlin, Ruby and Aaron had a great time at the NSW RFS Cadets competition for 2019 held in Oberon. Ruby, as part of the Carenne Signing Choir, has been rehearsing for Presentation Day and Callan is practising every week for the Schools' Spectacular concert to be held in Sydney next month.



CLASS S

Peta Sykes (Teacher) Karina Molenkamp (SLSO)

For class S this term the 's' stands for Sensory and Swimming. Two of the lovely experiences that we get to enjoy in Term 4. Class S has created their very own sensory and calming area. Sensory play has many different benefits for children and one of the benefits that we love is that it is great for calming our students if they need some time out or are maybe feeling anxious or frustrated. This term the students can chill out with our textured pillows and read a book with a friend or just spend some time on their own. Its been a great addition to the class and we look forward to adding to it as we go along.

This term the children have really been enjoying our Friday afternoon swimming program. Its amazing to watch their confidence grow every week and watching the big smiles on their faces as they learn swimming skills for life in a fun and engaging way.

The students have really enjoyed our joint senior and junior playground this week and its been so good to see new friendships form and old friendships be renewed.

We continue to work hard towards our PBL awards every week as we make our way towards the end of the year.



CLASS N

Leah Clements/Suzanne Wark (Teacher) Samantha Schofield (SLSO)

Class N have been learning about water in the world, and how hard it is for some people to access it. Some people have to travel for hours to collect water, which is often polluted, and carry it home. We walked around the playground taking turns to carry 18 litres of water, and it was VERY HEAVY! We are very grateful to get clean water from a tap. We are learning about Simple Machines in Science, and how they make work easier. We have looked at Pulleys, Wedges, Inclined Planes and Screws, so far. We made our own pulleys and cardboard elevators, and made marble runs using cardboard strips as inclined planes. The students were very creative in their designs. In Mandatory Technology we planned a habitat for fish, and went shopping for the supplies. We have Bill and Charlie Weasley (our fish!) swimming happily around the aquatic plants, rearranging their pebbles. Class N had some special visitors, Miss Sam's nephew and his mother, who come to share a meal for a toddler that we planned and cooked. It was a colourful feast, with Very Hungry Caterpillar sandwiches and a Rainbow fruit salad! We have learned about bees and how important they are for our world, as they pollinate 70% of our food crops. We made beeswax dip candles. At Halloween, (All Soul's Day) in some places they light candles to remember the people they love who have died. We then cooked some special treats for a Halloween party the next day, where we joined Class E in their super-spooky room for some traditional Halloween festivities. Ms Wark has been teaching Class N about Pop Culture and doing some colourful artworks in the style of Andy Warhol – our window display is amazing! We have been doing many other things, with more interesting activities to come. Great work Class N!



CLASS O

Christine Okello (Teacher) Angie Cranston/Robyn Staader (SLSO)

We have had a great beginning of Term 4 and students continue to work hard. This term in PDHPE, apart from sports, students continue to participate in the Life Ready Skills program. This unit is intended to expose and help in the development of skills that empower students to take positive action to be healthy, safe and well. It is designed to promote positive and respectful relationships and transition confidently to post school independence, and participation in the community. Students love to discuss issues that will affect them when they leave school. In history, students continue to learn about Australian system of government and it was interesting to compare our system to that of Russia. They found out that Australia is much smaller in size and population compared to Russia. In Maths, we are doing maps and we have focussed mainly on the map of Bathurst and surrounding towns.













CLASS L

Ros Luther / Suzanne Wark (Teacher) Paula Hundy / Melinda Gavin (SLSO)

This term we have been settling back into work experience groups and for some that meant trialling new places of work. Connor has begun a placement at Mitchell Child Care on Fridays and is thoroughly enjoying working with the pre-schoolers up the road from us. Aidan is also trialling Live Better on a Tuesday morning and we pick him up after our shopping trip.

In English we have been studying media and have been learning about different types of media and what that means for us. On Friday we looked at social media and how to stay as safe as we can when using any digital devices. We have investigated the difference between fact and opinion and researched current news item in Australia. We chose to look at "Should Uluru be closed to the public?". This was well discussed and the students had some pretty strong views on the subject.

We have also planted some sunflowers during our science program and Matthew has been fantastic in watering and taking care of them, so thanks Matt.

Dylan took on the role of waiter and chef yesterday and took orders from the students for their pizza toppings. He also prepared and cooked the pizzas which were yummy. Thanks Dylan.















As part of the Popular Culture units of work have been exploring pop artists and their artworks, all students have produced fantastic artworks based on these pop artists' works.



CLASS A Allison Couchman (Teacher) Donna Kennedy (SLSO)

This term Class A have welcomed Ms Couchman and Noah to the class. We have had a great start to the term, we are studying vegetable production during agriculture. We have re-established the school kitchen garden and hope to be able to supply the canteen with a variety of vegetables later this year or next year.



In History, we have been learning about Federation. We have been learning about the reasons for and against Federation and the process of becoming a Federation. Whilst learning about life in the later 1800s, we enjoyed designing and building different railway lines similar to that which existed in the colonies prior to Federation.



We also had the opportunity to interact with STEMShare robotics kits. We have enjoyed building and then coding the robots so they move in different directions around the room.

Macquarie Tutorial Centre

Leeanne Graham / Donella Zakaria / Katie Moss / Tania Pringle (Teacher) Jodie Toomey / Khiara Ryan / Julie Buining (SLSO)

Macquarie Tutorial Centre have had an outstanding start to Term 4. All students returned from holidays eager to get started and have been fully engaged in the Science topic 'Natural Disasters'. We have had lots of fun and engaging learning experiences with many hands on activities.

Some students and staff had the opportunity to attend school camp at Narrabeen Sport and Recreation camp for three days in week 3. Everyone who attended camp had a fantastic time, learnt some new skills and pushed ourselves physically and mentally. Students participated in the high ropes course, some of us did this with ease. Thomas managed to jump from rope to rope and hang upside down on the flying fox. Others were a little bit nervous however, but did very well to overcome their fears. We had the opportunity to attend Manly Surf School with fantastic instructors who were devoted to making sure everyone reached their full potential. Ms Pringle was the star pupil and the winner of the longest time up on the board. Grant and Domanic absolutely pushed themselves to the limits and didn't stop for the entire time. Once back at camp we were given the opportunity to enjoy a kayak around the bay, for some of us it was a walk in the park, for others namely Ms Ryan it was hard work paddling for both her and Grant. Luke, Eboney, Dom and Grant wore Ms Pringle out playing in the water on paddle boards and other floats. Noah proved very efficient on moving the kayaks and helping everyone out on the water. Dom wasn't great on the boat ramp, and managed to find the ramp, grating his knee. He was very brave and didn't want to miss out on the fun. Huge thanks to our team leaders Jeff and Jackson, and to all that made this experience possible for our students.



CARENNE ART

This term's Art Program has begun with a look at famous artists and their artworks. These artists include Paul Klee, Vincent Van Gogh, Jackson Pollock, Claude Monet, Rene Magritte, George Seurat and Katsushika Hokusai. We've looked at different ways the artists have applied paint and had fun using sponges, brushes, forks, the eraser on the end of a pencil, toy blocks, toy cars and trucks, printing with foam and collage pictures to create unique, representations of famous artworks.

Clare Moore and Linda Jones



2019 School Spectacular 22nd and 23rd November

Everyone wants to be part of something bigger than themselves. Schools Spectacular unites kids to be a part of the biggest performance of their lives. This group of fantastic dancers from Carenne will be taking part in this years Schools Spectacular at Qudos Bank Arena at Sydney Olympic Park. 5,500 students from 370 schools will be performing in this incredible event on Friday 22 November 11am, 7.30pm and Saturday 23 November 1pm, 7pm. The theme for this years show is STARS and we know that our students will shine brightly on the stage.



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