ANZAC Day 2015

Coonabarabran Public recognised the centenary of the Anzac landing with a special assembly on Thursday afternoon. The assembly was run very respectfully by the school prefects with the stage decorated with posters, colouring completed by the classes in Library and poppies also made in Library lessons. Mr Kevin Barrington addressed the assembly and the prefects told the Anzac story. This was followed by some video clips and then the prefects explained why we march on Anzac Day. This was followed by The Ode, The Last Post, a minute’s silence, The Rouse and then Advance Australia Fair.

Our ANZAC Assembly

The ANZAC March

A large number of students gathered to represent our school at the march on Anzac Day. With rosemary, and in many cases medals attached, we set off past the reviewing officer and marched proudly to the war memorial clock tower. As part of the service our captain, Tameka McGlashan, read the “Prayer of Thanksgiving” and with Harry Willoughby laid a wreath. Then all our students respectfully stepped forward and place 100 poppies in the gardens surrounding the memorial. Each poppy had been carefully constructed over the last weeks in their Library lessons.

After the service we marched back up John St and were then treated with an Anzac biscuit each. Thank you to everyone involved.
Pincham's Pearl of Wisdom

What a privilege it was this week watching our prefects run our school ANZAC service. The first week welfare issues were very minimal and playground behaviour has been reported to me as beautiful.

This has really made my day and week and I enjoyed rewarding all students who made my day with a little surprise. 4/5M are photographed below enjoying an ANZAC biscuit as a part of their reward.

Library News

Scholastic Book Fair

The annual Scholastic Book Fair will be in Week 5 of Term 2, that’s the 18th to 21st May.

This year’s theme is ‘Kings, Queens and Castles ... Enter the Kingdom of Books’.

As part of our Book Fair celebrations, there will be a Book Character Dress-Up Day. This will be Tuesday 19th May. Come along dressed in the theme of Kings, Queens and Castles. Prizes for participation will be awarded.

The latest Book Club issue has been sent home with students today. Orders are due back at school by Thursday 7th May.

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P&C News

Please come along and join P&C. Your opinions are valued and you can help decide how the P&C spends the money raised and help with future directions we’d like to see at our school.

Our next fundraising event will be the Mothers Day Stall. It will be held on Thursday 7th May. Each child, in their class group, will visit the stall and be able to purchase a gift to give to their mum or grandma.

Gifts are priced from $1.00 to $5.00, so send in the amount with your child that you are happy for them to spend on you and the special people in their lives!

Canteen News

Mums, dads, grandparents and friends, the Canteen is desperately needing volunteer help!

One or two hours of your time will be enormously appreciated. It is also a great way to be involved in school activities and to see your children/grandchildren love to see you at school.

Please contact the school, or call into the Canteen if you would like to help.

Uniform Shop Donations

The School Uniform Shop is low on supplies and is seeking donations of school uniform items in reasonable condition.

Please send your outgrown uniforms in to school. Your donations of clothing will be appreciated and much needed in the coming winter months.
School Cross Country
Friday 1st May at
Coonabarabran Golf Course

This Friday, May 1st, we will hold our annual Cross Country at the Coonabarabran Golf Course. All students who are 8 years old and above are expected to participate.

The Cross Country will commence at approximately 9:10am and the order of races are as follows:

1. 8 - 9 Year Boys
2. 8 - 9 Year Girls
3. 10 Year Boys
4. 10 Year Girls
5. 11 Year Boys
6. 11 Year Girls
7. 12 - 13 Year Boys
8. 12 - 13 Year Girls

All parents and friends are invited to attend the Cross Country at the Coonabarabran Golf Course. All children must come to school prior to this event. A bus will transport students to and from the Golf Club.

Remember to keep training to build up your stamina and endurance. Good luck to all competitors!

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STEWART HOUSE DAY
2015 Donation Drive

This week envelopes have been sent home with students for the annual Stewart House Donation Drive. Your donation will go towards supporting 1,800 children from schools across NSW and the ACT this year.

Please return the envelope with your chosen donation amount ($2.00 is the requested amount) to be eligible to go into the draw. The prize is a $4,000 holiday to a destination of your choice!

The winning entry for the $4,000 family holiday to a destination of choice (brokered through JC Travel Professionals) will be drawn on Friday 22nd May 2015 at 1.00pm. The winner and the winner's school will be contacted by phone and mail as soon as possible after 1.00pm. The winner’s name will be published in the Sydney Morning Herald.

Full terms and conditions for this competition are available at: www.stewarthouse.org.au

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School Photos - Wednesday 6th May

School Photos Are Now Available For Secure Online Purchase

4 Easy Steps to Online School Photo Ordering

Step 1: Go to www.advancedlife.com.au before photo day and enter your school code 9FR MKV REH
Step 2: Enter your student’s details.
Step 3: Choose the package that best suits your needs (all orders will be returned to the school for collection).
Step 4: Pay for the photos via the shopping cart (upper right corner of the page).

Please note: LATE FEES will apply once orders are closed. Family/Sibling photo orders online close 48 hours before the first school photo day however they can be purchased using an envelope up until photo day.
It is that time of year once again for students and parents of Year 4 to be thinking about the Opportunity Class and placement for 2016. The application process has changed a little in that there will be NO paper applications and NO late applications accepted by the department.

All Year 4 students will have been given an information booklet which outlines the process.

The online application website opens today, Monday 27 April, and closes on Friday 15 May. All applicants will sit a placement test to be held on Wednesday 22 July.

If you are interested in placement for your child, please act on this process as soon as possible.

Thinking of applying for Year 5 entry to an opportunity class in 2016?

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

**Key dates**
- **Monday 27 April 2015**: Application website opens.
- **Friday 15 May 2015**: Application website closes. Late applications will not be accepted.
- **Wednesday 8 July 2015**: Test authority letter by mail and email.
- **Wednesday 22 July 2015**: Opportunity Class Placement Test.
- **Mid October 2015**: Placement outcome information.

**Attendance in Government and Non-Government Schools**

Regular attendance at school is essential if students are to achieve their potential, and increase their career and life opportunities. Students who are enrolled in government or non-government schools are legally required to attend school every day of the year. If students are absent from school, a note is required to be given to their teacher explaining their absence, within 7 days of the absence. If the absence is not explained in this time frame, the absence will be recorded as unjustified.

In accordance to the Student Attendance in Government Schools Procedures 2105, absences will only be accepted for the following reasons:

- Sickness
- Medical, or,
- Paramedical reasons

Doctor’s certificates can be requested, and should be handed in with notes explaining the absence when required.

If your explanation has not been accepted, you will be notified by the Principal.

**Exemption and Leave** must be applied for by completing the appropriate application forms from the office. You will receive a certificate showing your application has been approved, or a letter stating why it has not been approved. It is advised that parents apply well before the time the leave or exemption is required.

Exemption from school can only be applied for:

- Exceptional circumstances (including health of student where sick leave or alternate enrolment is not appropriate).
- Child prevented to attend because of direction under the Public Health Act 2010 (not required to fill out an application).
- Employment in the entertainment industry.
- Participation in elite arts or elite sporting events.

You will be notified if your explanation has not been accepted by the Principal.

**Application for Extended Leave - Travel / Holiday** will only be approved by the Principal if:

- It is in the best interest of the child.
- Educational, social and participation reasons, which should be specified on your application.
- Travel documentation is provided to support the application for overseas visits, i.e., travel itinerary or copy of ticket.
- When travel does not exceed one school term.
Kindergarten Level One

What a great morning Kindergarten had at the High School Ag Plot late last term. Students who were on Level one of the school behaviour code enjoyed a walking visit to the High school to meet some very special baby animals.

It was a gorgeous day and we first visited some baby piglets having a drink from their mum. We walked to a huge enclosure and saw where the chickens were kept. We even got to have a hold of some baby chicks, some chicks even had some shell still attached. Our last activity was to walk around the vegetable patch and collect some of the produce that was being grown. We picked some watermelon and rockmelon and later in the morning we had this for recess.

Kindergarten really enjoyed this experience and is looking forward to visiting later in the year. Thank you to Mr Wilkin who escorted us around the Ag Plot and also thank you to the Kindergarten students themselves for their wonderful behaviour.
Does your child have **difficulty paying attention**?
Do you have to **tell your child the morning routine** over and over again?
Do you have **difficulty completing self-care tasks** after an injury?
Are you finding it more **difficult to continue to live at home** e.g. find it difficult to get in and out of the shower?
Are you experiencing **neck pain when sitting at your work desk** for prolonged periods?
Would you like to **return to work** after a work-related injury?

**YES?** Contact Bregje or Jenitta for a **FREE** discussion!

**FUNDING OPTIONS**
- **For Moree clients only:** Your local GP and/or local health professional could refer under the Medicare Local Rural Primary Health Services Program. This program provides funding for 4-6 services for clients with no other available funding.
- We are approved FaHCSIA/DSS providers for both the Better Start for Children with Disability Program and the Helping Children with Autism Program. Children up to 7 years old are able to receive up to $12,000. Please be aware that clients will have to apply before the child turns 6 years old.
- The local GP could include up to five OT sessions to your Medicare Complex Care/Chronic Disease Management Plan if eligible. Clients are able to claim back $52.95 per session. Please note that clients will have to pay the standard OT rate upfront. ($90 initial and $70 follow-up report)
- Paediatricians could refer children under the age of 13–15 under the Medicare Autism/Disability Program. Children could receive up to 20 allied health sessions in a life time.
- Many **Private Health Funds** cover OT services. Please contact your private health fund to confirm OT services are covered.
- The DVA will pay for pay for the reasonable costs of treatment for a veteran or eligible serving member who has an accepted claim under the SRCA or the MRCA. A referral from the GP or another referral body is necessary.
ANZAC Lessons in the Library

Last week our school were fortunate to have a visit from Mrs McDonald who has lots of memorabilia and knowledge about World War 1.

Mrs McDonald brought a lot of photographs and equipment used by soldiers in the war and explained how they used it. It was very interesting and Mrs McDonald knows so much about it!

Thank you Mrs McDonald for coming and sharing your knowledge with us. We learnt a lot!
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Phone: 0438 833 832

Coonabarabran Pony Club
Thank you to all Pony Club members who participated in the ANZAC Day March.
Next rally: Sunday 3rd May
9:00am Gear Check
Lucy Evans
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mob: 0488 422 171

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