

Coolamon Central School Newsletter

WEEK 8 TERM 2 2019

BE RESPONSIBLE

TERM TWO

BE RESPECTFUL

BE READY TO LEARN

FROM THE RELIEVING PRINCIPAL

HSC Minimum Standards tests.

All Yr 10 and some students in Yr 11 will need to complete these tests in order to be eligible for a HSC. We will be holding the tests on Wednesday the 26th June.

Students will get more information and formal notification of the tests they need to attempt.

1/ SENTRAL - Parent Portal

Thank you to all the parents who have successfully accessed the parent portal.

If you are experiencing difficulty please contact the office. You can see your child's attendance, explain absences and more functions will come on line soon.

2/ Mobile Phones:

Primary - No primary student is to have a mobile phone at school (This is a NSW Government initiative)

Secondary - If a secondary student needs to have a mobile phone at school our rule is simple -"Mobile phones should not interrupt learning". Our expectation is they should only be used at recess or lunch unless the teacher has specifically allowed use as part of learning(EG: Taking pictures of a project). Students who uses their phone irresponsibly will be dealt with under our school wellbeing and discipline procedures. Repeat offenders may have their phone confiscated and parent will be asked to collect it.

3/ Uniform:

Full school uniform is expected every day. The exception being sport uniform when it is required.

Any student out of uniform should have a note to explain the circumstances.

If you need assistance with uniform please see myself or Mr Beer.

Mr Kingsley Ireland Relieving Principal

SCHOOL CONTRIBUTIONS AND ELECTIVE FEES

While the course fee for your child's scholastic year is voluntary, elective fees are **compulsory** and are used to buy consumables for these subjects. If you are experiencing difficulty paying your elective fees please contact the school.

Payment options include cash, cheque or Eftpos via the front office or via the \$ Make a Payment tab on the school website. Please pay your contributions as soon as possible to allow the school to continue with important educational programs in 2019.

Careers Yes Program @ TAFE 19 Careers Expo @

JUNE

17

- Wagga
- 21 U16's Opens Boys & Girls Touch @ Boorowa

Year 7 BBQ

K-6 Assembly featuring Diamond @ Hall 2.10pm

- 24-28 Yr 10 Work Experience
- Cystic Fibrosis Crazy 26 Hair Day & Bake Sale
- 28 Secondary Zone Athletics @ Coolamon

JULY

- 2 WWHS Dance Spectacular @ WWHS
- 3 District Athletics @ Ardlethan
- 5 K-6 Assembly featuring Stage 2 @ Hall 2.10pm

FINAL DAY TERM 2

TERM THREE

JULY

22 Staff Development Day - No students

23 Students return

HSC MINIMUM STANDARD

You need reading, writing and maths skills for everyday life after school. This why you are required to demonstrate a minimum standard of literacy and numeracy to receive the Higher School Certificate (HSC) from 2020.



To make sure you have the basics right, and show you meet the minimum standard, you need to pass short online tests of everyday reading, writing and maths skills.



The tests will be available to take at school up to twice a year in Year 10, Year 11 or Year 12, and even after the HSC.



Sample questions and answers are available online, as well as practice tests and advice from students who have completed the tests.



Your school will help you decide when you are ready to take each test.

You do not need to sit the reading, writing or numeracy online test(s) if you achieved Band 8 or above in the respective 2017 Year 9 NAPLAN test(s).

STUDENTS WITHDISABILITIES

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Some students with disabilities will be eligible for extra provisions for the online tests, or an exemption. Talk to your teachers to determine whether you are eligible for provisions. A Disability Provisions, Exemptions and Appeals policy is available on the NESA website.

MORE INFORMATION

Contact your school principal or visit educationstandards.nsw.edu.au/ HSCminimumstandard

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Premier's Primary Debating Challenge

On Wednesday 5th June, students from Illabo Public School and Junee North came to Coolamon Central School for the Years 5 & 6 Premier's Debating Challenge. Each school had two teams nominated to compete against each other. The day



started at 9am sharp and the first debate saw the two Coolamon Central teams; The Crusaders and the Cool Kids go head-to-head. This allowed students to get over any nerves or pre-debating jitters they



had and take on constructive feedback from the adjudicator on areas they needed to improve. Students enjoyed the day whilst learning some invaluable skills. The Challenge will continue over the following term. A special thanks to our adjudicators: Zita Denholm, Narelle Payne and Barry Shields and to Warick and Sharon in the canteen for catering on the day.

Ms Laura Barker Classroom Teacher

Youth Mental Health Forum

Last week Mr Szery and a few Year 11 students went on an excursion to the Youth Mental Health

Forum at Wagga Wagga Christian College. This event had 20 schools from across the Riverina in attendance. Burn Bright, a not-for-profit organisation that delivers student leadership and wellbeing programs, facilitated the day. During the day, students engaged in activities that helped break the stigma around mental health and learn about how to take care of their own mental health and help those who may be going through difficult times. There was also a lengthy Q&A period where students could ask professionals (counsellors, psychologist,



psychiatrists, police and lived-experienced members) about mental health. At the end of the day, students were required to design their own program or day to raise awareness of the importance of mental health.



Last Tuesday our School Leaders took the opportunity to meet with the Premier Mrs Gladys Berejiklian and our local member of Parliament Steph Cooke who were in Coolamon to announce the release of state government funding for drought relief.



Stage 4 Mathematics

Stage 4 Mathematics classes have received a home learning booklet for the rest of this term. Students need to complete two double-sided sheets each week and submit in class to be checked off. Could parents please remind students to regularly attempt so that submission on time is possible.

Thank you Mr T Pollard Head Teacher Mathematics

Under 16's Netball

The team travelled to Leeton last Thursday and accomplished one of the best results for the CCS U16's Netball. The girls convincingly won four out of the seven games they played and only went down by one

goal in one game and by two in another. It was a high standard of netball across the whole day, which was exciting to be a part of. The team put in a massive effort and played their absolute hardest. Everyone had a great day and enjoyed the experience. 'It was amazing' and 'that was a pretty schmick day' were quotes by Summer Buchegger and Brinley Lewis on the way home. We had some BIG hits, some sickness but no injuries. Well done to the girls, it was a huge day.

Mrs Brooke Lucas Classroom Teacher







The next P&C meeting will be held on Wednesday 31st July at 6.30pm in the school library.

Primary History



Garnet & Emerald

Students in Garnet and Emerald have been comparing jobs in the past and present in recent History lessons. On Wednesday, two of our local paramedics were kind enough to take time out of their day to show us inside a new ambulance. Students were amazed by some of the technology and equipment inside the ambulance. A huge thank you to our paramedics for their time and for the fantastic job they do in the community.







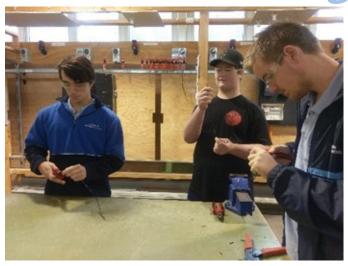
Last week in History, Ruby identified how Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples used the land for shelter. As a class they then had to use newspaper and masking tape to design and make a shelter for a small group of people to sit underneath.

Mrs Fennessy Classroom Teacher













Select Year 10 students have been participating in the YES Program at TAFE each Monday. They have been learning various skills in relation to Electrotechnology and Hair and Beauty.

The program is run every year and aims to provide students with employability and foundation skills in a vocational context. It focuses on introducing students to alternate education and training options, while showcasing possible employment pathways.

As you can see, the program provides fun hands -on activities, which promote learning and support engagement. Students have been enjoying the adult learning environment, problem solving and relating class work to skills to be used in the workplace.





Positions Vacant

GTES

2 Year SPARE PARTS SALES TRAINEE –BSC Wagga

ATEL

1st Year Apprentice Heavy Vehicle Mechanic - Bomen, Wagga

1st Year Apprentice Welder- Wagga

Warehouse Traineeship - Steel and Patio Roofing, Wagga

1st or 2nd Year Apprentice Chef- Local Club in Wagga Wagga

1st Year Apprentice Light Vehicle Mechanic - Wagga

Business traineeship- Wagga

Work Experience

Year 10 Students,

Remember to have your forms signed and returned to Mrs Vogt by the end of Week 8 (this week) if you want to undertake work experience in Week 9 (24th - 28th June).



3 DAY ENGINEERING CAMP

Who: Interested Year 10 – 12 students with strong ability in STEM related subjects and/ or interest in Civil Engineering

Places are limited to 24 students residing in the REROC Member Council Regions of Bland, Coolamon, Cootamundra-Gundagai, Greater Hume, Junee, Lockhart, Temora and Wagga Wagga.

Where: Borambola Sport & Recreation Centre, Sturt Highway, via Wagga Wagga

When: Monday 12 - Wednesday 14 August 2019

Cost: FREE – the program is funded by the Riverina Eastern Regional Organisation of Councils (REROC) and Institute of Public Works Engineers Australasia (IPWEA NSW).

How: Complete the below questionnaire by Wednesday 3 July 2019 and email to:

COMPACT Camp Coordinator -

Phone: (02) 6931 9300 Fax: (02) 6931 9301 Email: <u>laura.strano@compact.org.au</u>

Alternatively drop into our office at 1/112 Fitzmaurice Street Wagga Wagga 2650



As you are aware Stage 2 will be going to Beechworth & Stage 3 will be going to Ballarat/Bendigo on their excursions in Term 4. We know that families can become inundated with financial obligations throughout the year. For this reason we recommend that you follow the suggested payment plans below and make small, regular contributions, to ensure that your child does not miss out on attending the excursion. Alternatively you may pay the entire amount in full.

Stage 2 have **2 overdue payments of \$10 each which were due on 17th and 31st May.** Future payments of \$10 are due on the following dates: 14th June, 28th June, 26th July, 9th August and 23rd August.

Stage 3 have **2 overdue payments of \$40 & \$25 which were due on 17th and 31st May**. Future payments of \$25 are due on the following dates: 14th June, 28th June, 26th July, 9th August, 23rd August and one payment of \$30 due 6th September.

This is simply a guide. You are more than welcome to set up your own payment plan. Should you require assistance do no hesitate in contacting Mr Beer or Mr Ireland.





State of Origin



Mr Lyons (QLD) and Mr Besgrove's (NSW) PASS classes competed head on at lunch time recently in a State of Origin League Tag competition. Qld came out the winners by one try in the final two seconds.

Fantastic Sporting Results

Congratulations must go to the following students for their sporting achievements:

Hannah Walker and Brian Hare were selected to compete in the NSW CHS Laws Bowls Carnival.

Hannah Walker, Brian Hare and Beau Hilton (reserve) were selected in the Riverina lawn bowls team. A great effort by Thomas Riley who played will on the day as well.

Riley Gallagher and Jakob Taylor have been selected as AFL Riverina U15's representatives with Jack Christopher umpiring.

Sam Neale competed in a great carnival with the Southern CHS Rugby League.

The touch football and netball teams have been selected and are full swing into training. Congratulations to the students selected and superb effort to those who trialled. With continued hard work, we will see success.

Mr Besgrove Secondary Sports Coordinator







Primary Science

Kindergarten Science have been learning about living and non living things. They were lucky enough to go into the high school and visit Mrs Crocker who has been incubating eggs for the last 21 days. On Friday they began to hatch. Kindergarten were able to see two fully hatched chicks, one chick that was pipping (which is when they are beginning to break through it's shell) and a few more that were not far off hatching. Everyone learnt a lot and enjoyed this opportunity.

Thanks Mrs Crocker.





Compulsory School Attendance

Information for parents

Education for your child is important and regular attendance at school is essential for your child to achieve their educational best and increase their career and life options. NSW public schools work in partnership with parents to encourage and support regular attendance of children and young people. When your child attends school every day, learning becomes easier and your child will build and maintain friendships with other children.

What are my legal responsibilities?

Education in New South Wales is compulsory for all children between the ages of six years and below the minimum school leaving age. The *Education Act 1990* requires that parents ensure their children of compulsory school age are enrolled at, and regularly attend school, or, are registered with the Board of Studies, Teaching and Educational Standards for homeschooling.

Once enrolled, children are required to attend school each day it is open for students.

The importance of arriving on time

Arriving at school and class on time:

- Ensures that students do not miss out on important learning activities scheduled early in the day
- Helps students learn the importance of punctuality and routine
- Give students time to greet their friends before class
- Reduces classroom disruption

Lateness is recorded as a partial absence and must be explained by parents.

What if my child has to be away from school?

On occasion, your child may need to be absent from school. Justified reasons for student absences may include:

- being sick, or having an infectious disease
- having an unavoidable medical appointment
- being required to attend a recognised religious holiday
- exceptional or urgent family circumstance (e.g. attending a funeral)

Following an absence from school you must ensure that within 7 days you provide your child's school with a verbal or written explanation for the absence. However, if the school has not received an explanation from you within 2 days, the school may contact you to discuss the absence.

Principals may decline to accept an explanation that you have provided if they do not believe the absence is in the best interest of your child. In these circumstances your child's absence would be recorded as unjustified. When this happens the principal will discuss their decision with you and the reasons why. Principals may request medical certificates or other documentation when frequent or long term absences are explained as being due to illness. Principals may also seek parental permission to speak with medical specialists to obtain information to collaboratively develop a health care plan to support your child. If the request is denied, the principal can record the absences as unjustified.

Travel

Families are encouraged to travel during school holidays. If travel during school term is necessary, discuss this with your child's school principal. An *Application for Extended Leave* may need to be completed. Absences relating to travel will be marked as leave on the roll and therefore contribute to your child's total absences for the year.

In some circumstances students may be eligible to enrol in distance education for travel periods over 50 school days. This should be discussed with your child's school principal.



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My child won't go to school. What should I do?

You should contact the principal as soon as possible to discuss the issue and ask for help. Strategies to help improve attendance may include a referral to the school's learning and support team or linking your child with appropriate support networks. The principal may seek further support from the Home School Liaison Program to develop an Attendance Improvement Plan.

What might happen if my child continues to have unacceptable absences?

It is important to understand that the Department of Education and Communities may be required to take further action where children of compulsory school age have recurring numbers of unexplained or unjustified absences from school.

Some of the following actions may be undertaken:

 Compulsory Schooling Conferences

You may be asked, along with your child, to attend a Compulsory Schooling Conference. The conference will help to identify the supports your child may need to have in place so they attend school regularly. The school, parents and agencies will work together to develop an agreed plan (known as Undertakings) to support your child's attendance at school.

 Application to the Children's Court – Compulsory Schooling Order

If your child's attendance at school remains unsatisfactory the Department

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may apply to the Children's Court for a Compulsory Schooling Order. The Children's Court magistrate may order a Compulsory Schooling Conference to be convened.

Prosecution in the Local Court

School and Department staff remain committed to working in partnership with you to address the issues which are preventing your child's full participation at school. In circumstances where a breach of compulsory schooling orders occurs further action may be taken against a parent in the Local Court. The result of court action can be the imposition of a community service order or a fine.

What age can my child leave school?

All New South W ales students must complete Year 10 or its equivalent. After Year 10, and up until they reach 17 years of age, there are a range of flexible options for students to complete their schooling.

Working in Partnership

The Department of Education and Communities recognises that working collaboratively with students and their families is the best way to support the regular attendance of students at school.

We look forward to working in partnership with you to support your child to fulfil their life opportunities. If a student misses as little as 8 days in a school term, by the end of primary school they'll have missed over a year of school.

Further information regarding school attendance can be obtained from the following websites:

Policy, information and brochures:

Please visit the Department of Education's *Policy library*

The school leaving age:

Please visit the Department of Education's *Wellbeing and Learning* website

Do you need an interpreter?

Interpreting services are available on request, including for the hearing impaired. The Telephone Interpreter Service is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week on 131 450. You will not be charged for this service.

For further advice and questions contact your educational services team

T 131 536

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Information for Parent/Carers and Applicants

2019 Riverina Combined Schools Music Camp and Tour Saturday 17 August – Friday 23 August Venue: Borambola Sport and Recreation Centre Host and managing School: Wagga Wagga High School Coordinator: Cheryl Walker

The camp and tour is open to all Public School students from Years 5-12 and caters for concert band instrumentalists (bass guitarists are eligible) of all levels, from beginner to advanced. The camp will take place Saturday – Wednesday, followed by a tour of schools in the Wagga Wagga area on Thursday and Friday. Students are expected to participate in both activities.

Students will be promised a week of valuable musical, educational and social experiences. They will participate in a range of music programs including concert band, advanced band, instrumental tutorials and concerts, as well as team building games and recreational activities.

DATE:	Saturday 17 August – Friday 23 August 2019
ARRIVE:	9:00am
DEPART:	4:00pm Friday afternoon at the conclusion (and location) of the final school concert
VENUE:	Borambola Sport and Recreation Centre Address: 1980 Sturt Hwy, Borambola NSW 2650 Telephone: (02) 6928 4300
CONCERTS:	Students will perform in the Wagga Wagga area on Thursday and Friday. An evening concert will be organised on Thursday for the general public. Parents/carers are more than welcome to attend. Final details will be included in the acceptance letter
COST:	All schools now operate on a new finance system. Once you have received your <u>email</u> <u>acceptance</u> , payment may be made either in full (\$480) or in instalments at YOUR school. The cost includes all accommodation, food, tour transport and a tour t-shirt. Students who withdraw after Monday 29 July 2019 will forfeit all monies paid (unless circumstances are deemed exceptional by the panel). A \$50 fee will apply for students who withdraw prior to this date. <u>Further details regarding payments will be sent with the acceptance letter.</u>
APPLY:	The application process is online. Please click on the link below to apply for the 2019 Riverina Combined Schools Music Camp and Tour. Alternatively, you can find the link on the Wagga

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To apply please ctrl+click on the following link

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAlpQLSceuSfRUcPol8IdIA527wR-QPsK4NEPP8IGP5TLRhxDpVA01w/viewform?usp=pp_url

OR Access the link on the Southern Arts Website http://www.southernarts.det.nsw.edu.au/

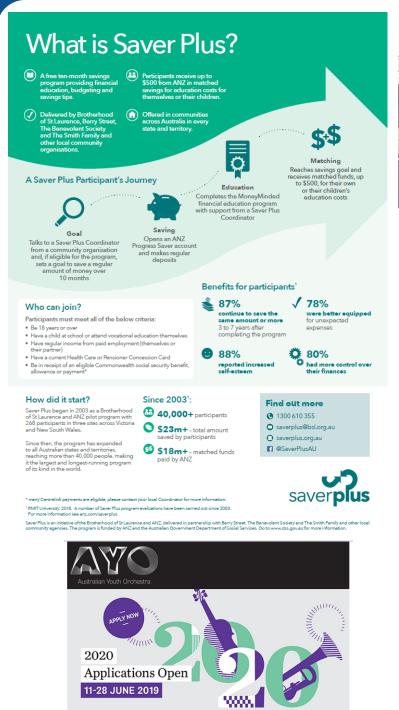
Please contact me on the number/email below if you have questions.

Yours sincerely

Cheryl Walker

Camp and Tour Coordinator Wagga Wagga High School Coleman Street, Wagga Wagga 2650 P: (02) 6925 3611 E: <u>cheryl.j.walker@det.nsw.edu.au</u> Closing Date for Applications Tuesday 16 July 2019

Riverina Combined Schools Music Camp and Tour 2019



Applications are open!

Applications for AYO's 2020 programs are now open, and will close on Friday 28 June 2019.

Applications for AYO's arts administration and composition programs will close on Monday 29 July 2019.

Some highlights from the year ahead include:

• An impressive line-up of conductors and artists, including violinist Natsuko Yoshimoto, conductor Matthew Coorey and didgeridoo virtuoso William Barton.

 Conducting sensation Elim Chan will return to direct the Australian Youth Orchestra's 2020 Winter Season, and we will welcome Elena Schwarz as conductor for AYO's Autumn Season.

 AYO Young Symphonists will head to Canberra for an exciting week of music-making led by renowned conductor and bassoonist, Peter Moore.

And much more!

If you know a young musician who may be interested in our 2020 programs, please feel free to share this email with them.

Head to the AYO website to find out more about what's on offer next year.



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Brand new Primary summer dress material as pictured.

10 metres of 12%poly & 88% cotton primary dress material.

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Contact the front office if interested.





Nadine is doing some garden

art and would appreciate any of the following: ripper tynes (as pictured) old header fingers as well as ANY old broken garden tools, shovels, rakes, picks, garden forks etc.

They can be dropped off anytime in front of the school Ag shed or give Nadine a call/text on 0437 116 366 for pick up.





Story-time

Story-time will be this Friday, 21st June @ 10.30am theme "Clothes" - The morning is filled with lots of stories, songs and finishing up with a craft the children are able to take home.

Lego Club

Lego club has commenced again, it is held every Wednesday from @ 4.00pm – 5.00pm and then on Saturday mornings from 10.30am – 11.30am here at the Library. The aim of the Lego Club program is for children to have fun, learn to communicate with others and to develop problem-solving skills. This is a free program and is being offered to children from 5 years to 15 years of age. All Lego is provided and any donation of Lego would be kindly appreciated.

Redgrave Park Tennis Club - Coaching

Matthew Hort will be conducting the coaching and would like to encourage our youth to make the most of this opportunity.

Lessons will be available Friday afternoons at 3.30pm from Friday 26th July - Friday 13th September.

Please fill in the online form expressing your interest.

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