



## ANZAC Day Dawn Service 2021

### Principal's Report

Thank you to all students, parents and community members who commemorated the 106th anniversary of the Gallipoli landing at the Carrathool dawn service on Sunday 25th April. Our students participated in the march and senior students capably read selected poems. Our captain, Mary Serukalou, laid the school wreath. It is most important that our children learn about and continue the traditions of ANZAC Day. We thank Angela Masters for her amazing organisation of the ANZAC Day Service each year.

NAPLAN testing will occur between the dates 11-14 May for students in Year 3 and Year 5. Students will complete language and writing tests on Tuesday 11th May, reading tests on Wednesday 12th May and numeracy tests on Thursday 13th May. Any students who miss tests will have the opportunity to catch up on Friday 14th May. Results of these tests should be available later in the year.

Carrathool Public School has been selected as one of the several schools in our area to be a part of the NSW Department of Education 2021 NAIDOC week video! We will be singing and recording a portion of "My Island Home" by Christine Anu. Watch out for our singing, smiling faces in June.

Our whole school excursion to Lake Mungo and Yanga National Parks will be held on Tuesday 18 May and Wednesday 19 May (Week 5). This excursion will complement Geography studies on the Australian environment, native flora and fauna and Aboriginal culture and heritage.

Week 5 also sees students participating in Life Education lessons with Healthy Harold and, for students aged 8 and older, the annual cross country event, held at Bushy Bend in Hay. Both events are on Thursday 20 May. Further information will be forthcoming.

Have a great week,

Mary-Ann Headon  
Principal

**Term 2**  
**Super Friday**  
**Wk 3 - 7 May**  
**Wk 5 - 21 May**  
**Wk 7 - 4 June**  
**Wk 9 - 18 June**  
**Yanga National Park & Lake Mungo Excursion**  
**18 & 19 May**  
**Cross Country**  
**20 May**  
**Healthy Harold**  
**20 May**  
**Rugby Union Day**  
**25 May**  
**Operation Art—Wk 6**

## CAPTAIN'S REPORT - By Mary

Stage 3 students are currently learning about the variety of environments and biomes throughout the world and we will compare our environment at Carrathool with the environment at Lake Mungo. Stage 2 students are learning about Australian flora (plants) and fauna (animals). Did you know that Australia has the only two monotreme mammals in the world? They are the echidna and the platypus.

We have been writing many narrative and persuasive texts. Some examples of our persuasive texts are in this newsletter.

We are singing "My Island Home" for NAIDOC week, which we are excited about. We are also practicing a calisthenics dance with Verity to hopefully enter a competition. I will be seeing Healthy Harold for the first time in Week 5, just after our excursion to Lake Mungo. We are very busy in Week 5!

## Cats VS dogs

Have you ever walked past a house with a dog and they just bark at you and you get such a fright that you spill your milkshake all over the grass!!! Stupid big barking dogs! Cats don't do that. They only meow for a reason like if they're hungry or if you accidentally hurt them. So that's why cats are definitely better than smelly dogs.

By Anna

Students have been learning how to construct a persuasive text, learning all about rhetorical questions, high modality words and repetition of key phrases in order to persuade their audience to adopt their side of an argument. Let's hope you can be persuaded to change your mind too.

Dogs are so much better than cats.

Have you ever walked into a bedroom and you find all this fur and fluff on your sheet, your bedspread, your doona, your pillow and the clothes that you wore yesterday that you forgot to put in the wash? A dog couldn't have done that so the evidence points to a cat.

Dogs are absolutely better than cats. Dogs help blind people. You don't get a guide cat do you? Dogs guide you the exact way. They may sniff the air and smell food but they tame their hunger or excitement for it. If you let a cat try to lead a blind person it would run straight for the good stuff. That's why you don't send a cat to do a dog's job.

By Eliza Rawle

At the beach you can go find rock pools and see what is in them. But at the snow you can't go find rock pools because there is no water. But at the beach you can go find rock pools and see what is in them like little crabs, starfish. But not at the snow.

By Lylah

Students used the book “Click, clack, moo. Cows that type” as a stimulus for writing. In this story, the cows really wanted electric blankets and used their typing skills to make Farmer Brown change his mind. Now it is the ducks’ turn.

## Click, Clack, Moo Cows That Type

Author: Doreen Cronin  
Illustrated by: Betsy Lewin



Dear Farmer Brown,

We ducks are very bored in our pond. We all would like a diving board. If you do get us a diving board we will guard your garden and eat all the pests, no matter how yuck some of them are. That is why we must have a diving board, please Farmer Brown.

From the Ducks.

By Jack.

Dear Farmer Brown,

We would love a diving board and then your eggs would be nice and warm and we will protect your roses from grubs.

From the Ducks.

By Emily

Dear Farmer Brown,

Here’s a deal. If you give us snorkels & a diving-board we will give you 100 eggs a day, maybe even x2 the eggs you get every day, maybe. So deal?

For sure (-:

From the Ducks.

By Reef.

Dear Farmer Brown,

It is boring in our pond, so we want a diving board. If you don't install one we won't lay eggs for your breakfast, we will not keep insects off your garden and if we don't keep insects off your garden bugs will go in and make your vegetables smell. We will make so much noise you won't be able to sleep at night! Oh please Mr Brown, we are just asking for one thing. Nothing more! The cows and the chickens get what they want, how about us? We never get what we want.

Sincerely,

The Ducks.

By Mary.



Kindergarten and Year 1 Maths.



Kindergarten Art

## Community News

If you need community notices advertised in our newsletter please contact the school either by phone, fax or email.

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## CARRATHOOL SPORTS CLUB

ALL WELCOME

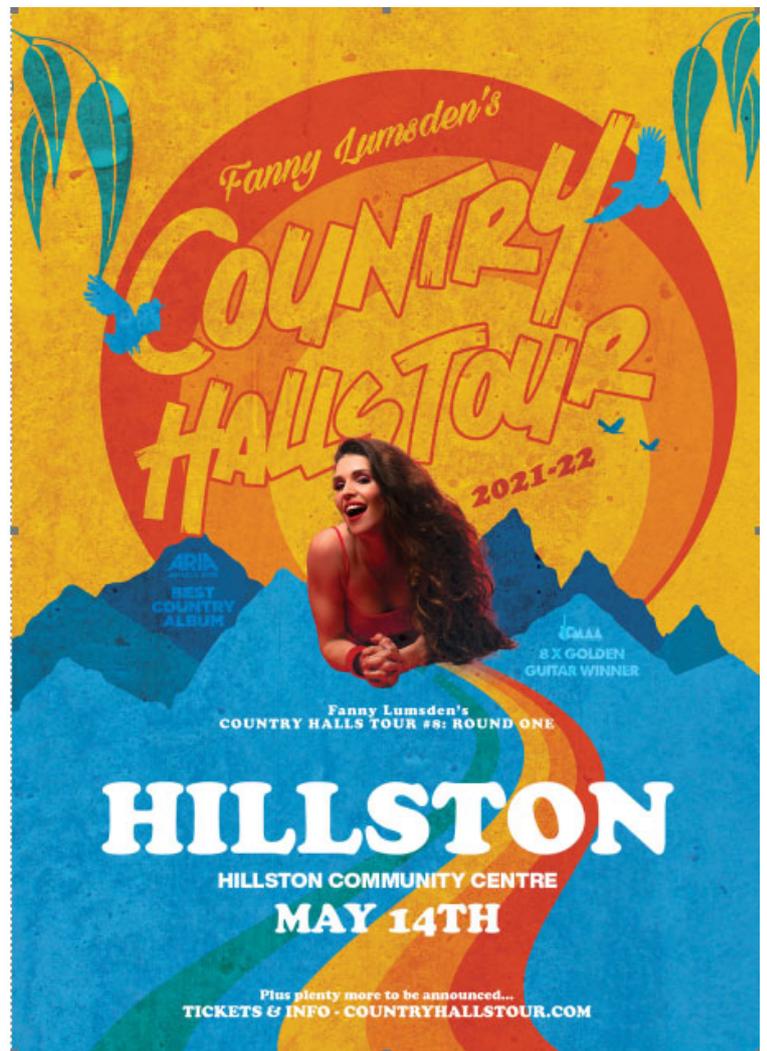
Carrathool Sports Club

Meeting

When: Last Sunday of every month

Where: Carrathool Hall

Time: 10 am



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