

Coolamon Central School

Newsletter



WEEK 4 TERM 1 2025

BE RESPONSIBLE

BE RESPECTFUL

BE READY TO LEARN

TERM ONE

FEBRUARY

- 18 CCS Opens Cricket - Temora
'Meet the Teacher' - Primary classrooms
- 19 P&C Meeting 7pm @ Coolamon Sports and Recreation Club
- 21 Primary Assembly 2.10pm @ Hall featuring Ruby
- 24 Secondary Assembly 12.30pm @ Hall - English/HSIE
- 28 Clean Up Australia Day

MARCH

- 7 Primary Assembly 2.10pm @ Hall featuring Diamond
- 10 Secondary Assembly 12.30pm @ Hall - Science/TAS
- 12-24 NAPLAN
- 18 CSU Explore Day
- 21 Primary Assembly 2.10pm @ Hall featuring Amber
- 24 Secondary Assembly 12.30pm @ Hall - Maths/PDHPE
- 25 Secondary Canberra Excursion
- 26 Whole School Photo Day

from the Principal

The school is buzzing with energy as we move into Week 4, with students engaged in learning and exciting events filling our calendar.

Celebrating Our 2025 Student Leadership Team

Last week, we had the privilege of recognizing our entire 2025 leadership team. It was fantastic to see so many students stepping up to take on leadership roles, reflecting the diversity and strength of our school community. These young leaders are set to make a meaningful impact, and we are excited to support them on their journey. A huge thank you to all the parents and families who attended to celebrate and encourage our student leaders.

Kindergarten Students Settling In

Our Kinder students have been settling in beautifully, establishing great school routines and embracing their new learning environment. Be sure to check out our Facebook page to see some wonderful moments of them in action in the classroom!

Twilight Swimming Carnival – A Fantastic Evening!

Thursday's twilight swimming carnival was a great success, with students giving their best in every event. Congratulations to all who competed—there were some outstanding results across all age groups! We look forward to seeing how the house standings shape up after this first carnival. A special thank you to the parents who came along to support the event—your presence and encouragement mean so much to our students. A big shout-out as well to our Year 12 students for running the sausage sizzle and keeping everyone well-fed throughout the evening.

"Meet the Teacher" – This Tuesday Afternoon

This week, we are introducing an exciting new initiative for primary families: **"Meet the Teacher"** on **Tuesday from 3:30–5:30 PM**.

This is a fantastic opportunity for parents to:

- Meet your child's teacher
- Learn more about what's happening in the classroom
- Ask any questions you may have

Strong connections between parents, carers, and teachers play a vital role in student success, and we look forward to welcoming many of you tomorrow afternoon.

Wishing everyone a great week ahead!



First P&C Meeting – Get Involved!

Our first **P&C meeting** of the year will be held this **Wednesday**, and we encourage all parents to get involved. The P&C plays a crucial role in supporting our students and school community, and it's a great way to have your voice heard.

One of their first organised events is the **"Back to School BBQ"** on **Wednesday, 28th February, from 5:00–7:00 PM at the pool**. We hope to see many families there. More details can be found in this newsletter and on our Facebook page.

YEAR 12 ASSESSMENT TASKS

What's due this fortnight

Term One

Week 5

- CAFs Assessment








**WEEK
4 & 5**







Answers



Thank you for supporting our CCS staff raffle

	Kingsley Ireland	Fiona Moses
Courtney Fennessy		
	Abbey Edyvean	
		
	Birgitta Reimers	Emily Joliffe
		

Tom Besgrove	Natalia Bagrianov	Emma Mazzocchi
		
Meredith Willis & Chloe Rava (centre)		
		Amy Quinnell
Ellena Zacharia		
Rhonda Seary		
	Jessica Knight	Cass Jenkins



The NSW Premier's Reading Challenge (PRC) for 2025 will commence on Monday 24 February. The Challenge aims to encourage a love of reading in students and to enable them to experience quality literature. It is not a competition but a challenge to each student to read, to read more and to read more widely.

The PRC is open to all NSW students from Kindergarten to Year 10, and does not close until Friday 22 August.

Entering the PRC is simple. Just go to the Premier's Reading Challenge website and register your name. www.premiersreadingchallenge.nsw.edu.au Each time you finish a book, log it on the online entry form – the school does the rest. Details about how many books you need to read are in the table below:

Challenge	Number of books you must read	Minimum number of PRC books	Maximum number of Personal Choice books	PRC booklists you can read from
K-2	30	20	10	K-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-9
3-4	20	10	10	3-4, 5-6, 7-9
5-6	20	10	10	5-6, 7-9
7-9	20	10	10	5-6, 7-9
3-9	20	10	10	All booklists

Students from Kindergarten to Year 2 can either read the books on their own, read them with someone or have someone read them to you. The library is full of PRC books – come on in and start reading – Mrs White is waiting to help you get started.



Music with the Con

Students interested in attending music lessons with qualified teachers from the Riverina Conservatorium of Music are invited to complete the online enrolment form in the link below. Students must be in Years 3-6 in 2025 to be eligible. Lessons are held at the school during class time and are typically in groups of two to three. The school is able to provide guitars, drums, keyboards and a violin.

<https://www.rivconmusic.nsw.edu.au/enquiry>



Add a splash of rainbow

Wow your kids by making everyday lunchboxes fun, colourful and appealing. Lots of colour means lots of different vitamins and minerals.

Swap out cupcakes or lollies and swap in:

- Grapes or berries – sweet, shiny and juicy!
- Rainbow vegetable sticks – try carrot, green beans and capsicum
- Our rainbow recipes - Lunchbox rainbow noodles, rainbow vegetable kebabs or fried rice salad for a colourful vegetable hit!



2025 CCS P&C MEETING DATES

TERM 1

WEEK 3
WED 19 FEB
GENERAL COMMITTEE
MEETING

WEEK 8
WED 26 MAR
GENERAL COMMITTEE
MEETING

TERM 2

WEEK 3
WED 14 MAY
GENERAL COMMITTEE
MEETING

WEEK 8
WED 18 JUN
GENERAL COMMITTEE
MEETING

TERM 3

WEEK 3
WED 06 AUG
GENERAL COMMITTEE
MEETING

WEEK 8
WED 10 SEP
**ANNUAL GENERAL
MEETING (AGM)**

TERM 4

WEEK 3
WED 29 OCT
GENERAL COMMITTEE
MEETING

WEEK 8
WED 3 DEC
GENERAL COMMITTEE
MEETING

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COOLAMON CENTRAL SCHOOL P&C



FRIDAY 28TH OF FEB BBQ @ 5:00-7:00PM
FREE POOL ENTRY & BBQ FOR CCS FAMILIES

Rainbow Recipes



RAINBOW VEGETABLE NOODLES



INGREDIENTS

- 1 teaspoon vegetable oil
- 1 carrot, grated
- 1 zucchini, grated
- 150g brussel sprouts, finely sliced
- 1/4 purple cabbage, finely sliced
- 1 red capsicum, finely sliced
- 440g hokkien noodles, prepare according to packet instructions
- 1/3 cup reduced salt soy sauce
- 2 shallots, finely sliced
- 1 tablespoon sesame seeds
- 1/4 cup fresh coriander leaves

DIRECTIONS

1. Heat the oil in a large fry pan over medium to high heat.
2. Add carrot, zucchini, brussel sprouts, capsicum and cabbage to the pan and continually stir for 3 to 4 minutes or until the vegetables have softened.
3. Add the noodles and soy sauce and stir to combine. Cook for 2 to 3 minutes or until heated through.
4. Add the shallots, sesame seeds and coriander. Stir to combine.
5. Transfer the rainbow noodles into containers and store in the fridge until they are ready to be added to the lunchbox.



RAINBOW VEGETABLE KEBABS



INGREDIENTS

- 1 cucumber, cut into 1cm thick rounds
- 1 red capsicum, cut into 3cm pieces
- 1 green capsicum, cut into 3cm pieces
- 1 punnet cherry tomatoes
- 1 carrot, cut into 1cm thick rounds
- 1/2 cup reduced fat cheese, cut into 2cm cubes
- Wooden skewers

DIRECTIONS

1. Thread 1 piece of each vegetable and 1 piece of cheese onto each skewer.
2. Repeat until there are no vegetables or cheese remaining.

For more recipes visit: www.swapit.net.au/resources/recipes-ideas/



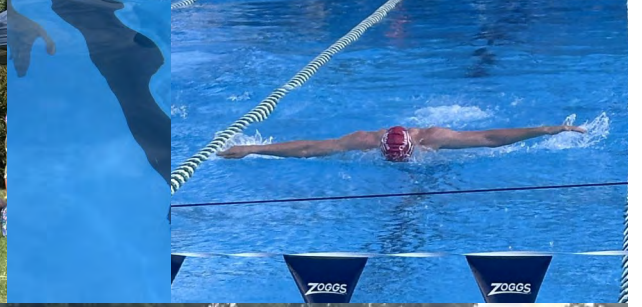
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Riverina Central Choir



About us

The Riverina Central Choir is based in Wagga Wagga and is open to public school students. The ensemble provides a valuable experience for choral singers, encouraging and nurturing vocalists by delivering high quality training and performance opportunities.

How to be involved

Nominations are being sought for outstanding students to audition for the Riverina Central Choir:

- Junior Division (Years 3 to 6)
- Senior Division (Years 7 to 12)



Students must be able to sing in tune, hold a separate vocal part in a multi-part harmony situation and consistently demonstrate exemplary rehearsal and performance behaviour.

Students will be required to register their interest by completing a google form and then attend the choir audition workshop. Auditions will take place at **South Wagga Public School hall on Wednesday 26 February**.

- Junior Division 1:15 pm to 3:00 pm
- Senior Division 3:45 pm to 5:20 pm

Successful students will meet regularly throughout the year as per the schedule.



Cost and payments

There is a choir fee of \$260 per child, per year, which covers all rehearsal related expenses.

Excursions and involvement in some performance opportunities will require an additional cost. Further information will be sent out to successful applicants. No payment is required for the audition.



Schedule

Ausitions Week 5 and 6, then successful applicants will be required to attend regular rehearsals at South Wagga Public School as per the schedules below.

Junior Division - 1:15pm to 3:00 pm

Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4
Week 5: 26 February	Week 2: 7 May	Week 1: 23 July	Week 2: 22 October
Week 6: 5 March	Week 4: 21 May	Week 4: 13 August	Week 5: 12 November
Week 9: 26 March	Week 7: 11 June	Week 7: 3 September	Week 8: 3 December
Week 11: 9 April	Week 10: 2 July	Week 9: 17 September	

Senior Division - 3:45pm to 5:20 pm

Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4
Week 5: 26 February	Week 2: 7 May	Week 1: 23 July	Week 2: 22 October
Week 6: 5 March	Week 4: 21 May	Week 4: 13 August	Week 5: 12 November
Week 9: 26 March	Week 7: 11 June	Week 7: 3 September	Week 8: 3 December
Week 11: 9 April	Week 10: 2 July	Week 9: 17 September	

How to register

Students **must** register to participate in the audition. Simply scan the QR Code OR go to <https://artsunit.nsw.edu.au> and search for Riverina Central Choir.



Registrations close Monday 24 February 2025.



Further Information

Judy Gollasch: Riverina Central Choir Coordinator
Boree Creek Primary School
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Cheryl Walker: Arts Coordination Officer
Wagga Wagga
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Leadership Group 2025



Emerald



Students from Emerald enjoying their first full week of school for 2025.



NSW SCHOOL VACCINATION PROGRAM

In 2025 the following vaccines will be offered:

In Year 7, students are offered free vaccines for diphtheria-tetanus-pertussis (whooping cough), (dTpa) and human papillomavirus (HPV). In Year 10, students are offered the meningococcal ACWY vaccine.

Vaccination will only be provided at school if consent has been received.

If your child is in Year 7 or Year 10, you can give consent online for their routine school vaccinations.

How to Provide Consent:

1. To complete online consent for your child's school vaccinations, visit the [School Vaccination Program online consent portal \(https://engage.health.nsw.gov.au/engage\)](https://engage.health.nsw.gov.au/engage)
2. For detailed steps on how to provide consent, please refer to the NSW Health webpage [How to Provide Consent \(https://www.health.nsw.gov.au/immunisation/Pages/online-consent-school-vaccination.aspx\)](https://www.health.nsw.gov.au/immunisation/Pages/online-consent-school-vaccination.aspx).
3. Follow the steps to log in to your existing ServiceNSW account. This is the same account you may already use to renew your driver's licence. If you don't have a ServiceNSW account, refer to <https://www.service.nsw.gov.au/services/myservicensw-account/how-to-create-an-account> to create an account.
4. Update or confirm your personal details in ServiceNSW as required.
5. Complete the School Vaccination Consent Form for your child/ren. You will need to:
 - a. Enter your child's personal details
 - b. Provide the Medicare card details for you and your child
 - c. Read the linked Parent Information Sheet and privacy statement. Translations are available in 28 languages please refer to the NSW Health webpage https://www.health.nsw.gov.au/immunisation/Pages/school_vaccination_language.aspx
 - d. Provide consent.

If you or your child do not have a Medicare card, have poor or no internet access or you are unable to complete the online consent, ask your child's school for a paper consent form. If you need assistance, please contact Albury Public Health on 02 6053 4800 press option 2.

The benefits of providing consent online:

- SMS notification three days before the clinic to remind you of the vaccination day
- easily update your child's details
- receive SMS and/or email notifications when vaccinations are given
- faster upload of vaccination records to the Australian Immunisation Register (AIR).

For more information on routine school vaccinations, please visit www.health.nsw.gov.au/schoolvaccination.

If you require information in your language, please visit www.health.nsw.gov.au/immunisation/Pages/school_vaccination_language.aspx

Community News

Coolamon Town Library

Senior Festival 2025

The Library is celebrating Senior Festival with a wide variety of activities for our Senior's to enjoy. Seniors Festival is from the Monday 3rd March – Sunday 16th March. Some of the activities are: Tech Savvy for Senior classes, learn the game of Mahjong, Allawah Community Care Information session, Learn more about the Library app – Borrow Box, "No Sew Pillow" craft sessions in Coolamon and Ganmain. Phone the library for further details – 69272492.

Storytime 2025

The next storytime for the month of February will be held on Friday 28th February @ 10.30am theme "Farms" – everyone is most welcome.

Lego Club

Lego Club has commenced again – it is being held on Wednesday's from 4.00pm – 5.00pm, then on Saturday mornings from 10.30am – 11.30am. Lego Club is a fun inactive program for all ages – everyone is most welcomed.

Baby Bounce

Baby Bounce will commence again on Wednesday 26th February @ 10.30am at the Coolamon Pool. The Library in conjunction with the Coolamon Pool invites young parents, grandparents to join in the fun. Baby Bounce will be held on the lawn in the pool grounds. Then parents are welcomed to use the facilities at the Pool - older siblings are most welcome. Bring along a friend to enjoy the morning.

Re-Visit the Library

The Library is continuously receiving new books, DVD's, and magazines, come and re-visit the Library - Join the Library today - membership is FREE.

Also the Library has plenty of services and facilities to offer to the community. It provides free Public Internet Access & Wifi, photocopying, Community Recycling Station and laminating services and Justice of the Peace service. Also a community noticeboard, children and youth services, council school holiday programs and Local History services. It also provides housebound services to our members – further enquiries phone the Library - 69272492.

Library Opening Hours

- Monday – Friday 8.30am – 5.00pm.
- Saturday morning – 9.00am – 12.00pm

The Coolamon Library is on Facebook! News, pictures, events and opportunities are regularly uploaded – join us now!

COOLAMON SHIRE COUNCIL

Senior's Festival 2025

TECH SAVY SENIORS
Do you or someone you know need some help with technology?
When: Every Monday & Wednesday in the month of March
Where: Coolamon Shire Library
Time: Call the Library to book your 30 minute session for a time that suits you!
Bookings are essential. Bring your questions & your device!

BORROW BOX LIBRARY APP INFO DAY
Learn about how to download the Borrow Box library app onto your device and search for ebooks, magazines & more!
When: Tuesday 11 March
Where: Coolamon Shire Library
Time: 10:30am
Bookings are essential. Bring your questions & your device! Morning tea provided.

MAHJONG GAMES
Come along to learn and play Mahjong!
When: Tuesday 4 March
Where: Coolamon Shire Library
Time: 10:30am
Morning tea provided.

ALLAWAH COMMUNITY CARE INFO DAY
Come and learn about the home services & care available to our Coolamon Community
When: Wednesday 5 March
Where: Coolamon Shire Library
Time: 10:30am
Morning tea provided.

COOLAMON NO-SEW PILLOW ACTIVITY
Join us at Coolamon Library to learn the technique for making no-sew cushion covers
When: Thursday 6 March
Where: Coolamon Shire Library
Time: 10:30am
Cost: \$5 per person
Morning tea provided


SENIORS DINNER
Residents are invited to enjoy a wonderful FREE evening including dinner provided by the Ganmain Golf Ladies & live entertainment by Grant Luhrs
When: Tuesday 11 March
Where: Ganmain Sports Club
Time: 6:30pm for 7pm start
RSVP by 4 March to Kirsty at Logan and Hitchens 6927 6301
Bus service available:
Coolamon Community Centre - 6pm
Book your seat: Kirsty 6927 6301
Ardlethan Bowling Club - 5:30pm
Book your seat: Aileen Bound 6978 2382

ARDLETHAN NO-SEW PILLOW ACTIVITY
Join us at Ardlethan CWA Rooms to learn the technique for making no-sew cushion covers
When: Thursday 13 March
Where: Ardlethan CWA Rooms
Time: 10:30am
Cost: \$5 per person
Morning tea provided

BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL. PHONE COOLAMON SHIRE LIBRARY (02) 6927 2492

YEARS 1-3 PRIMARY SCHOOL

YOUTH THEATRE TROUPE.



**WE ACCEPT
CREATIVE KIDS
VOUCHERS**

MONDAYS 4PM - 5PM
COMMENCING MONDAY 17 FEBRUARY - CONCLUDING MONDAY 7 APRIL

8 WEEK BLOCK FOR \$120 AGE GROUP: SCHOOL YEARS 1 - 3

Young theatre-lovers are invited to join our Youth Theatre Troupe at Griffith Regional Theatre. These 8-week blocks of after-school drama classes are available for junior students in years 1 to 3 on Monday afternoons. Students will learn a range of drama and performance skills in a fun and supportive environment. Primary School Youth Theatre Troupe will enjoy improvisation, group and solo performance work as well as theatre sports and games.




Call the Box Office on 02 6962 8444
www.griffithregionaltheatre.com.au



YEARS 4-6 PRIMARY SCHOOL

YOUTH THEATRE TROUPE.



**WE ACCEPT
CREATIVE KIDS
VOUCHERS**

TUESDAYS 4PM - 5PM
COMMENCING TUESDAY 18 FEBRUARY - CONCLUDING TUESDAY 8 APRIL

8 WEEK BLOCK FOR \$120 AGE GROUP: SCHOOL YEARS 4 - 6

Young theatre-lovers are invited to join our Primary School Youth Theatre Troupe at Griffith Regional Theatre. These 8-week blocks of after-school drama classes are available for junior students in years 4 to 6 on Tuesday afternoons. Students will learn a range of drama and performance skills in a fun and supportive environment. Primary School Youth Theatre Troupe will enjoy improvisation, group and solo performance work as well as theatre sports and games.



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HIGH SCHOOL

YOUTH THEATRE TROUPE.



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MONDAYS 5.15PM - 6:45PM
COMMENCING MONDAY 17 FEBRUARY - CONCLUDING MONDAY 7 APRIL

8 WEEK BLOCK FOR \$150 AGE GROUP: SCHOOL YEARS 7 - 12

Young theatre-lovers are invited to join our Youth Theatre Troupe at Griffith Regional Theatre. These 8-week blocks of after-school drama classes are available for senior students who attend High School. Students will learn performance techniques for stage, develop their own voice and delve into storytelling for stage beyond.



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Do you have a health care card? You could be eligible for Saver Plus.

For every dollar you save, you'll get a dollar from ANZ to spend on educational costs, up to \$500.

To join, you need to meet all of these requirements:

- ✓ Be 18 years or older
- ✓ Have a current Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card
- ✓ Have a child in school, starting school next year, or be studying yourself
- ✓ Get a regular income (can be you or your partner)
- ✓ Agree to join in free online financial education workshops

saverplus
1300 610 355 saverplus.org.au





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