



# Carenne School

## Newsletter

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TERM 2 WEEK 10 2021

### Snow Day!

There was lots of excitement last week when we had our first snow day for quite a few years! We stayed warm while having some fun making some fun winter craft for our front window. Thank you to Classes 12 & 13 for our lovely snowman.



### Excursions

After so long without any excursions we made up for it this term. Our sports people travelled with Mrs Pringle to Dubbo for Triability and then to Geurie for Cross country resulting in four students making it through to State. Mrs Kemp wowed audiences with her dance groups performance at BMEC for the Western NSW Dance



Festival. Ms Sykes took our Indigenous students to the Thikkabilla dance and then a Corroboree for Reconciliation Week. Ms Couchman organised a trip on the 3801 stream train from Tarana to Bathurst while Ms Mills took some of our Yr 7 & 8 students to the MTC vegie gardens as part of their Tech Mandatory and Food Technology units. Lastly,



Ms Moss, Mr Graham and the team took their boys camping and got completely rained out! A huge shout-out to our amazing staff who organise these great events for our students.

### Reports

Semester 1 reports will be sent home next week. Teachers love to share your children's achievements with you and put a lot of effort into producing your child's reports. Please take the time to read the reports and don't hesitate to contact your class teacher if you have any questions. Have a safe and relaxing holiday and we'll see all students back on Tuesday 13th July. *Jane*

### CALENDAR DATE

- Wednesday 23rd June—Reports go home
- Friday, 25th June — Last Day of Term 2
- Tuesday, 13th July— First Day of Term 3

*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.*

## Improved attendance

School attendance is valued by every teacher at Carenne School as we know there is a direct correlation between attendance and improved outcomes for every student. We wanted to congratulate our students who have shown an improved attendance of at least 5 % from Term 1 to Term 2 of 2021. The following students are our attendance stars.

Class 1 - congratulations Richard and Angus.

Class 6 - congratulations Will.

Class 7 - congratulations to Kade and Mikey.

Class 9 - congratulations Jessie.

Class 10 - congratulations Jackson and Gus.

Class 14 - congratulations Liam and Aatif.

Tutorial Centre - congratulations Sam, Tayne and Luke.

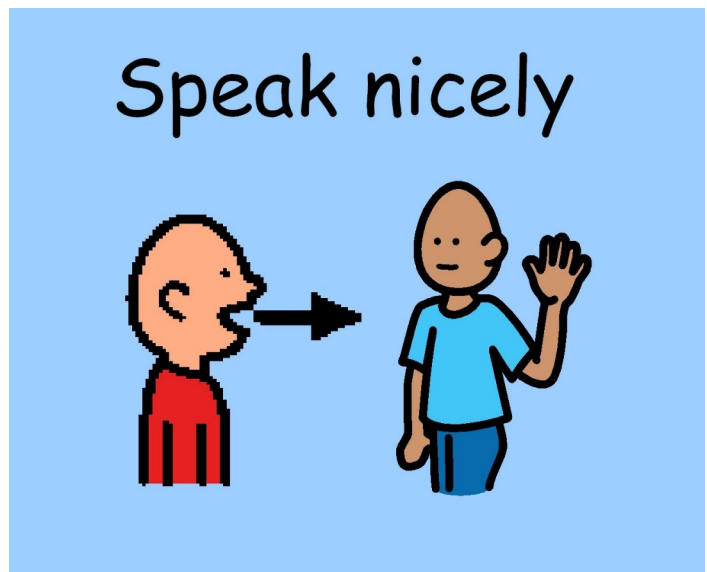
Thank you to all of these students who have been enjoying their studies and coming to school more often.

## Positive Behaviour for Learning

Core value highlight - Speak Nicely

At Carenne School and Macquarie Tutorial Centre we encourage all students to speak nicely at all times. Even when students are feeling sad, upset or angry it is important that we always speak nicely to our friends, family and staff members.

Sometimes we need to remind each other how to speak nicely and that if we haven't got anything nice to say, we shouldn't say anything at all.



## Work Experience

We have many students who are going out into the community for work experience with businesses around the Bathurst area. It is fantastic to see these students excited to be leaving school to begin their day and returning full of excitement and information about the career they are following. I would like to thank the teachers at both Carenne School and Macquarie Tutorial Centre who organise these work placements and support the students to develop essential skills for a work place environment.

*Take Care, Nadine*

## Teaching and Learning

It has been a very busy and productive term for all students and staff. Students and our paraprofessionals have been working hard and enjoying the activities and programs that are running throughout the school.

It is wonderful to see students engaged in activities and interacting in small groups with peers and staff. There has been a focus on phonological awareness and phonics, spelling and writing along with the use of the communication app.

Belinda Henry - Instructional Leader







## CLASS 1

Kylie McDonald (Teacher)

Marg Rowe (SLSO)



Term 2 has been very busy in Class 1. We have been learning about the upcoming Olympic Games in Tokyo, beginning on the 23<sup>rd</sup> of July.

The colours of the Olympic Rings contain at least one colour of each flag of the participating Olympic Teams.

Class 1 students created their own Olympic Torch and we have been using the interactive whiteboard to warm-up and practice our movement and ball skills with Olympic athletes.

Thank you to Lachlan, Richard, Gordon, Callen, Ardor and Angus for being safe, respectful learners. Rowe and McDonald are very proud of you all.





## CLASS 2

**Janelle Kemp/Meg Turner-Mann (Teacher)**

**Yvette Smith (SLSO)**

What a busy term it has been in Class 2. We can't believe that it is almost time for holidays.

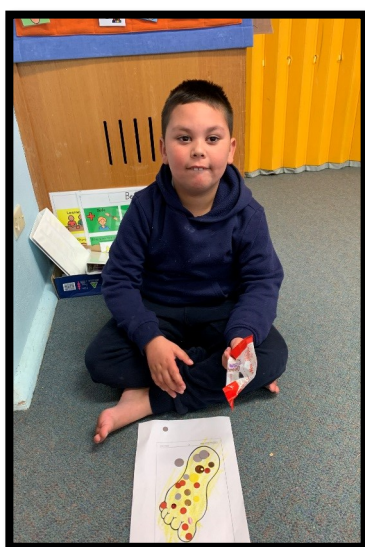
We have been busy preparing school reports to go home and this has given us time to record and celebrate the achievements of every student in our room. It is wonderful to see the progress that our students are making with their independent living skills and communication skills.

We love our school Core Communication System and use visuals from this system every day to help our students understand what is happening next. From here our goal is for each student to use visuals to make choices and better communicate their needs.

In class we have been reading books as a group for the Premiers Reading Challenge. We are well on the way to reaching our book target for each student in our class.

Recently we celebrated Reconciliation Week at Carenne and our class enjoyed decorating footprints for display for our special assembly. We loved watching the Indigenous Dance group from West Bathurst School perform for us at the assembly.

We hope you enjoy looking at our photos from activities at school. Have a safe and happy holiday!



## CLASS 3

**Kerryn Cafe (Teacher)**

**Steph Cupples (SLSO)**

Well it's hard to believe the term is almost over! We have had a really busy Term Two, full of lots of hard work and fun times. The boys have all worked hard on their learning programs and it was lovely to reflect on their progress and efforts while writing the Semester One reports.

This term we have completed a unit of work on the upcoming Tokyo Olympics. We have learnt about being caring and respectful in PD/Health and have completed a science unit 'Material World' with Ms Marshall. We have worked hard on our number skills and enjoyed combining with Class 4 for English groups. The gym and bike track continue to be favourite activities as well as Pet Therapy sessions with Mrs Gavin, library sessions with Mrs Smith and Art Room activities with Ms Moore and Linda. This term the boys have been given additional literacy support time with Mrs Lynch and Miss Sam. The boys all enjoy these sessions and have been working really hard on improving their reading, spelling and listening skills.

An absolute highlight of the term was our recent trip on the 3801 steam train. The boys enjoyed the bus ride to Tarana where we boarded the beautiful old steam train for the trip back to Bathurst. It was amazing to have the opportunity to travel on this historic train. A huge thanks to Ms Couchman for organising this wonderful experience.

Have a wonderful mid year break, we look forward to seeing everyone back for Term Three!

Kerryn & Steph.





## CLASS 4

**Sue Flude (Teacher)**

**Sarah Cheesman/Katherine Porter (SLSO)**

We are half way through the school year and the students have been very busy learning so many different topics. We have continued with our English activities; reading a range of books, sounding out new words and including them in creative sentences.

We have learnt about the history of the Olympic games and what to look forward to when the Tokyo 2021 Games start. The students have been fascinated researching about the culture and lifestyle of the Japanese people.

In Science Mr Helm has been conducting experiments demonstrating the different states of matter and how things can change from a solid into a liquid and vice versa.

We've explored different environments in our Art session with Ms Moore and Ms Linda and painted a fox in a forest biome.

We have appreciated the use of the gym now that the weather has got cooler however we do get out to the bike track and practise our AFL skills when the weather is fine.

We have visited Pet Therapy and had a wonderful time catching the 3801 Steam train from Tarana to Bathurst.

Have a wonderful school holidays. Keep warm.





## CLASS 10

**Dezarae Bastow and Kelly Mills (Teacher)**

**Hannah Austen/Daniel Hawke (SLSO)**

This semester Class 10 have been learning about agriculture and food technology in Tech Mandatory.

Class 10 students have been learning about everyday foods and sometimes food, about which plants grow above or below ground and which plant parts we eat.

They have also been learning how to prepare salad foods for eating, and the difference between a vegetable and a fruit. The class has enjoyed trying different salads, The food testing began with a feely bag of salad ingredients where they had to put their hand in the bag, grab a food item, try to guess what it was and then they could try the food. We then tried a garden salad we prepared ourselves, a pasta salad ("Confetti Macaroni Pasta Salad"), and a baked vegetable salad.

The students have thoroughly enjoyed preparing and trying new food!





## CLASS 9

**Peta Sykes & Julia Maher (Teacher)**

**Wendy Lynch/Riley Holland (SLSO)**

This term students have been involved in lots of extra curricular activities.

For the Reconciliation Week Assembly students wrote personal messages about what Reconciliation meant to them and produced decorated foot prints to represent taking steps towards Reconciliation for Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians. We enjoyed watching the Wagambirra Dancers from Bathurst West Public School perform cultural dances.

Some students had the opportunity to represent Carenne School and perform at the Western NSW Dance Festival at Bathurst Memorial Entertainment Centre. Students thoroughly enjoyed showcasing their performance skills with other public schools from across Western NSW .

The Try Ability Athletics Day in Dubbo gave students the opportunity to experience athletics, in an enjoyable and non-competitive setting and on Thursday students participated in an Indigenous dance and culture workshop conducted by Thikkabilla Vibrations.

Students then had the opportunity to perform with students from other schools for families and the community including the Bathurst mayor Bobby Burke on Friday at the Combined Schools Corroboree.

We have packed so much into a few weeks. We are looking forward to a well earned rest so we can do it all again next term.





## CLASS 14

**Anne Baskerville/Janet Allen (Teacher)**

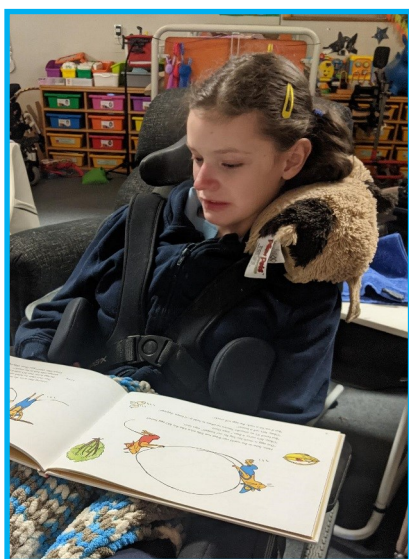
**Kym Tattersall (SLSO)**

Class 14 have had a wonderful and busy Term 2. We have continued working hard on our theme work and in particular have learnt about the music, food and art of many countries. We have become expert cooks, and have used the oven and fry-pan to cook up dishes like Italian meatballs, Greek Spanakopita, Spanish omelette, Turkish salad, German Pretzels/Brats and French apple tart. Class 14 has also has been working hard on their artwork for this year's art show.

Our Sport sessions have been wonderful fun with Mrs Pringle and we are becoming really fantastic at Bocce whether it be in the room or in the Cola. In Week 8 we loved having a visit from the Digger Dogs, and were so impressed with how many tricks the dogs can do.

In Music we have been focusing on beat and rhythm activities and have used cups, plates, instruments and balls to tap out the rhythm and play along to lots of interesting songs. Class 14 has learnt lots of new words when we sing in German, Spanish, Italian and Greek. Who knew we were so multi-lingual.

We hope everyone has a safe and happy holiday.





## CLASS 13

**Declan Gilkes (Teacher)**

**Kathleen Matheson/Toby Sloane (SLSO)**

It has been a very busy term for Class 13, who have continued to have big smiles. We were excited to have Mr Gilkes with our class for weeks 3-8 while Oxley was completing his university work.

Danny, Jericho and Charlotte were lucky enough to be involved in the Western NSW Dance Festival held at the Bathurst Memorial Entertainment Centre on Wednesday the 2nd of June with Kemp teaching us the moves. We had a great time on stage dancing the night away.

Jericho and Danny had a fun time with Pringle and their peers at the Dubbo Athletics Try-Ability Day where they competed in running events, shot put, long jump and discus. A great day out, thankyou Pringle!

Class 13 have been working very well with Miss Sam as part of our literacy focus for the semester and have seen improvements across the board. We have been working hard on our sounds and building our knowledge of jolly phonics to further develop our reading and writing.

In Mandatory Technology we have been studying Agriculture and Food Technology where we have been investigating where food comes from and different ways we can use produce to create meals such as salads.





## CLASS 8

**Aimee Sutton (Teacher)**

**Cade Turner-Mann (SLSO)**

Class 8 have had another busy term and are looking forward to the winter holidays.

This term we have been watching 'The NeverEnding Story' in English and explored the elements of the film such as character development, setting and the problem/solution.

In Geography we are investigating landscapes and landforms, we even painted river deltas on rocks and used sand to create a desert landscape.

Class 8 are all enjoying our dance unit 'Moving Me' learning about moving their body through space and time. We have learnt about directional change in dance such as 'opposite, near and far' to create simple dance sequences.

Last week we stepped back in history and took a ride on the Locomotive 3801 steam train from Tarana to Bathurst. We were able view the beautiful décor and students commented on how comfortable the seats were compared to modern day trains.

Class 8 wish everyone a safe and happy holiday, stay warm!





## CLASS 5

**Tania Pringle/Clare Moore (Teacher)**

**Karina Molenkamp (SLSO)**

Class 5 have had a wonderful end to Term 2. A variety of activities have occurred from work experience, bike riding and intensive literacy programs. Cooking with Mr Helm, Art and HSIE with Ms Moore and a lot of well-being discussions with Mrs Pringle. The Year 12 students have been preparing for post school opportunities with multiple meetings occurring to ensure success in 2022. Ms Couchman has led the way for our class in regards to work experience and creating perfect placements for our very keen workers. All of the feedback from work experience leaders has been very positive and complimentary in the amount of engagement of all students.

Josh has successfully qualified for state cross country.

Dylan is continuing to gain skills during his work experience.

Matthew is continuing to grow and mature and always contributes to positive class wellbeing.

Daniel has been engaging in intensive literacy activities with the use of technology.

Taylor has been reading to Ms Molly daily and developing her reading skills.

Maylee has been working with Ms Sam on developing her spelling and comprehension strategies.

Liam has been working well with Mrs Gavin at Riding for the Disabled and Pets as Therapy program.



## CLASS 12

**Leah Clements (Teacher)**

**Samantha Schofield/Kelly Robinson (SLSO)**

Term 2 finishes with some cold weather and a snow day for some students at home and for some students at school. We enjoyed making a snowman out of cotton balls, and playing with some snow from the playground.

This term the students have enjoyed making complete electrical circuits in science. We have cooked some delicious food, creating a range of tasty salads and mini-pizzas. We had a beautiful day at Blackheath, walking down to Govetts Leap lookout. The view was awesome! On the way back through Hartley Valley, we saw two emus.

The students all had a fantastic time on the 3801 Steam Train from Tarana to Bathurst. We could see the steam floating past the windows as we waved at the people watching the train pass by.

We listened to Wiradjuri stories during Reconciliation Week, looking at pictures drawn by past Carenne students. We have finished our film unit on The Neverending Story, it has been great to watch parts of it and listen to the beautiful music.

The students have been working hard on many new skills in communication, maths and reading. We hope you all have a restful and safe holiday, looking forward to more fun and learning in Term 3!





## CLASS 7

Christine Okello (Teacher)

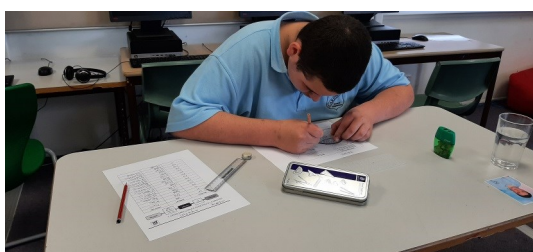
Mick Phillips (SLSO)



Class 7 students continue to work hard in all KLAS. In Mathematics, they are learning about equipment in a geometrical set and how to use them. Instruments used within the field of geometry, including the ruler, dividers, protractor, set square, compass and T-square. Students are excited and looking forward to extend the knowledge learnt in other settings.

In Food Technology, we continue with our "Dinner Around the World" journey. Students have so far cooked *chow mein* a popular Chinese dish, *poutine* a Canadian street food, *jollof* rice a Nigerian popular rice dish. They have been learning about Venezuela and this week students will cook *Arepas*, a traditional Venezuelan food. Our last "Dinner Around the World" dish will take us to Italy.

In PDHPE, students have learnt about safety in the society and they also continue to participate in active footy sports on Monday afternoons. It has been a great term and we look forward to a well deserved school holidays.





## CLASS 11

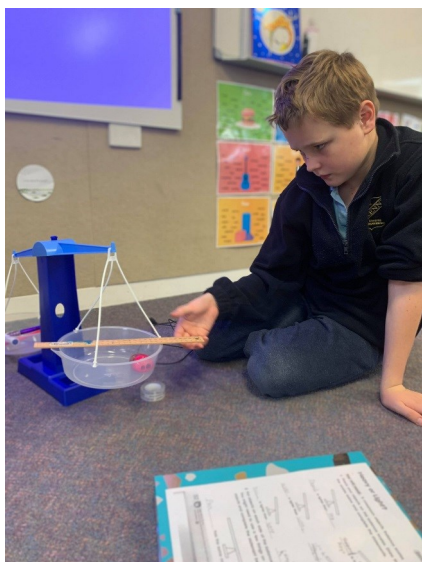
**Tegan Taylor Teacher)**

**Rachelle French (SLSO)**

Class 11 have had a very busy term. We have focused on respect this term as our PBL focus in particular being a good friend and what that looks like. All students in Class 11 have demonstrated what it looks like to be a good friend on the playground and in the classroom.

In Mathematics students in Class 11 have looked at measurement and geometry. The boys loved the unit that we did on Mass. They enjoyed using scales and hefting as a form of measurement. They were surprised and interested to find out that 10kg of feathers is the same weight as 10kg of bricks, this provoked curiosity for the students and they began to measure unusual objects.

We have had some huge achievements in Cass 11 this term, Seth and Jack have both made it to State Cross Country and will be competing in Eastern Creek next term.





## CLASS 6

**Allison Couchman (Teacher)**

**Michelle O'Toole (SLSO)**



Class 6 have had a fantastic term. Highlights of the term have included the opportunity to travel on the 3801 steam train and going bushwalking with Aspire.

In History, we have continued to study Ancient Rome, with a focus on Roman architecture. We particularly enjoyed creating our own colosseums.



During Maths, we have been enjoying investigating different hypothesis and proving these to be true or false. Did you know that the person with the largest hand does not have the largest stride.

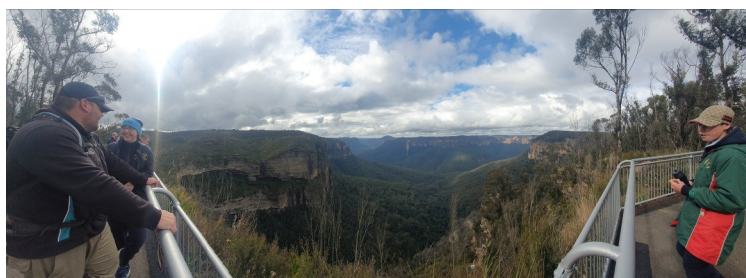


In English we have continued to work on our spelling, phonics, and reading. We have made significant improvements.

For sport we have continued to play AFL at George Park and have been studying the perception of media during PDHPE sessions.



In science and agriculture we have been learning about the properties of matter and the grain Industry through project-based learning. Students have demonstrated their understanding of the concepts through a variety of hands on and computer tasks.





## Macquarie Tutorial Centre 1

Tim Graham (Teacher)

Jodie Toomey/Emily Cooper (SLSO)

Class 1 has been working hard in all aspects of their class work this term. We have now started our unit on Sustainability and have been introduced to waste and recycling. We have started to make our plastic bottle bricks to help with our recycling of soft plastics, Creating bricks to then build a structure out of our handmade bricks. We are looking forward to seeing what measures we might be able to put in place at the MTC to help reduce our electricity bills and other ways to introduce a more sustainable way of living including composting and recycling. Shae is all set to create some waste-to- art creations as part of this unit.

Class 1 has been lucky enough to join the 'Boys to the Bush' in school program. Over the last few weeks the students were able to go fishing at the dam, check out the glow worm tunnel, learn some basic first aid and enjoy the Bathurst Car Museum. The boys were also taught how to take their blood pressure and blood sugar levels with Dr Grant practicing his skills on Mr Graham. Thomas was also interviewed on the news about his participation in the program.

Our time with the Boys to the Bush program culminated with an overnight camp near Cowra which was thoroughly enjoyed by all that attended. Nick tried his best to catch a fish in the river while Dom had a great time paddling around in the kayak. The boys participated in an Indigenous cultural night where they got to participate in a traditional smoking ceremony, traditional dance and totem drawings. Whilst it did rain on our swags overnight and the next morning, this didn't dampen their spirits and they should be commended on how they coped with the weather.

Well done Class 1.





## Macquarie Tutorial Centre 3

**Katie Moss (Teacher)**

**Julie Buining & Paul Moran (SLSO)**

Class 3 have been busy learning about sustainability and why this is important for us and future generations. Students have been hard at work creating plans on how to reduce their own carbon footprint. We have been engaged with the war on waste documentary which has led to many interesting conversations about such things as food waste and alternative ways to use waste materials.

Some students had the privilege to participate in the Boys to the Bush overnight camp. This was an amazing opportunity that involved students learning how to kayak, fish and be involved in the Indigenous Cultural experience. We visited a local farmer and greyhound racer. The boys enjoyed playing with the pups and racing them along the fence. Wiradjuri elders taught students traditional ways to start a fire, some were lucky enough to have a go of using a turning stick. We learnt about the different colours of ochre and the meanings. We participated in a face painting ceremony using white as this represents unity and all. A smoke ceremony was held to cleanse our spirits, the earth and allow us to all show our respects to nature. Totem drawings were created in the sand and coloured with ochre, the Wiradjuri totem for this area is the goanna. Students participated in singing and dancing and even Mr Graham learnt how to 'shake a leg'.

Class 3 have had a number of students who are beginning to take part in the work education program practical component. Luke has excelled at The Brew Café and Sam is eager to start at Café Corporation next week. We have received some positive feedback from local childcare facilities on how students are representing our school while conducting themselves at work experience.



## Art News

Clare Moore ( Teacher)

Linda Jones (SLSO)

Our recent activities in the art room have focused on Japan and its culture. The students have created colourful Pagodas, decorative Kimonos, eye catching Koi fish and beautiful Japanese vases. We've used a variety of methods including, printmaking, collage, oil pastels and washes and learnt a couple of Japanese words as well!

It's such a pleasure to see the students' enthusiasm during their visits to the art room and we continue to be impressed with the students' skills and creativity.

Clare and Linda



# JAPAN





## Dance

### Western NSW Dance Festival

This talented group of students from Yr 8 - Yr 12 performed in the Western NSW Dance Festival on 2nd June 2021 at BMEC.

This is the first time our school has been involved in the festival and they were warmly welcomed by students from other school and were a big hit with the audience. There is nothing better than to watch this wonderful group of students perform. It is clear that they love to dance and we couldn't have been prouder off the way they represented our school.

Thanks to all the support of the families and carers behind these students that allowed them to participate. Thanks also to the staff who came and supported them on the big day.

Janelle Kemp - Performing Arts



## Sport

### WESTERN CROSS COUNTRY

Carenne school students attended the cross country trials in Geurie last Friday 11th June.

The weather was very crisp, creating tough conditions to run in. All 5 of the students ran amazingly well with 4 students progressing to State Cross Country in the 16th July at Eastern Creek. Well done to the entire team for sportsmanship, team support and resilience in freezing conditions.

Thanks to Miss Mel for the extra support on the day.



### TRY-ABILITY ATHLETICS

Students travelled to Dubbo on 1st June to participate in a non competitive athletics fun day for students with a variety of disabilities. Eleven students attended the carnival, giving them the opportunity to participate in the synthetic running track, take in the atmosphere of the facilities of the best athletics centre in the western region. All students raced in the 100m, 200m and 400m on the track showing pace and athleticism.

Students also got to throw a variety of objects for shot put, discus and javelin. Students displayed strength they didn't even know they had. One of the highlights of the day was long jump, where all students got large amounts of air and had a great cheer squad on every runup.

Congratulations to all of the students for their wonderful sportsmanship and team comradery throughout the day, cheering not only their own school mates but students from all across the western region. Well done to all of the students and thanks to Miss Taylor and Mr Toby for bringing all of their skills and care for students on the day.

