



## Carinya School

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### A message from the principal's desk:

Welcome back and term 1 2014 is already coming to a close. There have been a number of changes for our school:

The establishment of an extra class - we now have 8 classes and the capacity to take 56 students;

With the extra class we gained another Assistant Principal, John Mazzitelli, who also teaches class 7;

And Richard Frade joins us as a class room teacher, teaching class 8.

Our focus again this year, is 'teaching and learning' in a safe, supportive and caring environment.

I want to tell you about a great parent app for smart phones and can be used on android as well. It was set up by the Morcombe's after the devastating loss of their son, Daniel. The app allows the child to send an immediate sms to two allocated contacts and the GPS coordinates for the child at that time. Check out the web site below:

<http://danielmorcombe.com.au/app.html>

Hopefully it is an app that will never have to be used, but better to be safe than sorry.

*Janelle Radke*



Thank you to all our families who donated prizes for our Easter Raffle.



Hi my name is John Mazzitelli I am the new assistant principal at Carinya. Teaching at Carinya is enjoyable and highly rewarding. The staff, students and community have made my start at Carinya very smooth. Outside of school I enjoy watching and playing sport. I like travelling and spending time with my 2 beautiful children. I look forward to spending many years here and making a positive difference in the lives of the students at Carinya.

Happy Easter



Dates to remember:

2<sup>nd</sup> Term begins Tuesday

29<sup>th</sup> April 2014

## STREAMWATCH REPORT

### ON MOORES RESERVE

Last Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> of April, Class 1 went to Moores Reserve to test the water in the local creek for pollution and bug activity.

We were assisted by Stephen Bateman who helped us carry our equipment such as ice cube trays, water bug guide, strainers and gloves.

When we arrived we were appalled to see an enormous amount of visual pollution such as plastic cups, plastic bottles, tennis balls, a huge orange tarp, plastic bags, a flower pot, a two dollar coin and an old canoe!

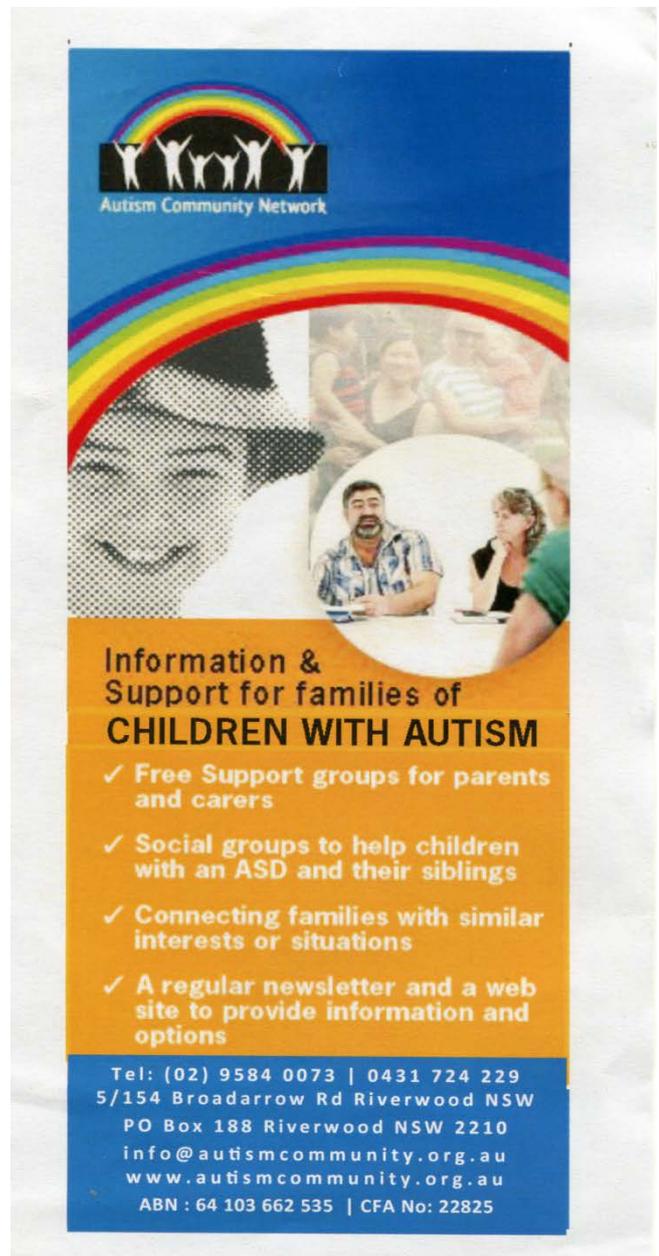
Our hunt for bugs was successful as we found small fish, crabs, tadpoles and lizards lying on the rocks.

It was obvious that this local creek which flows into the Georges River was not in a healthy state.

Next week we hope to visit and explore another local creek which flows into the Georges River.



APRIL 2<sup>nd</sup> 2014 by Class 1.



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### Visual Arts Report

Congratulations to all students for their efforts in Art this term. Our entries are now in the mail for the 2014 Harmony Day Poster Competition and good luck to all the creative, imaginative and hardworking students whose completed posters made the deadline and have been entered. What a FANTASTIC effort..



## Positive Behaviour Support

This term our school has been focusing on **Being Safe in the classroom and on the playground**. Our weekly positive behaviour lessons and assembly presentations have reinforced this.

Being Safe at Carinya means **Following the Rules, Keeping your Hands and Feet to Yourself, Minding your own Business and Asking for Help/Telling a Teacher.**



It is very important, particularly on the playground, for students to be mindful of personal space, staying out of other people's business and leaving people alone if they would like some quiet time. Physical violence is never tolerated and is not the way to solve problems. It has been pleasing to see an increase in the number of students keeping their hands and feet to themselves and playing safely. As a reward for positive behaviour, teachers continue to hand out playground raffle tickets to students, with a \$5 canteen

voucher to be won in the Friday assembly raffle draw each week. Congratulations to all those students who have enjoyed a free lunch this term!

We are also pleased to announce the School Rules Poster Competition. Students have been asked to design a poster in class displaying the school rules using their own imagination, with prizes including Westfields and canteen vouchers to be won. Winners announced at the last assembly of the term.

This term we have also appointed student Sports Monitors to assist on the playground and on sport afternoons. Congratulations to Khristian Mouyat, Robert Baillie, Rory McCann and Moustapha Ayyoub, who have been chosen for their enthusiasm, their leadership and their sportsmanship. It has been great to have such positive role models assisting the teachers.

The prize cupboard is a favourite place to gather on Friday afternoons as students who have been saving their points all week come to cash them in. Thank you to those parents and staff who have donated something special to the prize cupboard-it is very much appreciated!

Lastly well done to those students who have earned taxi awards. Many students have enjoyed an iceblock and 50 bonus points on Friday afternoons for following the school rules while waiting and while travelling on the taxi.





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# SPORT



This term we have been fortunate to have Samantha from Cricket NSW coach our students in cricket skills. She taught us lots of new fun games and even gave us free show bags! Selected students also went sailing on Sydney Harbour, and even though it was a bit windy, they all had a really fun day.

Other sports we have played include indoor hockey, basketball, dodge ball, kick ball, soccer, table tennis and bowls. Physical fitness is an important part of the curriculum and we encourage full participation from all our students. Congratulations to those students who have achieved a weekly assembly sports award for always giving their best effort at sport.

Next term selected students will be competing in the 2014 NSW Public Schools Bocce Tournament, with weekly practice to take place at school. Good luck to our team! Also next term, selected students will be visiting the high ropes course at Wooglemai Environmental Education Centre at Oakdale and going bowling at Southgate Lanes. We hope they all have a fun and challenging time!

The Sports Committee



## *Yet another St George Men's Shed good deed*

On Tuesday 28 January on our return to school for 2014, The St George Men's Shed finalised the bench seat project. The concept grew out of a need for seating for our students especially in this area of the school grounds. I liaised with the men and ideas and plans were drawn up during the second half of 2013 and construction started late last year.

The project involved constructing the seat in two sections off site and then supplying and fitting them together on site at Carinya. Six men were involved in digging holes and cementing the posts so that the seat could then be fitted securely.

The bench seat is made of Merbau timber which is strong and durable. This project is part of an ongoing program and relationship that Carinya has with the St George Men's Shed. The bench seat surrounds one of the beautiful Ghost Gums located in the grassy playground area and was specifically chosen as both an aesthetic and highly functional location so that all students could relax and enjoy their surroundings whilst taking advantage of the natural shade that the tree offers. The bench seat is a **much needed** and welcome addition to the playground which unfortunately is low on seating. A generous donation of \$500 from Rotary saw the purchase of the timber for our project.

The project is in fact a combined effort of The St George Men's Shed and Rotary. The Carinya community of staff and students are extremely grateful to the Men's Shed and Rotary. The bench seat around the tree is a work of art and evidence of the fine

craftsmanship and commitment that these men in our community so generously provide.

The students are already enjoying the bench seat and are seen each recess and lunch break relaxing, talking and laughing with one another. Some of our more inquisitive students are intrigued by its construction and detail. It really is not only the talking point of the school but also the new meeting point. How lucky are we? Many Thanks to The St George Men's Shed and Rotary.

Kathreen Wilson TAS and Visual Arts Teacher



## Food Technology Report

This term has been a busy one in the Food Technology Room, with new classes, new students, new skills and fun foods to share.

Many thanks to all the students for their teamwork and support for our Harmony Day BBQ.

Well done.

Thank you to our local businesses who always support us in catering for our events with superb quality produce including Bresnahan's Butchers and Fine Foods and French Hot Bread and Cakes both located in Morts Rd Mortdale.



# Sailing on Sydney Harbour 2014



# Harmony Day



# Choconana Muffins

## Ingredients

- 1 small ripe banana
- 1 cup of self raising flour
- $\frac{1}{2}$  cup of wholemeal self raising flour
- $\frac{2}{3}$  cup of sugar
- $\frac{1}{2}$  cup choc bits
- 1 egg lightly beaten
- $\frac{2}{3}$  cup of milk



## Method

1. Turn on oven to 180c
2. Grease a 12 hole muffin tin
3. Mash the banana in a large bowl
4. Beat the egg in a small jug, add the milk and whisk
5. Sift flour into large bowl and add sugar, choc bits and the egg and milk mixture
6. Stir with a fork until well mixed
7. Spoon mixture into patty cases lined in the muffin tin. Fill each approximately  $\frac{2}{3}$  full
8. Baked for 20 minutes or until golden brown
9. Turn until cooling rack to cool.