



Coolamon Central School Newsletter

WEEK 8 TERM 1 2021

BE RESPONSIBLE

BE RESPECTFUL

BE READY TO LEARN

TERM ONE 2021

MAR

- 17 Paul Kelly Cup @ Jubilee Oval
- 18 Primary Western AFL Trials
Primary Cricket @ Junelee
- 19 Primary Eastern AFL Trials
Primary Assembly @ 2.10pm in Hall
- 22 Secondary Boys Football Trials
- 23 Secondary Golf Stroke Play
Chess Competition @ Saint Mary Mackillop College Wagga
- 24 **SCHOOL PHOTOS**
REROC Youth Leadership Forum @ CSU
- 25 Secondary Girls Netball Trials
- 29 Whole School Athletics Carnival
Secondary Girls AFL Trials
- 30 Secondary Rugby League Trials

APRIL

- 1 Easter Hat Parade
- FINAL DAY TERM 1**

from The Principal



The Department of Education have adjusted the COVID-19 guidelines advising that parents are now allowed on site. To keep within these guidelines, we ask that all parents and visitors who wish to come on site must still sign in and follow COVID-19 guidelines. We are encouraging parents to continue to wait at the gates to collect their students so we are able to monitor guidelines within the school grounds.

Notes have been sent home in regard to the upcoming Easter Hat Parade and primary assemblies. In order to stay within the COVID-19 numbers we are asking that only one parent/carer attend these activities. Information will be sent out shortly about bookings for our Parent/Teacher evenings which will be happening early next term. Thank you for your assistance and co-operation.

Congratulations to our champion swimmers, Peter McCallum, Bethany Crocker, Noah Hatty and Abigail Crocker who will be competing in the State Carnival in April. Also, congratulations to our Stage 3 students who won the recent STEM competition in Wagga and to our students who competed in the Science and Engineering Challenge.

Coolamon Central School has secured staff funding to create an extra class for this year. The class, Year 2/3 Amber, will commence at the beginning of Term 2. Amber's creation will have a positive impact on several of our existing classes, the most exciting of all being reduced class sizes. Smaller student numbers allow teachers to give more individual attention to each child, and as a result, improve student learning outcomes. We are pleased to announce Mr Khalili will be the Year 2/3 Amber teacher, and the lessons will take place in the library's main classroom.

I would like to ask all parents/carers to support the school in ensuring that their children use their mobile phones and electronic devices appropriately. The school allows secondary students to use their phones before school and at recess and lunchtime. The majority of our students follow this rule but we do have problems with a small minority. If these phones are not used in the right manner and time, they will be confiscated and I will be asking parents to come and pick the phones up. Also, please be aware that too much time on a device at night does greatly affect a student's alertness and academic engagement.

Mr John Beer
Principal

Opal



I am very grateful for Ashy. When I come home from school, Ashy is there when I am at home. When I am home I stick my tongue out, he sticks his out too and puts his finger in my mouth because my tongue is in my mouth and he likes the feeling. When I get him out of bed, he smiles at me and when I tickle him, he laughs at me and whenever it's bedtime, if Ashy's still awake, he walks to my bedroom.

Gracie



I am lucky for everything in my life. I am especially grateful for Summer, my cat. When we first got her she was very funny and cute. Summer was very funny when we got our new house. One day, Mum put me to bed and Summer was running around and her bottom was sliding across the ground.

Kelsey

The clever students of Opal have been working so hard to improve their writing. Early in the Term, students were asked to think about what it was they were grateful for. Miss Ryan and Mrs Dunn were blown away by their beautiful ideas!

I am grateful for my friends because they help me when I trip over or when I fall over. They always play with me.

Sam



I am very grateful for lots of things. I'm grateful for my family and my pets because I really love them and care about them. I care about Mum and Dad because they cook dinner. I also care about Maddy because she plays with me and helps me.

Allie



I am grateful for Talice, my dog. I am grateful that I can take him for a walk when I get home. My dog jumps on me and plays with me. I am grateful because I love my dog. He is so cute. He even plays soccer with me and that is why I love him.

Mikayla



I am grateful for the earth. I am a nature boy. I feel super lucky because earth has oxygen, water and food.

Corbin

Opal



I am grateful for many things. I am grateful for my two sisters and one brother because they always call me to check on me because they live in Tasmania. I am grateful for my puppy named Benson and he is an Aussie shepherd. I take him for a walk every day. I play with him every day and watch movies with Benson. I am also grateful for my mum and dad who does my jobs for me.

Tomas



I am grateful for my horse, Chester. I am especially grateful for him being settled and easy for me to ride. I love feeding him, looking after him and spending time with him. I am also grateful for my Dad because he looks after me, and my bothers and sisters. I am grateful that he does fun things with us all, cooks for us, and loves us all very much.

Kaitlyn



I am a very lucky person and I am so grateful. I am absolutely grateful for my own dog, Audrey and my family. I am grateful for Audrey because she gives me cuddles, licks me on the cheek, plays with me and she is my absolutely best friend. Audrey could have been someone else's dog but instead, Mum got her for me. I am grateful for my family because Mum buys me stuff, she also goes to work so we can have food on the table. I am grateful for Dad because he goes to work, he drives trucks at night so we can have food and because he is the best. I am grateful for Claire because she helps me clean up the house and my room. She helped me mow the lawn. Claire also helped me vacuum at home and at Mama's. I am grateful for Baxter because he plays with me, helps me build a cubby house and he is the best brother to be annoying. I am lucky for Millie because she was the owner's favourite dog in the litter. I am also grateful for her because she plays with me and gives me a hand shake.

Charlie



I am very lucky and grateful. I am very grateful for my dogs, Rosy and Shadow because I feel safe when they are around the house. Rosy follows me on the ride-on lawn mower so I call her "green dog", that makes me laugh.

Jackson

Opal



I am grateful for everything in my life. I love my family. I am grateful for Oakley, he is a funny puppy and very loving. Jess is my dog. She is always there for me. She is so, so sweet and kind. When I am happy, she is happy. We had Jess since I was born.

Ariyah



I am grateful for lots of things, especially my nan. I really love my nan because she always makes me laugh and I want to cherish as much time as I can with her.

Jasper



I am grateful for my life and the things in it. I am grateful for my pets because my pets make me smile. They are crazy, for example my dog Maddy, because she plays with me. My cat, Cinnamon, makes me laugh. My guinea pigs, Bert and Ernie are so silly and my chicken, Lucy, gives me free eggs.

Marli



I am grateful for a lot of things in my life. I am grateful for my dog, Boss because when we go outside he comes and wants us to ride him so we ride him. After we ride him, we let him play with a ball.

Jacob

Opal



I am grateful for having a dog. I am also grateful to have a family because my family does everything for me. My family will love me for ever and ever, and will never stop loving me. I miss my Dad and my dog but I know they still love me.

Hollie



I am grateful for lots of things, especially my ipad. I am grateful that I can play games and grateful I can play with my friends using my ipad. I am grateful for my Mum and Dad and for all my family.

Archie



I am grateful for all the things I have, especially for the animals, because we need to protect them. They are beautiful.

Maddisyn



I'm grateful for everything. I love my dogs, Loki and Fen, because Loki has been with me for my whole life. Fen makes me laugh so much. I'm grateful for my life and Mum and Dad because they love me so, so much. I'm grateful for my brother Rye because he makes me funny. I especially love my horse because she sneezes on me. She lets me give her a kiss on the nose. She's special to me. I love my fish because it is so beautiful and it nibbles my fingers. I'm grateful for my house because it was where I was born. I'm grateful for myself.

Ada

Opal



I am very grateful. I am grateful for my family because I love them and they love me. I am grateful for my cat, Mitzy, because she is family to me. I am grateful for my dog, Evie, because she is family to me. I am grateful for all my cousins because they make me laugh. I am grateful for everything.

Cali



I am grateful for training both of my dogs. I am so grateful for my dogs and how well they train. I feed them and play with them, and I love my dogs.

Dan



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

ORDER NOW go to www.advancedlife.com.au and enter the code

VFE MCV QF9

Mathematics



It is essential that students have a scientific calculator in each maths lesson. We have brand new stock of the new Casio Fx82AUII Version 2 available at the office for \$30. These retail for approximately \$45 in stores.

It is the students' responsibility to be prepared for learning as calculators will NOT be loaned during assessment tasks.



Stage 4 Viking Assessment

As a part of our Stage 4 History assessment we had to create an artefact from the Viking era as well as a museum card to explain what it is and how it was used. It has been a very informative topic to learn. It was great fun to create our artefacts. By Eva Lucas and Allie Delaney.

Easter Egg Raffle



Year 12 are holding an Easter Egg Raffle as part of their fundraising. There are 10 prizes to be won and the winners will be drawn at the Primary Easter Hat Parade on Thursday 1st April. Tickets can be purchased from Year 12 students and primary students will have the opportunity to purchase tickets from the front of the Library at recess on Wednesday 17th and 24th March.

2021 NAPLAN

NAPLAN assesses literacy and numeracy – important skills that each child needs to succeed in school and life. The NAPLAN tests are designed to help us make sure students are on track with their literacy and numeracy development. Students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 participate in NAPLAN tests for reading, writing, conventions of language (spelling, grammar and punctuation) and numeracy.

Between 11th and 21st May, our school will participate in NAPLAN Online. Students do not need to be computer experts to take the NAPLAN test online. Making sure students have computer skills is part of our school curriculum, and our teachers will ensure your child is familiar with the online format. To see the types of questions and interactive features of NAPLAN Online, visit [the public demonstration site](#).

To help students become familiar with the platform students will be participating in a 45 minute practice test on 25th and 26th March.

We request that if possible students bring their own set of headphones to use during the tests.

If you have any questions about NAPLAN Online, please contact the school.

For more info:

[How to support your child during NAPLAN information for parents and carers](#)

[Watch a video that explains NAPLAN Online](#)

[Subscribe to ACARA's monthly parent newsletter, Parent Update](#)

Secondary Wellbeing Assembly

Secondary students have been working really hard this term. This was shown by the amount of award winners at our recent assembly which featured our Maths/PDHPE and Science/TAS faculties. It was also great to see so many students reaching bronze in our wellbeing levels. Our senior students are setting a great example with six students receiving silver level and Brinley Lewis reaching our gold level. Congratulations to all our winners.



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/>

Science & Engineering Challenge Day







Education

School Based Apprenticeships & Traineeships in NSW

What are School Based Apprenticeships and Traineeships and how do they work?

School Based Apprenticeships and Traineeships (SBATs) are a great way for you to get a head start on your career while still at school. SBATs are available to all Year 10, 11 and 12 high school students in NSW. By choosing to do an SBAT you can gain a nationally recognised qualification as part of your Higher School Certificate (HSC). This is achieved by combining part-time work with formal training at school, TAFE NSW or another Registered Training Organisation. There are a range of industry opportunities available, with over 200 SBAT qualifications to choose from!

DIGITAL PARENTS SHOWCASE

CONTENT FOR PARENTS TO HELP SUPPORT YOUR CHILD
MAKE INFORMED CAREER CHOICES!



TOPICS COVERED

- Industry trends/ jobs of the future
- Covid-19 impacts on industry
- Vocational Education and Training (VET) Options:
School -delivered VET, SBATs and EVET
- Apprenticeships / Traineeships
- TAFE / Private Training Providers
- Funding options available (Smart and Skilled)
- Useful resources and support services

**SKILLS AND
THRILLS**

A SHOW NOT TO BE MISSED!

WHAT: Free Digital Parent Showcase Video (30 minutes)- access online

WHEN: Available online from March 02nd to May 31st, 2021 **only**

WHERE: www.skillsone.com.au/digital-parents-showcase/



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... & get over it!**

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maths, science & design ...**

THEN THIS CAMP IS FOR YOU!

19, 20 & 21 April 2021

**A 3-day camp at Borambola for students in years 10, 11 & 12
who are interested in a career in Civil Engineering.**

Students compete in teams to design and build a real bridge, participate in hands-on workshops in laser levels, compaction testing, forces in equilibrium, spatial coordinates and surveying plus Borambola's great outdoor activities.

Entries open to all students in the REROC member council areas of Bland, Coolamon, Cootamundra-Gundagai, Greater Hume, Junee, Lockhart, Temora, Riverina Water (Wagga Wagga) and Goldenfields Water.

For more information or to obtain an application form,
see your school Career Advisor, call COMPACT on 02 69 319 300
or DM us at <https://www.facebook.com/compactwagga/>

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Community News

Coolamon Town Library

Old:New Exhibition

Currently there is a display in the Up-to-date Store adjacent to the Library called Old:New. Old:New is a curated museum exhibition featuring contemporary artworks created in response to items held in our regions museum collections. Artist Jordy Bos of Coolamon has her work on display featuring the Lamson Cash Carry System. Call into the Library – the exhibition is Free.

Storytime 2021

Our next Storytime session will be this Friday 19th March @ 10.30am theme – “Balloons”. Everyone is most welcomed to join us. This is a Covid safe event, phone the Library to book – 69272492.

Youth Week and April School Holiday Program

Lots on offer these school holidays with our Youth Week program and our School Holiday program. Some of the activities include: Rocking climbing, Youth and Kid Fest, Lego Fun morning, make a biscuit house, string kitty pencil holder. For further details, phone the library – 69272492.

Road and Safety Talk

The Library is hosting a talk on road rules and safety concerns. It will be presented by Karen Trethowan the Coolamon Shire Road and Safety Officer. It will be held on Tuesday, 30th March @ 10.30am, with morning tea provided. Everyone is most welcome.

Family History Group

Our local family history group is meeting at the Library, Saturday 27th March @10.15am. Enjoy family history – come along.

Service NSW Kiosk

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





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