



PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

FRIDAY, 18 JUNE 2021

DIRECTOR GENERALS VISIT

Dear Parents and Carers,

During last week Katy Haire, the Director General of the Education Directorate visited the school and met with myself, and visited numerous classrooms. This is a summary of her visit and feedback provided.

A spotlight on Charles Conder Primary School



Principal Jason Walmsley

'Know the child, grow the child' is the manifesto that guides the strong and close partnership [Charles Conder Primary School](#) has created among students, staff, parents and the wider community. It also helps guide differentiated teaching and learning, where teachers analyse data to identify purposeful, personal learning goals allowing for targeted teaching and learning.

This week Principal Jason Walmsley welcomed Director-General Katy Haire to visit the school, meet teachers and students, and learn more about its priorities and recent achievements.

The school has a clear focus on improving student educational and social outcomes by developing curious learners through an inquiry and growth mindset.

There is a positive school culture where students set their own learning goals and receive authentic feedback. Feedback and reflection facilitate ongoing learning, ensuring students feel empowered to take risks and extend their thinking.

"It was a joy to move around the classrooms and see the happy, engaged children," Katy said.

To strengthen student and family wellbeing, the school employs a fulltime social worker and two youth workers. Every student is learning and achieving as part of a shared partnership between school and home.

The trusting, collegial community of teachers and school leaders are working to embed a coaching culture to build capacity and empower teacher efficacy.

"I enjoyed seeing what you have achieved in terms of a strong teaching and learning culture, high staff engagement, and wellbeing.

"I was really interested to hear about the work you have done on differentiation and personalisation – and to see it in action!" Katy said.

REPORTS

Today all parents and carers will receive their child's Semester 1 reports via email. These reports will be sent out throughout the afternoon. If you don't receive your child's report can you please ensure we have the correct email address for you and call the school on Monday morning. Please be aware that there may be some delays in the emails. If you wish to speak with your child's teacher regarding their report, please ring and make a time or communicate via Seesaw to organise a time that is convenient.

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STUDENT LEADERSHIP TEAMS

Charles Conder is proud of all students who have been involved in our student leadership teams this semester. They have all been great role models so far this year.

Our Sport House Captains have been outstanding leaders during our sports carnivals and they did a wonderful job hosting our PE and Science assembly last week. We look forward to seeing them continue their fantastic leadership during our Athletics Carnival next term.

Our School Project Leaders have been working solidly and have completed several different projects. Specifically, they organised the PBL celebrations at the end of last term, and successfully hosted our ANZAC assembly at the start of this term. Currently they are working on a major project, the students have been planning and have started to create a sensory board for our school.

Finally, our Conder Care team have been working hard, they have produced a number of PBL videos promoting our expectations that have been presented at the Tuesday morning assemblies. Furthermore, a highlight of their achievements has been their service to our school community. Over the last few days, they have been preparing and cooking beautiful tasting soup that was served at our K-2 assembly yesterday which parents gave them 5 stars for. A big thank you to all students who have been involved in our student leadership teams so far this year.





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ACT CROSS COUNTRY

Congratulations to Blake McMullen and Jai Moudgil who participated in the ACT Cross Country last Wednesday. These students competed against the best students in the A.C.T for their age group. Blake and Jai performed well and should be proud of their achievement.

ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

On Thursday, 22 July, we will hold our whole school event on the school oval where student from Preschool to Year 6 will participate. The track events include 70m, 100m 200m and 800m. Our family races will take place at 9:15am. We look forward to seeing everyone have a great time.

The field event will take place at Banks Playing Fields on Thursday, 29 July where students aged 10 and above will be able to compete in Discus, Shotput and Long Jump. Parents are welcome to attend on this day as well.

A schedule of events will be released early in Term 3. If you have any questions about our Athletics Carnival, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Jon Tucker-Sports Coordinator

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P&C NEWS

Fete

Thank you to all our amazing families who turned up on the day and supported our annual fete. It was a wonderful day and fun was had by all. A huge thank you to all our volunteers as the day would not have run smoothly without your support.

Congratulations to our raffle winners,

1st Prize – Levi E

2nd Prize – Laura C

3rd Prize – Jaimie V

Canteen

To get ready for the single use plastic ban on cutlery beginning on Thursday, 1 July 2021, the canteen is now selling wooden cutlery for 10 cents each. There is a drop-down option on Flexischools to indicate whether to include wooden cutlery with your child's lunch order or not. If your child pays **over the counter** with cash, please remember to **include money** for wooden cutlery. Please see our Canteen Menu for more information.

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Uniforms

The colder months have arrived, it is time to pull out our warmer clothes. We currently have hoodies, polar fleece jackets and track pants in stock and available for purchase via the front office. Did you know we now accept Eftpos to purchase uniforms?

Positions Vacant

The P&C are still looking for a Treasurer and Fundraising Officer to join the committee this year. If you would like any further information, please get in touch with us via the P&C email.

To keep up to date with all our P&C news and upcoming events like and follow us on Facebook Charles Conder Primary School P&C or you can contact us via the P&C email: ccpspandc@yahoo.com.au

Your P&C thank you for your ongoing support!

SCHOOL BANKING

The Australian Capital Territory Government has decided to discontinue school banking programs in ACT government schools from 30 June 2021.

As a result, the Commonwealth Bank School Banking program will no longer operate at our school after the end of this week (Friday, 18 June).

If you are unsure of other methods of depositing to your child's account, please feel free to contact the bank's general enquiries hotline on 13 2221 or alternatively visit your local CommBank branch.

Any outstanding rewards will be delivered to students by the end of the term. We would like to thank all of the students and families for your participation and support throughout the School Banking program, it has been our privilege to be involved over the years as School Banking Coordinators.

Thank you,
Briana, Rachel and Rebecca.