

CARLTON SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER



TERM 3 WEEK 10 WEDNESDAY 24TH SEPTEMBER 2025

UPCOMING EVENTS

**Friday 26th
September**

Last day of term 3
2:10PM early dismissal

Monday 13th October
First day of term 4

Autism Inclusion Teacher Conference Strengthening Belonging

On 15 September, Autism Inclusion Teachers from across South Australia came together for the 2025 AIT Conference in Adelaide. The theme, "Embrace curiosity. Build connection. Strengthen belonging," highlighted the importance of creating inclusive school environments where every child feels valued.

The conference celebrated the work of AITs in creating inclusive learning environments and explored how schools can better support autistic students through neurodiversity-affirming practices. Neurodiversity-affirming practice means recognising that differences in how people think, learn, and experience the world—such as being autistic or ADHD—are natural and important parts of natural variations of the human experience and diversity. Instead of trying to "fix" individuals, we focus on understanding and supporting each child's unique strengths and needs.

Teachers explored practical strategies to support autistic learners, including sensory-friendly classroom design, reducing cognitive load, and using assistive technologies. The conference also introduced new tools to help personalise learning and strengthen student wellbeing. This event reflects our department and school's ongoing commitment to understanding and celebrating neurodiversity, and ensuring every child feels safe, supported, and connected. At our school, we are committed and striving to create an inclusive environment where every student feels valued and understood.

—John



TERM 3

EARLY DISMISSAL

**2:10pm Friday 26th
September 2025**

See you all back at school
Term 4 Monday 13th October.

Extended Absences – School Exemption Process

As part of our ongoing efforts to support families and maintain accurate attendance records, we kindly ask that families planning to be away for an extended period contact the school to arrange an official exemption.

This process helps ensure that your child's absence is recorded appropriately and reflects positively on both your family and our school's attendance data. Exemptions can be granted for a range of reasons including family travel, cultural obligations, or unforeseen circumstances.

If you know in advance that your child will be away for more than a few days, please reach out to the front office to discuss the exemption process. We're here to help make it as smooth as possible for everyone.

Thank you for your continued support.

ROOM 6

PHONICS

What a fantastic term it's been in Room 6! Our Reception students have been busy learners, making great strides across all learning areas.

In Phonics, students have been working through the DfE Phonics Scope and Sequence program, completing the first three units. They have learnt new graphemes and phonemes, and have been practicing oral blending, segmenting, and spelling. Their progress with heart words has also been impressive, supporting their growing confidence in reading.



MATHEMATICS

In Mathematics, we explored symmetrical and asymmetrical patterns. Using popsicle sticks, students created and extended repeating patterns such as ABAB, AABB, and ABC, while discussing the different elements within each sequence.





HASS

Our HASS focus was on materials found on Country. Students examined natural materials through magnifying glasses, identified their names, described characteristics such as scent, size, and texture, and illustrated them with care and curiosity.

PYJAMA DAY

A highlight this term was our Pyjama Day, where students wore their favourite PJs to school and enjoyed a fun, relaxed day playing and learning with friends.



EXCURSION TO LEA MEMORIAL

We wrapped up the term with an inspiring excursion to the Lea Memorial Theatre to experience the Aboriginal animated art installation *Same Like Yesterday*. The story engaged students deeply as they followed the journey of women and children, learning important messages about staying safe and respecting sacred places.



As Term 3 comes to a close, we are incredibly proud of all that Room 6 has achieved. Wishing all our families a safe and happy holiday break!

Netball clinics

On Monday of Week 9, Alex from Netball SA, conducted Netball clinics with all of our students as part of the Sporting Schools program.

All classes participated in a range of different activities and games during the day.

All the students had a lot of fun learning about some of the skills needed to play netball.

