Scholastic Book Fair this week

The annual Scholastic Book Fair will be held this week and this year’s theme is Kings, Queens & Castles - Enter the Kingdom of Books!

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

The Book Fair is an opportunity for families to purchase lots of great books for personal enjoyment, gifts for birthdays or Christmas, and a great way to support the School Library. Bring along your money and/or your parents to participate in all the Book Fair has to offer.

EFTPOS facilities are available at the Book Fair.

The Library will be open during lunchtimes and from 3.00 to 3.30pm today, tomorrow and Wednesday for families and students to be able to come along and shop. The Book Fair will also be open tonight during the ‘Moment With Mum’ activities in the school from 6.00pm.

Our students would like to invite their mums to come along to the school hall tonight, Monday 18th May, from 6.00 to 7.30pm to enjoy ‘A Moment With Mum’

The theme of the evening is ‘Kings, Queens and Castles ... enter the Kingdom of Books’.

Activities include:
- Crown making (for tomorrow’s Book Character Day)
- Computer games
- Story telling
- Scones, tea and coffee and biscuits and cordial
- Making bookmarks
- The Book Fair in the Library

Coonabarabran Public School is on the airwaves!

Tune into 99.5 2WCR FM to listen to the broadcast.
Tuesdays from 4:04pm, (after the 4 o’clock news), and Saturdays at 6:00pm
Pincham’s Pearl of Wisdom
What a busy week we have had with NAPLAN running last week. All of our Year 3 and 5 students tried very hard during these tests and need to be congratulated on their efforts.

Some of you may know already but our school is now on Facebook. This page will be used for relaying information on a day to day basis so please like our page and check us out.

Tomorrow will see lots of strange uniforms at school with our dress up day. I am looking forward to seeing all the creations our students and of course parents come up with. The photos will be in next week newsletter and maybe Facebook tomorrow.

I was witness to a great assembly item on Thursday from 5/6L with lots of great messages about choices and correct behaviour and I would like to congratulate them on a job well done. Not taking anything away from the wonderful singing I heard from 1E on Tuesday at K-2 assembly. Just reminds me we have great kids and great teachers.

Canteen News
This week’s special
Bacon & Cheese Bun - $2.00...
Order a bun for recess or lunch and receive a FREE cup of milk.

Remember, Friday is Pie Day at the School Canteen. Order your fresh local bakery pie for $3.50.

And Tuesday is local bakery Sausage Roll Day! Order for recess and/or lunch!

What’s on at CPS?
Mon 18th May:
‘A Moment With Mum’
Mon 18th - 21st May:
Scholastic Book Fair
Tues 19th May:
Book Character Dress-Up Day
Tues 19th May:
K - 2 Assembly at 2.30pm
Thurs 21st May:
Level One, K - 2 Cooking
Thurs 21st May:
Level One, 3 - 6 Picnic in the Park
Fri 22nd May:
Zone Cross Country - Coolah
Tues 26th May:
National Sorry Day
Thurs 28th May:
Spellathon Test
Thurs 28th May:
Yrs 3 - 6 Assembly at 2.20pm

Level One
3 - 6 mid-term Level One
On Thursday 21st May, the school says thank you to all those students on Level One with a Picnic in the Park

All students on Level One will walk to Neilson Park.

Students in Stage 2 (Years 3 & 4) will walk to the Park at 11:30am and return to school by 1:15pm.

Students in Stage 3 (Years 5 & 6) will walk to the Park at 12:45pm and return to school by 2:00pm.

We encourage all students on Level One to bring a packed lunch for this day!

This walking excursion has been approved by the Principal.

Thank you to all those students whose wonderful behaviour and cooperation make our school a lovely place to learn and play.

P&C News
The Fete Committee will meet to discuss, plan and organise the Fete that will be held on Friday 11th September.

Interested volunteers are invited and encouraged to come along on Tuesday 16th June at 3:30pm in the School Library.

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Early Stage 1 & Stage 1 Assembly Awards

KH: Hazel Bartlett  Being persistent in reading groups.
KH: Natasha Romans  Always trying to do her best.
KM: Zackery Neal  Being organised and consistent with all his work.
KM: Tiffanie Brezzo  Improving her working habits in Literacy activities.
1A: Locklon Dunn  For being persistent with homework.
1A: Jarrod Wood  Remembering to re-read his writing to make sure it makes sense.
1E: Jasmine Watton  Being persistent with her writing. Well done!
1E: Cheyenne Nielsen  Consistently handing in homework. Fantastic work!
1/2N: Liam Russell  His wonderful reading and better work habits.
1/2N: Sam Fleming  Trying very hard to be a settled student.
2l: Savannah Robbins  Settled work habits.
2l: Kaiser West-Kuras  Being persistent in maths activities.

Aiming for Excellence

Jayde Sim
has received the Aiming for Excellence Award for the following reasons ...

Jayde is a delightful student who consistently aims for excellence.
She is organised for each lesson which allows her to start tasks promptly and complete them in the given time.
Jayde is persistent with challenging tasks and never gives up.
She gets along well with others and is never too busy to help someone.
Jayde shows great resilience and is a wonderful role model to others.

We are very lucky to have Jayde in 5/6K.

Strive to Achieve

Josie Bartlett
has received the Strive to Achieve Award for the following reasons ...

Josie strives to achieve her best in all she does.
She is a polite and friendly student who gets along well with her peers and teachers.
Josie is confident to attempt all tasks and she makes an effort to present her bookwork beautifully.
Josie is a great class member due to her kind and caring nature and her desire to learn.
Congratulations Josie.

Personal Best Award

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

Isaac is a wonderfully mannered and hardworking member of 3H since he arrived at Coonabarabran Public School. He has developed a strong commitment to learning and achieving his best in the past four weeks. Isaac’s attitude has had a very positive impact on his learning and quality of work that he produces in class.

He is a quiet achiever but a popular member of our class and a strong role model for his peers. The five keys to success shine through all that Isaac does in and out of the classroom. He is always organised for the day, persists with challenging tasks, is confident in all that he does, is resilient when things don’t go his way and gets on well with everyone. On the sporting field he is very mature, has fantastic ability and most importantly is a fair and modest sportsman always showing respect and good sportsmanship.

Personal Best Award

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

Corbin is a hard-working and diligent student in all areas of his work. He shows persistence in all areas of school by trying his best and giving everything a go.

Corbin is a confident student who is happy to help his peers. He is well mannered and shows respect to his teachers and peers. Corbin has worked hard to achieve this award.

Congratulations Corbin on receiving your Personal Best!
Stage 2 & Stage 3 Assembly Awards

3/6P: Rohan Russell
* A great effort in maths groups.
* Always being organised in class.

3/6P: Ben Hasson
* Always trying her hardest in all subjects.

3H: Celeste Magee
* Having fantastic organisational skills.

3H: Kayla Harris
* Writing a great exposition persuading Mr Hardy to like singing and dancing.

3H: Amara Watton
* For his improved organisational skills.

3R/H: Hunter Kelly
* For great reason given in his Exposition Writing.

3R/H: Calieb Neal
* For her enthusiasm shown in all areas.

3R/H: Makayla Thomas
* ALWAYS being organised for every lesson.

4E: Sophie Bunting
* Making good choices in class and on the playground.

4E: Eliza Walker
* Working well independently in class.

4E: Ruby Connell
* Always presenting neat handwriting in all her books.

4S/M: Tully Andrews
* Writing a creative persuasive letter and demonstrating editing skills.

4S/M: Erin Devenish
* Always coming to class organised and ready to learn.

4S/M: Aamarie Valette
* Organisation ... for always being organised everyday.

5/6K: Tarnya Johnson
* Making great contributions to our class discussion about gold.

5/6K: Garth Jackson
* For always displaying manners in class and being a great role model.

5/6K: Finlay McElhinney
* For being a settled worker in class and displaying a positive attitude.

5/6K: Rebecca Kenyon
* Being organised for craft this term - bringing in shoe boxes.

5/6L: Yooey Jackson
* Writing a thoughtful script about resilience.

5/6L: Sienna Allerton
* Writing an interesting script about reacting to bullying.

5/6L: Tameka McGlashan
* Producing a fine script about cyber-bullying.

5/6L: Amy Maher
* Completing maths work in Maths Group.

5/6S: Blake Murnane
* Always being an organised member of our class.

5/6S: Amali Edmondstone
* Trying his best in art lessons.

5/6S: Graham Bell
* His improved efforts in literacy.

5/6S: Glenroy Jackson

Gala Sports Day

Last Friday, Coonabarabran Public School was host of the Rugby Union and Netball gala day. Students from Mendooran, Coolah and Coonabarabran competed for selected spots to make it to the Southern Regional finals to be held in Gunnedah in the coming weeks. Eleven Coonabarabran Public School students made it to the next stage of competition. Well done boys and good luck! Mr Hardy

Five Coonabarabran girls were successful in gaining a place on the PSSA side for the Southern Trials to be held in Gunnedah on the 21st May. Congratulations to all involved and the girls can be commended on their behaviour on the day. Thank you to Coolah and Mendooran schools for travelling to Coonabarabran to be a part of the trials. Mrs McGlashan

NAPLAN

Last week our students in Year 3 and Year 5 diligently sat their NAPLAN tests in Language and Writing, Reading and Numeracy.

The NAPLAN tests are designed to assess the skills of Australian students in literacy and numeracy. The tests provide data on the achievements of students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 for reporting to parents/carers and schools and for systematic reporting. 2015 NAPLAN student reports will be delivered to schools in August.

Further information about NAPLAN can be obtained from: http://www.boardofstudies.nsw.edu.au/naplan/

The photos below show some of our hardworking Year 5 students giving the NAPLAN tests their best shot!
Class Focus: 1A

1A have been very busy this term, with many exciting new topics to learn about.

We are looking at “All mixed up” in our science lessons and we are discovering our local Aboriginal History, by taking a close look at “Burrabadee Mission”.

The children have been working very hard in our Literacy and learning centres everyday. They are enjoying making sentences with magnetic letters and reading new levels of text. They are getting very used to Mrs Abbott saying “Did that reading sound like you are talking?”

We are focusing on chunks of sounds in our classroom, and this week we have been looking at the ‘wh’ chunk. Our class have created some beautiful whales as well.

In Numeracy we have been using the TEN program. We have been focusing on building cities, using unifix cubes.

Lachlan Conn said, “We have to roll the dice and look at the number on it, then add that amount of blocks to the city. Mine was massive. I got 42 blocks and Brooke got 42 blocks as well. So 42+42=84.”

Macey said, “We then had to roll the dice and take away the number on the dice from our city. It was harder than plus.”

We will also be very busy this week as it is a rigorous assessment time, for preparation of reports.

So if your child comes home a little tired this may explain why!

Mrs Abbott and 1A.
You are invited to the Coolah Sporting Club to hear

Nic Newling

Youth mental health expert from the Black Dog Institute
Recently on ABC Australian Story

Wednesday 3rd June 2015
7 pm
Dinner provided
Please RSVP for catering purposes
Sal Edwards 0498 774 519 or Louise (Centacare 6885 0277)

2WCR-FM 99.5

Tuesday, 4:04 pm, marked the first episode of Coonabarabran Public School’s revitalised Radio Shack.

Finlay McElhinney and Jessica Meldrum put their heads together in the recording booth to select some songs and topics to discuss before recording their program with the help of Mr Phillips.

The girls are the first of many students to have a turn in the booth with students working with Mr Phillips every Friday to get a program recorded.

Listeners can tune in on Tuesdays at 4:04 pm or Saturdays at 6:00pm to hear our students bring news and information about our school as well as their choice of music.

Mr Phillips

KIDS and TRAFFIC
Early Childhood Road Safety Education Program

An invitation is extended for Educators to participate in a road safety education / transition to school workshop, involving local children’s services and primary schools.

The ‘Starting School Safely’ Professional Development Workshop will:

* Find ways to help children and their families make a safe and successful transition to school through interesting and meaningful road safety learning experiences.

* Discover how your service can include road safety education to enhance your transition to school program and policy, by maintaining clear links to the principles and practices of the Early Years Learning Framework and the PDHPE syllabus.

* Discover ways to create your own community-specific transition to school resources, including inspiring road safety story sharing ideas.

* Together with children’s services, schools and families in our local community, develop a Kids and Traffic Starting School Safely Big Book story, including photos of local primary schools and surrounding road traffic environments.

Cost: Free
When: Wednesday 27th May 2015
Time: 6.15pm to 8.15pm
Where: Yuluwini Kids Coonabarabran Preschool, 2-6 Bandulla St, Coonabarabran
RSVP to: Linda Harrison, ph: 9805 3200 / 0417 252 801 / linda.harrison@mq.edu.au
Catering: Please bring along something small to share for supper

All participants will receive a statement of attendance, workshop folder, road safety education posters, stickers and board games.

For more information, visit: http://www.kidsandtraffic.mq.edu.au
This week is Book Fair week so here's a couple of puzzles for you to enjoy. Return your completed and most colourful puzzle entry to Mr Adam at the Library and you can win a prize!

Medieval Maze
Help Sir Readalot find his way to the Kingdom of Books!

Royal Word Search
Take the royal challenge and see how many list words you can rule out.