THE CAREY PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL CHATTER

CARE: Challenge, Achieve, Respect, Encourage

11 February 2020

Welcome to the 2020 School Year
Welcome back to school for all our families. We hope you all had a great Christmas and a very enjoyable holiday. A special welcome to our many new families and we hope you have found settling into Carey Park Primary School friendly and informative. We have a busy and exciting year ahead of us consolidating on the great programs and strategies implemented in 2019 as part of our 2019 to 2021 Business Plan. This includes a range of strategies aimed at improving Literacy and Numeracy standards across the school, as well as continuing to build on our Digital Technologies Programs. The Positive Behaviour Support program continues to develop with a range of support mechanisms for students being implemented. The Choose Respect initiative continues to guide us in how we interact with each other in our school community and we expect great concentration and engagement through our mindfulness focus. If you would like more information on these programs and how they will positively impact on your child's learning, please make an appointment to see your child's classroom teacher or come in and see one of the Admin Team in the front office.

Term 1 Calendar
Attached to the Chatter is the Term 1 Student Planner. This will keep families up-to-date with activities and events this term. Important events will be the Swimming Lessons for Years 3 to 5 students in weeks 7 and 8 at Koombana Bay; our annual School Swimming Carnival for Years 4 to 6 in Harvey on March 6th; our proposed Year 6 Camp at Woodman Point in week 7; and the 3-Way Conferences during Weeks 6, 7, 8, and 9 of this term. More information about each of these events will be sent home closer to their respective dates.

New Staff in 2020
We are pleased to welcome the following staff to Carey Park Primary School for 2020. Mr Chris Ramm has been appointed to a full time position, teaching Year 4s in TA8. Mr Ramm is a highly experience teacher who came to us from Capel Primary School. We also welcome Mrs Leanne Pumphrey, who has been appointed to teach the Year 3 class in TA4 on Thursdays and Fridays in a tandem with Mrs Bevis. Mrs Pumphrey is also a very experienced teacher who was previously at Dalyellup Primary School.
We wish both teachers all the best for the year and welcome them to our school community.

Attendance
Unfortunately 2019 was not a particularly positive year for Carey Park Primary in terms of student attendance. The school ran at slightly under 89% student attendance which is well below the state average of 92.5%.
While illness did play a part in affecting overall student attendance rates, it was not entirely responsible. ***The key message for 2020 is that every child must attend school every day where possible.*** While we understand that sickness and family emergencies are unavoidable, and that students must be kept home from school at these times, there are very few other reasons for children to not be attending school each and every day of the school week. If your child is away from school for any reason, it is essential that you provide the school with a reason as to why they have been away, either verbally or written in a note. We are looking to be providing incentives and rewards for all students to attend school every day that they are able and will be communicating this strategy in the next newsletter. In the meantime, please ensure that your child attends school every day that they are able to in 2020.

Homework for Students
Carey Park Primary School has recently reviewed its guidelines for student homework, in line with Department of Education Policy. Please find attached to this newsletter, the new CPPS Homework for Students Guidelines for Kindy to Year 6. Please take the time to read this document and speak with your child's teacher if you have any questions relating to the school's homework guidelines and what it means for your child.

Uniforms
Thank you to parents and carers as the students all looked excellent in their school uniforms on day one. Wearing the correct uniform is important as it helps students feel connected and involved in their education and school environment and leads to improved academic achievement. Please support your school and child by ensuring they are in school uniform, which includes the broadbrim green hat, gold polo shirt and for winter a green jumper. Jewellery, make up and nail polish are not part of the uniform and should be kept for weekends.
A huge thank you goes to the volunteers at the P & C Uniform Shop who opened for extended hours in Week 1 to ensure everyone had a chance to get uniforms and school equipment The Uniform Shop will now go back to the normal opening times of **Wednesday** and **Friday** mornings from 8:15am to 8:45am.

CHOOSE RESPECT

RESPECT IS TO TREAT WITH CARE AND CONSIDERATION

2020 Student Numbers
We have had a very good start to Term 1 with students keen to be back at school and motivated to work hard and achieve their best. Our student numbers are currently where we expected at around 295. With the new Student Centred Funding Model student numbers are extremely important to our overall finances, which include staff salaries. If you know of new families that have moved into Carey Park but have not yet enrolled, please let them know it is important to enrol as soon as possible. Thank you.

Skoolbag Parent Communication App
We would like to remind parents and carers about our electronic communication App, called **Skoolbag**. This App allows the school to electronically send out notices, information about school events, newsletters and other school communications directly to parents and carers' mobile device (phone or tablet device). The App can be downloaded onto any smartphone (*iPhone, Android, Samsung Galaxy, etc*.) or Tablet (*iPad, Samsung Galaxy, Surface Pro, etc.*), then by following the instructions you can set up your account and choose the group or groups relevant to your child or children.
For parents and carers who have not yet downloaded the **Skoolbag** App, we encourage you to take the time to download and set **Skoolbag** up, as it is a very efficient way of getting information from the school. If you need assistance to set up **Skoolbag**, please do not hesitate to come in to the front office where we will be more than willing to help you out.
Please note that if you set Skoolbag up in 2019 that you will need to update the year level Content Groups to which you subscribe, in order to receive notifications sent to your child's current Year level. For example, if your child was in Year 1 last year, you will now need to join the Year 2 Content Group

Phil Greenmount
Principal

CAREY PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL STUDENT LEADERS 2020

Congratulations to

Tamsyn Adamson: Head Girl
Jack Davey: Head Boy
Grace Anaru: Faction Captain (Gold)
Louis Carcallas: Faction Captain (Red)
Shondyll Pickett: Faction Captain (Green)
Duke Thomson: Faction Captain (Blue)

The Astronomical Society of the South West (Inc) will be conducting Astronomy Classes for Beginners at their Observatory, Keble Heights, College Grove, Bunbury, for six consecutive Wednesdays, commencing on Wednesday, 19th February 2020 at 6.00pm. This is a great chance for anyone wanting to learn more about astronomy and our place in the cosmos as well as getting to know friendly, like-minded volunteers.

FEES: Six week Course are: Adults - $80.00; Full-time Students - $40.00; (Under 9 years - Free.); Family - $150.00; Taster (First Night only) - $30.00 Adult, $15.00 Students. BOOKINGS are essential.

Bookings are essential. Contact Cameron at 0435 717 589 or assw@enquiries.org.au

CAREY PARK PANTHERS

Carey Park Junior Football Club

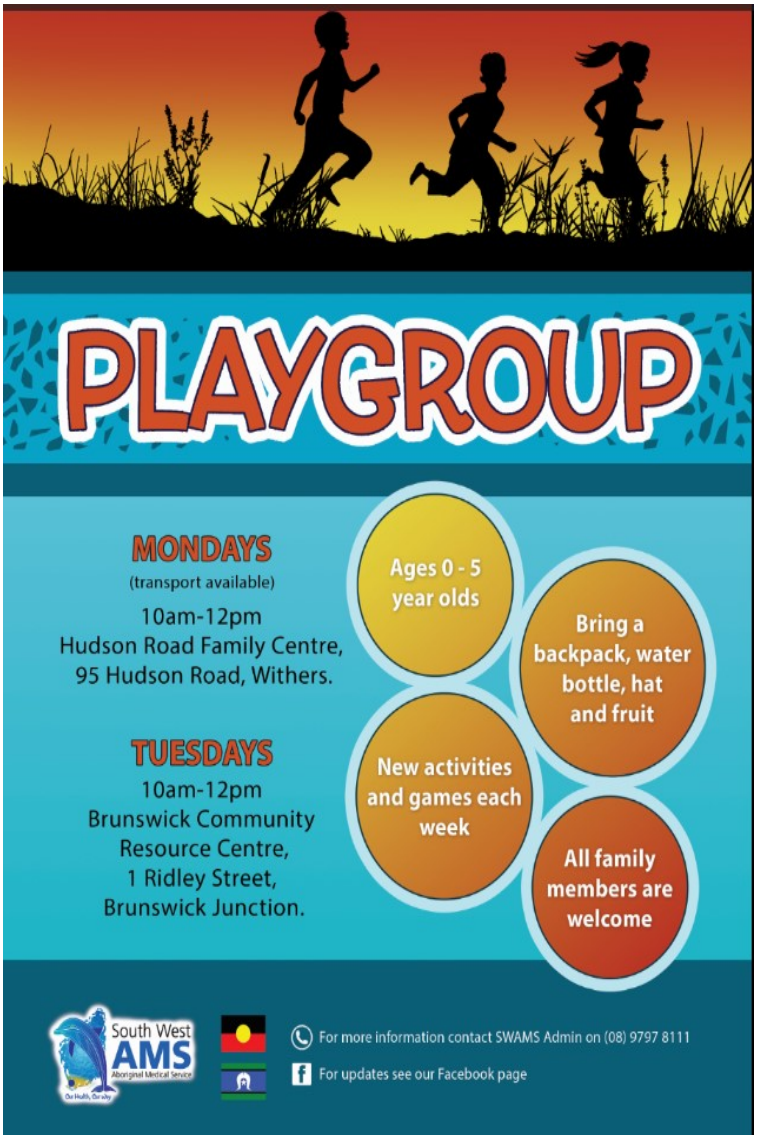
Registrations Are Open!

We are currently looking for junior players to join our Club for the 2020 Season.

Auskick
Years 3 and up
Boys and Girls

Contact Adam Jones - President via email:
adamjones@bunburyhonda.com.au or
Find us on Facebook 'Carey Park Junior Football'

OUR FIRST P & C MEETING FOR 2020
WILL BE HELD ON FRIDAY THE
14TH FEBRUARY
IN THE LIBRARY
AT 2PM
ALL PARENTS AND CARERS ARE WELCOME TO JOIN US IN A MEET AND GREET!



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Homework for Students

All children from Kindergarten through to Year 6 will be doing homework. By definition, this involves them in a regular schedule of activities that reinforces concepts covered at school. Homework is learning and learning should be fun. The following is a list of the type of activities that children should be completing on a daily basis at home.

Physical Activity
All children will be involved in a daily minimum of 30 minutes of physical activity. Turn off the TV the iPad and the Xbox and get them outside being active. Skipping, running, kicking, throwing, etc. are all activities that can be conducted in the backyard that will help create a fitter child, better able to concentrate on learning opportunities. Encourage participation in organised junior sport activities and support your child by coaching/scoring/supporting. Children enjoy having their parents witness what they do and junior sport provides a great bonding activity for families.

Reading
Every child will be involved in 'reading' for at least 20 minutes daily.

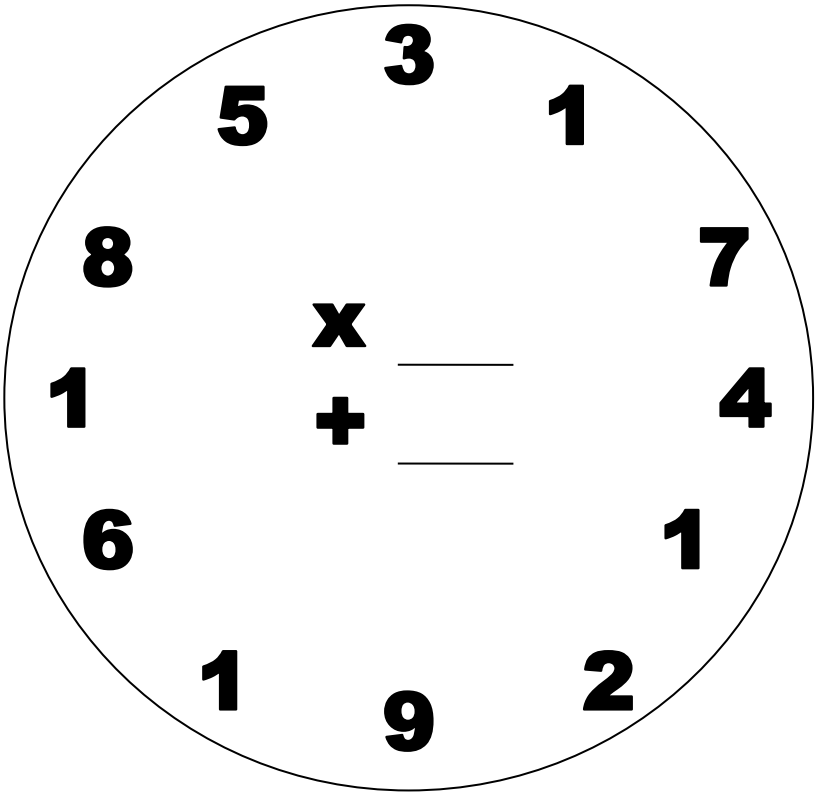
Kindergarten – Year 2: Read to your child. Discuss the pictures, characters, storyline, etc. Have your child 'help' you to read when they are ready – make reading enjoyable, don't criticise or chastise children for getting words wrong. Learning to read successfully is about attitude and repetition. Constant practice doing something that is fun will create a competent reader, and parental example and support is essential in this regard. Parents should not wait for books to come home from school to commence home reading. Many fantastic titles are available commercially and extended families/libraries are also a great resource.

Year 2 Onwards: Once independent reading habits are established, set a time for reading and stick to it. Having a child read for 20 minutes in bed prior to lights out is a great habit to get into. Occasionally spend this time with your child discussing what they are reading, reading to them or have them read to you. Be proactive in finding other books by authors your child might like or by introducing them to the classics that we read as children. Use the library (School and Shire), buy books as presents, share them with your friends, etc.

Emotional Wellbeing
To succeed educationally, children need to be alert and well rested, and have the energy to survive the school day. Establish a regular bedtime and stick to it. Ensure that children have regular meals that are healthy – try to avoid heavy concentrations of sugar/salt. A healthy breakfast, healthy recess and lunch, and a healthy snack upon arrival home from school will greatly aid growing bodies and minds.

Mathematics
Mathematics is a subject that crosses into all areas of daily life. Children can help tally the approximate cost of the shopping, measure items around the home, handle money, tell the time, etc. An important skill that needs to be developed at primary is ***an automatic knowledge of important basic facts.*** Children from Year 3 upwards should spend 10 minutes a night practising basic facts. The best way to do this is to make it a challenge to the child – a challenge where they are attempting to better what they have done previously. Children should attempt the table (or addition fact) set by the parent. They should practise it for 10 minutes then be timed giving the answers only. Please refer to the chart overleaf. Parents should put a dot next to the starting point and write the table or addition in texta on the line in the centre. Time your child and record their best time. This then gives them something to beat the next time they attempt that table or addition.

Other
As your child progresses through the grades, there will be occasions when their teacher allocates them additional work. This will be in addition to their normal homework routine and will build upon and consolidate concepts covered in class. If at any stage you are concerned about the progress your child is making, please discuss those concerns with the classroom teacher.



Suggested Challenges for Year Levels:

Year 1	Addition: Rainbow Facts (numbers adding to 10) Counting: To and From 100
Year 2	Addition: Adding two numbers together up to 20. Counting: By 100's, 10's and 1's to 1000
Year 3	Tables: 2x, 3x, 5x, 10x Addition: +1, +2, +5, +10 to numbers up to 1000
Year 4	Tables: 1x, 2x, 3x, 4x, 5x, 6x, 7x, 8x, 9x Addition: +1, +2, +3, +4, +5, +10 to numbers up to 10 000
Year 5/6	Tables: 1x, 2x, 3x, 4x, 5x, 6x, 7x, 8x, 9x, 10x, 11x, 12x Addition: Adding double digit numbers to numbers greater than 10 000

Best Times (in seconds)

1 x _____	7 x _____	1 + _____	7 + _____
2 x _____	8 x _____	2 + _____	8 + _____
3 x _____	9 x _____	3 + _____	9 + _____
4 x _____	10 x _____	4 + _____	10 + _____
5 x _____	11 x _____	5 + _____	11 + _____
6 x _____	12 x _____	6 + _____	12 + _____

2020 STUDENT PLANNER

Schools should be contacted directly for advice on school development days

Term One

Wk	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat	Sun
1	3 Feb **Students resume**	4 **EARLY CLOSE 2.30**	5	6	7	8	9
2	10 Feb	11 **EARLY CLOSE 2.30**	12 EARBUS	13	14 SCHOOL CENSUS P & C Meeting –2pm	15	16
3	17 Feb	18 **EARLY CLOSE 2.30**	19	20	21 **ASSEMBLY TA 15**	22	23
4	24 Feb	25 **EARLY CLOSE 2.30**	26	27	28 SCHOOL BOARD MEETING	29	1 Mar
5	2 March **Labour Day**	3 **EARLY CLOSE 2.30**	4	5	6 Swimming Carnival Years 4 – 6	7	8
6	9 March	10 **EARLY CLOSE 2.30**	11	12 EARBUS Year 1 Vision Screen	13 **ASSEMBLY TA 10** DEPUTIES LUNCH	14	15
7	16 March YEAR 6 CAMP Years 3 – 5 In Term Swimming Lessons 3 Way Interviews BEGIN…	17 YEAR 6 CAMP Years 3 – 5 In Term Swimming Lessons **EARLY CLOSE 2.30**	18 YEAR 6 CAMP Years 3 – 5 In Term Swimming Lessons	19 Years 3 – 5 In Term Swimming Lessons	20 Years 3 – 5 In Term Swimming Lessons	21	22
8	23 March Years 3 – 5 In Term Swimming Lessons 3 Way Interviews CONT…	24 Years 3 – 5 In Term Swimming Lessons **EARLY CLOSE 2.30**	25 Years 3 – 5 In Term Swimming Lessons	26 Years 3 – 5 In Term Swimming Lessons	27 Years 3 – 5 In Term Swimming Lessons	28	29
9	30 March 3 Way Interviews CONT…	31 **EARLY CLOSE 2.30**	1 April	2	3 **ASSEMBLY TA 6** DEPUTIES LUNCH	4	5
10	6 April 3 Way Interviews CONT…	7 **EARLY CLOSE 2.30**	8	9 **Students last day** ANZAC CEREMONY	10 **Good Friday**	11	12
H	13 April **Easter Monday**	14	15	16	17	18	19
H	20 April	21	22	23	24	25 **ANZAC Day**	26

5 Easy Steps to Staying Informed

SkoolBag

SkoolBag is the easiest way to stay up-to-date with school events, last minute notices, newsletters and all your school's communications.

1. Download SkoolBag

Search SkoolBag in the Apple App or Google Play Store, download the FREE app:

SkoolBag: School Communication

2. Create an Account

Follow the prompts to create your account in seconds.

3. Add your School

Type your school's name and press enter. Tap the plus icon to add.

4. Allow Notifications

Ensure you Allow SkoolBag to send you push notifications when prompted.

5. Subscribe to Groups

Select Year Groups / Sports Teams to appear in your feed.

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