



# SPECIAL EDITION

## Faction Carnival 2020

Last week saw the Faction Carnival take place over two days; Wednesday and Friday. On Wednesday the competitors were taken out of their classes to compete in several events; Long-Distance Run, Throw, and Long-Jump. Going into the day it appeared we would be running some events during scattered showers, however, this did not dampen the spirits of the competitors. The weather was on our side and, during the Long-Distance Run, the whole school came down to help cheer on our racers. Some stand-out performances from Banksia athletes meant their faction clutched victory after the first day of competition.

As Friday began there was a buzz of nervous energy; everyone was eagerly awaiting the start of competition. The students, staff, and even some of the supporting family members, were looking awesome in their faction colours. There was plenty of team spirit, with students breaking out into their practiced chants, as they marched for the spectators down to their faction bays.

The first events of the day were the sprints, during which every single student had a race. We were particularly impressed by the resilience of our athletes, giving it their very best effort until reaching the finish line. The next events were the team games, with all students having a go at each event. The team-spirit and inclusivity shown by all was very impressive during these events, with students chanting their faction songs and encouraging each other (extremely loudly). The obstacle course was run next; students being selected on the day for their positive behaviour.

After lunch the competition would go down to the wire. All three factions could still take the trophy home. The relays would decide the winner. A feeling of

intense excitement hung over the faction bays and a hush settled in over the crowd (sort of). This was it. The competitors were ready. The crowd; waiting with bated breath. The relays began, and they flew by so quickly! During these final events every student cheered, chanted and squealed louder than they had the entire day (something we did not think was possible). It was awesome.



The final event drew to a close and, as the dust settled, the students gathered in their factions for the final announcements. We waited, hearts in mouths, to hear the final results. You could hear a pin drop in the silence (a very rare occurrence on the day). Despite everyone feeling completely exhausted, each student gave their loudest roar of the entire day as they heard their faction called. The final scores were; Wisteria on 595 points, Acacia on 614 points, and Banksia on 644 points. A well deserved win, great job Banksia!!!

What an awesome day to be a part of. A huge thank you goes out to all the parents and other family members who came down to support, it really helps to create an amazing environment. Thank you to the P&C for all their support and for keeping us fed throughout the day. Thank you to the teachers who came down early to set up, and who did an amazing job throughout the day in their roles, it wouldn't run smoothly without all of you. Special mention to Miss Brockman for her support throughout the whole process. Finally, a huge thank you to all the students for giving it their all and displaying that incredible Roseworth spirit, you made the day an amazing one to remember!

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