Our School’s Anti-Bullying Program

On Friday students from our school participated in the National Anti-Bullying Day. All students took part in discussions on what bullying is, and why it is not allowed in our school.

Children then created a collage of hands displaying the names of people in our school community they respect. Our school and the greater community are enforcing a bully-free zone.

Students participated with enthusiasm and are showing a greater understanding of this topic. Our school is developing programs in the PD/H/PE KLA that relate to the iki principles already followed in our school. This program includes anti-bullying practices. Our students will also be introduced to a kid’s helpline where they can seek assistance in a non-judgmental environment.

The lines of communication need to be kept open. If your child is experiencing any difficulties at school, please encourage them to tell their teacher or Mr Willoughby at the time of the issue so potential problems can be dealt with promptly or avoided.

View online at: www.coonabarabran-school.nsw.edu.au
**Willoughby’s Weekly Words**

I was fortunate to watch our school’s best rugby league players display their talents against the best public school players in the southern part of our north-west area at Gunnedah on Monday. All displayed ability and sportsmanship on a day where conditions for football were less than ideal because of the heat. At the end of the day congratulations went to Darcy Clifton, Fergus Atkinson and Brad Fuller who won selection in the next level of trials to be held in the not too distant future.

I also wish to congratulate all those who entered our Science Fair this year. From what I’ve seen I’d say the quality of the entries has made life difficult for the judges. Well done to all those who made the effort to be involved.

Next week Darcy Clifton, Charley Isdale and Arky Gilson-Wakeling head to Sydney to compete against the best swimmers in N.S.W. at the State Swimming Trials. I hope the three of you enjoy the Sydney experience and wish you all the best in your races.

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**Library News**

It’s nearly the end of Term 2. Please make sure you return your library books before the end of the term.

The Scholastic Book Fair will be on in Term 2. Start saving!!

Mrs Meyers

More details about the Book Fair in next term’s newsletter.

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**Canteen News**

This week’s special

**MacaBol** - $2.50

Macaroni with a bolognese sauce.

The Canteen is needing help on Wednesdays between 10:30am and 1:30pm and on Fridays between 9:00 and 10:30am for fruit duty. If you have the time available, please call into the canteen and let them know when you can help.

Thank you!

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**P&CNews**

Thankyou to all parents and carers who donated cakes, slices, biscuits and sandwiches for the Grandparents Day morning tea. Everyone enjoyed your delicious food and had a wonderful day with their grandchildren.

Raffle tickets for the Easter Egg raffle have been sent home with your youngest child. Tickets are $0.50 each and the raffle will be drawn on Thursday 10th April 2014. More raffle tickets are available from the Primary School Office.

Donations of Easter eggs, baskets and volunteer help are needed and appreciated. Your donation will be gratefully accepted at the school office or canteen. If we all contribute a little, we can make it a monster raffle!

The Bunny Bazaar stall will be running again this year. It’s on Saturday 19th April and we will be selling Showbags and Luckydips. Your help is needed and appreciated. Contact Sallie Turner on 0422 981 199.

The next P&C meeting will be held on Monday 19th May 2014 @ 6.30pm at Gecko Red Restaurant. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to come along.

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**What’s on at CPS?**

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**Young People and the Law**

On Monday 7th April, between 12:10pm and 1:05pm, students in Year 6 will have the opportunity to attend a presentation at Coonabarabran High School. The session will also include Coonabarabran High School students and St Lawrence School students.

The presentation will be provided by the Aboriginal Legal Service and our Regional Police Liaison Officer.

This interactive session will focus upon relevant legal issues and the consequences of law breaking. Topics covered will include bullying, cyber-bullying, assault, drugs and alcohol.

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**Early Stage 1 and Stage 1 Assembly Awards**

**KH:**
- Brianna Watton
- Jasmine Watton
- Luke McLean
- Thomas Lawson

**KS:**
- Ryan Little
- Klancy Owers
- Lakiah Chatfield
- Dean Mills

**1A:**
- Joshua Cummins
- Dainton Kuras
- Tilly McKernan
- Tahni Bowmaker

**1E:**
- Sharmyra Gall
- Travis Varty
- Jolyon Somerville
- TJ Matakitoga

**2i:**
- Austin Alberts
- Piper Walker

**2N:**
- Darcy Weatherall
- Kiera Walker
- Keizer Wood
- Josie Strong

- Being a confident and enthusiastic learner.
- Writing a great sentence about bullies.
- Trying hard in independent writing.
- His lovely manners in class.

- Being persistent with his writing.
- Being a responsible class member.
- Being a confident and enthusiastic learner.
- Always getting along with others.

- Trying hard to make his writing neat.
- Concentrating very hard during Spelling Mastery lessons.
- Writing more each week.
- Consistent effort in writing lessons.

- Consistently bringing in homework.
- For writing a great weekend recount.
- For being a quiet, independent worker.
- For a five-star effort in his snake words book.

- For fantastic spelling.
- Beautiful neat work all the time.

- Persistence with Multiplication.
- Persistence with Multiplication.
- Persistence with listening manners.
- Persistence with writing tasks.

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**Crazy Scientists**

- **Wednesday the 9th of April**
- **Come dressed as a crazy scientist**
- **Will require a gold coin donation**
- **Great prizes to be given away**

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**ANZAC Day 2014**

Students are invited and encouraged to attend the ANZAC Day Service that will be held at the Clock Tower on Friday 25th April.

This commemorative day will occur in the school holidays however our school will have representation there.

Students who wish to participate in this important ceremony are to meet Mrs Kearney in the carpark behind the Shire Hall building at 10:30am on Friday 25th April.

Students are to wear their full summer school uniform, including the school hat. A school jumper is permitted if the weather is cool.

Students will march to the Clock Tower for the ANZAC Day Service and then march back to the Shire Hall at its conclusion.
Dear Parents,

We will be photographing your school on Thursday 3rd April 2014. You will receive a flyer/envelope for each of your children explaining the products available. Please ensure that each child returns his/her own envelope even if payment is made in the eldest child's envelope. Envelopes are not to be placed inside other envelopes.

Students are to bring envelopes on or preferably before Photo Day.

We have an auto-mated system for payments by credit card. You can go online to www.advancedlife.com.au for easy to understand payment instructions. You will receive a receipt number which MUST be written on the order envelope in the space provided. You can also make payments by cash, cheque or money order.

Sibling Photos are also available for students at the school. Please collect a "family order envelope" from your school & return it to the office.

Please don't hesitate to contact us if you have any queries.

We look forward to seeing all your smiling faces!

Your Team from Advanced Life Photography

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Easter Kid's Club

When: Friday 11th April
Time: Commencing at 3:15pm
Where: Presbyterian Church

The Easter Kid's Club for students in Years K - 6 will be held on Friday 11th April.

Students will walk, with supervision provided by the Presbyterian Church, from school to the church for games and friendship between 3:15pm to 5:00pm. Families are invited to join the activities between 5:00 and 6:00pm for a free barbecue.

Permission notes are available from the Primary School office. Parents should complete the permission note and give it to the Kid's Club coordinator on the afternoon.

For more information, contact: Kristian Hartberg on 0420 550 573

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Stage 3 students will visit the Coonabarabran Bakery on Tuesday 8th April to learn about breadmaking as part of their Science topic on micro-organisms.

Students will walk from school to the bakery at 9:15am and return to school at recess time.

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Looming for Level 1

All students in Years 3-6 who are on Level 1 will be rewarded with an afternoon of 'Looming' on Thursday the 10th of April.

Students are asked to bring along their looming supplies to enjoy in the classroom.

Some supplies will be available from classroom teachers for those students who do not have their own.

In advance, CPS would like to thank all of the students who are on Level 1. It's great to see a majority of our school following the 5 Keys!

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This Friday's Sport

Sport for Stage 3 students will be held at the town pool this Friday.

Students will go to the pool between 1:40pm and 3:00pm.

Students must return their general permission notes to be able to participate.

Students will also need to bring $2.50 or Season Ticket number, a hat, sunscreen, towel and swimming costume.
Every day is a busy day for students in 4/5A. In the mornings we have Literacy and Spelling Mastery groups and enjoy our "Crunch and Sip" time midmorning. After recess we are all off to exercise our Mathematical brains before spending time playing with our friends at lunch.

This term we are studying Antarctica and researching the famous explorers of Antarctica. Here are some interesting facts about Antarctic explorers ...

- Roald Amundsen was the first person to reach the South Pole.
- Robert Scott led two expeditions to the South Pole. He was the second person to reach the Pole.
- James Weddell explored Antarctica. The Weddell Sea and the Weddell Seal are named after him.
- Douglas Mawson was an Australian who went on an ill-fated expedition. He survived by walking 160km across the Antarctic. He was the first to set up communications from Antarctica to the rest of the world.
- Ernest Shackleton was a British man who tried to get to the South Pole many times.

We have also been collecting some truly amazing facts that we would like to share with you.

- Antarctica is the coldest, windiest place on Earth.
- There are no land mammals, (so no polar bears).
- Winter has a six-week period of complete darkness.
- Summer has 24 hours of daylight each day.
- It has 70% of all the fresh water in the world, and 90% of the ice.
- The ice is 5km deep at its thickest point.

We also hope you enjoy our penguin jokes.

Q1: What do penguins wear on their heads?
Q2: Why do penguins carry fish in their beaks?
Q3: Who is a penguin’s favourite popstar?
Q4: What is a penguin’s favourite game?
Crazy Scientist Day
Wednesday 9th April 2014

Students from K-6 will be participating in a variety of hands-on science activities after recess on Wednesday 9th April. Students will rotate through three activities designed to develop their scientific thinking.

A combined assembly will be held at 2:30pm on this day in the School Hall for the presentation of the Science Fair prizes and certificates.

2014 Biennial Science Fair

Congratulations to all the budding student-scientists who put in an entry into the science fair. The judges were impressed by your efforts! It was a difficult decision to judge and choose the best entries but winners had to be chosen.

The First Biennial RecyclART Exhibition was popular, with many creative artworks entered. The premise was to use recycled and unwanted things and turn it into an artwork reflecting this year’s theme: Space and Astronomy.

At the time of printing, the results for both the Science Fair and the RecyclART Exhibition were not finalised, so the results will be available in next week’s newsletter.

We invite all parents and visitors to come and have a look at the amazing efforts of our students in our school hall. The hall is open every afternoon for viewing until 4:00pm on Friday 4th April. There will be an opportunity for you to vote for who you think deserves to receive the People’s Choice Award.

We thank the sponsors and judges for their contribution of time, resources and prizes. Thank you to all parents and community members who have helped out, given feedback and supported our Science Fair this year.

A little reminder about the CRAZY SCIENTIST DAY next Wednesday. To wrap up a wonderfully scientifimological school term, students will be encouraged to come to school dressed as a crazy scientist (for a gold coin donation). Prizes will be awarded to the best dressed characters. This day will involve some science based activities from recess onwards and will culminate with a special assembly at 2:20pm to award the Science Fair, RecyclART and best dressed winners.

‘The scientist is not a person who gives the right answers; he or she is one who asks the right questions.’

Mrs Hain and Mr Lowe

SRC Purchase Sports Equipment

The SRC recently purchased a range of new equipment for the primary playground.

Fifteen new basketballs and five netballs were among the equipment that arrived, as well as some frisbees and vortex balls that the students will enjoy on the back playground.

Students in Years 3 - 6 are encouraged to try out the new gear and we hope that they will take good care of it so that we can continue to enjoy using it throughout the years.
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Sally Turner
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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

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Coonabarabran Junior Rugby Union
Training: 3:30pm on Friday afternoons @ No. 3 oval.
Registration cost: $5.00
Contact: Megan Clifton
6842 8259

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
Sunday 6th April Rally Day cancelled so riders can attend Mendooran Show...
good luck & remember all those riding tips!
Contact Lucy Evans
Phone: 6842 3636

Coonabarabran Junior Golf
Coonabarabran Golf Club
River Road
Ph: 6842 1292
evry Friday afternoon
3:30 - 5:00 pm