

Newsletter 12 - Special Edition



Principal's Message

12 December 2019

Caralee Community School has continued to grow and improve as a school that meets the needs of all stakeholders in the diverse community of Willagee. In our first year as an IPS school, the School Board, under the direction of School Board Chair Amanda Buisman, has met regularly and has managed and directed the strategic direction of the school with a view to future growth and academic improvement.

The School Board and entire school community began with the school's first formal review for nearly 10 years, as only IPS schools were reviewed in recent times. This was at first a daunting task understanding the requirements and material required to be presented. Very quickly it became apparent that the school had at hand every aspect of data required from finance to positive academic results and parent surveys. The reviewers noted in their report the strong academic results and wide and varied input into the review, both on paper

or in person through interview, of a range of stakeholders from parents to staff.

NAPLAN results are again positive with good overall positive achievement growth and comparable performance with like schools in achievement and progress. A focus for 2020 will be to look at progress in numeracy, which in the past was a strength and was less so for the cohort tested in 2019. Community events and programs, both in and out of school, continue to see the school being promoted and recognised as a safe and high achieving institution. Imagine Future / Ideas Hunterz, Willagee Library Homework Club, Breakfast Club, Choir performances, Year 6 Camp, Caralee's Got Talent, Interschool competitions and many more activities have seen the school recognised for high performance and high care. Of note, Caralee students launched the WA Local Government Health Policy Awards to a large audience by giving a

Welcome to Country and a number of speeches. The Minister for Local Government met the students after and congratulated them. Similarly, we saw success by winning the Fever Cup Netball, soccer and making the finals in the weekend FNA netball competition. Arts also had a number of competition winners including our resident static cow Moo Lou (decorated by students) achieving an honourable mention in the National 'Discover Dairy' art competition.

Following from the very successful Colour Run, the **P&C** Fete run recently was again a major success. This event is becoming widely regarded as a 'must attend' event in the City of Melville for families in and around Willagee. The fete showcased the talent of our students, including the Choir, and gave families a great evening of fun, and is something for us all to be proud of.

This event captures the growing excitement and optimism with

Caralee's Kindy enrolments growing from 40 in 2019 to closer to 60 in 2020, and a new transportable classroom allocated by the Department of Education to support this growth.

I'd like to **thank** all the staff and community members who worked so hard for our students to make 2019 such a **successful year** for the Caralee community. We look forward to new and exciting opportunities ahead in 2020 as we make 'Believe You Can' a reality for ALL students.



Of note, a record number of Year 6 students were accepted into Melville SHS Extension and Specialist programs. I'd like wish all our graduating Year 6 students the very best for the future.

Jason Shapcott Principal



Music Mr Matthew Ryder

The choir had a busy fortnight, opening the fete, performing at The Lions Club Carols at Sunset event and then performing at the school assembly. They sang beautifully, showcasing all the hard work that they had put in over the year. It was such a pleasure conducting them this year.

And that's a wrap!





It's been a wonderful year in my role as Music teacher at Caralee Community School. Composing, singing, dancing and playing instruments with all the different year levels; I can't wait to see what next year has in store, musically, for our wonderful school.



It's been a very busy month in Art. We worked hard to get everything ready for our fete stall. It was a huge success with all the students from Years I to 6 designing their own calendars to sell, as well as some students having their art work turned into some great wooden masterpieces. If you haven't already done so, you can still purchase your child's calendar for \$4. Just drop into the Art Room and see Mrs Wain. Congratulations to everyone who entered the fete's colouring-in competition. It was very difficult to choose the winners. Congratulations to the following students who won:

Kindy - Lily Storer

Pre-Primary - Sara Harrison

Year I- Matilda Hall

Year 2 - Taya Shawscott

Year 3 - Amelia Babich

Year 4 - Elektra Hanowski

Year 5 - Maggie Liddy-Morrow

Year 6 - Jordan Davis

Sport Mr Sam Atkins

Over the final weeks of Term 4, the students have competed every recess and lunchtime in playing soccer.

The Grand Final of the tournament turned out to be a highly competitive game, with both teams giving great displays of team work and sportsmanship.



The final was played out between Chelsea and Manchester United, with Chelsea running out the victors. Congratulations to all the participants and a huge congratulations to the students who made up the Chelsea team. (Please see the 'Supplement' for results of the Teacher/Student match held this week).

In accordance with the School Finance Admin Policy, funds collected in excess of what is required for an activity must be redispersed to parents before the end of the year. Excess funds collected in 2019 for swimming of \$1.11 per child will be used to fund a fun water slide activity on last day of school. Please advise in writing to the office if you have any queries.

The P&C would like to thank the Caralee Community for all their amazing support in 2019! The Community Fete raised a total of \$9,663.28 for the school, with our final fundraising figures being announced in the new school year. Become a part of our dynamic team in 2020, and come along to our first meeting on Tuesday, 25 February. Our final events for 2019 are: FRI, 13 DEC - Freaky Friday (Free Dress, gold coin donation) & WED, 18 DEC - Gee Dads (Paper Planes / Breakfast). The Admin Office also welcomes any donation of second hand Caralee CS uniforms. Please note the Uniform **Shop** will be **closed** as from <u>Friday</u>, <u>13 Dec</u> but will re-open prior to term start on FRIDAY, 31 JANUARY 2020.



RECYCLING AT CARALEE

Thank you for all those families who have supported our recycling programs this year. Our regular visits by Caralee's ecoteam to depots such as Greenbatch have meant more waste being recycled right here in WA. (Remember: we will also

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