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A message from the Principal's desk:

Semester 1 has drawn to a close and student reports were mailed out this week. Well done to all the students, I could tell that everyone is making an effort. We now have a two week break, with staff returning on Monday 15th July and students on the 16th. Stay safe and looking forward to Term 3.

Janelle Radke

What's in a game?

Among teen and preteen gamers, the names of violent video games travel fast. And before you know anything about these games your child wants to play them. How do you make an informed decision about what to buy?

Find out more:

http://www.commonsensemedia.org/blog/10-mostviolent-video-games-and-10-alternatives

Office News

We are currently updating student records. If any details for the following have changed please ring the office.

Address, Phone No's, Medication or medical details.

School Publicity

On 12th June Carinya School was fortunate to receive a visit from the Federal Minister for Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs, and the Minister for Disability Reform, Jenny Macklin and the Member for Banks, Daryl Melham.

Both Ministers visited classrooms and spoke to the students. For the staff and students of Carinya this was a fantastic opportunity to showcase our achievements.

Many thanks to parents/carers who accepted the invitation to attend at such short notice. There was a question and answer time where parents/carers were able to gain information regarding the National Disability Insurance Scheme.



| Dates to remember | |
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| School Resumes | 16 th July |
| Education Week | 29/7 -2/8/13 |
| Vaccinations | 10 th September |

Science and Maths Fun Day

On the 19th June Carinya Staff organised a Maths and Science fun day. Students had a wonderful time participating in engaging hands-on problem solving activities.

It was a great opportunity for the students to see how Maths and Science can be applied to real life situations and that Maths and Science can be fun.

Experiments included a spooky ball conducting electricity, flying balloons showing the power of directing air, an illusion square and master memory game to make students think visually, green slime that was not solid or liquid, missile launching, a lost star and measuring water to conclude that volume is not the same depending on size and shape.

The day was enjoyed by all the staff



Congratulations to our Science and Maths Boffins. They are:

Junior Boffins: Tyler and Rory

Senior Boffin: Hasan

Highly Commended: Nathan, Matt, Hayden, Justin, Kelvin, Eliza, Bailey and Mark.

Well Done!

What's Your Hobby or Interest?

Our first student to write for the Newsletter is Hayden Alexander of Class 7.

My name is Hayden Alexander and I love the Rugby League. My team is the South Sydney Rabbits. I go to most of the games with my family and I like to be able to wear the red and green colours as often as I can. At home my room is full of South Sydney posters, footballs and all sorts of stuff that I collect. I don't really like it when my team lose. This year has been fantastic as the Rabbits are leading the completion.



Class 6 David and Wendy

Colours, creativity and the Croods have all played a part in moulding and building the champions of Class 6 this semester. Laughlan the newest member of class 6 had this to say, "We have done masks and painting and it was really fun! "In our weekly art/craft time we have also made paddle pop stick creations and paper mache' helmets, which all look fantastic. Another regular, weekly activity that Class 6 is involved in is Community access. This is where our students are given an opportunity to purchase a meal in public which requires them to count their money, budget, order their food, calculate change they will be owed and then pay the cashier. This time also teaches social skills in public and familiarises students with different types of shops and locations near the school. As a finale to Term 1, Class 6 ioined some of the other classes with a visit to the cinema at Hurstville where we all enjoyed a screening of the 'Croods'. As part of this outing, student's purchased their own train tickets and navigated through an unfamiliar shopping centre. Another highlight of this semester was our school Science Day where we went to different classes to participate in a variety of experiments. Some of these included, balloon rockets and hovercrafts, mazes, optical illusions, cornflour slime, static electricity investigations and soft drink bottle rockets. Some of our students dressed up as their favourite scientist. It was a day that was enjoyed by all the students and staff, students wanted to know if we could have a Science and Maths Fun Day every week!!!!

In our regular program, Class 6 include morning fitness in which we participate in numerous physical activities such as basketball, touch footy, soccer, bicycle riding, cricket and practicing kicking the football.

Khristian had this to say, "I have really enjoyed this term because of the physical activity we get to do". Sometimes after all our school work is finished for the week, Class 6 has the opportunity for some free time and this is what Daniel says "I get to watch movies that I like". It is something that all the students look forward to and is a great incentive for them to complete all their work in a timely fashion. So summing this term up, it has been busy, it has been fun and we have achieved a great deal.

Bring on the fun and festivities of Semester 2!!!

Thank you

A thank you must go to Mrs Julie Colby for her donation of Lego and other wonderful items which greatly

benefit our students. It is much appreciated.



Library

This semester the senior students have been researching career opportunities for when they have completed year 12.



The junior school has been studying Antarctica. Fun activities and films have made this a fun and interesting topic to study.



Positive Behaviour

Big congratulations must go to all those students who have been working hard this term on their personal behaviour goals and on following the school rules. The prize cabinet has been very popular on Friday afternoons, with students saving their points to spend on rewards ranging from a pack of cards or some hand cream to a ninja turtle figurine or model train. Thanks so much to Mark's mum for her donations (and for spending so long in ToysRus!). This term students have spent a combined total of **65 500** points! Well done!

It is great to see students participating in our weekly school rules or You Can Do It social skills lessons. Next term we will be focusing particularly on our respect rule "Respect Yourself, Others and Our School" with a particular emphasis on Anti Bullying. As you may be aware, our school has a strict anti-bullying policy and encourages students who are being bullied to STOP, WALK and TALK (see below).

We encourage students to resolve conflict with calm words and try for a win/win (compromise) situation, to never pass on gossip as this can be hurtful to others and make them angry and to never allow themselves to be drawn into harassing others. It is also important to use protective actions such as staying in bounds, staying with a friend or with a teacher. The school is mediation committed to providing and counselling to sort through problems and it is always wonderful to see students initiating an apology or strategy to fix a situation. These are helpful skills to have in life!

Congratulations to our playground raffle winners for Term 2:

Robert, Hayden, Moustapha, Mark, Tyler, Ryan, Rory and Sam.



Respect ourselves, others and our school:

- Speak appropriately
- Use manners
- Be kind to others
- Look after other people's property
- Care for our school

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- 8. Discover green fingers you never knew you had in the Gardening & Pet Zone.
- 9. Enjoy colourful displays and stock up on fabric, wool, paper and essential accessories in the Craft Zone.
- 10. Make it a day to remember with a celebrity encounter Tara Dennis, Rob Palmer, Fast Ed, Dr Harry, Jason Hodges, Graham Ross and Johanna Griggs will all be there.



From the Food Tech Room

Funny Face Biscuits

Makes about 30

Ingredients :

- 2 cups of icing sugar
- 2 tablespoons water
- Yellow food Colouring (or any colour that you prefer)
- 1 packet Milk Arrowroot biscuits (oval shape)
- Small box of smarties
- Packet Allen's Retro party mix (It has the teeth and lips)
- Packet of Jelly Beans
- Sprinkles

Method:

- Sift icing sugar into a bowl: add enough water to make a spreadable paste.
- Add a few drops of yellow (red or blue or green!!) food colouring to get the right funny face colour.
- Spread about a teaspoon of icing onto the biscuit and then use the lollies to make the faces.
- When the face is done, use the sprinkles for hair, beards, moustaches etc.
- The biscuits will keep in an air-tight container for a few days if you want to make them in advance.

