

## CALENDAR DATES

### 8 - 11 December

Presentation Days  
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### 16 December 2020

Last Day of Term 4 for students.

### 25 December 2020

Christmas Day

### 26 January 2021

Australia Day

### 29 January 2021

First day of Term 1 - 2021 for students

## Fun Facts



Santa Claus did not always dress up in red clothes.

It is believed Germany began the tradition of the Christmas tree. Additionally, tinsel,



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## Yr 12 Graduation

What a lovely evening we had last week to celebrate the graduation of our 2020 School Leaders and Captains. Congratulations to Keith, Cody, Lachlan, Connor, Kasey, Jess and Gabrielle. You have made us so proud of your achievements and the lovely young adults you have become. Thanks go to everyone involved in planning the event, especially with the COVID restrictions in place. Kemp, Baskerville, Tattersall, Luther, Queenie and the Canteen Crew for the great food. Mrs McDonald for being our official photographer and Mr Rattray for bringing in his lovely car for photos. And of course our parents and families for sharing your children with us.



## Presentation Day

We look forward to seeing you all at our Presentation Day Ceremonies this week!

*Stay safe these holidays and have a Merry Christmas. 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.*

## Presentation Days

We are looking forward to our Presentation celebrations this week. While we want everyone to enjoy the celebration, we are required to advise you of some of the details of our COVID Safety Plan for the day. If you could follow the following guidelines, we will be able to ensure the safest experience for all involved.

COVID safe points for parents:

- Please do not attend the celebration if you are unwell with COVID symptoms, unless you have been tested since the onset of symptoms and you have returned a negative result. Similarly, please keep any students away if they are unwell.
- Please remain seated at all times throughout the celebration. The toilets near the staffroom will be available for your use. Please observe safe hygiene practices, utilising the hand sanitiser and returning to your seat immediately.
- The audience are asked not to sing during the celebration, this includes the National Anthem.
- There will be seats set out in the COLA. Please do not move these seats and only sit next to people you share a house with.
- There will be a form on your chair for you to fill out for us. Please fill it out before you leave and return to the box near the whiteboard.
- At the end of the celebration please move straight to your vehicle and avoid gathering with others to catch up. Unfortunately there can be no mingling at the conclusion of the ceremony.
- Photographs of you child will be taken by Carenne staff and sent home for you in the following days. Please do not leave your seat to take photographs.
- As you will be seated outside, please remember you are welcome to bring a bottle of water to keep hydrated during the ceremony. Please see below the timetable for Presentation Days.
- You are welcome to take your child home after at the conclusion, please make sure you let your class teacher know.

	Tuesday 8th December	Wednesday 9th December	Thursday 10th December	Friday 11th December
10:00am	Class 3 Class 4	Class 8 Class 11 Class 12	Class 1 Class 2	
11:30am	Class 5 Class 7	Class 6 Class 9 Class 10		Macquarie Tutorial Centre
1:30pm	Class 13 Class 14			

We would like to thank everyone for their vigilance and commitment to keeping Carenne School COVID free in 2020. Wishing everyone a safe and happy break and look forward to seeing everyone back at school in the new year.

*Take care, Nadine*



## Class 1

Kylie McDonald (Teacher)

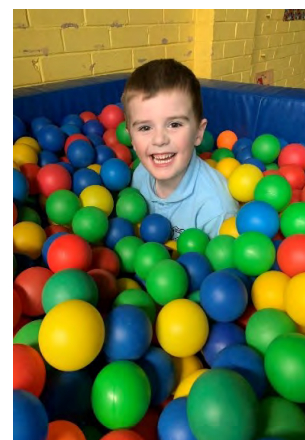
Marg Rowe (SLSO)



Congratulations to Angus, Ardor, Kai, Lachlan, Noah, Poppy, Richard and Scarlett for making many wonderful achievements during the 2020 school year.

McDonald and Rowe are very proud of all students in Class 1. We would like to share some of our favourite photos of Class 1 students being Safe, Respectful Learners at Carenne School.

We wish all our students and their families a safe and happy holiday, we look forward to seeing you all in 2021.



# Happy Holidays!

Class 2  
Janelle Kemp/Meg Turner-Mann (Teacher)  
Yvette Smith (SLSO)



Merry Christmas from everyone in Class 2. Enjoy some of our favourite photos from this year. Thanks to our wonderful parents and carers for your support this year. We have loved working with your children.



## Class 4

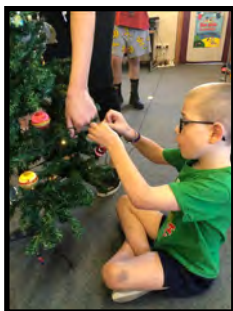
Kerryn Cafe (Teacher)

Steph Cupples (SLSO) Sarah Cheesman (SLSO)

Greetings for the final time for 2020 from Class 4. We have had a busy end to the term with lots of work being done as well as lots of fun end of year activities. We recently went on an excursion with Class 3 to the council chambers to meet the mayor. He told us about the important things the council does for our town. The boys all got to have their photos taken with the mayor wearing his medallions and hat. They also got to sit in the councillor's chairs and hold their own class council meeting. A huge thank you to the council staff for having us and being so generous with their time.



We have had a really wonderful year and have thoroughly enjoyed working with such a great group of students. The boys have all been enthusiastic learners and we are so proud of the progress they have made across all areas of their learning programs. The boys have made it pleasure for us to come to school each day. We thank you all for your support throughout the year and wish you all a very merry Christmas and all the best for a happy and healthy 2021. Kerryn, Steph and Sarah.



### Class 3

Sue Flude (Teacher)

Emma Rush/Katherine Porter (SLSO)

What a wonderful term we have all had. Class 3 and 4 enjoyed a visit to the Bathurst Regional Council. We all got to sit in the chambers where all the local decisions are made and even got to meet the mayor—Mr Bobby Bourke. We learnt about what the councils responsibilities are and how the councillors help to improve our local community. The staff were very proud of all the interesting questions the students asked and how well they listened.

We have started some Christmas activities in English groups and art. In the library, with Mrs Smith the students coloured in and cut out some bon-bons. They even got to choose a lolly and a toy to put inside it. I wonder if the bon-bons will last till Christmas?

Everyone from Class 3 wishes all our parents, carers and friends a very safe and happy Christmas and summer holiday.



## Class 12

Arlene Monaghan (Teacher)

Wendy Lynch (SLSO)

Class 12 have finished off the year celebrating so many wonderful achievements.

One of our favourite programs this year was implementing the Carenne Treat Trolley across our school. We received such wonderful support from staff and students, visiting classrooms and the office each week to say hello and sell our products.

In Personal Development we created papier Mache planter heads as part of our mindfulness program. All students put in an amazing effort and used this opportunity to work quietly to create a personalised, quality project. In literacy groups, we studied creative and persuasive writing and learnt about the art of debating. What an outstanding group of learners we taught this project! Dedicated teamwork, a keen commitment to learning and some very creative thinkers made for a purposeful and energetic class who had a lot of fun together.

Wendy and I would like to wish everyone a very happy and safe Christmas and Summer holiday. We have had an amazing year with your children. They have all grown and matured over the year. They have amazed us with what they have learnt and given us lots of laughs.

Merry Christmas and wishing you a happy New Year!



## Class 7

Dezarae Bastow (Teacher)

Rachelle French (SLSO)

A letter to our students, with love from your teachers

We can't believe it, but we're coming to the end of what has been a very tricky school year, so let's take a moment to look back at all you've accomplished. We saw you build skills and mindsets that will help you thrive as learners. You learned to set goals, focus on learning, and find ways to deal with stress as we practised mindfulness each day. Your empathy skills grew as you learned to read each other's cues during our morning circle. We saw your effort, motivation, and confidence soar throughout the year. You were amazed by your own courage as you spoke up in class for the first time or stood up to someone making poor choices. When we transitioned to learning-from-home, you continued to develop, learn, and grow in new ways. We watched you persevere when times got really tough. Many of you used the time away from the school building to explore your interests—like helping to cook, plant vegetables in your garden and read stories with your family. We am so proud of you.

How lucky we were to be your teacher!!



## Class 14

Anne Baskerville/ Meg Turner-Mann (Teacher)

Kym Tattersall (SLSO)

WOW! It's the end of the year already, the second half of this year has flown. I would just like to take this opportunity to thank everyone that has helped us out during the year. We really appreciate your help and support. That goes for staff and students, THANK YOU.

I would also like to thank our students, we have a very special bunch in Class14B. Each and every day is amazing as we face our struggles and celebrate our successes together.

We wish you all a very merry Christmas and a very happy New Year.

Stay safe and keep smiling and we look forward to seeing everyone again in 2021.



### Class 13

Erin Mouatt/Mitch Oxley (Teacher)

Kathleen Matheson (SLSO)



WOW, how the year has flown by! Sophie, Sam, Logan, Emma, Aleesha and Brady have had an amazing year, a huge congratulations on their achievements for 2020.



Our final weeks of the school year Class 13 has enjoyed arts and craft, dancing with Kemp and getting outside to use the exercise equipment. Moving to the end of the term we are enjoying Christmas art and even some Christmas cooking to get us all in the Christmas spirit!



From all of us in Class 13, we would like to wish our school community a safe, happy and relaxing holidays.



**Merry Christmas!**





## Class 8

Aimee Sutton (Teacher)  
Cade Turner-Mann (SLSO)

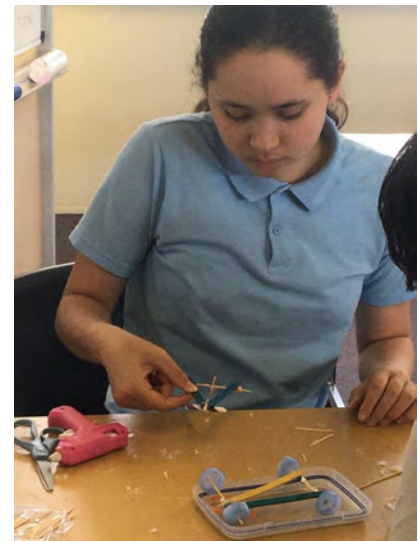


We made it! This year has been a very different year for everyone and Class 8 have handled the year of COVID like champions. In the last few weeks we have been busy learning about the many wonders of space in Science, building rubber band racers in Tech Mandatory, creating many wonderful Aboriginal art pieces and expanding our knowledge in History.

Class 8 have really enjoyed our Ten Pin Bowling for sport of a Friday and have really improved our skills over the weeks. Last week we were lucky enough to visit the Bathurst Regional Art Gallery to view extraordinary art works of Birrunga Wiradjuri. Students were encouraged to create their own birds-eye view of a landscape as well as painting a picture of a Gum tree.

This Wednesday is our Presentation Day and we have all been working hard on learning the steps to our dance.

Class 8 have had a wonderful year, Mr Turner and Mrs Sutton are very proud of everyone for being safe, respectful, learners in 2020. Have a safe and happy Christmas!



## Class 11

Peta Sykes (Teacher)

Mel Betland/Laura Belfanti (SLSO)



We continue to work hard as we head towards the end of Term 4, 2020. Class 11 thoroughly enjoyed the class party that they saved, budgeted and planned for as part of our money maths lessons this term. Starting with the making of our delicious cheesy pizzas, chocolate milkshakes and dessert. It was a real team effort and well worth all the hard work. The students have enjoyed getting out and about into the community again this term with some trips to Ten Pin Bowling Centre for sport. We really loved the visit to the Bathurst Regional Art Gallery a few weeks ago to view the words of Birrungu Wiradjuri as part of our History unit of work for the term.

Class 11 are really looking forward to our presentation day next week and have been practicing really hard to perfect our performance for our parents and carers who are coming to visit. Miss Mel, Miss Laura and I would like to wish you all a safe and happy holidays and we look forward to seeing you all next year.



## Class 9

Leah Clements/Suzanne Wark (Teacher)

Samantha Schofield (SLSO)

It is hard to believe that the end of the term is here! Ms Wark, Miss Sam and I have loved teaching Lily, Jasmine, Jacob, Lauchlan, Benson, Allan and Broden, and are grateful for the time that we have had with them.

We have done some wonderful things this year, despite the challenges and changes, and we congratulate our students on their efforts. To finish the year we have enjoyed writing some "fractured fairy tales," with the students' making their own crazy additions to popular stories. It has been really interesting learning about the variety of different indigenous art styles, and the students have made some beautiful artworks. The students enjoyed viewing the artworks of a local artist Birrunga Wiradjuri.

We have loved hearing the students develop their reading skills as we listened to them read each day, reading with clearer voices and good attempts at emphasising key words to make their reading interesting. Visiting the local library or listening to stories online would be a great way to keep connected to books over the long holidays! We have zoomed around the solar system, learning interesting facts about the different planets. We have made lots of mess in our room with plastic cups, cardboard, elastic bands, bottle tops and hot glue guns while we have tried to design functioning toy race cars, rockets and ping pong ball shooters in Mandatory Technology.

We wish our students and families a safe and restful holiday, a Merry Christmas, and a very Happy New Year!



## Class 5

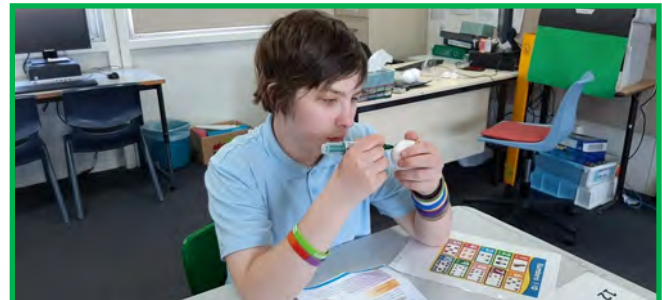
Christine Okello (Teacher)

Mick Phillips (SLSO)

The year 2020, has been very eventful year with lots of school activities restricted and others taken away all together, because of Covid-19. Members of Class 5 continued to show commitment to their classwork and worked to the best of their ability.

In Maths, students learnt how to solve mathematical problems. This topic was particularly useful to our Year 12 students who are leaving school. They will definitely need those skills to solve functional maths in their everyday life. In English, students read a book entitled 'Wonder', and also watched its video. It was of great interest to see students devoted to the storyline, give the opinions, thoughts, and relate to the story. Our Food Technology lessons drew quite a lot of enthusiasm. We congratulate Gabrielle whose Main Course recipe won our 'Sea to Plate' competition. It was a beautiful salmon and beetroot dish. Our last competition was a dessert recipe, which was won by Callan. We look forward to tasting his dessert next week.

There is a time for everything, and even though we are happy to end the year, we are also sad to say goodbye to our four lovely Year 12 students who are finishing school. We congratulate Keith, Gabrielle, Kasey and Jessica on completing Year 12 and we wish them all the best in the future. We will surely miss your teamwork! Have a lovely Christmas and New Year!





## Class 10

Ros Luther / Clare Moore/Mitchell Helm (Teacher)

Karina Molenkamp/Bailey Brien (SLSO)



Well what a big year we have had in Class 10 adjusting to and working within Covid Rules and Regulations. We have all kept up with cleaning regularly and keeping as well as possible, so congratulations guys on adapting and working with us!! We've made it through to the end of 2020 unscathed!!

This year we say goodbye to Connor who is graduating and hoping to continue his Post School SLES program with Vivability. We are very proud of all that Connor has achieved in his school life at Carenne and wish him all the best in the future.

Our other students will all keep up the hard work next year at Carenne in their final years of schooling. Thanks for an amazing year Class 10.

Here is a snapshot of some of our memorable moments in 2020.



Wishing all our wonderful families a very Merry Christmas and a safe and happy holiday!





## Class 6

Allison Couchman (Teacher)

Laura Belfanti / Mat Rattray

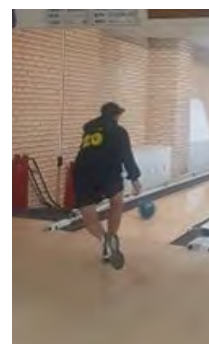
What a year 2020 has been. Despite the disruption Covid 19, we have achieved so much in class 6. We have all made significant improvements in English and mathematics. Some in the class have gone up in excess of 3 reading levels and some who actively tried to avoid mathematics at the beginning of the year, now proudly show off their abilities.



This term, we have been investigating 'Earth's Place in Space' during science. We enjoyed making representation of constellations using matchsticks and marshmallows and the phases of the moon using Dleta Cream biscuits.



For sport, class 6 have participated in tenpin bowling at the Bathurst Tenpin Bowling Centre. Many in the class also participated in the tenpin bowling competition in Orange. The class enjoyed the opportunity to show off their skills.



This year we farewell year 12 students, Cody and Lachlan. Cody will be leaving having been offered a permanent part-time job at Glenray Industries in their wood products and work crew sections. Lachlan has been offered the opportunity to continue on at Access Industries and will slowly transition into working more days. We wish them the best for the future.



## Macquarie Tutorial Centre

Leeanne Graham / Donella Zakaria / Katie Stanford / Tania Pringle (Teacher)  
Jodie Toomey / Jamie Tickle / Julie Buining (SLSO)

Macquarie Tutorial Centre have participated in a range of activities over the last few weeks, learnt some new skills and achieved some milestones.

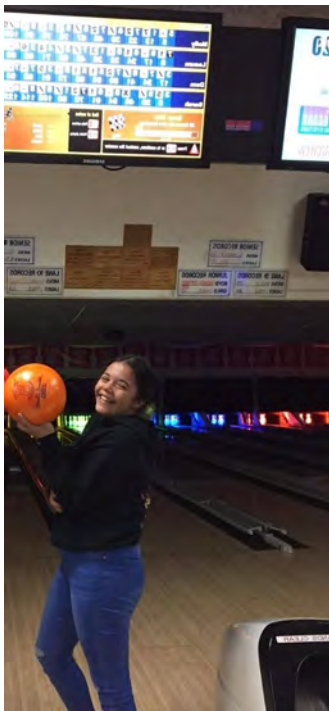
This Term we have a number of students who have attended weekly bowling sessions for sport. This has been an excellent opportunity for all involved. Students have thoroughly enjoyed having friendly competitions and social outings with the wider Carenne School Community.

We celebrated NAIDOC week with pride and respect. Students across the school worked together to create a banner that highlighted our respect towards the Indigenous culture. Each student was asked to place a painted hand on the banner as a symbol of unity. Students spent the week learning new and exciting words from the Wiradjuri language. They were challenged in a scavenger hunt to find the most witchetty grub.

We have all worked hard throughout our integrated units and learnt a lot about Pandemics and medieval culture. Students have enjoyed the practical experiments and social interactions in these units.

We are looking forward to our annual Christmas lunch and having a positive end to the Term. Students have also been given the opportunity to attend the Raging Waters excursion. Staff going are excited to enjoy this day with students.

We would like to wish all the students who are graduating or not returning to MTC the best of luck. We will be sad to see them leave us but know that they are capable of great things in the future.





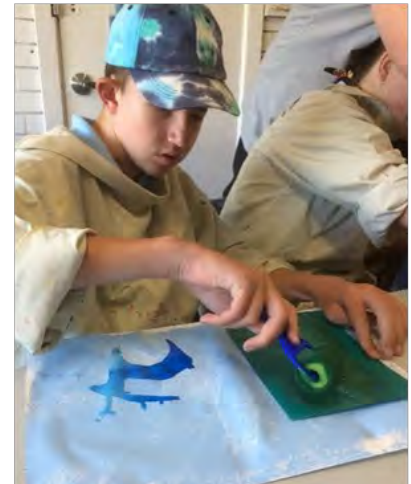
## Carenne Art Program

Clare Moore (Teacher) Linda Jones (SLSO)



We're ending our year in the Art Room with a look at "Celebrations". The students have created a range of spectacular artworks featuring New Year's Eve Fireworks, Christmas Tree Forests, menorahs from the Hanukkah Festival of Light and Rudolph the Reindeer. We've also used our ever-popular gel pads to create Christmas prints. It's been a wonderfully, rewarding year in the art room for Linda and me. The students continue to build on their artistic skills as well as developing confidence in their own abilities. They follow directions and show an appreciation for their own and others' artworks. All students from Carenne School and the MTC have an opportunity to participate in the art program and if it's not practical for a class to visit the art room, Linda and I take the art activity to them! The Art Program has now been running every Tuesday for two years and we look forward to another great year in 2021.

Clare and Linda



Teaching and Learning  
Belinda Henry ( Instructional Leader )

Congratulations to all the students on their hard work during the year. It has been a very different year for everyone.

As a school we have continued our focus on reading looking closely at phonological awareness. Phonological awareness is the ability to focus on the sounds of speech and it has a number of different components. In the classroom this is supported by the rhymes, songs and chants that all the students enjoy along with identifying syllables and blending sounds together to make a word.

Congratulations to our students who have received reading awards this term!



# Top parenting apps

Need a last-minute activity idea to keep your child engaged and excited? There's an app for that!

We've got you covered these school holidays with 15 popular - and free - mobile apps to support you and your child's mental and emotional wellbeing.

## Apps for you

### Bright Parenting - Available on the [App Store](#) and [Google Play](#).

This US-developed app is designed to help parents of children aged 2-10, with strategies to deal with difficult behaviour and methods of strengthening your parental bond.

### child 360 app - Available on the [App Store](#) and [Google Play](#).

This app is designed to assist you in supporting your child's emotional and social wellbeing, with suggestions on how you can build their resilience.

### Day by Day - Available on the [App Store](#).

Developed by the [Victorian State Government](#), this app includes a collection of fun activities that you can do with your child around the home.

### Familys - Available on the [App Store](#) and [Google Play](#).

Aimed at parents of children aged 1 to 12, Familys has educational activities for you and your child to try together, as well as tips for developing positive parenting habits.

### Hello Joey - Available on the [App Store](#) and [Google Play](#).

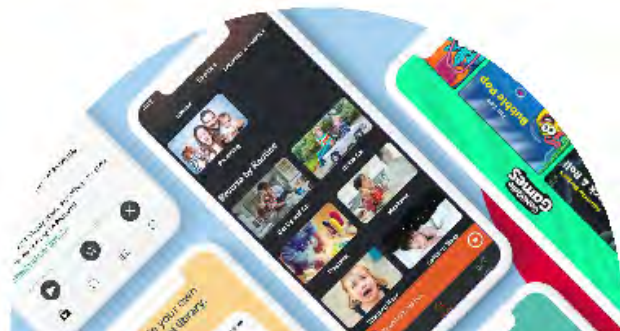
This app is designed to help you with some of the tricky issues that parents face, including disciplining your child and dealing with picky eaters. It includes some paid content.

### Learning Potential - Available on the [App Store](#) and [Google Play](#).

This app helps you support your child's learning, from preschool all the way through to adulthood. It has been developed by the Australian Government Department of Education and Training.

### PBS Parents Play & Learn - Available on the [App Store](#) and [Google Play](#).

This US-developed app comes with ideas for games you can play with your child.



## Apps for your child

### ABC Kids - Available on the [App Store](#) and [Google Play](#).

Developed by the ABC and aimed at younger children, the ABC Kids app has material to entertain and educate your child.

### GoNoodle - Available on the [App Store](#) and [Google Play](#).

This app has a huge range of activity-based videos encouraging your child to move, dance and stretch.

### Khan Academy Kids - Available on the [App Store](#) and [Google Play](#).

This app offers a broad selection of lessons on reading, language, writing and maths, as well as many other topics.

### Kinderling Plus - Available on the [App Store](#) and [Google Play](#).

This Australian kids radio station plays family-friendly music, stories and lullabies - and it has some parenting tips for grown-ups too.

### Photomath - Available from the [App Store](#) and [Google Play](#).

This app uses the camera on your child's phone to scan a maths problem and offer up ideas for solving, with the working shown in steps.

**Swift Playgrounds** - Available on the [App Store](#).  
Swift Playgrounds will introduce your child to the basics of coding and will allow them to experiment as they learn. Suitable for children ages 12 and above.

**The Robot Factory** - Available on the [App Store](#).  
Let your child's imagination run wild while they create robots and develop their creativity and problem-solving skills.

### Youth Beyond Blue - Available from the [App Store](#) and [Google Play](#).

This app is designed to help teenagers talk to friends that they think might be struggling.

Not all of these apps will suit all parents' needs, and you are in the best position to decide what advice and support will work best for you and your family.

