



Cascade Primary School

Newsletter #4 2026

Term 2 Week 3

Principal's Pen – Week 3 Term 1

Term 2 has started in a flash and it's hard to believe we are 3 weeks down already. It has been pretty smooth sailing, and it has been pleasing to lock in a couple of staffing arrangements. Our classroom learning support has been boosted with Mrs Christine Meyer (Thursday) and Miss Lucy Roberts (Tuesday) coming on board as Education Assistants for the remainder of the year. We've also welcomed Miss Sarah Curnow on Friday's for 5 weeks, as she completes her university practicum at the school. A big shout out goes to Sofia Karkus, who is casually covering our cleaning role around her busy study schedule. This has been of great assistance as we still seek a permanent solution in this role. If you know someone that might be interested in our school cleaner position, please direct them to the school.

Reporting to Parent – Progress Meetings

In line with the Department of Education changes to Reporting to Parents, Cascade PS will be holding meetings with parents to give an in-depth update on student achievement and progress prior to semester 1 reports being sent to parents. These meetings will be scheduled on Tuesday 16th June. Further information will come out to parents next weeks about booking in a time to meet with respective teachers. The school day will not be changed for students to access learning. Suitable supervision will be arranged while teachers are meeting with parents.

ANZAC Service

Our student leaders recently participated in the Esperance RSL Branch ANZAC service. Along with Mr Saul and myself, we marched in the parade and laid a wreath in remembrance of the fallen. This was a special occasion to be a part of, and I thank Stella and Zoe for the respectful manner in which they conducted themselves.

Professional Principal Review

As part of my professional growth and ongoing feedback and support to improve, I am currently completing my Professional Principal Review (PPR). This is a great opportunity to reflect on my current practices as a leader and identify areas of growth. The process also provides assurance that all public-school principals are performing at or above expectation.

Interschool Fun Run

Today, 3 of our Year 5/6 student participated in the Primary school's 2 km Fun Run event in Esperance. While they didn't walk away winners, they represented the school and the Mallee team very well. This was a great event to engage with for the first time, and I look forward to giving more of our students this opportunity next year if they choose to.

Wishing you all good luck as you push through the busy seeding period.

Ashley Weckert

Pride

Kindness

Respect

Resilience

Sense of Belonging



Junior Room

What a fantastic start to Term 2 we have had in the Junior Room!

We began the term by recognising ANZAC Day and enjoyed coming together as a school to make delicious ANZAC biscuits. It was a special way to learn about the importance of remembrance and community.

In Maths, we have been working collaboratively to explore measurement. Students teamed up to build and measure different lengths using formal measurement tools. One amazing chain we created measured an impressive 12.5 metres long!



STEM has also been full of excitement as we designed and launched balloon and straw rockets inspired by the Artemis II mission. Students loved experimenting, predicting, and testing how far their rockets could travel along a string "to the moon!"



Our News presentations have been another highlight, with students sharing fascinating topics in creative and confident ways. It has been wonderful to see everyone developing their speaking and listening skills.

We are looking forward to continuing our learning adventures throughout the rest of the term!

From Mrs Watts





Senior Room

This term has already been full of exciting learning opportunities and activities for our senior students in Years 3–6. It's hard to believe we are only at the end of Week 3!

In English, students have begun researching and writing biographies about famous people of their choice. We have some very interesting subjects being explored, including Britney Spears, Cristiano Ronaldo and MrBeast. Students have been developing their research skills, learning how to gather important information and present it in an engaging way. We can't wait to see the finished biographies!

In Health, students have been learning about the different types of bullying and how bullying differs from teasing. We discussed how people may joke or "rib" each other from time to time, but bullying occurs when someone is intentionally trying to hurt another person's feelings or wellbeing. These discussions have encouraged students to think carefully about kindness, respect and how we treat others.

Although the rainy weather has interrupted some of our usual morning fitness sessions, Stella and Zoe have done a fantastic job leading skipping practice in the undercover areas. Students have enjoyed jumping along to some great music and keeping active despite the wet weather.

We have also loved having Mrs Ruth with us on Fridays. Students have enjoyed warm porridge in the mornings, and with the help of Mr Weckert and Mrs Ruth, students also made delicious ANZAC biscuits to enjoy as after-school snacks before jumping on the bus home.

A special congratulations goes to Stella and Zoe, who proudly represented Cascade Primary School over the ANZAC weekend by marching and laying a wreath on behalf of the school. We are very proud of the way they represented our school community.

It has certainly been another busy but fun start to the term, with plenty of learning, activities and excitement packed into these short weeks. We are looking forward to all the wonderful experiences still to come!

Nick Saul

Year 3 - 6 Teacher

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Chappy Chatter

Lights out...gas stove on.

Today we began a Term 2 'turn around' from grab-and go arvo snacks to Winter Breakfast Club. The weather was a perfect mix of rain and Arctic conditions... 'feels like -1degree'

Cascade students were eager to enjoy some hot creamy porridge with a taste of fruit, banana and honey variation along with a hot cup of Milo. A big hi-5 to staff who manned the station and for the students who ate and washed their dishes.

Breakfast Club will be on every Friday over Term 2's dark winter months and is voluntary attendance. See you there if your game

Ruth Marold (Chaplain)





Term 2, 2026

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat / Sun
1	20 SDD – No school	21	22	23	24	25/26 Anzac Parade
2	27 Public Holiday – no school	28	29	30	1 May	2/3
3	4	5	6	7	8 Mother's Day Pamper session 1.30pm	9/10 Mother's Day
4	11	12	13	14	15	16/17
5	18	19	20 Student Leader's Day @ CPS	21	22	23/24
6	25	26	27	28	29	30/31
7	1 June WA Day Public Holiday	2	3	4	5	6/7
8	8	9 Musica Viva @ Cascade	10	11	12	13/14
9	15	16	17	18 Circus Challenge Show & Workshop	19	20/21
10	22 Life Ed @ Mungy	23	24 NAIDOC combined schools event @ EPS	25	26	27/28
11	29 Year 5 & 6 Camp	30 Year 5 & 6 Camp	1 July Year 5 & 6 Camp	2 Year 5 & 6 Camp	3 Year 5 & 6 Camp Last Day of Term 2	4/5



Cascade PS values Acknowledgements

Week 3

Raffle winners

Pride – Hazel, Sam, Victoria x2

Sense of Belonging – Sam, Fred

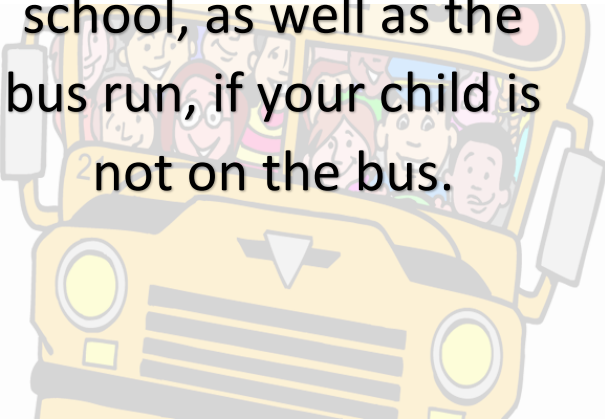
Kindness – Elaina, Felicity

Respect – Benji





Remember to notify the school, as well as the bus run, if your child is not on the bus.



School Times

Classrooms open 8.30am
 Class commences 8.40am
 Recess 10.40am
 Lunch 1.00pm
 End of day 2.45pm





Community News



SALMON GUMS PRIMARY SCHOOL

100th Anniversary Event

Come celebrate and share your memories of Salmon Gums Primary School.

Friday 26th June, 2026

Official ceremony begins at 1:00pm at Salmon Gums PS and concludes at 3:30pm. Afternoon tea will be available for a gold coin donation.

An event, hosted by our P&C will be held from 4:30pm at the Salmon Gums Community Centre. A casserole dinner will be provided, free of charge, and drinks will be available to purchase from the bar.

Please RSVP by Thursday 4th of June if you will be attending, by emailing - salmongums.ps@education.wa.edu.au

 Updates and other information can be found on the Salmon Gums Primary School 100th Anniversary Facebook page.

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