

# Coolamon Central School Newsletter

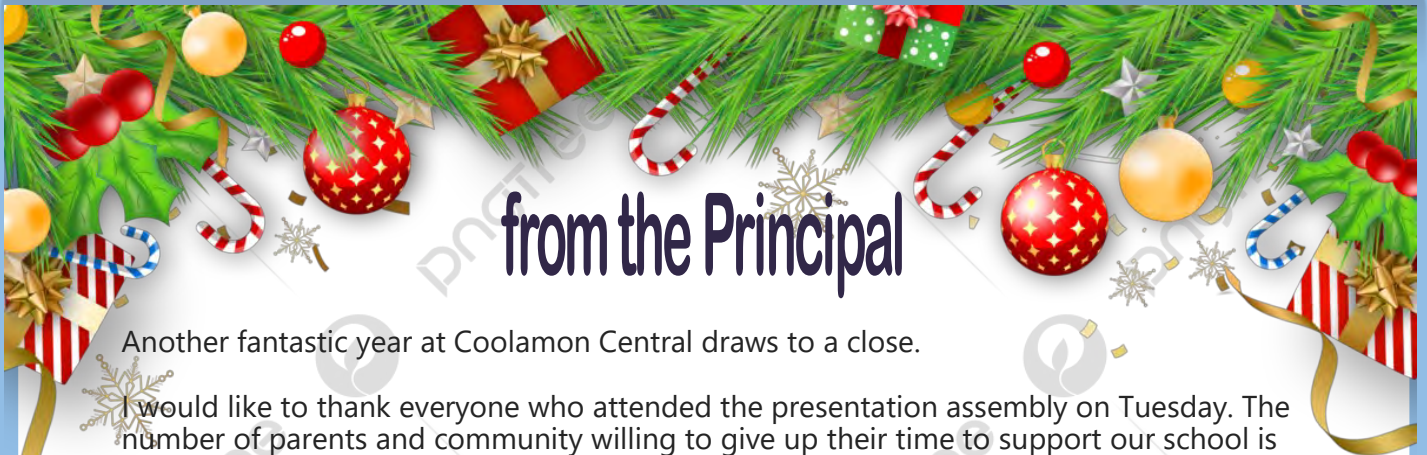


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BE RESPONSIBLE

BE RESPECTFUL

BE READY TO LEARN



## from the Principal

Another fantastic year at Coolamon Central draws to a close.

I would like to thank everyone who attended the presentation assembly on Tuesday. The number of parents and community willing to give up their time to support our school is testament to the true connection across the broader community. What a fantastic event to recognise our student achievements for 2023. A massive shout out to Mr Besgrove, Mrs Seary, Mrs White and the many others who helped put it all together.

Could I also recognise our 2024 student leadership team:

**Primary: Captains:** Makayla Baulch, Henry Willis **Vice Captains:** Addison Rutland, Wyatt Vogt

**Secondary: Captains:** Abigail Carthew, Baxter Graham **Vice Captains:** Abigail Crocker, Thomas Riley

I look forward to working with you all in 2024.

I would also like to congratulate our boys cricket team, who won the gold medal at the NSW Central Schools championships for 2023. Thanks to Mr Hughes and Mr Goss for making it happen. Well done, boys!

A reminder that school will start for students on Thursday 1st February for all K-6, Years 7,11 & 12 and Friday 2nd February for Years 8,9,10.

An information email will be sent to all families with more details and information to ensure you and your children are ready for a great start in 2024.

I wish you all a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. Enjoy time with family and friends, relax, stay safe and we look forward to seeing you all back at school in 2024.

Mr Kingsley Ireland  
Principal (Acting)



# CCS Principal Announcement

NSW Department of Education



13<sup>th</sup> December 2023

Re: Coolamon Central School Principal Announcement

Dear Parents and Carers

Recruitment of a substantive principal for Coolamon Central School has been undertaken. A merit selection panel included: Parent Representative- Bronwyn Maslin, Staff representative- Jeremy Atkins, AECG representative- Tammy Makeham, Principal representative- Michelle Barrett and Panel convenor- Tanya Whyte.

It is with great pleasure that I announce the appointment of Mr Kingsley Ireland to the substantive principal position at Coolamon Central School pending an appeal period.

Mr Ireland is already familiar with the setting being the substantive deputy principal for several years and relieving principal for approximately 18 months. This will provide Coolamon Central School with continuity of leadership and further enhance partnerships within the school and across the community. Mr Ireland is committed to ensuring Coolamon Central School continues to grow and improve for every student, teacher and leader every year.

Please contact my office by telephone on 02 69373809 to arrange a suitable time to if you have any questions.

Wishing everyone a safe and happy holiday.

Your sincerely

Tanya Whyte  
Director Educational Leadership, Narrandera Network



# 2023 Presentation Day



2022 DUX of CCS - Simeon Cork  
pictured with Mr Ireland



Primary DUX 2023,  
Imogen Crocker



Logan Munro pictured  
with his Perseverance  
and Resilience in  
Learning award



Kindergarten students from Garnet



ADF Award winner, Eva Lucas,  
with Mr Alan Smith from  
Coolamon RSL



William Rubensohn Foundation Scholarship  
recipient, Abigail Carthew



Kindergarten students from Emerald



# 2023 Presentation Day continued



Narelle Hawthorn Award winner, Thomas Riley, pictured with Mr Owen Hawthorn



Chris Knox receiving her Director's Award



Joseph Dillon and Summer Griffiths receiving The Tom Goss Champion Sporting House for Rannock.



Caitlin Thompson, the winner of the inaugural Rollins Family Agricultural Award, pictured with Mr Bruce Rollins



Xavier Furner, winner of the Beau Hilton Memorial Award.



Olivia Walker, representing Millwood, who were named Champion House 2023.



# K-2 Wellbeing Excursion



K-2 students recently travelled to Ganmain for a puppet show and lunch for their wellbeing excursion.



## YES Program

Over the past five weeks some CCS students have been participating in the YES program at Wagga TAFE. The program provided educational pathways to enhance their employability and workplace skills needed for future career paths. Students participated in Visual Arts, Hair and Beauty, Hospitality and Building and Construction courses. Through hands-on learning experiences they explored the practical skills to further understand potential future career pathways.

Congratulations to all participating students for your commitment to this program.





# Santa's Helpers

Santa hired new elves at the recent Christmas on Cowabbie!

Senior students helped Coolamon Central School P&C Santa photos fundraiser. We thank the P&C for coordinating the event this year.





## Kindergarten 2024

- Play at the Park -

2024 Kindergarten families are invited to a casual meet and greet. A chance to meet and connect with other families whose children are starting school next year.

**When:** December 17th and January 21st  
4-5 Pm

**Where:** Redgrave Park Coolamon

**Note:** This event is not an official school event.  
This event is supported by Coolamon P&C.



Please return all borrowed books to the Library this week





# State Debating Championships

Last week Olivia Crocker took part in the Junior State Debating Championships at the Women's College of the University of Sydney.

Libby Ridgeway, the Riverina team coordinator and accompanying teacher from Murrumbidgee Regional High School, commented:

"The students did wonderfully in a very competitive field and were only a single loss away from competing in the State Semi-Finals. Over the last two days, our team competed in five full debates as well as participating in training sessions and watching other debates, which was an intensive and demanding schedule, but one that all our Riverina students were able to participate in with enthusiasm.

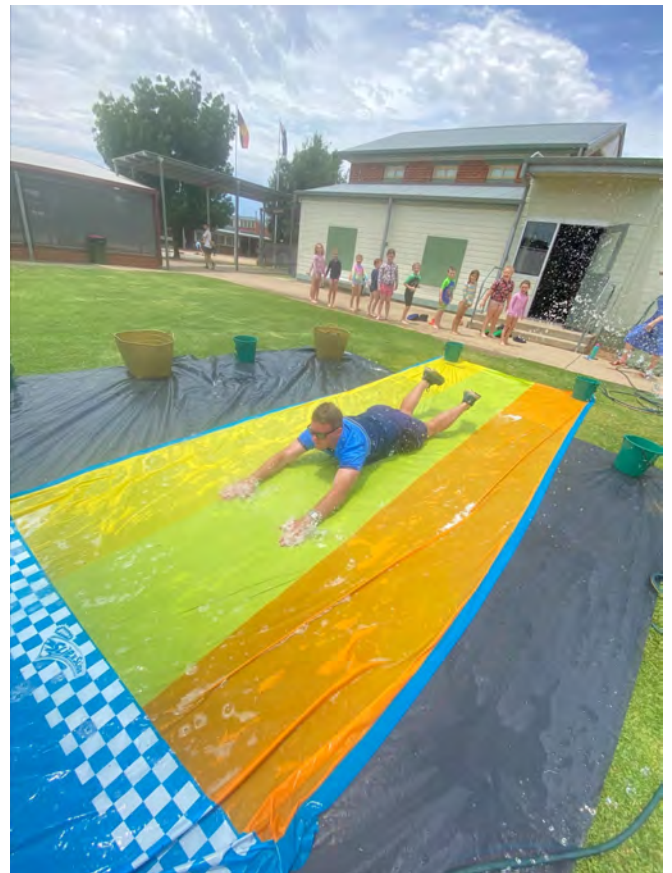
The debates we competed in throughout the camp ranged in subject matter from Media, Gender, Home and Family, Religion and Education. Students were given one hour to prepare for the debates without any additional material or information other than pens, paper and their own prior knowledge- some of the ideas that came out in the debates were fascinating as a result. In every debate the students were able to present thoughtful, reasoned discourse and provide extremely well thought out models to provide practical solutions to perceived problems in our modern society.

The Riverina won their debate on Religion, arguing for the Affirmative side on the topic, 'That schools should replace scripture with a class on all world religions' but was ultimately knocked out of the competition in the lead up to the semi-finals. They were commended for their sportsmanship and were able to develop some wonderful friendships with students from across NSW who share their passion for debating. We also managed to celebrate our successes in the time honoured debating tradition by sharing ice cream with our new friends from other teams before the students watched the Finals debate between North Sydney and Sydney regions on a topic about whether politicians should be allowed privacy in their personal lives."





# Infants Water Fun





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## Coolamon Central School Equipment Requirements 2024

### Primary Equipment – Years 3 - 6

While NOT MANDATORY, Primary teachers would like you to provide your child with the following equipment to assist with their learning:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1 x lead pencil</li> <li>• 1 x blue pen</li> <li>• 1 x red pen</li> <li>• 1 x packet coloured pencils (textas optional)</li> <li>• 1 x small dictionary</li> <li>• 1 x sharpener</li> <li>• 1 x ruler (not bendable or metal)</li> <li>• 1 x set of headphones</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1 x pencil case (not too big!)</li> <li>• 1 x highlighter pen</li> <li>• 1 x drink bottle (filled with water only)</li> <li>• 1 x eraser</li> <li>• 1x scissors</li> <li>• 1 x glue stick – 1 per term</li> <li>• 1 x box of tissues</li> </ul>
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### Primary K – 6

All primary classes will receive a letter in early term 1 with any specific equipment required for the year.

Please ensure all equipment is clearly labelled with your child's name

### Secondary Equipment

SUBJECT	YEAR	REQUIREMENTS
Agriculture	9/10	1 x 128-page A4 exercise book 1 x Pocket Notebook 1 x A4 display folder 1 x Hat
Food Technology	9/10	1 x 128-page A4 exercise book Fully covered black leather shoes
Business Studies	11/12	1 x 128-page A4 exercise book
Child Studies		1 x 128-page A4 exercise book 1 x A4 display folder (optional)
Commerce	9/10	1 x 128-page A4 exercise book
Community and Family Studies (CAFS)	11/12	1 x 128-page A4 exercise book 1 x A4 display folder
Construction	11/12	1 x work boots – Steel Cap 1 x carpenters pencil 1 x Hat
English	7-10 11-12	1 x 240-page A4 exercise book 1 x A4 display folder (optional)
Geography	7-10	1 x 128 A4 page exercise book
History (Stage 4 & 5 including Elective History)	7-12	1 x 128-page A4 exercise book
Hospitality	11/12	1 x 128-page A4 binder exercise book
Industrial Technology Wood/Metal	9/10 11/12	1 x 128-page A4 book Fully enclosed shoes
Legal Studies	11/12	1 x 128-page A4 exercise book

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Mathematics	7-12	1 x 196-page A4 grid book 1 x Mathematical Geometry set, including compass and protractor 1 x scientific calculator Casio fx82AU+II 2 <sup>nd</sup> edition (available from school for approximately \$30)
Music	7-12	1 x 128-page A4 exercise book 1 x A4 display folder
PD/H/PE	7-10  11/12	1 x 128-page A4 exercise book 1 x change of shirt for practical lessons 1 x hat  1 x 240 page A4 exercise book 1 A4 display folder
Physical Activity and Sport Studies	9/10	1 x 128-page A4 exercise book 1 x change of shirt for practical lessons 1 x hat
Science (including Chemistry, Biology and Investigating Science)	7-12	2 x 128-page A4 exercise book 1 x A4 display folder Fully covered black leather shoes
SLR	11/12	1 x 128 A4 exercise book 1 x A4 display folder 1 x change of shirt for practical lessons 1 x hat
Technology (Mandatory)	7/8	1 x 128-page A4 book Fully covered black leather shoes <i>Depending on the area studied (food, wood, textiles, agriculture) there may be extra small items to be purchased or brought in for class.</i>
Visual Art	7-12	1 x packet water-coloured pencils 2 x 2B and 1 x 6B Grey lead pencil 1 x Black Fineliner 0.2mm 1 x Black Fineliner 0.5mm 1 x glue stick 1 x eraser 1 x Visual Art Process Diary (available from school for approximately \$8.00)
Work Studies	11/12	1 x 128-page A4 exercise book
<b>Years 7 - 12</b> All students require the following general equipment every day: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2 x black or blue ball point pen</li> <li>• 1 x red ball point pen</li> <li>• 1 x lead pencil</li> <li>• 1 x ruler</li> <li>• 1 x eraser</li> <li>• 1 x pencil sharpener</li> <li>• 1 x student diary</li> <li>• 1x scissors and glue</li> <li>• 1 x pack of coloured pencils</li> <li>• 1 x calculator (available from school for approximately \$30)</li> <li>• 1 x protractor (either 180° or 360°)</li> <li>• Headphones</li> </ul> <b>Note:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ All subject notebooks must be separate as subject teacher will collect them for marking or review</li> <li>❖ No liquid paper</li> <li>❖ Please check when replacements are required</li> </ul>		

Regards

Mr Kingsley Ireland  
Relieving Principal





## CANTEEN PRICE LIST 2024

Please take your lunch order with payment to the school office.

Lunch bags are provided.

Canteen can be contacted via the school office.



All orders made fresh daily

White, Brown & Grain bread

**ALL DRINKS 99.9% fruit or 5 star**

Vegemite	\$4.00		
Cheese	\$4.00	Just Juice 200ml	\$2.00
Salad with Mayo	\$5.50	Bottled Water 250ml	\$1.50
Ham, Cheese and Tomato	\$5.50	Bottled Water 600ml	\$2.50
Chicken and Tomato	\$5.50	Juice Bombs 250ml – Apple Coola, Grape, Orange Passo, Watermelon	\$2.50
Ham and Tomato	\$5.00		
Egg & Lettuce with Mayo	\$5.50	<b>DAIRY</b>	
Chicken & Lettuce with Mayo	\$5.50	Flavoured Milks 300ml	\$3.00
Ham & Salad with Mayo	\$6.00	Flavoured Milks 500ml – High School students only	\$4.00
Fresh Salad Bowls with Dressing	\$5.50		
Salad Bowl with Cold Meat and Dressing (Ham, Roast Beef, Chicken, Tuna)	\$6.50		
<b>HOT FOOD</b>		<b>CAKES</b>	
Mrs Mac's Meat Pies 175g	\$4.50	Fresh Made Cupcakes	\$1.00
Mrs Mac's Sausage Rolls 120g	\$3.50		
Mini Pizzas (bacon and cheese) 4 star <b>Wednesday Only. By order only</b>	\$4.50		
Schools Chicken Nuggets x 6 <b>by order only</b>	\$3.50		
Chicken schnitzel roll daily - <b>by order only</b>	\$6.00		
Hotdogs by order <b>Friday Only</b>	\$4.50		
Nachos by order <b>Friday Only</b>	\$5.50		

All Pies and Sausage Rolls come with 1 sauce, any extra is 50c

**Due to health reasons & children's safety, Canteen is unable to reheat any food from home.**

**Next price review will be July 2024**



# Community News

## Coolamon Town Library

### Storytime

Our next Storytime will be held this Friday, 15th December @ 10.30am theme "Christmas". A very special guest will be arriving and a small Christmas party will be held after Storytime.

### Remembrance Tree

The Library will again have a Christmas tree of Remembrance. This is an opportunity for community members to include lost loved ones in the festive season. Community members are invited to write a message to their loved one, to include them in the spirit of Christmas. The message will be hung on the Christmas Tree of Remembrance in their memory.

### Book club - 2024

The Library is taking names to join a book club for 2024. The aim is to form a group of ten individuals, nominate a group leader and pay the membership fee. The library provides ten copies of the one title plus background notes and discussion questions. For further information, phone the Library – 69272492.

### Christmas Food Appeal

The Library is holding it's annual Christmas Food Appeal. Donate non-perishable food items which will be then be distributed to those in need. Donations will be accepted from Monday 20th November – Friday 23rd December.

### Lego Club

Lego Club is held every Wednesday afternoons from 4.00pm – 5.00pm. Then Saturday mornings from 10.30am – 11.30am. The aim of the Lego Club program is for children to have fun, learn to communicate with others and to develop problem-solving skills.

### Library closing dates

Closed Saturday 23rd December 2023

Re-Opening Tuesday, 2nd January 2024 – 8.30am – 5.00pm.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

From the team at the Coolamon Library



### Healthy doesn't = expensive

Packing everyday foods in the lunchbox can actually save you money.

Try these cost saving ideas:

- Swap from a chocolate muffin to two pikelets and save 60c per serve
- Buy vegetables and fruit that are in season
- Buy a big packet of rice crackers instead of individual serves and save 15c per serve

**SWAP  
FROM**



Chocolate muffin



**SWAP  
TO**



Pikelets

# DEC/JAN SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM - 2023/2024

Bookings  
Essential  
Phone  
6927 2492



## Xmas Biscuit Decorating

Come & Decorate Christmas Biscuits.

Wednesday 20th December

10.30am - 11.30am

Cost \$5.00

## Xmas Stained Glass

Cover pre-cut holes with cellophane for a stained glass effect.

Add stars and glitter and hang with ribbon.

Thursday, 21st December

10.30am - 11.30am Cost - \$5.00

## Wooden Reindeer and Tree

Paint this diorama just in time for Christmas -

Friday, 22nd December

10.30am - 11.30am

Cost \$5.00

## Flower Windmill

Design-Your-Own Flower Windmill  
Bring your garden to life with your very own customized windmill!

Wednesday, 10th January, 2024

10.30am - 11.30am

Cost - \$5.00

## Summer Cupcake Decorating

Join us to decorate some cupcakes over the Holidays

Friday, 19th January, 2024

10.30am - 11.30am

Cost- \$5.00

## Ice-Block Treasure Hunt

Come along to dig out some treasure  
Lots of surprises to find!

Wednesday, 24th January, 2024

10.03am - 11.30am

Cost \$5.00

## Borrow and Win

Borrow over the Holidays to win a stationery school pack

Ready to head back to school.

Winners will be announced at the end of the holidays.

## Inflatable at the Pools

Coolamon - 9th & 10th Dec

Ardlethan - 23rd and 24th Dec

Ganmain - 31st Dec & 26th Jan

Ardlethan - 3rd February

Thank you to Coolamon Shire Council and  
Riverina Regional Library.







**President: Holly Gray**

**Vice President: Lisa Piltz & Valerie McKelvie**

**Treasurer: Bec Forster**

**Secretary: Bronwyn Maslin**

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**Principal:**

Mr Kingsley Ireland  
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**Deputy Principal:**

Mr Jeremy Atkins  
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