This week's key to success is... Persistence

100% effort not giving up try it again avoid blockers

Last week was the 17th National Literacy and Numeracy Week and we are excited to celebrate the importance of literacy and numeracy, the foundations of learning, with schools, teachers, students and parents across Australia.

This year, we are encouraging parents and carers to get involved and participate in the week because positive parental engagement and involvement promotes improved literacy and numeracy learning and student outcomes.

You can make a difference

Parents and carers can have a big impact on their children's education. Over 40 years of research from around the world shows that when parents are involved in their child’s learning, it really can have a positive impact.

You are the first and most important influence on your child’s values and attitudes toward school and learning. Creating a home environment that encourages a love of learning from an early age can help your child to do better at school.

Taking part in National Literacy and Numeracy Week's activities is a great opportunity to show your interest and share the love of learning with your child.

Coonabarabran Public School - National Literacy and Numeracy Week

At our school we got involved with classes writing a 'Book Review'. Classes read a high quality literacy text and focused on the author and illustrator. They wrote a summary of the book and their favourite part. Each student gave the book a word that describes the book and a number of stars out of ten. These 'Book Reviews' are displayed in the Front Office - they look amazing!

For Numeracy, students did a 'changing shape' activity. Students arranged shapes to create a picture. These are displayed around the school and show off the creative talents of some budding artists!

On Wednesday we had a Mad Hatter's Book Picnic of epic proportions! Parents were invited to a picnic lunch with the students and teachers. We had readers from every class sharing a story, poem, maths problems or a joke. These were read out to the audience - they were very entertaining.

Souljah in Year 1 read a description he wrote about a book. Souljah wasn’t nervous at all before he read, he was just excited! His very good friend, Kelsey in Year 1 thought he did a great job reading and was very brave. Souljah said it was “awesome”!

It was great to see so many students, teachers and parents wearing hats and enjoying the picnic. We all had a great day!
Morning Tea with Mrs P

What a privilege it was to take the first seven children to morning tea as a reward for finishing their ‘You Can Do It’ charts.

Eliza Walker, Sophie Bunting, Robbie Flaitas, Cameron Whitfield, Matthew Duncan, Tim Bennell and Jye Robbins were rewarded with hot chips and drinks at Eat It Café for their great efforts at school.

I look forward to taking the next group of students for morning tea.

Parents please note:

Day 1 of Term 4 for students at Coonabarabran Public School will be Wednesday 7th October 2015.

Staff at Coonabarabran Public School will be participating in Professional Learning Workshops on Tuesday 6th October.

This means that the last day of school for students this year will be Thursday 17th December 2015.

What’s on at CPS?

Wed 9 Sept: CPS Footy Grand Final
Wed 9 Sept: NRL Mufti Day
Thurs 10 Sept: Stage 2 & 3 Novelty Tabloid @ Town Oval
Fri 11 Sept: P&C Twilight Fete
Mon 14 Sept: Yr 3 Western Plains Zoo Excursion
14 & 15 Sept: Yr 4 Western Plains Zoo Snooze Excursion
Thurs 17 Sept: Yrs 3 – 6 Assembly @ 2:20pm
Thurs 17 Sept: Yrs 3 – 6 Social – 7:00 pm – 9:00pm
Fri 18 Sept: Last day of Term 3

P&C News

Thank you to all the students and their families and friends for the terrific response to the Father’s Day Raffle. The winner of the major prize was Matilda McKernan. Congratulations Matilda! We hope dad gets good use out of his air compressor!

Thank you also to Chalkies Country Clothing, Surf, Work & Street, Roach’s Home Hardware and Crazy Sam’s for their generous donations of raffle prizes.

We have a very busy Friday evening planned with the Twilight Fete commencing at 3.30pm on Friday 11th September. We hope all families can come along for a pleasant evening of entertainment and fun in the school grounds and also enjoy some food, whether you choose a steak sandwich from the barbecue or some delicious Bangladeshi food from Mrs Salim’s stall! Please join us for the carnival atmosphere of the Twilight Fete!

Canteen News

Fresh for Kids EAT FRESH & WIN

2nd Prize
APPLE IPAD MINI 16GB x3

3rd Prize
GIFT PACK (BACK PACK, LUNCH BAG, DRINK BOTTLE) x10

1st Prize
HOME ENTERTAINMENT UNIT (TV & DVD PLAYER) x1

4th Prize
EVENT CINEMA MOVIE VOUCHER x3

How to Enter
1. BuyImages from your school canteen containing Fresh First and fresh vegetables to become a Fresh for Kids sticker and entry form.
2. Collect 5 stickers and entry form on your entry form.
3. Submit your completed entry form to your school canteen on or before the 30th of August 2015 for a chance to win

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Strive to Achieve

Sam Bowman

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

Sam is an important member of 4/5M. He consistently shows the five keys by getting along with everyone in the class and being well liked by all class members. In all areas of school, Sam always demonstrates persistence by trying his best and giving all subject areas 100%. He is always organised and completes set work within the set time frame. Sam has worked hard to achieve this award and should be commended for receiving his 'Strive to Achieve'.
Congratulations Sam!

Strive to Achieve

Tameka McGlashan

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

Tameka is an organised worker in class. She exudes confidence when she is around others and always tries to have a go when learning new things. In recent times, she has demonstrated resilience when working through peer group issues and has learnt to get along with her friends - especially when friendships get tested. Tameka persists in most class activities and has been striving to achieve higher cluster goals in reading and writing. Tameka is a person who models the respect we expect to see at Coonabarabran Public School.
Congratulations Tameka!

Strive to Achieve

Nash Walker

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

Nash is a confident and positive class member. He is always will to help teachers and his peers. Nash enjoys being extended in all areas and he always achieves the goals he sets for himself. Nash shows great sportsmanship and positive behaviour on the playground.
He cares for others and shows resilience when needed.

Nash is a pleasure to have in our classroom.

Congratulations Nash!

Library News

Our school Library was lucky to have two special visitors on Thursday: Ms Suelynn Tighe and Mrs Karen Cain. Mrs Cain presented the library with a dozen books while Ms Tighe shared two of the books she has written with the K-2 classes. These books are in the Gamilaraay language and where about animals and colours. This is part of an initiative with Centacare and the Educational Readiness, Attendance and Achievement Service. The students enjoyed the readings and we are very grateful for the donation of the books.

Our celebrations of Book Week concluded with a visit to our assembly by Gary Funnell. He presented the winning prizes for Year 5 and 6 to Shaun Stanley-Thompson and Jayde Sim. Well done!

Book Club has now closed for the most recent issue. We expect the books in the near future. Thank you to all those people who are supporting Book Club.

School Social for Years 3 - 6
Thursday 17th September
from 7:00pm to 9:00pm
Cost is $3.00 per student
and the theme is 'Bright'!
The Canteen will be open and the SRC will be selling Glow Sticks at the door for either $.50c or $1.00
Early Stage 1 and Stage 1 Assembly Awards

KH: Natasha Romans
   • Being such a persistent student!
   • Always getting along!
KH: Archie Mathews
   • Working hard in Literacy and Maths centres!
KH: Daemon Peck
   • Always having a positive attitude at school!
KM: Reegan Watters
   • For outstanding reading and writing and getting along with everybody.
1A: Shane Murdoch
   • For excellent improvements in reading.
1E: Cheyenne Nielsen
   • For getting along with her teachers and friends.
1E: Stirling Hippisley
   • For working really hard with Mrs Campbell. Well done!
2L: Elsie Kearney
   • Fantastic Haiku poems and excellent story to match.
2L: Jack Clarke
   • Trying hard in reading.
2L: Jake Deshon
   • Working hard on all five YCDI values.
1/2N: Rebekah Dicks
   • Consistent and wonderful getting along skills.
1/2N: Hannah Evans
   • For her enthusiasm with project work.
1/2N: Zane Jenner
   • Lovely manners and five-star efforts.

Stage 2 & Stage 3 Assembly Awards

3H: Ben Phillips
   • Great improvement completing class work.
   • Improved behaviour and attitude to learning.
3H: Ignatius Blackman
   • Writing fantastic imaginative texts in class.
3H: Celeste Magee
   • Always getting along with his peers.
3H: Cameron Whittall
   • For settling back in nicely and getting along.
3R/H: Logan Fyle
   • For always doing the right thing.
3R/H: Emily Hoffman
   • For wonderful and fantastic handwriting.
3R/H: Jack Foster
   • For beautiful and fabulous handwriting.
3R/H: Darcy Weatherall
   • Always putting in 100% effort during PE.
4E: Callum Ross
   • Writing a sophisticated narrative.
4E: Jye Robbins
   • Asking great questions.
4E: Chris Frazer
   • Getting along with his teachers.
4E: Rash Walker
   • For always getting along with everyone in class.
4/5M: Rhys Parkinson
   • For a bright and colourful project about the pink dolphin.
4/5M: Isobelle Deshon
   • For an interesting project about the giant panda.
4/5M: Toralee Watters
   • For a creative project about the snow leopard.
K/6B: Darnell Dumas
   • Working hard in Maths.
K/6B: Tabitha Ward
   • Getting Along
K/6B: Georgia Dawson
   • Getting Along
K/6B: Todd Kelly
   • Getting Along
5/6L: Vance McDonald
   • Great effort in achieving higher clusters in writing.
5/6L: Ellenah Wall
   • Persisting with her work even when it is noisy.
5/6L: Madison Heywood
   • Always getting along with students and staff.
5/6S: Laynee Cain
   • Her excellent expression when reading.
5/6S: Wyatt Veldhuis
   • Contributing to class discussions more regularly.
5/6S: John Martin
   • Working well in literacy and always trying his best.
5/6S: Johnno Evans
   • Always getting along and being a positive role model to his peers.

Personal Best Award
Tristan Neilsen

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

Tristan is an absolute delight to have in the classroom. He is at all times, well-mannered and courteous to peers and teachers. Since starting at Coonabarabran Public School, Tristan has always followed our five keys to success. He is always eager to engage in learning activities and tries all tasks in class and out in the playground.

Tristan is a fantastic sportsman and has recently shown much skill in the school Rugby League competition, with some fast feet and a strong heart he gives his all in every match. At the end of the match he is the first person congratulating and shaking hands with the other team.

You have worked well all year and it gives me great pleasure writing your Personal Best Award Tristan. Keep up all the great things you are accomplishing in Year 3!

Personal Best Award
Jack Rutland-Davey

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

Jack is an outgoing member of 4E.

He tries hard in all tasks and is becoming more organised as the year goes on.

Jack has worked hard on his reading and is improving all the time.

He always represents the school proudly at a variety of sporting events and he brings home great results.

Jack is a happy class member and he enjoys contributing to class discussions.

Well done Jack!
Class Focus: KM

KM have been very busy this term. We started by studying books about belonging and family which the students related to and shared their family traditions and structures with the class. We have moved into our Literacy unit of study ‘Paddock to Plate’ that links well with science. They are able to observe the common farm animals and then match these animals to the food that they eat. They explore how farm produce is packaged and moved away from the farm to the stalls and supermarkets where we buy most of the groceries we eat today. The texts we are looking at are categorised as informative texts, which allow students to understand there are different ways for authors to get information to readers. We are learning about factual books with content pages and ‘true’ information about the food that we consume.

We have learnt about meat coming from cows, sheep and pigs, also how wheat is turned into flour and cakes from the bakery. We are looking at fruit and vegetables and how they grow either on trees, vines or bushes. In Literacy centres the students are matching animals to foods, they are writing about what they have learnt in regards to food and where it comes from. Learning how to spell their favourite animal on the farm. Interacting positively while playing and building fences and paddocks with blocks and farm animals. They have learnt a lot and are intrigued about where their food comes from.

This week we will further explore the paddock to plate theme with a walking excursion to Flood’s Bakery and Woolworths supermarket. We will also enjoy a special morning tea at the Robertson Street Park before returning to school just prior to lunchtime.

Mrs McGlashan
Eels v Sea Eagles: (5-2)

Last Monday the Eels took to the field against the Sea Eagles in the first of the semi-finals. In arguably the best game of football all year, both teams looked strong in the opening half. With brilliant defence from both teams, only one try each was scored by Sea Eagles Harry Willoughby and Eels Tim Bennell before half time. After a quick half time talk with the coaches, both teams continued the strong defence in the second half. Two quick tries to Charley Isedale saw the Eels lead 3-1 shortly after the break, before Nick Wham-Campbell crossed to bring the scores closer. In the dying minutes of the match, some quick ball play by Jack Rutland-Davey and Roman Kershaw saw both boys cross the chalk to add more points. It was an entertaining game to watch and both teams should be very proud of their efforts. This win for the Eels sees them into the Grand Final this Wednesday.

Storm v Rabbitohs: (9-7)

On Wednesday the second semi-final was played between the Storm and the Rabbitohs. In a disappointing show of numbers, the Rabbitohs took to the field with only five players, which was going to make it a very tough day against a full strength Storm. Although they were outnumbered, the score line didn’t reflect this fact. Teams headed into half time five all with tries to the Storm’s Jye Robbins (1), Blain Walker (2), Tallon Walker (1) and Johno Evans (1). For the Rabbitohs, it was all Captain Brad Fuller crossing the line five times to keep the score even.

After a quick half time chat the teams looked to be running on empty. Some sloppy defence by the Rabbitohs saw Johno Evans cross another four times before the siren. Deshanne Plunkett tried to even up the scores halfway through the second half with two great tries, running off balls from Brad Fuller. Late in the game Yooey Jackson was on track to bring the game to a tie, running from dummy half. He nearly made it all the way to the line, to be cut down just short by the pursuing Johno Evans. Well done to both teams and especially the Storm for making it through to the Grand Final.

To all the players this year, thank you for all the hard work you have put in during the games and the improved behaviour you have displayed to be able to play each week. I know the coaches had a fantastic time with you all this year. We look forward to an even bigger and better competition next year.

Mr Hardy, Patty, Mr Nixon, Mr Ross and Jarvis.

* Remember this Wednesday is the Grand Final between the Eels and Storm. We welcome parents and friends of the school community to join us on the back playground for a 1:15 pm kick off for 2 x 13 minute halves and presentation at the end. We will be hosting a sausage sizzle for lunch on Wednesday for $2.00.

Also remember to wear your favourite team’s colours or jersey and bring along a gold coin donation to support the purchase of new football uniforms.
Fifty students from Coonabarabran Public School joined students from Coolah, Mendooran and Binnaway for a fun day of tabloids at the Binnaway Four-Ways Sports Day last Friday. Students were split into twelve groups which created an opportunity for students to make friends from other schools. These groups then rotated every fifteen minutes through a variety of games and activities for the rest of the day.

The senior students from Binnaway Central School did a magnificent job running the activities and the students in each group showed great sportsmanship and ensured everyone was participating and equally involved. The various activities included oz tag, skipping, neucombe ball, rounders, an obstacle ball and lots of other fun games.

It was a wonderful day and we look forward to participating in it again next year.
Dad’s Breakfast

Staff at Coonabarabran Public School roused themselves out of bed extra early on Friday morning to be ready to greet students and their dads for breakfast!

The smell of bacon and eggs enveloped the playground to entice allcomers to a delicious breakfast and games in the school courtyard.

At the end of the morning the P&C drew the Father’s Day raffle and the lucky winners who have special gifts on Sunday are Matilda McKernan, John Whittall, Andrew Hoffman, Stevie Milgate, Locklon Dunn and Pauline Bell. Thank you to all you participated in the raffle.

Thank you also to all the dads, uncles, grandads, carers and friends who came along for breakfast.

We hope you enjoyed your breakfast in the playground on Friday morning and had a fabulous Father’s Day on Sunday!
North West Regional Athletics Carnival

Last Friday’s Regional Athletics Carnival in Tamworth provided some excellent results for students at our school. On this beautiful day weatherwise, everyone from our school who competed did so in a wonderful spirit.

Start of the day from our school was Harry Willoughby who qualified to represent North West NSW at the State Carnival in 12/13 Years Boys 200m and 12/13 Years Boys 800m. Harry also finished in the top ten in 12/13 Years Boys High Jump and 12/13 Years Boys Long Jump.

Others who received top ten placings in events included Ally Richards (11 Years Girls Discus), Charley Isedale (11 Years Boys Long Jump, 11 Years Boys Shot Put, 11 Years Boys Discus), John Martin (11 Years Boys 800m), Matthew Duncan (12/13 Years Boys 800m), Melinda Ryan (12/13 Years Girls Long Jump and 12/13 Years Girls 100m), Madison Heywood (12/13 Years Girls Discus), Finlay McElhinney (12/13 Years Girls 200m), and Myah Sullivan (12/13 Years Girls Discus). The Senior Girls Relay Team also qualified for the finals in their event.

The day was very successful and well run. Thank you to all those parents who encouraged their children and assisted with transport on the day.
... more photos from Wednesday’s Mad Hatter’s Picnic in celebration of National Numeracy and Literacy Week!

Read for Australia
Come and join the fun!
Friday 11th September
3:30pm - 6:30pm

Coonabarabran Public School Twilight Fete

*Donations of cakes should be delivered to Mrs Newton and donations of bottled items to Mr Hardy. Any other donation items may be delivered to the school office where they will be distributed to the class organising the relevant stall.

Stage 2 & 3 Level 1 Activity

On Thursday 10th September students in Years 3 - 6 and are on Level 1 will enjoy an afternoon at the Coonabarabran Town Oval.

Students will leave the school grounds under the supervision of their classroom teachers and walk to the Town Oval for lunch before participating in tabloid games for the afternoon.

Students will return to school prior to 3:00pm.

Your teachers thank you for your great behaviour!

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