



# Coolamon Central School Newsletter

WEEK 4 TERM 4 2020

BE RESPONSIBLE

BE RESPECTFUL

BE READY TO LEARN

## TERM FOUR 2020

### NOVEMBER

- 3 Year 11 into 12 Study Session 9am
- 4 Whole School Athletics Carnival (Students only)
- 5 HSC - Industrial Technology
- 6 HSC - Hospitality  
Primary Assembly (Students only)
- 9-13 NAIDOC Week  
Stage 4/5 Assessment Week
- 10-12 K-6 Life Education Van
- 10 Year 11 into 12 Study Session 9am
- 11 Kinder 2021 Orientation Morning
- 13 2021 Year 7 Taster Day
- 17 Year 11 into 12 Study Session 9am
- 18 Kinder 2021 Orientation Morning
- 20 Primary Assembly (Students only)
- 24 Year 11 into 12 Study Session 9am
- 26 Year 6 Graduation Dinner

### DECEMBER

- 1 2021 Year 7 Orientation Day
- 14 Presentation Day (to be confirmed re COVID-19)
- 16 FINAL DAY 2020

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Year 12 are nearly at the completion of their Higher School Certificate Examinations. Fortunately, they have been able to sit their exams in the new Agriculture classroom which is very quiet and fully air-conditioned. I would like to wish them all the best in their future endeavours, whatever they may be.

On Wednesday our students will be competing in our annual athletics carnival. Unfortunately, due to the NSW Department of Education's COVID-19 restrictions, parents, carers and family are unable to attend. Please encourage your children to get involved and participate to earn points for their house. Catering will be provided by Mrs Crocker and her Hospitality students.

There has been an important change in the Staff Development Days (SDD) for 2021. There will now be two SDDs at the start of Term 1. These pupil free days will be Wednesday January 27<sup>th</sup> and Thursday January 28<sup>th</sup>. Consequently, there will be only one SDD at the end of Term 4. All primary students will return on Friday January 29<sup>th</sup> along with Years 7, 11 and 12. Years 8, 9 and 10 students will start on Monday February 1<sup>st</sup> 2021.

I would encourage all parents and carers to support their children in developing their reading at home. Numerous studies have shown that young children who read at home, or are read to on a regular basis, make rapid growth in their cognitive and educational development. These activities help build on their learning and engagement at school.



## Swim School & PE Swimming



Our K-6 Swim School and Water Safety Program will be conducted from Monday 30<sup>th</sup> November to Friday 11<sup>th</sup> December inclusive (weeks 8 & 9). A NSW Department of Education requirement is that all students K-6, be assessed on their swimming ability. This is essential for the proposed Pool Party (pending COVID-19 restrictions) on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> December. Students who do not participate in either the school's PE swimming classes or Swim School will therefore be unable to attend the Pool Party.

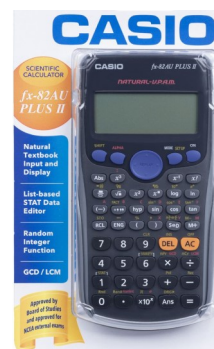
The cost is \$2 per day (\$20 for the fortnight) unless your child/children have a season pass at the Coolamon Pool. **All payments for swim school must be paid in CASH.**

# Mathematics Examinations - Week 5

Stage 4 & 5 Students will complete their Mathematics examinations in Week 5.

It is essential that students are equipped with a scientific calculator. The preferred model is a Casio FX-82AU+ which is available from the office for \$20.

We will not be able to loan calculators during this time.



## Stage 5 Science



Stage 4 Science are busy investigating different forms of energy such as static electricity. Students looked at how and why static electricity builds up and its effects on the environment.



## Food Technology



This term in Food Technology students have been learning about Food Trends. Students recreated a Freak Shake of their choice. The theme had to include something bright, and of course, based on a milkshake flavour.

Well done, Food Tech.



# Primary Assembly Award Winners



Pictured are the Merit award winners and the recipients of the Dorothea Mackellar poetry awards from our Week 2 primary assembly.

## Athletics Carnival

On Wednesday 4th November 2020, we will be holding our Whole School Athletics Carnival on our school oval in Bruce Street, diagonally opposite the school.

**Due to COVID-19 regulations, unfortunately, parents and spectators will not be permitted this year.**

Students aged 7 and under will be attending the carnival in the morning for their age races. They will then return to school to participate in tabloid sports with Mrs Knox and Miss Jessup.

Students are encouraged to wear their house colours for full sports uniform.

**MILLWOOD**

**METHUL**

**RANNOCK**

Mrs Crocker and her Hospitality students will be selling food on day, lunch will be a choice of

\* Chicken Caesar Salad      \$4.00

\* Sausage Sandwiches      \$2.00

\* Shaker Salad      \$4.00

(cabbage, spinach, corn, bacon bits, capsicum and carrot all with honey mustard dressing)

\* Fruit boxes      \$1.50

\* Water      \$1.50

\* Cakes and slices      from 50c to \$3.00





# Footy Colours Day







# Book Week





# Community News

## Coolamon Town Library

### Story-time Returns.

Our next story-time will be this Friday, 6<sup>th</sup> November @ 10.30am. We will be following the COVID-19 regulations. Bookings are essential – parents must ring the Library 69272492 to secure a spot. We welcome our regular families to join us and new families are most welcome too.

### Share the Dignity – It's in the Bag

Fill a handbag with gifts for women and girls in need - "It's in the bag". Provide personal hygiene products and everyday luxuries to homeless women, women at risk or women experiencing domestic violence. It's simple - choose a handbag in good condition that you no longer use. Then, fill it with items that would make a woman feel special, such as personal care items. The Coolamon Library will be collecting these bags until the end of November.

### Book club

The Library is taking names to join a book club for 2021. 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.

### Brain Games Booklet

Come and pick up a new brain games booklet from the Library. This will be a monthly activity booklet containing puzzles and brain-teasers to keep your mind active. Suitable for all ages and is available now – Cost is a gold coin donation.



**It's time to DUST OFF THE SWIMMERS**

While the drought is making things tough, let's not forget that learning how to swim is a gift for life. So dust off the kids' swimmers, we'll get the pool ready and let's put a smile on a few faces.

To give your children the opportunity to enjoy the life-long benefits of swimming, as well as having some fun these holidays, Royal Life Saving Australia along with NSW Government is providing the Swim & Survive program at your local pool these summer holidays.

**SWIM & SURVIVE SUMMER HOLIDAY PROGRAM**  
11 January – 21 January 2021\*

Wonder\*: 6 months to 36 months | \$52 for 9 lessons  
Courage\*: 36 months to 5 years | \$52 for 9 lessons  
Active\*: 5 years to 12 years | \$74 for 9 lessons  
Spaces are limited, so please book early.

Book online at [royalnsw.com.au/swim-and-survive](http://royalnsw.com.au/swim-and-survive) or call (02) 9634 3700

\*Program dates and age group availability may vary. Please check details with your local pool or visit [royalnsw.com.au/swim-and-survive](http://royalnsw.com.au/swim-and-survive).

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**NSW GOVERNMENT**

**'Will I be a good dad?'**  
is a common concern amongst new dads and dads-to-be.

**The Focus on New Fathers program provides a free text message based service called SMS4dads.**

**Free tips, tools and links – directly to dad's phone**  
To help new dads and dads-to-be navigate the changes, before and after the birth of their baby, NSW Health and the University of Newcastle have partnered to deliver SMS4dads. Once new dads and dads-to-be are registered, they'll receive practical tips, tools and helpful links directly to their phone.

**You're eligible:**

- if you are 18 years or older
- if your partner is at least 16 weeks (four months) pregnant; or
- from your baby's birth until they are 6 months old.

**For more information**  
visit [www.health.nsw.gov.au/focus-on-new-fathers](http://www.health.nsw.gov.au/focus-on-new-fathers)

**Just wanted to say thanks for this project. The text messages have been invaluable and I couldn't have known just how much I needed to receive these short and helpful messages.**

**Registration is free and easy.**  
[www.health.nsw.gov.au/focus-on-new-fathers](http://www.health.nsw.gov.au/focus-on-new-fathers)





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