The Walkathon

Friday was a very hot afternoon for our annual Walkathon. Despite the heat, our students participated enthusiastically and were rewarded for their efforts on their way around the course by a gentle spray of water from teachers posted at various locations.

The Walkathon raises money for school sports equipment and subsidises bus travel to sporting events throughout the year. Thank you to all the parents, grandparents, siblings, friends and neighbours who have supported the Walkathon.

Students will now be collecting their pledged donations and bringing it to school.

The Walkathon assembly will be held on Friday 14th November where class and individual prizes will be awarded.

Uh Oh Tony!

On Thursday students from Year 1 to Year 6 walked down to the Youth Club to watch a performance called Uh Oh Tony. It was a show about friendship and how we all need best friends.

All students thoroughly enjoyed the show with lots of laughs and audience participation.
Willoughby’s Weekly Words

We recently started the process of finding our student leaders for next year. I’ve heard eight 2015 prefect candidate speeches as I write this and the standard has been most pleasing. I wish all the candidates well. There is no doubt the school will have excellent student leaders for next year given the quality of the people from whom the students have to choose.

If you have a student in Year 5 this year and would like him/her to be considered for placement in a selective high school (including the Virtual Selective Schools Class at Coona High) in 2016 please take the time to read the information provided by the Department’s High Performing Students Unit in this newsletter. Applications need to be completed on line no later than 17-11-14. Please contact me here at the school if you have any questions on this.

As a little thank you to our Stage 3 students who are on Level 1, we will be venturing to Neilson Park for lunch on Friday 7th November. We will leave school at 12:30pm and return to school at 1:30pm. Students will need to bring a packed lunch to enjoy at the park and may also like to bring something to share among friends.

Level 1 Activities

Early Bird dates for your calendar

11th Nov: Last Early Birds with Presentation Assembly at 11:45am
Parent sessions - 9:00 - 9:30am
11th Nov: Getting ready for school

Please contact us if you have any questions.

What’s on at CPS?

3 - 6 Nov: Prefect Speeches at morning assemblies
Tues 4 Nov: CHS students visit Year 6 at CPS
Tues 4 Nov: Australian Folklore Performance at CPS
Wed 5 Nov: Year 6 Maths Transition activities at CPS
Fri 7 Nov: Prefect Elections
Fri 7 Nov: Level 1 activities
Mon 10 Nov: 2015 Prefects announced
Fri 14 Nov: Walkathon Assembly
Fri 14 Nov: Year 6 Science Day at High School

Thinking of applying for a government selective high school for Year 7 entry in 2016?

You must apply online at www.schools.nsw.edu.au/displacement

Key dates

Tuesday 14 October 2014 Application website open
Monday 17 November 2014 Application website closes
Thursday 26 February 2015 Test centre advice
Thursday 12 March 2015 Selective High School Placement Test
Early July 2015 Outcome advice

There is more information at www.schools.nsw.edu.au/displacement

to the families who have sent in outgrown uniforms for the Sick Bay. Your contributions are very helpful!

This week’s special!
Quiche & Salad is back on the menu … only $5.00

Banana milk has been discontinued from the Moove range. Chocolate and Strawberry Moove are still available - $2.00. We have Banana U&Go Milk which also comes in Strawberry, Chocolate and Vanilla.

Coonabarabran Public School
Newell Highway, PO Box 169
COONABARABRAN NSW 2357
Ph: 6842 1771 Fax: 6842 2416
email: coonabarab-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au
On Wednesday afternoon students from Year 2 to 6 had the opportunity to be entertained by Mr Cafe who presented many items an Australian folklore. The show began with some Aboriginal legends and then moved to songs and music from the early settlement. Tales of sheep shearing were presented as some students were able to “shear” some sheep. Swagmen appeared with more students able to dress a swagman with his billy, hat, pipe, tucker bag and swag. A poem about bushrangers was recited and the show concluded with more folklore of WW1 soldiers, surf life savers, bushfire fighters and farmers. We are very grateful to Mr Cafe for travelling to our school to present his show.

Stage 2 & Stage 3 Assembly Awards

3R/H:  Tully Andrews
3R/H:  Sam Bowman
3R/H:  Shafin Salm
3R/H:  Toralee Watters
3R/H:  Toralee Watters
3R/H:  Jessie Newton
3R/H:  Jack Rutland-Davey
3/4H:  Fred Kearney
3/4H:  Jet-Ricky Thomas
3/4H:  Declan Eshman
4M:    Shaun Thompson
4M:    Corbin Wall
4M:    Matt Wood
4M:    Kiana Wortley Cain-Cronin
4/5A:  Lachlan Sutherland
4/5A:  Brenna Kennedy
4/5A:  Jordan Dicks
4/5A:  Yooey Jackson
4/5A:  Anikan Evans
4/5A:  Mark Johnson-Taylor
5/6A:  Jemma Tilborgs
5/6A:  Hayden McDonald
5/6A:  Jezeemiah Brown
5/6W:  Summer Singh
3/6P:  Jayde Dumas

- For showing great ‘Organisational’ skills in class.
- For trying really hard in maths lessons.
- For always showing a wonderful attitude towards his work.
- For her increasing ‘Resilience’ shown throughout the day.
- Displaying beautiful manners at all times.
- Trying hard in Maths.
- Excellent reading progress. Well done!
- Improved handwriting in all subjects.
- Improved handwriting in all areas of schooling.
- Always being organised for every lesson.
- Being organised and ready on time.
- Cleaning up all the paint brushes.
- Being a positive promising poet writing alliteration poems.
- Trying hard in Maths.
- His great caricature of Prime Minister Abbott.
- Always being organised.
- Excellent reading skills.
- Great spelling test results.
- Being SUPER organised in class.
- Working creatively and carefully in Art.
- Being helpful with class displays.
- Making a confident start to Coonabarabran Public School.
- Always being organised with his belongings.
- Always being a lovely class member.
- Trying hard in testing.

Strive to Achieve

Tashani Clarke
has received the Strive to Achieve Award for the following reasons ...

Tashani is a confident, organised and hard-working student. She consistently puts in 110% effort in all her tasks and outside the classroom. Tashani has a positive and brilliant attitude.

She gets along well with her peers and is willing to help others. Tashani is confident in trying new things and is always having a go. She follows the school’s rule and demonstrated the Five Keys to Success at all times.

Tashani is a beautiful role model for her peers and she should be proud of her efforts she has made as a student at Coonabarabran Public School.

Congratulations Tashani!

Heaven-Leigh McAway Davis
has received the Strive to Achieve Award for the following reasons ...

Heaven-Leigh is well behaved and always follows class and school rules.

She has a positive attitude to work. She settles quickly and works efficiently until she completes tasks. She produces work at a high standard.

She is organised and works with confidence.

Heaven-Leigh is a pleasure to teach.
Friday Sport

Normal sport will resume this Friday with a bus transporting Stage 3 students to the Town Oval for Tennis and Basketball. Some Stage 3 students will walk to the Coonabarabran Bowling Club for Lawn Bowls and some students will play cricket and stay on school grounds.

Stage 3 students who chose walking as their preferred activity will walk 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.

A once in a lifetime opportunity to be at Gallipoli next Anzac Day

You can win a trip for two to Istanbul and Gallipoli in April 2015 by visiting the Australia in the Great War Facebook and just clicking to enter.

Competition closes 11 November 2014.

Anzac Day 2015 will be a special time as we commemorate 100 years since the Gallipoli landing and being there will be an amazing experience.

www.facebook.com/AustraliaGreatWar

AGW is proudly supporting the life changing work of Soldier On, a charity dedicated to helping today’s service men and women wounded, emotionally and physically, in places like Afghanistan and Iraq. Every sale contributes to our Dollars for Diggers program which goes directly to Soldier On.

Your child’s safety depends on you.

6. Driving and parking safely near the school

School opening and closing hours are busy times for pedestrian and vehicular traffic outside the school. Always take extra care in 40km/h school zones, which operate on gazetted school days.

Parking safely even if it means walking further to the school gate.

Observe all parking signs. They are planned with children’s safety in mind.

NEVER double park as it puts children at risk.

Model safe and considerate behaviour for your child - they will learn from you.

Slow down near the school crossing.

At a supervised crossing, observe the directions of the school crossing supervisor.

Always park and turn legally around the school. Avoid dangerous manoeuvres such as U-turns and three-point turns.

Always give way to pedestrians particularly when entering and leaving driveways.

Avoid parking across the school driveway or the entrance to the school car park.

Using your school’s drop off and pick up facility will help keep all children as safe as possible during the busiest times of the school day.

Avoid parking in or near the school bus bay.

This road safety information has been distributed by the NSW Government - Transport for NSW - Centre for Road Safety, and is the fifth in a series of articles published in recent school newsletters.
Class Focus: 3/4H

This term 3/4H has, like always, started off very busily with students learning a variety of skills that they will use throughout their schooling lives.

One new skill that we have been focusing on this term is self-editing. Students have practiced writing, editing, and correcting their own work. Students create a piece of writing and when it is finished, before bringing it to me, students reread it and try to find and correct any spelling and grammatical errors.

Over the past three weeks students have grown in confidence each time they read and correct their own work.

This term in science students are exploring how natural processes and human activity shape their surroundings. Students’ understanding of soils, rocks and landscapes is developed through fun and engaging experiments which we are conducting in class each week.
Hannah and Birdwood Royalty
Inter-Schools Horse Extravaganza
Tamworth - 18 to 20 October 2014

When I went to ISHE I did Hacking, Sporting, Jumping and Dressage. I got three ribbons. In one arena you had to go one-handed. I can’t remember which one.

I got to ride in the indoor arena. It was so big. My stable was C205. We had to have a code to get in the gate at AELEC.

We had pizza on the first night and it took half an hour.

Hannah Evans, IA

---

Rewarding regular savings with precious prizes.

The Dollarmites have uncovered the ancient Clam of Fortune. Inside they found these amazing prizes that you could win a share of:

- 40 x GoPro HERO3 White Edition Cameras
- 150 x Slip ‘N Slide Double Wave Riders

Here’s how to win

Every deposit you make with School Banking will automatically enter you into the competition. The more you save, the more chances you have to win (up to a maximum of 6 entries).


To find out more, visit commbank.com.au/deepseasavers

---

international FEAST
celebrating our community

It’s on again!
Come and enjoy fantastic food
& a great atmosphere

FRIDAY
14 NOVEMBER 2014

Time: from 6pm
Where: Coonabarabran High School
Cost: $5/serve - gets you a serve of fabulous food from any of the stalls.

---

Warrumbungle Shire Council and Warrumbungle Community Care invite you to come and be a part of our

2014 COONABARABRAN HEALTH & COMMUNITY SERVICES EXPO

Come and browse through the displays and ask questions of our many and varied Service Providers.

Organisations attending include:
- Community Care
- NSW Meals on Wheels
- Occupational Therapist
- Human Services
- Community Options
- Carers NSW
- ACAT Aged Care Team
- Flagstaff Foods
- Road Safety Officer
- Australian Hearing
- Community Nurses
- Dementia Services
- Respite Services
- & MANY MORE

Wednesday 12th November, 2014
Town Hall, John Street, Coonabarabran
9:30am - 2:00pm

All welcome. Come along. Bring a friend.

For more information, call Warrumbungle Community Care on 6849 2200 or 6378 5130.