

Coolamon Central School

Newsletter



WEEK 6 TERM 3 2023

BE RESPONSIBLE

BE RESPECTFUL

BE READY TO LEARN

TERM THREE

AUGUST

- 21-25 HSC Trials
Year 11 VET Work Placement
- 23 K-6 Dress as a Penguin for Book Week
- 24 Try a Trade Day @ Wagga
- 25 Secondary Assembly
Primary Assembly @ 2.10pm Hall - featuring Amber
Riverina Primary Athletics
15 and under Girls Riverina Netball @ Albury
- 27-28 CHS Lawn Bowls @ Dubbo
- 28-30 CHS Touch @ Dubbo
- 29 Roam Drama Workshop @ CCS Hall
- 30 Year 6 Valid Exams
- 30-31 CHS Netball @ Dubbo

SEPTEMBER

- 1 PSSA Girls Cricket Semi Final @ Wagga
- 4-8 K-6 Bike Week
- 4 Biology Depth Study @ Berry Jerry National Park

from the Principal

Time flies, and here we are already halfway through Term 3. The bustling school environment keeps us engaged, and as we reflect on the weeks gone by, my attention has been drawn towards a crucial topic: student safety.

In recent times, we have received reports of incidents involving students and road safety. Both the police and the bus company have approached us to convey important safety messages. I urge parents to join us in reinforcing these messages with your children. The significance of crossing the road safely cannot be overstated. It's essential to teach our children about proper road-crossing procedures, emphasizing the importance of checking for parked cars and approaching buses before crossing.

A plea to all parents: when picking up your children, let's all be mindful of where we park. Double parking not only causes traffic congestion but also poses risks to our students. If you find yourself parked across the road, kindly take the time to supervise your children as they cross safely.

Pushbike safety remains another area of concern. All students using pushbikes and scooters must wear helmets at all times. Additionally, when it comes to crossing roads, we must exercise caution. The ideal approach is for students to dismount from their bikes and walk across roads at designated corners. We must also remain vigilant of cars exiting driveways and laneways, ensuring that our students' safety is our utmost priority.

As we look ahead, it's important to note that our primary students are gearing up for Bike Week in Week 8. This will be an opportune moment for them to revisit and consolidate their understanding of bike safety. The skills and knowledge they acquire during this time will serve as valuable tools throughout their lives.

In conclusion, I implore everyone in our school community to prioritize safety. By collectively focusing on road safety education and practicing these principles, we can create an environment where our children thrive while being well-protected. Let's work together to ensure that each day at our school begins and ends with the safety of our students at the forefront.

Stay safe and take care.



Year 7 2024

IMPORTANT DATES

Contact us for an interview
and personalised tour

69 273 209

*A quality school in which students
are nurtured and their potential
realised*

• Taster Day

Thursday, 7th September 2023

• Orientation Day

Tuesday, 28th November 2023

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Be Respectful

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SCHOOL STATE FINALS

Students attending the central schools state finals for touch, netball and lawn bowls in Dubbo, can now order their CHS apparel through the following link:

[https://
nswschoolsports.sportsfactory.com.au/
nswchs-central-schools-souvenir-apparel/](https://nswschoolsports.sportsfactory.com.au/nswchs-central-schools-souvenir-apparel/)

ASSESSMENT TASK DUE DATES

Stage 4 PDHPE - During class time Week 6

Stage 5 PDHPE - During class time Week 6

Stage 4 Mathematics - During class time Week 6

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We are excited to announce our school will be transitioning to an upgraded School Bytes finance system on 29 August 2023!

In preparation for the transition to a simplified finance system for both you and the school, we will be required to implement a short payment lockout period where we will not be able to receive any payments.

What this means for you

- No payments can be made online from 9am, Tuesday 22 August 2023.
- Last day to make cash, cheque or EFTPOS payments will at 1pm on Wednesday 23 August 2023.
- We will advise you when payments can resume closer to the above date
- Any existing payment links that have been sent to you previously in emails can still be used after the transition and will automatically redirect to the new system
- After the transition, a School Bytes portal will be available for you to register and begin using (Link: <https://portal.schoolbytes.education>)
- All previous payments made will be migrated to the new School Bytes finance system and portal
- Moving forward, when making a payment online, you will be redirected to a Service NSW page to complete an online payment. This is the new payment platform for online as directed by the NSW Department of Education.
- Payments made online will display as 0SCHOOLSONLINE 0000 PARRAMATTA AUS on your bank statements moving forward.

What is the School Bytes portal

The School Bytes portal provides flexibility for you to conveniently:

- Make school payments online (including paying for multiple siblings at once)
- Use a family credit to pay for an activity or school contributions
- Download a receipt for payments made
- View all historical payments in one place
- Complete and submit digital permission notes
- View the status of all permission notes
- Request a refund if required

This can be done where you want at any time: day or night.

Through the portal, you will easily be able to download a receipt once a payment has been made and have access to view all historical payments when needed. Online payments are processed in real-time and can be viewed by school staff immediately.

While our preference is for payments to be made via the portal, we will still accept payment via cash, cheque, money order and EFTPOS.

Katrina Fanning Cup Gala Day

On Thursday 17th August, the U12s Girls NRL team represented Coolamon Central School at the Katrina Fanning Cup Gala Day held at Paramore Park, Wagga. The girls, 11 of them from Years 5 and 6, played three games, winning one and narrowly losing the other two. The first game they played was against Mater Dei, their second against Cootamundra Public School and the third was against Murrumburrah Public School. All players showed great skill and thoroughly enjoyed the opportunity to play in this sort of competition. Congratulations to all the girls as they represented Coolamon Central School well.



Premier's Spelling Bee

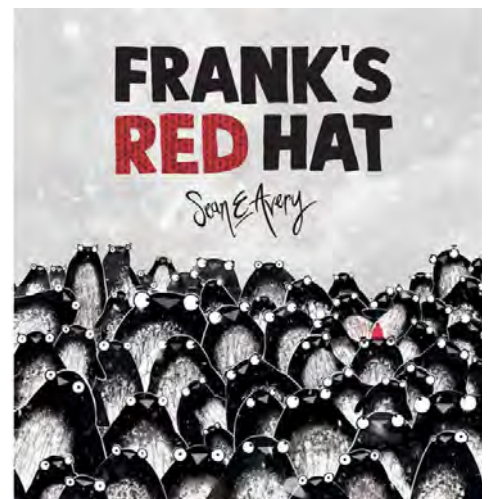
During Weeks 9 and 10 last term, Coolamon CS held a junior and senior school spelling bee, testing the mettle of those students who participated in the competition. It was a close competition in both categories, but after the spelling of some very tricky words, our junior champion award was given to Sienna Kirkman and our senior to Alexis Copley. These two students then represented Coolamon CS by competing in the Regional Spelling Bee finals in Week 4 of this term. There were just under 30 schools competing in both competitions. Alexis was knocked out after a particularly difficult word but Sienna, after some very tense word play, won the junior final! She now will go on to compete in the Premier's Spelling Bee State Finals to be held in Sydney next term. We wish her the best of luck.





BOOK WEEK

On Wednesday 23rd August, we will be dressing as Penguins to celebrate the CBCA shortlisted picture book of the year, Frank's Red Hat.



Frank's **RED** Hat is a story about never giving up on your talents, because even though what you do may not be appreciated right now, it may be in time. Possibly by someone you'd least expect.

What is an SSO?

Student Support Officer (SSO) is a person at school who works with school counsellor services and the schools wellbeing team to enhance the wellbeing and learning outcomes of students.

SSO's support the implementation of the schools whole-of-school approach to wellbeing, helping students to develop social and emotional skills through targeted strength-based programs and strategies that build resilience, coping skills and positive relationships.

They also have a pivotal role in working with external and government agencies in their aim to support students and their families.

Who is Coolamon Central Schools SSO?



"My name is Emilee Hyland. I started here at CCS in 2021 and have been working for the department since 2020. I became the permanent SSO in Term 1 2023 and am available every day. I am local to Coolamon, having moved here at the beginning of the year, from Wagga Wagga. I am a mum to three teenagers who loves to cook, do craft and hang out with my two goodies"

If you feel that your child could benefit by talking with Emilee, feel free to contact her on the school phone to have a chat!



Coolamon Central School P & C

Next Meeting

Wednesday 6th September, 2023

AGM 6:30 p.m.

General Meeting 7:00 p.m.

We need your help!

The CCS P&C Committee are excited to again support the Up2Date Art Exhibition / Yield Festival.

This is a **major school fundraiser** and important community event.

Volunteers are required to welcome guests and sell raffle tickets **at the door** throughout the festival 25th August - 10th September (2 hour time-slots).

Please email
coolamonpandc@gmail.com
to pop your name on the roster.

We're coming to your community



NSW Government services will be available at our Mobile Service Centres in:
Coolamon on Thursday 7th September 2023
12:00pm – 4:00pm

This includes:

- Savings Finder, for more than 70 rebates and vouchers to help you save
- driver licences, proof of identity documents and photo card applications
- Driver Knowledge Tests
- birth, death and marriage certificates
- Working with Children Checks
- NDIS Worker Checks.

Call **13 77 88** or visit service.nsw.gov.au to check our latest timetable.

Severe weather may mean our timetable has to change at short notice, we strongly recommend you check on the day.

Find us at:
 124-130 Cowabbie Street



Coolamon Athletics Club Registrations are now open

Come and try days 5.30pm

Coolamon Central School Oval

Tuesday 12th September 2023

Tuesday 19th September 2023

Season Commences on 10th October.

Cost \$110 per Athlete

Ages From

Tiny Tots 3 years through to 17 years

Singlet hire only \$10

Own your own for \$40

All Registrations are processed online

www.lansw.com.au

Remember your Active Kids Voucher

For more info contact Mark 0491141511



FREE 2 Day Autism Workshop for Parents and Carers Location: Wagga Wagga, NSW

Join other local families to learn more about autism and ways to strengthen the partnership between home and school

During the workshop you will learn about:

- The diversity of autism
- Understanding sensory processing
- Understanding behaviour
- Working together with your child's school

Morning tea and a light lunch will be provided



7th & 8th November 2023
 9.30am - 2.30pm



Wagga RSL
 Corner Kincaid & Dobbs Street
 Wagga Wagga NSW 2650



Interpreters available upon request

For more information or to register visit
www.positivepartnerships.com.au or contact
 Trish Nicoll at tnicoll@positivepartnerships.com.au



For help, call:
 1300 881 971

This initiative is funded by the Australian Government Department of Education through the Helping Children with Autism package. The views expressed within this program do not necessarily represent the views of the Australian Government or the Australian Government Department of Education.

MARRAR

Madness

15-17 SEPTEMBER
 MCKELVIES LANE MARRAR

Friday

MAIDEN CAMPDRAFT
 KATE DAY MEMORIAL LADIES CAMP DRAFT
 JNR BARREL RACE
 JNR STEER RIDE
 LADIES BARREL RACE
 MINI BULL RIDE
 MILO & BUDDA BULL RIDE FOR LYMPHOMA

Saturday

KATE DAY MEMORIAL LADIES CAMPDRAFT
 PETER COX MEMORIAL OPEN CAMPDRAFT
 COLT PARKER ROOKIE XTREME BRONCS - MIDDAY

Sunday

NOVICE CAMPDRAFT
 BUCKING HORSE FUTURITY

MAIN EVENT
 5.00PM SATURDAY
 XTREME BRONCS
 BULL RIDE
 LADIES BARREL RACE FINAL
 ROOKIE XTREME BRONCS FINAL

FRIDAY & SATURDAY NIGHT BAND | CAMPING AVAILABLE

Community News

Coolamon Town Library

Storytime

Our next Storytime will be Friday 1st September @ 10.30am – “Rain”. Everyone is most welcome to come along.

Book Week

Book Week celebrations will take place from 21st August – 25th August here in the Library. Several schools and preschools will be visiting for a Storytime session and a craft. This year's theme is “Read, Grow and Inspire”.

Save Power Kits

Save Power Kits are available to borrow for free from the Coolamon Library. The Save Power Kits can show you what appliances are using the most power in your home. It also gives easy steps you can take to save money, power and reduce your impact on the environment.

Baby Bounce

Join us for our monthly Baby Bounce session – it will be held Wednesday, 30th August @ 10.30am. New mums and bubs are welcomed to join us.

Local History Group

Our local history group meets in the Library on Saturday, 26th August @ 10.30am.

Lego Club

Lego Club is on every Wednesday afternoons from 4.00pm – 5.00pm and then on Saturday mornings from 10.30am – 11.30am. Bring a friend along and join in the fun

Delivery Services

Our free home delivery service is still available - the library will deliver every Friday morning. Please contact the Library for further details – 69272492.

WEBINAR FOR PARENTS AND CARERS

Talking to Kids about Online Boundaries and Consent

Wednesday, 30 August 2023
7:30-8:05 pm AEST



eSafety Commissioner

REGISTER NOW

30-minute webinar for parents and carers of primary school students. It will not be recorded for later viewing.

It will cover:

- Why the consent conversation is so important to have with primary school aged children
- Easy ways to explain online boundaries and consent

Opportunities to discuss and model consent through discussions, scenarios and practising helpful phrases for saying 'no'

LOWES

2 DAY VIP EVENT

20% OFF EVERYTHING*

AUGUST 24TH & 25TH

INSTORE & ONLINE

*T&C's apply, no rainchecks, savings off original prices.

The advertisement features a green background with a large pink banner for the 20% discount. Below the banner are three images: a group of school children, a woman holding a sign that says 'DON'T HAVE A ZERO OR REWARDS CARD? APPLY INSTORE OR ONLINE & START ENJOYING THE BENEFITS.', and a group of people smiling. A small 'zero' logo is also visible in the top right corner.



YIELD
FESTIVAL
A CELEBRATION OF CREATIVE ARTS IN THE COOLAMON AREA

2023 Art Exhibition

*Saturday 26th August
to
Sunday 10th September*

Open: Daily 10am to 4pm

Up to Date Store Coolamon

Entry: Gold Coin Donation

*Opening Night:
Friday 25th August, 6pm
Free Entry*



Theme:

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Week 3 and 8

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