

Coolamon Central School Newsletter

WEEK 2 TERM 1 2018

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COMING EVENTS

FEBRUARY

8 Skills Roadshow years 9-12

Twilight swimming carnival K-12 3.30pm

23 **PSSA** Zone Swimming Carnival @ Ganmain

MARCH

- 2 Clean Up Australia Day K-6
- 6 **Riverina CHS** Swimming @ Leeton
- 14 **PSSA** Riverina Swimming Carnival @ Albury
- 20 Whole School Photos
- 23 Yrs 9-12 Army Careers Day @ Albury
- CCS Cross Country 29 Pink Day

The P&C AGM will be held in the school library on Wednesday February 14th from 6.30.

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Welcome back to all parents students and staff. I hope that you enjoyed the break and are all refreshed and ready to enjoy another year of learning and growth. Our student enrolment has remained fairly steady at 320. As our Primary numbers are just below what the Department requires to pay for an additional staff member the school will continue to fund this position. We see it as a priority to reduce class sizes, thus increasing the teacher's capacity for individual or



small group learning. Coolamon is continually striving to improve both academic performance and student wellbeing.

Congratulations to Mrs Delaney on her appointment as the Principal of Junee Public School and to Mrs McPherson who has been appointed as the Relieving Principal of Matong Primary School. Mrs White and Miss Taylor will continue as our Relieving Assistant Principals in the primary. I would like to welcome Mrs Lucas, Miss Guymer and Miss Barker to our primary staff. Mrs Collins has been appointed as a Science teacher in the secondary. Mrs Vogt has re-joined us and teaching in a variety of secondary roles.

The roles of staff change from one year to the next. The major roles that parents need to be aware of this year are:

| Primary Learning and Support | Mrs White |
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| Secondary Learning and Support/Wellbeing | Mr Celi |
| Careers Adviser | Miss Edyvean |
| Girls Adviser | Miss Edyvean |
| Boys Adviser | Mr Schulz |
| Year 12 Adviser | Mrs McDonald |
| Year 11 Adviser | Mrs Crocker |
| Year 10 Adviser | Mr Celi |
| Year 9 Adviser | Miss Edyvean |
| Year 8 Adviser | Mr Besgrove |
| Year 7 Adviser | Miss Batcheldor |
| Sports Organisers | Mr Besgrove & Miss Taylor |

The year advisers are your first point of call in the secondary school should you have any enquiries about your children and their performance at school. Alternatively, Mr Ireland or I are always happy to speak to parents about any concerns they may have. Continued over page

Newsletter Term 1 - Fair Play to All

FROM THE PRINCIPAL CONTINUED...

Congratulations to our 2017 Year 12 students who have achieved to the best of their ability. Many of them are moving on to tertiary education at university and training at TAFE. Several have gained apprenticeships, which is very pleasing.

The school has been fortunate in gaining a \$20,000 Digital Literacy School Grant from the Australian Government. A big thanks to Mr Rerden who was able to gain this grant for Coolamon Central School in a very competitive field. It is to be implemented across the school to improve student engagement in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) as well as delivering increased confidence in Digital Technologies.

Coolamon Central is very proud of those students and staff that were nominated for Australia Day Awards at Ardlethan this year:

Coolamon Central Journalism Club, Ellie Dalgarno Fixter, Heath Walker, Jakob Taylor, Jacob Craig, Miss Edyvean Music 4 Mates and Shear 4 Mates

Congratulations to Jessica McCallum who was awarded the Young Sportsperson of the Year.

It has been decided to revamp the P&C this year and concentrate its efforts on one major fundraiser for the year. There will be fewer meetings and we are hoping to gain more parent involvement. The AGM will be held in the school library on Wednesday February 14th from 6.30. New members are always welcome.

I am looking forward to meeting as many parents as possible at the school's twilight swimming carnival this Thursday evening. Please come along and add your support to a great event.

John Beer

Principal

Our 2018 Kindergarten students enjoying some time on the Ausplay climbing equipment.





Year 7 2018

Year 7, 2018 have been enjoying their start to high school. They are pictured with their year adviser Ms Batcheldor at the end of their first day.

2018 new staff members



Mrs Vogt



Miss Guymer



Mrs Lucas

To contact staff please phone the school office on 69273209 to arrange a suitable time.

Mr Ireland - Deputy Principal



A big welcome to our new staff members. **Mr Ireland** Deputy Principal **Mrs Collins** Secondary Science **Mrs Vogt** Secondary Classroom Teacher **Miss Guymer** 5/6 Diamond **Mrs Lucas** 3/4 Opal **Miss Barker** 3/4 Ruby



Mrs Collins



Miss Barker



Our twilight swimming carnival is on this Thursday 8th February at 3.30pm. To help with the smooth running of the carnival we would like some parent helpers to assist with the time keeping. If you are able to help out please contact the school office on 69273209.

Secondary Sports Captains





Captains

Nikita Hare Jennaya Clark

Vice Captains

Jake Neale Chloe Griffith



Captains

Phoebe Quinn Jessica McCallum

Vice Captains

Elise Hawthorn Toneka Dixon

Learning and Support

The Learning and Support Team (LST) co-ordinates student support services in the school. The LST is based on the principals of collaborative consultation utilising the expertise of a diverse range of people to solve mutually defined problems through the provision of quality programs. The goal of the LST is to promote successful learning outcomes for all students and co-ordinates services which maximise human and physical resources.

The LST has a number of key staff who are integral in supporting student learning. In Primary we have Mrs Manley and Mrs White and in Secondary Mrs Weatherald, whose roles are Learning and Support Teachers (LaST). In their role they conduct diagnostic testing and run various intensive literacy/numeracy programs. Pictured on the following page are our wonderful Student Learning and Support Officers (SLSOs) who work across the school (K-12).

If you would like to discuss your child's progress please don't hesitate in contacting;

Primary - Mrs White, Assistant Principal

Secondary - Mr Celi, Head Teacher Welfare

We look forward to a productive learning environment in 2018.

Learning and Support



Cass Jenkins (Mrs J) How long have you worked at CCS? 4 years Why do you love working in the L & S team? It's very rewarding to be able to be involved in the growth and development of such special students Favourite Food: Salmon Favourite band/musician: Ed Sheeran Sum yourself up in three words: Bubbly, energetic and caring

Irene Donaldson (Mrs D)

How long have you worked at CCS? 4 years Why do you love working in the L & S team? I love working with children and watching them grow with their learning Favourite Food: Lasagne Favourite band/musician: Queen Sum yourself up in three words: Kind, gentle, happy

Fiona Moses (Miss Fiona) How long have you worked at CCS? 2 years Why do you love working in the L & S team? Watching the children grow and supporting a healthy, happy and fun Central School learning family. Favourite Food: Chilli Favourite band/musician: Lady Antebellum Sum yourself up in three words: Silly big kid

Rhonda Seary

How long have you worked at CCS? 7 years Why do you love working in the L & S team? Helping children realise their potential and learning to the best of their ability.

Favourite Food: Chicken parcels Favourite band/musician: Tim McGraw Sum yourself up in three words: Funny, patient and kind

Cass Fairall

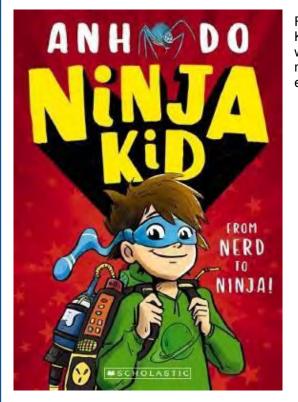
How long have you worked at CCS? 3 years Why do you love working in the L & S team? Supporting the children with learning Favourite Food: Fried Rice Favourite band/musician: Zac Brown Band Sum yourself up in three words: Patient, friendly and helpful

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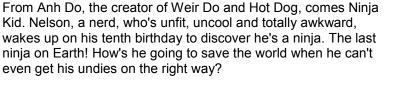
How long have you worked at CCS? 2 years Why do you love working in the L & S team? Working as part of a team to support students Favourite Food: Steak Diane Favourite band/musician: Vince Staples Sum yourself up in three words: Long luscious moustache

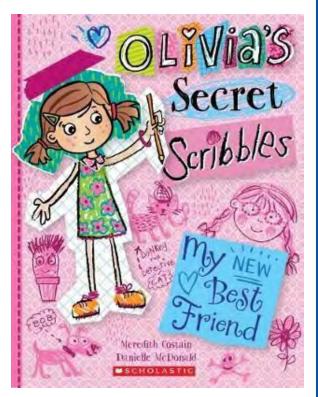


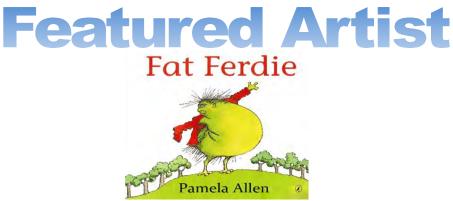




Olivia is back to tell you about so many super amazing and important things she has discovered in her new book, Olivia's Secret Scribbles. PS: she also has a new best friend.

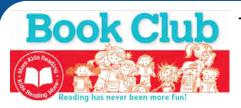






Pamela Allen is a phenomenon in the world of children's literature. For more than thirty-five years her picture books have enchanted generations of children around the world, and have garnered a glittering array of awards and commendations. Pamela's books are full of the music of language; they are 'fragments of theatre', designed to be read aloud and shared between an adult and a child.

The library currently has a display of Pamela Allen's books, as well as a COMPETITION for all students. Infants students simply need to borrow one of these, while all other students must create a new title as a sequel for Allen's book, Fat Ferdie. The title MUST contain alliteration to be in the running. Winners will be drawn at the end of Week 5 and will receive a PRIZE from the library.



The first issue of Bookclub is due back on Wednesday 21 February 2018



K/1 Garnet enjoying a lesson in the Library with Mrs White and Mrs J

Kids tired of Twitter

Young people who spend too much time on social media are three times as likely to be sleep-deprived. Visiting sites such as Facebook and Twitter for just an hour a day raises the risk of sleeplessness by 46 per cent, a study found. Researchers said blue light from smartphones and tablets disrupted the natural body clock. Teenagers who stay up late posting photographs and comments also risk changing their sleep cycle so it becomes harder to fall asleep. Those who spent five or more hours a day on social media were three times as likely to be sleep-deprived than those who did not use it.

Source: Daily Telegraph, Thurs 25/01

Primary Captains



Primary Captains, Thomas Riley and Chloe Armstrong pictured with Primary Vice Captains Baxter Graham and Ava Pritchett





To support one of our primary students, Jarvis Pritchett to reach his goal of raising \$4000 for The Worlds Greatest Shave, he will be raffling off a signed 2018 Sydney Swans guernsey.

Tickets can be bought for \$5 each at the New Coolamon Hotel and will be drawn when Jarvis shaves his head on Friday March the 2nd.

Thanks to Harry Cunningham for organising the guernsey and everyone for your support of this great cause.

You can also sponsor Jarvis directly by using the link below: https://secure.leukaemiafoundation.org.au/.../FundraisingPage...





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The NSW Government is helping kids get active with the new Active Kids program. From 31 January 2018, parents, guardians and carers can apply for a \$100 voucher per calendar year for each student enrolled in school. The voucher may be used with a registered activity provider for registration, participation and membership costs for sport, fitness and active recreation activities. The voucher can be used at any time during the calendar year it was issued. To use the voucher, give your voucher details to an approved Active Kids Provider. The program runs year round, so kids can get active at any time! www.sport.nsw.gov.au/activekids

SCHOOL BUS TRANSPORT INFORMATION

All students in infants classes are eligible to be transported by bus to school regardless of the distance they live from the school.

All bus transport applications (which includes these students) are now done online at the following address: <u>https://apps.transport.nsw.gov.au/ssts/</u>

If you have any questions in regards to anything to do with bus travel please contact our office – Allens Coaches – 69273022.

Online safety the focus of state-wide PCYC forums

PCYC are offering a free 'stay safe online' information session to parents on Tuesday, 6th February from 7pm. To register and view locations please go to the following link: <u>https://www.pcycnsw.org.au/internet-safety</u>

Police are urging anyone with information in relation to cybercrime to call Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000 or use the Crime Stoppers online reporting page: <u>https://</u><u>nsw.crimestoppers.com.au/</u> Information you provide will be treated in the strictest of confidence. We remind people they should not report crime information via our social media pages



| When your child misses just | that equals | which is | and therefore, from Kindy to Year 12, that is | This means that th best your child car achieve is |
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| 1 day each fortnight | 20 days per year | 4 weeks per year | Nearly 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ a years of school | Equal to finishin Year 11 |
| 1 day a week | 40 days per year | 8 weeks per year | Over 2 ½ years of school | Equal to finishin Year 10 |
| 2 days a week | 80 days per year | 16 weeks per year | Over 5 years of learning | Equal to finishin Year 7 |
| 3 days a week | 120 days per year | 24 weeks per year | Nearly 8 years of learning | Equal to finishing Year 4 |

COOLAMON LIBRARY NEWS

Storytime

Storytime will commence again for 2018 on this Friday, 9th February @ 10.30am. The theme is - "Frog Hop" - The morning is filled with lots of stories, songs and finishing up with a craft the children are able to take home– we welcome any new families to join us. The next storytime for the month of February will be held on Friday 23rd February @ 10.30am theme - "Number 1,2,3,4,5".

Lego Club

The Coolamon Library Lego Club will commence again on Wednesday, 28^{th} February. It will be held in the Library on Wednesday's from 4.00pm – 5.00pm with Lego provided. 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. Phone the library to book and for further information – 69272492.

Community Recycling Station

The Library has a Community Recycling Station available for our residents. Residents can drop off special wastes for recycling for FREE.

The Community Recycling Station accepts household quantities such as Fluoro globes, Mobile phones and accessories, Smoke detectors and Household batteries.

Visit the Recycling Station today - Let's he Join the Coolamon Library it's FREE and you can even get started online- just click on "Join the Library" at rrl.nsw.gov.au website.



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 Wales 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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CANTEEN PRICE LIST JANUARY 2018

January 2018 Price List Please take your lunch order with your payment to school office there is No lunch bag needed

Or to Canteen window no later then 11:40am thank you



Fresh Daily Limited Lollies & Chocolate On White or Brown bread or rolls Cold Drinks

| Vegemite | \$3.00 | 250ml Quench Fruit Juice | \$2.00 |
|-----------------------------|--------|--------------------------|--------|
| Cheese | \$3.20 | Fruit Boxes 250ML | \$1.50 |
| Salad Mayo | \$4.00 | Frozen Fruit Boxes | \$1.50 |
| Chicken & Tomato | \$4.50 | Sunrayia 100% Juice | \$2.00 |
| Ham & Tomato | \$4.50 | Bottle Water 600ml | \$2.00 |
| Silverside & Tomato | \$4.50 | Dairy | |
| Egg & lettuce Mayo | \$4.50 | Flavored Milks 300ml | \$2.50 |
| Ham & Cheese & Tomato | \$4.50 | Flavored Milks 500ml | \$3.50 |
| Chicken Lettuce & Mayo | \$4.50 | Smiths | |
| Salad Bowls | \$5,00 | All small bags of Chips | \$1.00 |
| Salad Bowl with cold Meat | \$6,00 | JJ'S Jump's Chicken/ | |
| Ham Silverside Chicken Tuna | | Plain, Salt & Vinegar | |
| HOT FOODS | | Honey Soy Chicken | |
| Mrs. Mac's Meat Pies | \$4.00 | Cakes | |
| Mrs. Mac's Sausage Rolls | \$3.00 | Choc chip Muffins | \$2.50 |
| Mini Pies with Sauce | \$1.00 | Freshly made Cup Cakes | \$1.00 |
| Mini Pizzas Bacon & Cheese | \$3.00 | Streets Ice Creams | |
| Schools Chicken Nuggets X6 | \$3.00 | Shaky Shake | \$2.00 |
| Hotdog Wed/Thru/ Fri | \$4.00 | Icy Twister | \$1.00 |
| Nachos Fridays ONLY | \$4,50 | Zooper Doopers | 50c |
| Chicken Schnitzel Rolls | \$5.00 | | |

All Hot Food comes with 1 Sauce, any extra sauce is 50c each No NACHOS until start of second term

Once again we a sorry, but due to Health Reason & children's

Safety we are still unable, to reheat Food from Home

Please note all Prices Changes start from January 2018

Any Price Change, or New Product that's been added are highlighted



Coolamon Tennis Coaching

Where: Coolamon Tennis Club

Start: Friday 9th of Feb 2018 at 4:00

Length: Every Friday for 8 weeks

Cost:

Group \$15

30min private \$30

60min private \$60

Note: Red ball group (Beginner year 3/4 and under) goes for 30min-45min. Yellow ball (advanced year 3/4 and over) group lesson goes for 45min-1hour.

Zac Burhop South Wagga Tennis Club Coach, PH: 0455593890

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| 1/16 page | \$ 5.00 |
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| 1/8 page | \$10.00 |
| 1/4 page | \$15.00 |
| 1/2 page | \$20.00 |
| Full page | \$25.00 |

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The P&C meet on the second Wednesday of each month. All

new parents are most welcome to attend. It is a great way to find out what is happening at our school and to meet staff and other parents.



To keep yourself up to date on all the great things happening in our school community, please like and share our Facebook page at 'Coolamon Central School' or visit our website at www.coolamonc.school.nsw.edu.au

