

Carlton South Public School

Term 4 Week 9 2020

Relieving Principal Report

What an incredible year we have all had. I am certain that when we saw in the new year at the start of 2020, none of us realised the challenges that would face us this year. We have all experienced these challenges and we can now start to look back and reflect on all that we have achieved.

Firstly, I'd like to thank all of the teaching staff at Carlton South who have gone above and beyond in their professional responsibilities to ensure that students received continuity of learning during the remote learning period and worked very hard to ensure that students were assessed appropriately when they returned, planning for how they would support any gaps in their knowledge and skills. Teachers in 2020 underwent an enormous learning curve and were willing to completely change the way in which they taught; they took this responsibility extremely seriously and worked tirelessly to support students. I would like to acknowledge this professional commitment and thank the teachers for their perseverance and commitment to students' learning and wellbeing. Similarly, I'd like to acknowledge the work of our School Learning Support Officers (SLSOs) who do an amazing job supporting our students with additional needs. We are so fortunate at this school to have a dedicated team of SLSOs who work closely with classroom teachers to ensure that students maximise their learning outcomes and achieve growth in their learning.

I would also like to acknowledge the support that all of our families provided with remote learning. We understand that this was incredibly difficult and we are grateful for the support you provided your children to ensure continuity of learning. We worked in partnership with you and together we were able to ensure that students had every opportunity to keep learning. We acknowledge how challenging this period was and appreciate your support of our teachers and school.

Of course, the resilience and persistence of students must also be highlighted. Students worked incredibly hard during this period and we congratulate them on their commitment to their learning. On returning to school, students have continued to demonstrate skills that we are attempting to implement with our 'Learning Powers'. Skills which include having a growth mindset to overcome challenges, having a determined attitude in order to reach learning goals, working positively and learning from others and challenging themselves to try new things. Congratulations to all of our students on their achievements during what has been a challenging year for their learning.

I'd also like to take this opportunity to wish Year 6 all the best as they embark on a new phase in their lives - high school. This will be a significant milestone in your life. Take every opportunity to further your learning, find a tribe of friends that will support you in this endeavour and become involved in as many different experiences as possible.

We thank the P & C and all of the volunteers that have generously devoted their time to support our students in so many ways. Whilst this year has been difficult as we have had to put on hold some of the other activities that we would normally engage in, we acknowledge that our P & C continued to work on grants and various ways to support our school with fundraising initiatives. We are so fortunate that we have a P & C that is extremely supportive of our school and work so hard to ensure students receive the best possible resources to enhance their learning and school experience. Furthermore, they also support our teachers and demonstrate appreciation for how hard teachers work. This is very much appreciated and teachers thank you for working in partnership with them to ensure that students can succeed and thrive in their learning.

New Staff Changes

Recently we conducted a merit selection panel to appoint an Assistant Principal at Carlton South and we would like to congratulate Ms Jade Tofohe, who was the successful applicant. Ms Tofohe comes to us from Oatley West Public School and is an experienced Assistant Principal. I'd also like to acknowledge the time the panel provided for this process. Thank you Mrs Ferlazzo, Mrs Tilling, Manal Hage Hassan and Andrew Karamitos.

We would like to congratulate Ms Emily Carton who was successful in an Expression of Interest application as a Relieving Assistant Principal at Birrong Public School for the duration of 2021. This will be a wonderful experience for Ms Carton and we wish her well for 2021.

We have also been notified that we will have a new School Psychologist to support us for two days a week. Ms Jordan Short will be working at our school each Monday and Tuesday.

A panel was also formed recently to appoint a School Administration Manager to our school and we are very happy to announce our very own Mrs Lisa Sewell as the successful applicant. Lisa has been with our school for many years; the last three years she has relieved in this role, so we are happy that this role is now permanent as a result of the panel process. We would like to thank Andrew Karamitos for his time to support our school with this process.

We would also like to announce that Mrs Anne Newbury has been appointed in a permanent role as a School Administration Officer. Anne has worked at our school for many years and we congratulate her on this permanent appointment.

Finally, some important dates for you to put in your diaries:

- End of school year for all students - Wednesday 16 December 2020
- Beginning of new school year for students from **Year 1 to Year 6 - Friday 29 January 2021** (Teachers will have an additional School Development Day in 2021; the two days will be Wednesday 27 January and Thursday 28 January).
- Beginning of school year for **Kindergarten - Friday 5 February 2021**

As this will be our last newsletter I would like to thank all of our families for their ongoing support of our school. It's been an extraordinary year, however, Carlton South has worked hard to continue to provide as many opportunities as possible for students to thrive and feel known, valued and cared for. I would also like to wish all of our families all the very best for the school holidays. Have a wonderful break and we look forward to working with you all again in 2021.

Suzi Chosid

Relieving Principal

OC Test Reminder

Parents who had their children sit the OC test this year, please be aware that the notification for placement will arrive by email mid-January. If you are out of contact it would be advised that someone respond for you as offers will lapse and your child will lose their placement.

Relieving Deputy Principal Report

As the end of the school year is fast approaching, both the students and staff have taken time to reflect on what an extraordinary and challenging year it has been. The learning of vital new technology skills has been embraced supporting 'learning from home' earlier in the year, with many parents being able to work more closely and share in their child's learning experiences. We are very proud of the resilience shown by our students and how everyone has pulled together to ensure the active learning culture of Carlton South Public School has continued to thrive, with all students feeling valued, supported and cared for. I would like to thank our amazing staff for their continued dedication in providing all students with the very best opportunities to maximise their learning. Congratulations to all our students for their hard work and commitment to always improving their learning and striving to meet personal goals. With our Kindergarten students learning so many new skills in their first year of school and now being ready to move into Year 1 and our Year 6 students who have come so far since

beginning their educational journey at Carlton South, I wish them all the best as they embark on a new and exciting phase in their lives as they head off to high school. I would also like to thank the P & C and all the volunteers that generously devote their time to support our students in so many ways. We are very fortunate to have such a giving school community who are always willing to work alongside us to enhance the students' learning and experiences. I hope you take the time to relax and enjoy the Christmas holidays with family and friends. I look forward to seeing you in the new year feeling refreshed and ready for another exciting year of learning at Carlton South.

Jennifer Ferlazzo

Relieving Deputy Principal



CARLTON SOUTH PUBLIC SCHOOL FUNDRAISING

Mr CHRIS MINNS (Kogarah) 14th October 2020—I would like to acknowledge the wonderful work of local students from Carlton South Public School who recently donated three iPads to St George Hospital to be used by patients in the children's wards.

The school held a "red" dress up day and raised \$1500. The Student Representative Council chose the Hospital's children's ward as recipients of the fundraising efforts and decided to purchase the iPads to help entertain sick children while they are staying in hospital.

School leaders, Justin Hoang, Jessica Thiel, Mohamed Affour and Kim Riolo delivered the iPads and some hand written notes and drawings to patients and staff at the hospital. This is an incredible gesture of kindness by some young leaders in our community during a tough year for many. Thanks to Mrs Selina Tilling, Mrs Jenny Ferlazzo, and Mrs Kate Weekley for coordinating this wonderfully generous initiative.



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SRC News

Earlier in the year the SRC raised funds to purchase laptops for the local hospital. This achievement was recently recognised in Parliament by Chris Minns (our local MP) and the students received a certificate of congratulations. Additionally, the SRC raised money to purchase a paver in memory of Mrs Susan Crossling and were able to present it to Mrs Chosid at our final meeting for 2020. To all of the members of the SRC, congratulations on a successful year. You were a delightful group of students and it has been a pleasure to watch you develop your leadership skills.

Mrs Tilling, Mrs Ferlazzo & Mrs Weekley

SRC Co-ordinators

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Kindergarten Transition

We held our Kindergarten Transition program in Week 7 for all new Kindergarten students starting school in 2021. It was so lovely to meet all of our new students and their families. The teachers and students had a ball playing games outside in the East playground. They also had lots of fun doing some craft on Spot and the The Very Cranky Bear in the Kindergarten classrooms. We thank all of the Kindergarten parents for their cooperation with the new Covid-19 guidelines that we all had to abide by. We can't wait to see you all at Carlton South Public School next year!

Arlene Wicks

Kindergarten Assistant Principal

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Saturday
9th
January

\$60
per child

FROZEN HOLIDAY PROGRAM

9:30 - 11:30am:
Frozen Dance with me
2.5yrs - 3.5yrs (Children accompanied
with parent, grandparent or carer)

12 - 2pm:
Frozen Dance for Joy
3.5 - 5 yrs preschool

2:30 - 4:30pm:
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- Woolworth Cricket Blast – ages 5-10
- Junior Cricket – ages 10-16
- Girls Only Cricket – ages 5-16

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SUMMER SCHOOL HOLIDAY

JOIN US FOR SUMMER SCHOOL HOLIDAYS AT PCYC! *activities*



\$40 per day / \$100 for 3 days
9:00AM – 3:00PM
AGE: 6–12 YRS



WEEK 1

Wednesday, 6/1/2021
Basketball/ Art with natural materials

Thursday, 7/1/2021
Soccer/ Science experiments

Friday, 8/1/2021
Multi -Sport/ Slime making

WEEK 2

Monday, 11/1/2021
Hula-hoop Dancing/ Drawing

Tuesday, 12/1/2021
Multi-Sport/ Crafts with food

Wednesday, 13/1/2021
Basketball/ Minute to Win it/ Paper Craft

Thursday, 14/1/2021
Soccer/ Volcano experiment

Friday, 15/1/2021
Obstacle course/Boxing/Photo frame making

WEEK 3

Monday, 18/1/2021
Dance camp/ Musical games

Tuesday, 19/1/2021
Basketball/ Science experiments

Wednesday, 20/1/2021
Mini-Olympics/ Australia Day crafts

Thursday, 21/1/2021
Soccer/ Aboriginal art

Friday, 22/1/2021
Boot camp/Party Crafts/Party



CREATIVE KIDS VOUCHERS ACCEPTED!
GET IN TOUCH TO BOOK TODAY.
SPACES ARE LIMITED!



ALL PARTICIPANTS MUST BE PCYC MEMBERS (\$10 ANNUAL FEE) | ALL PARTICIPANTS MUST WEAR CLOSED IN SPORTS SHOES | ALL PARTICIPANTS MUST BE SIGNED IN & OUT AT RECEPTION EVERYDAY | PLEASE DO NOT BRING ITEMS SUCH AS MOBILE PHONES, IPODS, IPADS OR OTHER GAMING DEVICES | PLEASE PROVIDE YOUR CHILDREN WITH MORNING TEA & LUNCH, SNACKS AND WATER EACH DAY

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