Coonabarabran Public School
Newsletter Term 4 - Week 7 - 2014
Quality, affordable education for all students
19 November 2014

Stage 3 visit Warrumbungle Shire Council Chambers

On Tuesday 18th November, Stage 3 students walked to the Warrumbungle Shire Council Chambers in Coonabarabran to learn more about the structure of government and the services local government provides to citizens within the shire.

Whilst at the Council Chambers they met the General Manager, Mr Steve Loane and the Shire Mayor, Mr Peter Shinton.

Thank you to the staff of Warrumbungle Shire Council for taking the time and effort to show us how local government works.

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Cooking with Mr Lowe

Students in Mrs Kearney and Mrs Pincham’s class have a special treat each week where they enjoy a cooking class in the Staffroom with Mr Lowe.

This week’s dish was Caesar salad and coleslaw. The aroma wafting from the staffroom on Tuesday afternoon was delicious and all students enjoyed their meals. Mr Willoughby was lucky enough to be in the right place at time to enjoy some of their wonderful culinary fare as well!

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Stage 3 students will depart for Canberra on Monday 24th November.

During their time away, Stage 3 will visit the Australian War Memorial, Parliament House, the National Film and Sound Archive, the National Gallery of Australia and also the High Court of Australia. It will be a busy and interesting week!

The bus will leave the school from George St on Monday morning at 7:30am. Please be at the bus stop by 7:15am to get bags packed on the bus and ready for a prompt departure.

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We’re on the Web! View online at: www.coonabarab-p.schools.nsw.edu.au
Willoughby's Weekly Words

I would like to offer my personal congratulations to Johno, Brock, Evan, Harry, Madison, Tameka, Myah and Ellenah on their election as prefects for the 2015 school year. It is a great honour to be chosen by your peers for these positions and I'm sure you'll all do a wonderful job. By next week the process for deciding captains and vice-captains for next year will be completed. I wish all the candidates all the best for that part of the process of choosing our next school leaders.

I'd like to thank everybody who raised money in this year's Walkathon. It was a great final result and a credit to all who contributed. The money raised will provide benefits to all who are involved in sport here. Once again thankyou for your efforts.

musica viva in schools

For: All students K - 6
When: Thursday 27th November 2014
Where: Coonabarabran Primary School Hall
Cost: $4.00 per student

This unique world music ensemble blends traditional vocal and instrument repertoire from many countries with modern jazz improvisation. The resulting fusion, coupled with Mara Kiek's extraordinary voice, has thrilled audiences and brought acclaim from critics and music lovers around the world.

During this term our students have been learning the songs that will be performed by Mara! at this concert. This is meeting the learning outcomes in the syllabus for rhythm, beat, tempo and tone.

What's on at CPS?

17 - 19 Nov: Captains Speeches
Fri 21 Nov: 2015 Captains announced
24 - 28 Nov: Stage 3 Canberra excursion
Thurs 27 Nov: Musica Viva - Introducing Mara!
1 - 12 Dec: Intensive Swimming
Mon 8 Dec: Year 6 Pool Party
Tues 9 Dec: Combined Scripture
Thurs 11 Dec: Year 6 Farewell Social
Mon 15 Dec: Awards Night

Library News

This term has been a very busy time in our school library. All classes have been revising and updating their library skills on how to use a library to find information in both the fiction and non fiction sections of the library.

Stage 3 have been busily learning everything they can about Canberra, our nation's capital city, in preparation for their up coming excursion to Canberra in Week 8 of this term.

Lunch times in the library is getting increasingly popular with the warmer weather. At lunch time, children can enjoy drawing, colouring or reading for pleasure the many books we have and magazines or playing our new board games and card games or merely popping in and having a chat with friends and Mrs Meyers.

The last issue of Book Club for 2014 was sent home with students this week and it has many great gift ideas for Christmas. Book Club will be due back to the front office no later than Friday 5th December.

In week 9 and 10 of this term the Library will have its annual stocktake of resources so please start checking all those spots at home for any books you may have and return them as soon as possible.

Until next time ... Happy Reading!!!

Canteen News

Super sweet corn cob - $1.00
Remember to bring your loyalty card and get it signed for every sandwich purchased.

Personal Best Award

Max Foster

has received the Personal Best Award for the following reasons . . .

Max is an enthusiastic and confident worker who always tries to do his best.

He gets along well with others and is always willing to assist in the classroom and in the playground.

He has made exceptional progress this year in all learning areas and is persistent with tasks even if they are tricky.

He is a thoughtful, friendly and a pleasure to teach.

Congratulations Max!
Early Stage 1 & Stage 1 Assembly Awards

KH: Jack Harris  * Improved handwriting.
KH: Jasmine Watton  * Improved writing.
KS: Maddison Wightley  * Always getting along with others.
KS: Amelia Rayner  * Fantastic efforts in reading.
1A: Tahni Bowmaker  * Great work in Maths.
1A: Elana Tuapu  * Trying hard with all work.
1E: Samuel Johnson  * His beautiful ‘Truffula Trees’ artwork.
1E: TJ Matakitika  * Improved behaviour in the classroom.
2t: Emily Hoffman  * For always doing her best and helping others.
2t: Austin Alberts  * Always being a five-star student.
2t: Jack Foster  * Always working hard and being a five-star student.
2N: Logan Fyfe  * His fabulous writing about ‘My Perfect Day’.
2N: Keizer Wood  * His consistent effort and behaviour in class.

3R/H: Deon Andrews  * Excellent improvement in reading.
3R/H: Morgan Ryan  * Improvement in Spelling Mastery.
3R/H: Shaﬁn Salim  * Always displaying lovely manners.
3R/H: Toralee Watters  * Learning to be resilient!
3/4H: Elian Bowmaker  * Consistent effort in all subjects.
3/4H: Fred Kearney  * Brilliant poem about his family.
3/4H: Lewis Fuller  * Showing resilience in maths even when it is difficult.
4M: Charley Isedale  * Writing a great narrative poem about himself.
4M: Garth Jackson  * His enthusiasm when singing ‘I Am We Are Australian’.
4M: Clove Hippisley  * Being a proud young Aussie.
4M: Adyele Ensor  * Being resilient when editing her own writing.
4/5A: Caleb Smith  * Being aware of his responsibilities.
4/5A: Heidi Thompson  * Always being resilient.
4/5A: Charli Griffiths  * For always having a go at whatever is asked of her.
4/5A: Haylee Kuras  * For easily settling back into class routines.
5/6A: Finlay McElhinney  * Progressing by two levels in Spelling Mastery.
5/6A: Jessica Bandman  * Progressing by two levels in Spelling Mastery.
5/6A: Jemma Tilborgs  * Artistic efforts in her Sidney Nolan painting.
5/6A: Summer Ensor  * Writing about her trip to see the Mona Lisa in great detail.
5/6C: Evan Suller  * Showing resilience ... and conclusion.
5/6C: Hannah Meier  * Fantastic results in the end of year testing.
5/6C: Amy Harris  * Being very helpful with the class pets.
5/6W: Jez Brown  * Being more resilient.
5/6W: Amanda Cherry  * Always trying hard in Maths.
5/6W: Hayley Duncan  * Being a wonderful helper for KH in computers.

Stage 2 & Stage 3 Assembly Awards

Personal Best Award

Thomas Lawson

has received the Personal Best Award for the following reasons ...

Thomas is a quiet and diligent worker who always tries to do his best.
He has been persistent in all learning areas this year and enjoys reading in morning learning centres.
Tom is an organised worker who listens to instructions and completes tasks with a minimum of fuss.
He is a thoughtful, friendly and courteous young man who is a pleasure to teach.

Congratulations Tom!

Personal Best Award

Makayla Thomas

has received the Personal Best Award for the following reasons ...

Makayla is a very hard working student who is showing huge improvements in her reading and writing. She always completes her work neatly, taking pride not only in all work, but in how she wears her uniform to school.

Makayla always treats others with respect and is often helping to care for others when they are upset.

Makayla is very deserving of this Personal Best Award.
Strive to Achieve
Robbie Flaitas
has received the Strive to Achieve Award for the following reasons ...
Robbie has been an outstanding member of 3/4H all year, he always attempts any challenge in and out of class with a positive attitude and smile that cannot be ignored. He is a very mature and respectful student who other students in the class can look up to as a role model and a friend when they feel down. Robbie demonstrates our school’s five keys for success every day and his teachers think he is a pleasure to have in their class. Robbie you should be very proud of this award as you “Strive to Achieve” your full potential at Coonabarabran Public School.
Congratulations and very well done!

Strive to Achieve
Harry Willoughby
has received the Strive to Achieve Award for the following reasons ...
Harry is a polite and confident class member who tries hard to complete all tasks. He takes pride in his school work and it is always presented beautifully. Harry consistently strives to achieve to the best of his ability whether it be in the classroom or out on the sporting field and he has had some great successes so far this year.
Harry gets along well with his classmates and teachers. He works well in all situations and is keen and conscientious, always aiming to please! Harry is a great role model for his peers and I really enjoy teaching him in 5/6C.
Keep up the fantastic work, Harry!

Aim for Excellence
Matthew Wood
has received the Strive to Achieve Award for the following reasons ...
Matthew is a well-mannered and delightful student who works hard and always gives 100% to all tasks in class, even if at first the task seems challenging. Matthew is willing to try. He is a courteous student with a very positive attitude to school and is always polite and cooperative to his teachers. He is a kind and caring student who will always help fellow students in and out of the classroom to make our school a better place. Matthew has a sharp eye for something out of place and can always be relied upon to put something back in its place or pick up a mess. He can even be found picking up rubbish on the way back from the pool.
Congratulations, Matthew on receiving your Strive to Achieve Award and for making our school such a great place!

Aim for Excellence
Anikan Evans
has received the Strive to Achieve Award for the following reasons ...
Anikan is a very quiet achiever in all his classes. He consistently works with enthusiasm and dedication for all his teachers and himself. Anikan is a student who always follows the five keys of our school. He is able to participate happily in any activity and work towards achieving the goal. He always cooperates with students and his teachers demonstrating respect at all times. Anikan is a very reliable student. In order to enhance his learning Anikan is often working on a project outside school. Sometimes these have been shared with the class and have been thoroughly enjoyed. All your teachers are very excited about you receiving this award Anikan, as you deserve to be recognised for your commitment to your education. Well done and congratulations on receiving your Aiming for Excellence.

Aim for Excellence
Anna Goard
has received the Strive to Achieve Award for the following reasons ...
Anna is a mature and reliable student who consistently sets a great example for her peers.
She has shown great leadership skills through her role as a Prefect and it is always a pleasure to work with her.
Anna works hard in all subjects and achieves great results.
She always displays the best possible manners and is a wonderful helper in all situations.
Anna is a model student and one that will be sadly missed when she goes to High School next year.
Congratulations, Anna and thank you for everything that you contribute to our school!

Aim for Excellence
Tessa Smith
has received the Aiming for Excellence Award for the following reasons ...
Tessa is a mature young lady that respects her peer and teachers at all times. She is the perfect role model and acts appropriately in all situations. Tessa is a confident student that puts in all her effort in all tasks. In every aspect of school Tessa is persistent and shows great resilience to not give up and keep trying.
She is always engaged and has a keen interest to learning new things. Tessa is a friendly student that will always help her peers and teachers. It is impressive to see Tessa constantly following the school rules. Tessa has a brilliant attitude towards school and a beautiful and bubbly personality.
Be proud of your achievement Tessa, you deserve it! Congratulations
This term our Year 5’s have been studying Government and are really excited to be going to Canberra to see how the Federal Parliament works, not to mention all the fun things organised for us.

We have been busy looking at how laws are passed and how elections are held, as well as how the two houses of parliament work to pass bills to make laws.

The Year 4’s have been studying different soils, rocks and landscapes in their Science Unit.

Our class has been participating in and following the Prefects elections. We have been learning about preferential voting as part of our work on Government.

Class art lesson have been centred around Australian art, and the works we are likely to see at the National Gallery. We have completed caricatures of past Prime Ministers, worked on Sidney Nolan’s Ned Kelly and painted Aboriginal art works.

Notes have recently gone home for the intensive swimming lessons. Please return these as soon as possible.

We are looking forward to a very busy end of year!!

Class Focus: 4/5A

Mr Adam
Key points to remember around schools

8. 40km/h school zones

The 40km/h school zone slows traffic in the vicinity of the school.

Most 40km/h school zones operate between 8:00am and 9:30am and from 2:30pm till 4:00pm. The 40km/h school zone speed limit must be observed even if the school children cannot be seen.

A 40km/h school zone operates on all gazetted school days, including staff development days (pupil free days).

While some schools may operate on different term dates, school zone speed limits MUST be adhered to during NSW Government determined school terms.

Dragon’s teeth road markings

To increase motorists’ awareness of 40km/h school zones, triangular dragon’s teeth road marking indicate that the vehicle is entering a school zone.

For more information about fines and demerit points - visit rms.nsw.gov.au

This road safety information has been distributed by the NSW Government - Transport for NSW - Centre for Road Safety, and is the seventh in a series of articles published in recent school newsletters.

Centacare from Dubbo is presenting a program called “Acting Out” which is designed for primary school students and their parents. The presentations are delivered by Centacare’s trained facilitators and have been made available to schools in the Warrumbungle Shire under the government’s drought assistance package that supports families and relationships.

This programme is designed for both students and parents to receive the most up to date information on anti-bullying strategies and cyber safety. For Kindergarten, Years 1 and 2 students the programme has a strong emphasis on making friends, kindness and being a good friend. These strategies assist the students build resilience and support an anti-bullying culture.

The sessions for Years 3, 4, 5, & 6 assist students to understand what constitutes bullying and has the students undertaking role plays to reinforce strategies to deal with bullying. This year the programme also highlights the powerful role of the bystanders. In addition for the Year 5 & 6 and 7 & 8 students we explore how to use social media such as the internet and mobile phones in a fun but safe way.

Parents are invited to a session that provides an overview of the strategies with an emphasis on the current research on cybersafety. Session times will be provided in next week’s newsletter.

Consent

This School Relationship Program is provided with the assistance of the Australian Government’s Drought Assistance Program.

Consent

To be able to provide this program we are required to seek consent to record attendance numbers. This information is not used for any other purpose.

First Name: __________________________
Last Name: __________________________
Date of Birth: ___/___/_____
(Parent) Signature for consent: __________________________
Remembrance Day
11th November 2014

Attention all Family, Friends and School Associates of Mrs. Moss’ Music Students

You are Invited to our End of Year Recital Wednesday 3rd December 2014
SDA Church Hall Cassillis Street Coonabarabran
Beginning at 4:00 pm Followed by Afternoon Tea
(Contributions of finger food and drink are gratefully received)

Friday Sport

Sport this Friday is as follows:

- a bus will transport **Stage 3 students** to the Town Oval for Tennis and Basketball.
- some **Stage 3 students** will stay on school grounds and play cricket.
- **Stage 3 students** who chose walking will go to the Showground and then onto the Cross Country Course near Reservoir Street and the Racecourse.

**All students** will need to wear a hat and bring a water bottle. Sunscreen will be provided.

- **All Stage 2 students** will go to the Coonabarabran Town Pool for swimming. These students will need to bring swimmers, a towel, a hat, a long sleeved shirt or rashie and sunscreen. Entry into the town pool is also required, either by way of a Season Ticket number or the pool entry fee of $3.00.
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Hats, Jumpers & Coats
Email your purchase request to:
coonapsuniform@gmail.com
including your child’s name and class. An invoice will be sent by return email and items sent home with your child.
Sally Turner
0422 981 199

Coonabarabran Town Bus Service
Free for
Kindergarten, Year 1 & Year 2
Available to all students in the town limits.
Primary students have conditions applied depending on distance travelled.
Cost $1 per day if ineligible for free travel.
More info: 6842 2783

Coonabarabran After School Care
3.15 - 5.30pm Monday - Friday
At St Lawrence’s School
Coonabarabran Public School students can catch the Rocky Glen bus. You could pay as little as $8.50 per day with CCB. You only pay the gap. Check your CCB subsidy by ringing 130150
Enrol at Family Support Services Centre
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For all your school uniform needs
From hats to socks, backpacks and shoes.
Shop 3/48 Dalgarno St
Phone: 6842 1670

Join Little Athletics this summer!
Register online now at
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Information pack available from
Sole Impression on John Street
at the Coonabarabran
High School Oval
Fridays at 3:45pm
Contact Simone: 0429 421 438
for more information

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Coonabarabran Amateur Swimming Club
Training Times: Monday & Wednesday evenings between 6:00 - 7:00pm
Time Trials: Every second Friday between 6:00 - 7:00pm
Cost: Season Ticket required
Club Fees: Single - $50.00
Family - $80.00
NSW Swin Australia fees to be paid online.

Coonabarabran Physical Culture Club
Fun, Fitness and Friendship
Classes on Thursday afternoons & evenings for ages 3 through to Ladies
Contact: Leanne McWhirter
Phone: 0439 833 832

Coonabarabran Pony Club
Combined Training & One Day Event
13th & 14th December
Entries online at: www.nominate.com.au
Christmas Rally
Sunday 7th December 2014
Lucy Evans
Phone: 6842 3636

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