



## Coming Events

### Term 1 Week 8

Wednesday	18 March	P & C Meeting @ 9 am
Wednesday	18 March	Pub Lunch
Wednesday	18 March	Scripture
Friday	20 March	Tennis
Friday	20 March	Playgroup from 9 – 11 am @ school

### Week 9

Sunday/Monday	22/23 March	National Young Leader's Conference in Sydney
Wednesday	25 March	Scripture
Friday	27 March	Tennis

### Week 10

Wednesday	1 April	Scripture
Thursday	2 April	End of term assembly starting at 1.45 pm. Please join us for lunch at 1.15 pm Last day of Term 1

### Term 2 Week 1

Monday	20 April	Staff Development Day
Tuesday	21 April	Students return to school
Wednesday	22 April	Scripture
Thursday	23 April	X-Country Carnival @ Goolgowi
Friday	24 April	Tennis
Saturday	25 April	ANZAC DAY

## Principal's Report

It hard to believe it is already Week 8 in Term 1! It has been an exciting start to the year.

We welcome Rhett and his family to the school. Rhett has settled into Kinder nicely and it's hard to believe he is a new student, it seems he has known everyone here for his entire life!

Today, we welcome Monica Bess to our school. Monica is in Year 2. We hope you enjoy our school Monica!

Since the last newsletter, students have been discussing the book "Seven for a Secret" and responding to it by writing letters.

Last week we enjoyed Dr Peter Eastwell visiting for a fabulous Science day with Booligal Public School senior students. Students have written to Dr Eastwell, thanking him for his visit and expressing their favourite parts of his exciting show! Please enjoy some of them later in the newsletter.

Tennis coaching, by Mr Stuart Callaghan, has started on Friday mornings, with great excitement shown by all. Scripture continues on Wednesdays, with Mrs Beth Cox, with many participants asking well-thought-out questions.

We continue to have an active P&C and welcome all parents to Wednesday's meeting for updates on current school reforms and more. This will also be the AGM for the P & C.

Leanne Hedt,  
Relieving Principal

*You're invited!  
Family, friends and extended  
family to our  
'End of Term Assembly'*

*Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April  
Starting @ 1.45 pm*

*Please join us for  
lunch at 1pm  
(Supplied by the school)*

*Come and be entertained by  
the students. Also  
Awards to be handed out!*

*ALL WELCOME!*

## Letters to Mr Eastwell

Dear Mr Eastwell,  
I loved my science day! Thank you for coming.  
I loved my experiment.

Love from Charlotte



*Charlotte and Sam*

Dear Mr Eastwell,  
I liked making the slime and doing the fire alarm.  
It was fun! It was funny when Mrs Woods's hair  
went up and also Nicholas's hair! I also liked it  
when the water rocket went over the power lines  
and landed on the road.

From Dean



*Dean and Cheyenne*

Dear Mr Eastwell,

It was the best day ever! I loved my buddy,  
Maddie. I liked playing the activities  
(experiments), they were the best, and my  
favourite activity was the rising candle. I loved the  
lightning. I learnt fire needs oxygen to make fire.



*Chloe and buddy, Maddie -  
enjoying the experiments!*

Thank you,  
From Chloe

Dear Mr Eastwell,  
I loved Science on Wednesday.  
My favourite part of the day was the goop and the  
water rocket. I learnt that compressed air and  
water will shoot high in the sky. I was really  
amazed by the explosion with the liquid nitrogen  
and the zappy machine.

Thank you for coming,  
From Nicholas

*Nicholas and Ben working together!*





Dear Mr Eastwell,

I was really blown away by the experiment you showed us!

I learnt that if you put liquid nitrogen in a bottle, and then put it in a bucket of hot water, it blows up!!! It was awesome. Also Mr. Eastwell, with the air rocket, to get it up really high up, you have to put some water in the rocket so the air doesn't rush out as quick and that makes it go higher. I also learnt about open and closed circuits, but one of my favourites was making slime. It was so cool!!!

Thank you so much Mr. Eastwell,



*Mr Eastwell with the rocket*



*And up, up and away she goes!!*

Kind regards,  
Archie Ray

PS You're the best science teacher ever!!!!



*Mr Eastwell with his helper, Rhett!*

Dear Mr Eastwell,

My favourite parts of the Science day were the explosion, the Tesla coil, liquid nitrogen activities and making the slime.

Thank you for coming Mr Eastwell. I hope we have another Science day.

From Sam



*Sam & Mr Eastwell, with Archie, Chloe, Charlotte and Anthony*

## Voluntary School Contributions

Schools operate much more effectively and provide a much-improved service to students with funds donated by parents in addition to that provided by the government and the P & C. Voluntary school contributions this year are: \$20 per child or \$30 per family  
Thank you to those who have already paid.

### School Captain's Report

The last two weeks have been very busy. We cooked pikelets yesterday with Mrs Salvestro and they were delicious! Last Friday for sport we had tennis with Mr Callaghan and we all enjoyed it. Archie Ray (that's me by the way) was awarded player of the day!

On Wednesday we are going to get pub lunch which we can't wait for!

Last week we had a Science show with Mr Eastwell, which was great! We all agreed that the experiment with the liquid nitrogen and hot water was the best because of the ~~explosion~~. We also learnt all about electricity and the danger of it.

This Sunday and Monday, Archie Ray is travelling to Sydney for 'The Young Leader's Conference' with a bus load of school leaders from Griffith and the surrounding area. I am very excited!

By Archie Ray,  
School Captain

### Carrathool Public School Facebook page

We are currently in the process of setting up a facebook page for the school. This page will be administered by the school and posts will be made only by the school. We are hoping to show photos of the children and their work on this page. If you have any issues or concerns, please contact the school.

### P & C News

Our next P & C meeting is tomorrow Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> March. All welcome!

Our next raffle at the Carrathool Hotel, will be held on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March. There will be two meat trays up for grabs!

Canteen will continue on Fridays this year by the SRC. Children may purchase two items @ 50¢ each.

Items will be donated by parents on a fortnightly basis. Suggested donations are chips, fruit juice, flavoured milk, yoghurt, ice blocks, cakes, popcorn etc. Home cooked produce is also very welcome!

### Current Roster:

<b>Term 2 Week 2</b>	Mulcahy family
Week 4	Liu Mealing family
Week 6	Bess family

Thank you to the Merrylees, Hayes and Blair families, for your very generous donation of chips, shapes, chocolates, fruit snaps, fruit strings and lots more fruit boxes! Roster will continue again next term since we only have two more canteen days this term.

Funds raised are usually donated once a term to a charity the SRC chooses.

### Community News

If you need community notices advertised in our newsletter please ring the school or fax your notice to the following numbers:

Phone 69 935 143

Fax 69 935 002

Carrathool Combined Sports Club (incorporating Hall Committee) would like to advise that their meetings are held on the last Sunday of the month at 10 am.

Next Meeting will be held on:

**Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> March, at 10.00 am.**

**All Welcome!**



Carrathool Family Playgroup will be holding their first session on Friday the 20th of March, at Carrathool Public School, from 9 am till 11am. **\$5 per child.**

Please bring a hat and morning tea for your children.

Morning tea will be provided for parents and visitors.

Anyone welcome, the more the merrier!

For more information please call Belinda Mulcahy on 0417 825 258.

**The School Rewards Programme** from The Athletes Foot Griffith donates \$5 from every pair of shoes purchased back to our school.

With a shoe expertly fitted by one of The Athletes Foot Fit Technicians and Fitzi (latest computer fit analysis), your child will have the right support and cushioning for all the school activities and sports they take part in every day.

The Athletes Foot stock a wide range of Ascent and Clarks school shoes and sports shoes to ensure there are options for everyone. Even better, \$5, from every shoe purchase is donated back to our school. This applies to your whole family across their entire range of school, sport, work and casual shoes.

For more information about the programme please phone The Athletes Foot Griffith on 02 6964 2231

## MORE MAD SCIENCE EXPERIMENTS



*Science can be so much fun!*

### Newsletter Briefs

#### **Sounding out aloud**

Making phonics fun. Help your child learn to read by sounding out their words. Here are some tips to help your child gain confidence reading.

Find out more:

<http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/english/english-tips/phonics-helping-your-child-with-letters-and-sounds>



Education  
& Training







*The Tesla coil – which is used to produce alternating current electricity*



*Mr Callaghan with his future tennis stars!*



*Kieya with Mrs Headon*



*Our lovely Scripture teacher Beth Cox with Cheyenne*