Dear Parents,

A FANTASTIC YEAR

Here we are at the end of the school year, with Christmas just around the corner. Looking back over 2010, it has again been a highly successful year at Carrum Primary School. We were all excited at finally having all of our students moving into the new buildings this term. They have settled beautifully into their new learning spaces.

On Sunday we held our second BIG GREEN FESTIVAL, which was an outstanding success. This was a wonderful event and a huge crowd enjoyed the many stalls and presentations and the fantastic musical performances. Thank you and congratulations to the committee on their incredible efforts and to all of the parents, students, staff and friends who helped on the day to ensure it was such a success!

Our continued focus on implementing a Sustainable Curriculum across the school has provided many new learning opportunities and will continue to do so in 2011.

The opportunity for students to participate in many individual and group arts, cultural and sporting activities were certainly highlights. We have a number of new projects to begin next year which will again provide our students with some amazing opportunities.

GRADE 6 GRADUATION

Last night our Grade 6 Graduation Ceremony was again a fantastic evening. I would like to congratulate all the students on their amazing final year at primary school and say a special farewell to them. They have been outstanding leaders in our school community this year and I know they will make significant contributions to their schools in the future. My best wishes go to the following students who commence their secondary education next year:

Tianah Cobb, Stephanie Davies
Justin Furborough, Rhys Hallinan
Jade Hughes, Niki Onurlu
Darcy Power, Harrison Tobin
Christopher Cerny, Dylan Davies

Luke Jaeger, Riley McCormack
Josie Mulcahy, Adam Rose
Mitchell Overmars, Matt Semmel
Neve Skillen, Ellie Thomas
Max van Maanen, Kelsie Vickery
Mac Worland, Aaron Best
Kane Bokhove, Tayla Dyball
Aleksa Praporski, Lawson Power
Jacob Hawli, Lewan Federico
Lachlan Smith, Kyle van Buren
Phoebe Walton, Rebecca Dobbie
Francesca Interlandi, Filippo
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THANK YOU

On behalf of the school community I would like to say thank you to all the teachers, integration/teacher aides, office staff, volunteers and cleaner for their hard work and dedication throughout 2010 and wish you a happy and well deserved break.

Tomorrow morning children will meet with their new grades and teachers prior to recess. They will also bring home a placement sheet indicating their grade and teacher for 2011. Our final assembly for 2010 will be held at 12.30pm tomorrow and children will be dismissed at 1.00pm for the holidays.

Finally, the 2011 school year commences at 9-00am on Friday, 4th February. Remember too, that Book Collection Day is Wednesday 2nd February 2011.

I wish everyone a happy, peaceful Christmas and a safe holiday.

Regards,

Alana O’Neil
Principal

ACTIVE TRANSPORT

CONGRATULATIONS CARRUM, WITH 93% ACTIVE TRANSPORT FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER WE WERE RANKED 1st IN VICTORIA!

WHAT A GREAT ACHIEVEMENT.
LET’S HOPE WE CAN CONTINUE THIS INTO 2011.
‘BIG GREEN FESTIVAL’ SUCCESS

Big Green Festival

The Big Green Festival Committee would like to say a huge THANKYOU, firstly to the many volunteers who worked on Saturday and/or Sunday to help make our Festival such a success and secondly to the large number of families who came and supported our Festival on Sunday. It was a fantastic day and a great showcase for our wonderful school. Well done to everyone involved.

Big Green Festival Committee

GIVING TREE

This is the 15th year we have supported the Salvation Army Giving Tree. Donations of NEW toys or food can be placed under our tree near the Staffroom. The children from Prep S will also be coming around to collect donations. All donations will be given to the Salvation Army on the last day of school so that others less fortunate than ourselves, may also enjoy Christmas.

CARRUM CARING FOR THE COMMUNITY

Julie Shaw

YEAR BOOK 2010

There has been a notice sent home yesterday regarding our Annual Year Book.

OUR ANNUAL YEAR BOOK IS NOW AVAILABLE AT A COST OF $5.00.

This is an outstanding collection of articles and photographs which celebrate our many achievements across the year. With 2010 being such an incredible year for our school I am sure you will want a copy.

SPARKLE DAY FRIDAY 17th DECEMBER

Teachers and children are invited to sparkle for the day by wearing sparkly clothes to school for a gold coin donation.

All proceeds will be donated to Oxfam. Oxfam Australia is part of a global movement of dedicated people working hard to fight poverty and injustice. They provide people with the skills and resources to help them create their own solutions to poverty. They invest in long-term projects, respond to emergencies and campaign for change. For more information visit www.oxfam.org.au.

Julie Shaw

DUCK DUTY

Many thanks to Kierra McKenzie, Dylan Ridgway, Charlotte Baker, Ami Claasen and Mr Bannister for cleaning out the Duck enclosure on Wednesday 8th December. GREAT JOB! THANKS FOR DUCKING OVER FOR DUCK DUTY!

Julie Shaw

LOST PROPERTY

All of our Lost Property is now located in 3 coloured bins outside Mrs Donnelly’s new classroom. Please come along and collect any school jumpers, jackets, school pants, lunch boxes, drink bottles etc., that belong to you. All are un-named. Please remember to write your child’s name on their belongings. It makes it so easy to return the item to its owner. Thank you.

Julie Shaw

STUDENT BANKING

WISHING YOU ALL A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR SO WE CAN CONTINUE OUR BANKING IN 2011!

Thank you

Caryl Tobin

Banking Co-ordinator.
DEUTSCHE NEUIGKEITEN – GERMAN NEWS

Guten Tag alle zusammen! Good day to all!
It has been another busy year for me at Carrum Primary School, teaching German to all the classes from Prep to Year 6 each week. Es hat Spaß gemacht! It was fun!

Vielen Dank to the students, staff and parents of our school for their participation in and continued support of the German program. I wish all in our Carrum school community a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year and happy holidays as well.

Fröhliche Weihnachten und ein glückliches neues Jahr! Schöne Ferien!
Viele Grüße, Frau Santamaria

BIRTHDAYS

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO THESE STUDENTS CELEBRATING A BIRTHDAY THIS WEEK:

DECEMBER

17th Gemma Gould 3/4W
18th Cai Venn PM
19th Elise Dyball 1/2C
20th Georgia Conway 5/6M
22nd River Penn 3/4S
Leah Kelly 5/6B
24th Colm Stringer 5/6M
27th Dylan Clark 5/6B
29th Juz Lennie 5/6M

‘CARRUMPods’ – NEWSPOD

FEATURING -

‘BIG GREEN FESTIVAL’

Carrum Primary School podcast website www.carrumpods.com
# IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

## TERM 4 2010

**DECEMBER**

16<sup>th</sup> GRADE 6 BIKE RIDE  
17<sup>th</sup> **‘SPARKLE DAY’  LAST DAY OF TERM 4**  
**Early Dismissal 1PM**

## JANUARY 2011

**TERM 1 2011**

## FEBRUARY 2011

2<sup>nd</sup> **BOOK COLLECTION DAY**  
4<sup>th</sup> **STUDENTS BEGIN FIRST DAY OF TERM 1**  
**COMMENCING 9:00am**

28<sup>th</sup> **GRADE 5 & 6 CAMP Woorabinda Campus at Yallourn North**

## MARCH 2011

4<sup>th</sup> **CAMPERS FROM GRADE 5 & 6  BACK FROM Woorabinda**

14<sup>th</sup> **LABOUR DAY (PUBLIC HOLIDAY)**

## APRIL 2011

8<sup>th</sup> **LAST DAY OF TERM 1**