



Coolamon Central School Newsletter

WEEK 6 TERM 1 2021

BE RESPONSIBLE

BE RESPECTFUL

BE READY TO LEARN

TERM ONE 2021

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- 3 Primary Netball Trials @ Barellan
- 4 PSSA Zone Swimming Carnival @ Ardlethan
- 5 Girls League Tag Gala Day
Clean Up
Australia Day K-6
Primary Assembly @ 2.10pm in Hall
- 8 Secondary Girls Basketball Trials
- 9 Secondary Girls Football Trials
- 10 Riverina Primary Swimming Carnival
- 12 Secondary Assembly
- 18 Primary Western AFL Trials
- 19 Primary Eastern AFL Trials
Primary Assembly @ 2.10pm in Hall
- 22 Secondary Boys Football Trials
- 23 Secondary Golf Stroke Play
- 24 **SCHOOL PHOTOS**
- 25 Secondary Girls Netball Trials
- 29 Secondary Girls AFL Trials
- 30 Secondary Rugby League Trials

from The Principal

Unfortunately, due to the COVID restrictions we will not be able to hold face to face Parent/Teacher evenings this term. We are hoping that the Education Department may alter these conditions in the near future. If you urgently need to speak to a teacher about your child's progress please call and make a time for a phone appointment. These restrictions also prevent us from having parents/carers attending our school assemblies. I appreciate the effort that everybody has put in to help keep us all safe.



Our staff will continue *Management of Actual or Potential Aggression (MAPA)* training on the evening of March 9th. This training event will replace the scheduled Staff Development Day on December 17th. Coolamon Central School will finish school on Thursday December 16th.

As I have previously mentioned, the staff have been working on our new 2021-2024 School Improvement Plan over the past few months. We are concentrating on three Strategic Directions to help improve the learning outcomes and wellbeing of our students.

These directions are:

- 1: *Student Growth and Attainment*
- 2: *Quality Teaching*
- 3: *Wellbeing for All*

Please feel free to contact myself or Mr Ireland if you would like to discuss our Strategic Improvement Plan.

Coolamon Central like other NSW public schools, has been provided with finance to employ extra staff to build literacy and numeracy skills, which some students have found difficult due to the COVID on line learning period. Our Learning and Support Teams are working with many of our students in small group situations to build these skills.

Mr Pollard has been appointed as part of a specialised Maths Growth Team to assist teachers in building their students numeracy skills. The leader of the state team, Mr Eddie Woo, has said that rote learning (such as the times tables) was a precursor to mastering trickier numerical concepts. He went on to say that "being able to recall facts quickly is a foundation for deeper thinking." This is where you as parents and carers can assist by making sure that your children memorise the mathematical tables.

I would like to ask for your support in reminding your children to come straight to school in the morning. Unfortunately, there have been complaints made about students loitering in Redgrave Park in the morning and using loud unacceptable language. I have spoken to all of our students about this.
John Beer
Principal



School photographs are scheduled to be taken by **advancedlife**. Whilst an envelope and flyer will be distributed shortly, if possible it is our preference that ordering be completed online to reduce administration and potential security issues related to the return of cash and envelopes on photo day.

Orders for packages and family photographs can be placed securely online at **www.advancedlife.com.au** using our school's unique **9 digit advancedorder code**. Potrait and group package orders are due by photography day.

Should you wish to purchase a family photograph online, the order must be placed **no later than the day before photography day (Tuesday 23rd March)**. Family photographs will only be taken if an order has been placed.

Should you have any queries concerning school photographs or online ordering, please contact **advancedlife** at www.advancedlife.com.au/contact

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We are very proud to be one of the schools to be gifted a Dignity Vending Machine at Coolamon Central School. The machine will dispense a FREE pack with 6 tampons and 2 pads. It is there to help those in need.

Each Dignity Vending Machine costs \$25,000 to build, install and maintain for four years. Our machine is sponsored by Woolworths.



The **March Dignity Drive** kicks off on Monday 1st March. Keep your eyes peeled for the iconic pink collection bins located at Woolworths stores across the country and Coolamon Central School will also be a donation point. Every body is different, every body has different needs and preferences for managing their period. We are on a mission to end period poverty, help us help those most in need and give women the dignity they deserve.

You can donate:

- 🔴 Sealed packets of pads
- 🔴 Sealed packets of tampons
- 🔴 Sealed packets of incontinence pads
- 🔴 Packaged menstrual cups
- 🔴 Reusable pads
- 🔴 Packaged period undies



No one should have to choose between a tampon and a meal. Help us [#ShareTheDignity](#) this March by donating period products to those most in need! 💕

Child Studies



Child Studies students are learning about the different care requirements of a newborn. They had the opportunity to practice bathing, feeding and swaddling a 7 month old in class last week.



2021

PREMIER'S READING Challenge

Challenge	Number of books you must read	Minimum number of PRC books	Maximum Number of Personal Choice books	PRC book-lists you can read from
K-2	30	25	5	K-2, 3-4, 5-6
3-4	20	15	5	3-4, 5-6, 7-9
5-6	20	15	5	5-6, 7-9
7-9	20	15	5	5-6, 7-9, 9 plus
3-9 (refer to the rule 7b)	20	15	5	All booklists

Starts Monday 1st March

You must complete your online Student Reading Record by Friday 20th August to complete the challenge.

Further details about the booklist and the Challenge are available at:

www.premiersreadingchallenge.nsw.edu.au



English/HSIE Assembly

Congratulations to the award winners from the recent Secondary English/HSIE Wellbeing Assembly. It was also great to see our senior students reaching Bronze level in our wellbeing system. Congratulations to Brinley for being our first student to reach Silver level this year.



Online Enrolment Project

We are excited to announce we will be rolling out the new Online Enrolment System from Monday 15 March 2021

The Online Enrolment System is designed to provide flexibility for our parents to submit an enrolment application online and at the time that best suits you. The application can be accessed on all browsers and mobile devices including iOS and Android.

The online application process is currently restricted to:

- Enrolments into **local** schools only
- Children who are Australian citizens, New Zealand citizens or permanent residents
- Children who live in NSW.

We offer our support and encourage you to complete your application to enrol online. If, however, you do not feel comfortable completing an application online, a paper copy will be available for collection from the front office or can be downloaded from the Department's [going to a public school site](#).

Further information about online enrolment will become available on our website <https://coolamon-c.schools.nsw.gov.au/>

Transport for NSW is seeking to improve the consistency and accuracy of bus service information across New South Wales. As part of this state wide program, bus route names and numbers are being amended so they can become part of a standardised system. These changes will apply to all buses that operate to and from our school, effective 1st March 2021.

Note that these are route name/number changes only. Physical routes (or paths) along which school buses operate will not be affected.

Schedule of route service changes

This shows old bus numbers and corresponding new names/numbers.

To help students and teachers clearly identify services and become familiar with the changes, there will be a transition period during which each bus will display its old route name/number next to the new one.

If you have any questions about these changes, please contact Allen's Coaches directly on 02 69273022 or visit allenscoaches.com.au.

School and regular bus route service changes

Allen's Coaches

Effective 1 March 2021

Schedule of school bus route changes			
Current number	New number	New route name (am)	New route name (pm)
5	S206	Methul to Coolamon Schools	Coolamon Schools to Methul
7	S208	Tooyal to Coolamon Schools	Coolamon Schools to Tooyal
6	S209	Marrar to Coolamon Schools via Berry Jerry	Coolamon Schools to Marrar via Berry Jerry
4	S210	Marrar to Wagga Wagga Schools via Downside	Wagga Wagga Schools to Marrar via Downside
8	S215	Lockhart to Wagga Wagga Schools	Wagga Wagga Schools to Lockhart
9	S216	Currawarna to Wagga Wagga Schools via Old Narrandera Rd	Wagga Wagga Schools to Currawarna via Old Narrandera Rd
3	S211	Flowerdale to Wagga Wagga Schools via Marrar South Rd	Wagga Wagga Schools to Flowerdale via Marrar South Rd
10	S217	Currawarna to Wagga Wagga Schools via The Gap Rd	Wagga Wagga Schools to Currawarna via The Gap Rd
11	S212	Coolamon to Wagga Wagga Schools	Wagga Wagga Schools to Coolamon

Schedule of school bus route changes			
Current number	New number	New route name (am)	New route name (pm)
1	931	Coolamon to Wagga Wagga	Wagga Wagga to Coolamon
2	930	Ganmain to Wagga Wagga via Coolamon	Wagga Wagga to Ganmain via Coolamon



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- Working With Children Checks.

Visit service.nsw.gov.au/msc to find out when we're next near you.

Next in town



Thursday 4th March 2021 9am - 2pm Coolamon 120-130 Cowabbie Street Road Reserve, Coolamon



ACTIVE KIDS VOUCHER

IS YOUR CHILD READY TO GET ACTIVE IN 2021?

Don't forget that the NSW Government is helping kids get active with the Active Kids program.

The **Active Kids** program provides **two** \$100 vouchers for parents, guardians and carers of school-enrolled children to use towards sport and active recreation costs each year.

- **VOUCHER 1** is valid January to December 2021
- **VOUCHER 2** is valid July to December 2021

To use the voucher, find a registered activity provider and present your voucher when you sign up.

Eligibility

If you're a parent, carer or guardian, the student will be eligible if they are:

- a NSW resident aged between 4.5 and 18 years
- enrolled in school (from Kindergarten to Year 12, including those who are home-schooled or enrolled in secondary school education at TAFE NSW)
- a current Medicare card holder.

You can apply for a voucher for each eligible student.

What you need

- a MyServiceNSW account
- one proof of identity document
- your child's Medicare card details
- your child's height and weight (optional)



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Western Rock Camp 2021

Date: Sunday 25 April - Friday 30 April 2021

Venue: Ridgecrest Conference Centre

Eligibility: Yr 5 to Year 12

Managing Finance School: Mudgee Public School

Camp Coordinator: Liesel Meers

Arts Coordination Officer: Di Reichelt

The **Western Rock Camp 2021** will be held at the Ridgecrest Conference Centre from **Sunday 25 April - Friday 30 April 2021 (Term 2 Week 2)**. The camp will provide an opportunity for keen and talented music students of intermediate to advanced levels of ability to be involved in a challenging and stimulating music education program. This is a residential camp, so all meals, accommodation, tutorials and recreational activities are included in the final cost. Workshops will focus on developing technical ability and performance skills.

Total Cost : \$450.00

Students can nominate as a vocalist, guitarist (electric or acoustic), bass guitarist, drummer or keyboard player. When selected they will be formed into a Rock Band at Camp.

Application forms and more information is available from Mr Szery and must be emailed to dianne.reichelt@det.nsw.edu.au by **Friday 5 March (Term 1 Week 6)**.

Community News

Coolamon Town Library

Storytime 2021

Our next Storytime session will be this Friday 5th March @ 10.30am theme – “Clothes”. Everyone is most welcomed to join us. This is a Covid safe event, phone the Library to book – 69272492. Also in March we will be holding another Storytime session. It will be held on Friday, 19th March @ 10.30am – theme “Balloons”.

Community Recycling Station

The Library has a recycling station for your household wastes. Items that can be dropped into the Library are Fluoro Globes, Mobile Phones and accessories, Smoke detectors and Household batteries.

Service NSW Kiosk

The Library has a Service NSW Kiosk available for the community to use. The following types of services are vehicle renewals, cost of living assessments, applying for senior travel cards and senior cards.

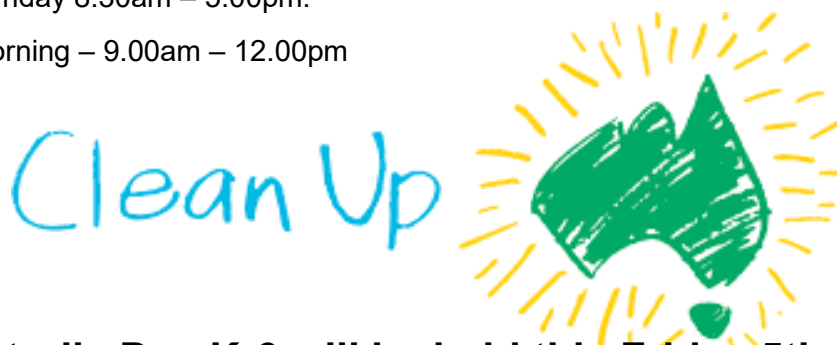
Delivery Services

Our home delivery service will continue again this year; our delivery day will be every Friday morning. Please contact the Library for further details – 69272492.

Library Opening Hours

Monday – Friday 8.30am – 5.00pm.

Saturday morning – 9.00am – 12.00pm



Clean up Australia Day K-6 will be held this Friday 5th March. Donations of gloves and plastic bags would be greatly appreciated, these can be given to the primary classroom teachers.





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Mr Kingsley Ireland



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