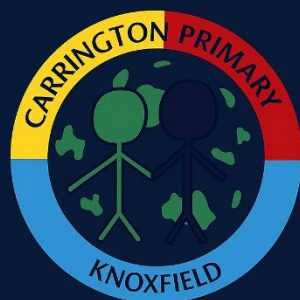




# CARRINGTON PRIMARY SCHOOL KNOXFIELD

**CPS NEWSLETTER**

**Issue 14**

**Friday 5<sup>th</sup> September, 2025**

**DIARY DATES:**

| <b>Term 3 – Monday 21<sup>st</sup> July – 19<sup>th</sup> Sep</b> |                                                       |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|
| Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> September                                 | Rugby Clinics – Mr M                                  |
| Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> September                              | Farm excursion F-3                                    |
| Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> September                               | Young Leaders Program @ Knox Park PS (Y5 ) 9:45-11:00 |
| Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> September                                | Rugby Clinics – Mr M                                  |
| Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> September                              | Knox Division Athletics                               |
| Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> September                               | Footy Colours Day and Special Lunch                   |
| Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> September                                 | End of Term 3 – <b>2:30pm finish.</b>                 |

**PRINCIPAL'S REPORT:**

What a fantastic fortnight we have had.

It was lovely seeing so many turn up for our Father's Day/Special person breakfast and activity. These events mean so much to our little people for you to attend.

Around the school you will see a bit of change occurring in different spaces. We are busily preparing for the upcoming works and are donating, repurposing and removing excess furniture and items around the school.

With the warmer weather now approaching we need to ensure everyone is wearing a hat for outdoor activities. There are still some available in the office

Our pre-service teachers have now all concluded their at Carrington. We thank Katherine for the work she has done in the 2/3 classroom and wish her all the best for their future endeavours.

Have a great weekend.

Brett Speed

Principal

**STAR STUDENTS:**

| Year level | Student receiving                                                                   |
|------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| F/1        | Evie - showing great effort in all of her work.                                     |
| 2/3        | Izzy - amazing work with fractions and being able to identify equivalent fractions. |
| 4/5        | Tarrus - working extremely hard to write his very best narrative piece.             |
| 6          | Danbi - showing perseverance and a hard-working attitude during reading.            |
| STREAM     | Levi - showing determination when constructing a bridge out of popsicle sticks.     |
| STREAM     | Bailey - constructing a great map and move his Bluebot around the island.           |

**SUNSMART POLICY:**

Reminder that hats are required for any outdoor activity as per our Sun Smart Policy. Please ensure your child's hat is clearly labelled so it can be returned if it is left behind or misplaced. Children that are not wearing hats will be required to remain undercover during break times. We do have a range of hats for purchase at our school office should you need a new one.

**PARENT OPINION SURVEY:**

Our school is conducting the annual Parent / Caregiver / Guardian Opinion Survey and is seeking your feedback.

The survey, offered by the Department of Education, is designed to assist schools in gaining an understanding of families' perceptions of school climate, student behaviour, and student engagement.

Your opinions are important to us and will contribute to identifying areas for improvement and professional development needs in the school, to target school planning and improvement strategies. The department will use the results from the survey for research purposes and to improve outcomes for students.

The survey will be conducted online and only takes 20 minutes to complete.

## DISTRICT ATHLETICS RESULTS:

Our competitors braved very wet and windy conditions at Knox Athletics Track last Friday against some very strong competition. Students had been practising with Mr Walsh through PE and weekly senior sport sessions focusing on developing their skills further.

Carrington students displayed great sportsmanship by cheering on their peers as they competed throughout the day.

There were some outstanding performances throughout the day. Students that finished 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> in the 'A section' on the day will compete at Division in the coming weeks. A note will be sent home from Mr Walsh informing families of the date and location.

| Discus                |                        |                                                                         |
|-----------------------|------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 9-10 discus (A)       | Arina<br>Xavier        | 4 <sup>th</sup> place<br>4 <sup>th</sup> place                          |
| 9-10 discus (B)       | Ava<br>Hunter          | 1 <sup>st</sup> place<br>3 <sup>rd</sup> place                          |
| 11-year-old (A)       | Renae<br>Levi<br>James | 2 <sup>nd</sup> place<br>2 <sup>nd</sup> place<br>5 <sup>th</sup> place |
| 12-13 discus (A)      | Pharrell<br>Danbi      | 1 <sup>st</sup> place<br>2 <sup>nd</sup> place                          |
| 12-13 discus (B)      | Chase                  | 1 <sup>st</sup> place                                                   |
| Triple jump           |                        |                                                                         |
| 9-10 triple jump (A)  | Julie<br>Izzy<br>Ollie | 1 <sup>st</sup> place<br>5 <sup>th</sup> place<br>5 <sup>th</sup> place |
| 11-year-olds (A)      | Ruby                   | 5 <sup>th</sup> place                                                   |
| 12-13 triple jump (A) | Pavel<br>Charlotte     | 1 <sup>st</sup> place<br>2 <sup>nd</sup> place                          |
| Long jump             |                        |                                                                         |
| 11-year-old (A)       | Ruby                   | 4 <sup>th</sup> place                                                   |
| 12-13 long jump (A)   | Luke                   | 3 <sup>rd</sup> place                                                   |
| Shot put              |                        |                                                                         |
| 11-year-olds (A)      | Renae                  | 5 <sup>th</sup> place                                                   |
| 11-year-olds (B)      | Ashley                 | 3 <sup>rd</sup> place                                                   |
| 12-13 shot put (A)    | Pharrell               | 1 <sup>st</sup> place                                                   |
| 12-13 shot put (B)    | Chase                  | 2 <sup>nd</sup> place                                                   |
| 1500m                 |                        |                                                                         |
| 9-10 1500m (A)        | Summer                 | 2 <sup>nd</sup> place                                                   |
| 11-year-old (A)       | Levi<br>Cortez         | 2 <sup>nd</sup> place<br>3 <sup>rd</sup> place                          |
| Hurdles               |                        |                                                                         |
| 9-10 hurdles (A)      | Summer                 | 2 <sup>nd</sup> place                                                   |
| 12-13 hurdles (A)     | Jai                    | 4 <sup>th</sup> place                                                   |
| 100m dash             |                        |                                                                         |
| 9-10 (A)              | Vera                   | 5 <sup>th</sup> place                                                   |
| 9-10 (B)              | Angus                  | 5 <sup>th</sup> place                                                   |
| 11-year old (A)       | Levi                   | 3 <sup>rd</sup> place                                                   |
| 11-year old (B)       | Cortez                 | 1 <sup>st</sup> place                                                   |

|                 |                                       |                                                |
|-----------------|---------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|
|                 | Ruby                                  | 3 <sup>rd</sup> place                          |
| 12-13 (A)       | Charlotte                             | 2 <sup>nd</sup> place                          |
| 12-13 (B)       | Jai<br>Danbi                          | 1 <sup>st</sup> place<br>2 <sup>nd</sup> place |
| 200m            |                                       |                                                |
| 9-10 (B)        | Isla                                  | 3 <sup>rd</sup> place                          |
| 12-13 (A)       | Pavel<br>Charlotte                    | 1 <sup>st</sup> place<br>1 <sup>st</sup> place |
| 12-13 (B)       | Pharrell                              | 2 <sup>nd</sup> place                          |
| Relay           |                                       |                                                |
| 12-13 mixed (A) | Pavel<br>Jai<br>Pharrell<br>Charlotte | 1 <sup>st</sup> place                          |

## FATHER'S DAY BREAKFAST:

Last Friday morning, our school was buzzing with excitement as we welcomed families to celebrate Father's Day with a special breakfast and a morning full of activities. The event kicked off with delicious bacon and egg rolls served fresh to hungry guests, setting the tone for a warm and joyful gathering.

After breakfast, families got creative together—colouring in festive pictures, completing fun craft projects, and enjoying friendly games of Connect 4.

To wrap up the morning, everyone headed into classrooms for a final activity, giving students a chance to proudly show their learning spaces and share a moment with their loved ones.

It was a wonderful celebration of connection, creativity, and community. A huge thank you to all who joined us—fun was truly had by all! Thank you to our cooking team – Miss Jane (head chef), Mrs Watson and Miss McGinley for their work with the BBQ.



## **TOURS / ENROLMENTS:**

If you have a child due to start at Carrington next year, or know someone that does, please refer them to the school office or to our website [Enrolment \(carringtonps.vic.edu.au\)](http://carringtonps.vic.edu.au).

School tours can be arranged upon request by contacting the office on 9763 9600. We are more than happy to showcase our programs and grounds to prospective families.

# The Junior School Snapshot



It has been an exciting couple of weeks in the Junior School. We started the week with celebrating our dads and special people in our lives with a yummy breakfast and then some fun in the classrooms. Together, with our dads and special people, the Prep/1s made some Mars Bars race cars and the 2/3s made some alien biscuits. We then spent some time showing our dads and special people our workbooks and reading some stories together.

We congratulated our Year 3 students who competed in the District Athletics Day on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> August. They braved the cold, wind and rain to achieve great results. We had many students receive ribbons for their events, but most importantly, everyone had a great time.



We are crossing our fingers and toes in hope that our excursion will go ahead next Wednesday. Students and teachers are very excited to experience the life of a child living on a farm in the early 20<sup>th</sup> Century. We will also be asking students to dress in yellow next Thursday in celebration of R U OK? Day. Students will be participating in some fun activities focusing on mental wellbeing.

Lastly, a note went home for the Footy Day special lunch. Please make sure that forms and payments are returned no later than Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> September.

## Here are some other highlights from our classroom:

### Literacy

- Poetry – cinquain and free verse
- Recounts
- Irregular Words
- Decodable spelling rules – wh, sh and ew, eu, ui
- Non-Fiction and Fiction texts
- Procedures – Apple Donuts and Banana Muffins

### Numeracy

- Algebra
- Shape, symmetry and angles
- Graphing – collecting and collating data
- Fractions
- Australian currency

### Integrated Studies

- Respectful Relationships – Emotion Literacy
- Auslan – about me
- Perceptual Motor Program
- Geography – Australia and Europe
- Speaking and Listening – VIP students, using expression

and asking questions

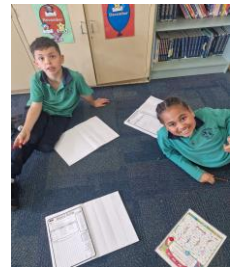




# Senior Snapshot



The last two weeks have continued to be jammed packed for the senior students. The grade 6 students have been operating their canteen every Tuesday and Thursday at recess time. Last Friday, we attended the Knox Athletics Track for District Athletics where every student had an opportunity to represent our school. Despite the weather, the day was fabulous and the students were amazing. It was so wonderful to see the students working so hard to achieve



their personal best. On Monday, the students had the opportunity to have breakfast at school for Father's Day, as well as participate in a joint activity in their classrooms. We were also lucky enough to have a visit from Charlotte Hodgson, a



hockey player from the VIS. Tuesday we then started our rugby clinics with Mr Michalowsky and on Thursday we had an opportunity to purchase gifts from the Father's Day stall.



In **Reading**, we continued our novel study, *Born to Run* by Cathy Freeman. It has been wonderful to relate our own achievements at District Athletics to the text. We have also made some realisations about how the treatment of indigenous Australians is continuing to evolve.

In **Writing**, students have been exploring narrative texts, the use of quotation marks and various forms of poetry. They have looked at both structural and language features of these text types. Grade 4/5M have also been working on our joined writing so that we can earn our pen licence.



In **Maths**, we have been exploring concepts related to money and finance. The students have been adding and subtracting money, using budgets, calculating change and exploring percentages. Stay tuned for some special announcements from the grade 6 students.



In **Integrated Studies**, we have continued to explore aspects of democracy and government. They have looked at the different levels of government and what these levels are responsible for. In our **Science** component the grade 4s and 5s have continued to look at the importance of food packaging and how we can reduce our impact on the environment. The grade 6s have continued to explore different states of matter and conducted experiments to observe changes. This week we have also incorporated various activities to help us celebrate Father's Day.





- **Grade 6:** Students have continued exploring the design process by constructing bridges from various materials. They examined which shapes provide the greatest strength and stability, learning how to incorporate these into their designs. Students collaborated effectively in pairs, sharing ideas and strategies to enhance their projects.
- **Grades 4 and 5:** Students explored the world of coding by integrating building and programming skills. They designed and built chariots using K'nex to attach to Spheros, then programmed their vehicles to navigate specific tasks, combining creativity with technical skills.
- **Grades 2 and 3:** Students kept working with Spheros, creating their own maps to program the robots to move around. They experimented with different coding blocks to develop more complex movements and problem-solving strategies.
- **Prep and Grade 1:** Students enjoyed exploring mapping and navigation with Bluebots. They built their own maps, including essential survival elements such as shelter, food, and entertainment, then used Bluebots to travel around their islands, reinforcing spatial awareness and coding skills.





# COMMUNITY NOTICES



**OPEN TO THE COMMUNITY!**

**FAMILY FUN DAY**

10am - 12pm, Saturday 6 September 2025

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