



CANDELO PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Week 1/2 - Term 1

2 February 2023

What's happening at our school:

Term 1 2023

Class Music - Wednesday

Library – Wednesday

CIP Music - Thursday

Spanish – Friday

Sport - Friday

Canteen – Friday

Swimming4Sport

Candelo Pool

Friday 3 February

(Fridays each week)

Canteen

Friday 1st Lunch 11.10

Markets P&C BBQ

Sunday 5 February

P&C Meeting

Wednesday 8 February

6.30pm School Library

School & Small School Swimming Carnival

Candelo Pool 10am

Friday 10 February

Greet and Meet Parent and Teachers 3.30 – 4.30

Candelo PS Library

Wednesday 15 February

PSSA Sapphire Coast Swimming Carnival

Friday 17 February Eden Pool

Student/Parent/Teacher meetings

Wednesday/Thursday

22/23 February

Attachments

- Local Excursion note K-6
- Health update note



Fabulous 1W 2023 and class teacher Nicola Whitehead

Dear parents and carers,

Thank you in advance for your contribution to Candelo School Community! Together we will continue to create an amazing school!

Welcome back to the children in our 4 classes. They were so excited to return to school, to meet up with friends, adjust to school routines and learn about the exciting programs being planned for 2023. Kindergarten students in particular, have had the most amazing start to school, they are awesome! Our teachers have been busily undertaking professional learning, setting up classrooms and developing exciting learning programs. Together with the children they will set learning goals with high expectations, systems for feedback and develop assessment tasks that enable every child to grow.

During the two **Staff Development Days** staff were able to develop roles and responsibilities, develop our plan and update our mandatory training. We reviewed our commitment to our vision for excellence and equity; creating a safe and happy school where everyone has a sense of belonging and are supported to be successful and creative learners.

The School Swimming Carnival with Wyndham, Tanja and Towamba children is on Friday 10 February for Years 2 to 6. The House leaders will lead the walk to the pool after morning lessons. We will begin events for the carnival at 10.00am. Children are reminded to bring their lunch and morning tea or some money to buy their lunch from the pool canteen.

Parents are asked to bake slices/cupcakes/biscuits for a cake stall at the Small School Swimming Carnival and bring them to the pool or deliver to school so that we can transport them across. We would love some helpers.

Note *Kindy and Year 1 students will have canteen at school on Fridays. Children will need to bring about \$5.00 to buy their lunch (see menu).

**P&C Meeting Wednesday 8 February 6.30pm
Candelo PS Library – parents are warmly invited to attend and become part of a great team.**

Agenda:

- Celebration of fundraising achievements 2022
- Market volunteers organization/rosters request
- School programs: Parent student teacher interviews
 - Meet and Greet Afternoon Tea
 - Cake Stall for School Carnival
 - Voluntary fees and text book fee
 - Covid tutor program

Candelo Markets P&C BBQ Sunday 5 February

A huge thank you to the wonderful organisers and volunteers that have put their hands up to help out at the P&C BBQ this Sunday, please message Kathryn if you are able to help out 0418 691 148!

We will send home a proforma so that parents can register their participation in the monthly Markets BBQ. It is fun and a great way to raise funds to support each and every child with much needed resources.

Canteen
Friday 3 February

Ham & Salad Wrap	\$3
Spaghetti Bolognese	\$4
Apple, Pear & Plum Crumble with custard	\$3

? **Did you know?** On average, children eat 2-3 snacks every day, so it's important to make them as healthy as possible. Here's your guide to snacks that will power their brains and fuel their muscles throughout the day.

Try these simple snack swaps your kids will love!

Images are linked to our healthy lunch box website.

Swap out	Make it	Or buy it

Find out why juice is not necessary: The 5 best drinks for kids.

Water is the best drink to keep kids hydrated.

School Directory - 2023

<p><u>Principal</u> Suzanne Bourke - 4BJ</p> <p><u>Teachers</u> Nicola Whitehead 1W Lucy Blomfield 2B Chris Reeve 3R Sam Johnson 4BJ Suzanne Bourke 4BJ Dean Gray Music Tamerah RFF/Science Sue Campbell Learning and Support Merryl Whitby Music/ Library Administration Jenny Garden RFF/Covid funded</p>	<p><u>School Administration</u> Megan Bellenger Stacey Donohue (rel)</p> <p><u>School Learning and Support Officers</u> Jenny Sheedy Jo Caldwell Wendy Luxford Kristy Stanford Grace Moore</p> <p><u>Canteen</u> Kate Moorhead</p> <p><u>General Assistant</u> Jeff Moore</p> <p><u>Cleaner</u> Sonia Westaway</p>
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School Uniforms (shirts and sport shirts) are now in stock, including shorts, jackets and jumpers. Back to School vouchers can be used! Payment is made to the P&C.



From the beginning of Term 1 2023, COVID-smart measures developed with NSW Health to minimise transmission and keep schools open, will continue to be in place. These key measures include:

- Reminding students, staff and families to stay home if unwell and test for COVID-19 if showing any symptoms
- Boosted day cleaning of high touch areas
- Encouraging masks to be worn as required
- Encouraging up to date vaccinations for our staff and students
- Maintaining natural ventilation
- Continue to provide RAT testing kits free of charge.

Bus Transport: Parents are able to access bus transport for students, info on the Transport website. Dave Smith's bus has an early bus run and a later run to accommodate children coming to Candelo PS.

Library: Each Wednesday the children will return and borrow books from the Library in class groups. Our endeavour is to create dynamic classrooms that fully support students on their literacy journeys and prepare them to become not just literate, knowledgeable citizens but also *lifelong readers*.

Meet and Greet the teachers and each other



**Wednesday 15 February in the School Library
3.30 to 4.30pm (children will be supervised in the playground)**

Please come along for a short presentation by the teachers and meet some new families. Bring your questions while we all enjoy a cup of tea/coffee together.

Health Care Plans for students will need to be updated. Printed copies will be forwarded with the newsletter so that parents can meet with medical staff to have the Plans updated.

Local excursions permission is being forwarded with the newsletter, please complete and return to school.

Scholastics Book Club will come home for students and parents to select books. Parents then go online and order and make payments. The books will be delivered to the school by the end of the month and distributed to children. The points accrued from the books come to the school and these are used to purchase new books for the library.

Individual Learning Plans

Teachers and Learning Support Officers will work with parents and Mrs Campbell to develop learning plans for students with special needs.

Personalised Learning Plans are developed in consultation with parents and carers for all students identifying as Aboriginal.

Best Start Program

Mrs Whitehead will be working with Kindergarten children next week to observe the skills that they bring to the class. This will inform the adjustment of programs to meet their individual needs. A report will be developed to share with parents. Mrs Campbell will assist the K/1 class during these observation periods.

NAPLAN Term 1

Students in Years 3 and 5 will form our focus groups for small group tuition this term leading up to the NAPLAN Literacy and Numeracy Tests in Week 8 (15-27 March).

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Week 1/2 Class Awards

Class 1W Awards – Nicola Whitehead

Charlie - for her outstanding listening skills
Fergus - for having a go at new tasks
Archie - for great teamwork and tidying up
Vinnie - for his fantastic contributions to learning

Class 2B Awards – Lucy Blomfield

Tilly - for her confidence sharing a book to the class
Arthur - never giving up on being a great friend
Georgie - For giving her personal best
Leo - showing resilience and settling into the new year with ease.

Class 3R Awards – Chris Reeve

Penny - for her perfect start in 3R
Evie - for being a fantastic help in class
Blake - for his detailed letter to Mr Reeve
Ruby - for her confident reading with Mr Reeve

Class 4BJ Awards - Suezanne Bourke/Sam Johnson

Layla - for excellent leadership in the playground
Macy - for excellent attitude to learning
Lucas - confidently extending his learning
Antony - commitment to being his best

Parent Meetings to support Goal Setting for all students will be held on Wednesday/Thursday 22/23 February. (Booking details in next week's newsletter). A goal setting sheet will be sent home with your child next week with information about how to book your meeting. It is important that parents and student attend the meeting so that we can all support the children's learning (whether it be face to face or an online meeting).

Festival of Instrumental Music for students in Years 3 to 6 will begin next week. The program at the Sydney Opera House will be held on 13 June 2023. Children must commit to practising the three pieces for the program and give of their best at weekly rehearsals.

SPORT:

Swimming 4Sport: Friday 3, 17, 24 Feb and 3 March

Candelo Swimming Carnival on Friday 10 February, will be held at Candelo Pool. Children in **Years 2 to 6** will walk to the pool and return by 3pm. Children will need swimmers/rashie, towel, goggles (optional), water bottles, sunscreen and hat. Cost is \$2.00 entry. (School will subsidise the fee) Kiosk will be open for lunch.

- **Small Schools will attend the carnival**
- **PSSA Sapphire Coast Swimming Carnival** Friday 17 February Eden Pool for students who qualify in events at the School Swimming Carnival.



Welcome Mrs Blomfield to Class 2W



Class 3R eager to start their art lesson



Senior Leaders in Years 5 and 6 – 4BJ



Class 1W settling into their routines



Celebrating our new shade sail in the top playground – funds raised by 2022 P&C.



Classes can now enjoy outdoor learning on sunny days thanks to the new shade sail – thank you P&C!