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Newsletter - *Monday 4th December 2017*
Week 9 Term 4

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Aspire - Aboriginal Art Workshop



IMPORTANT NOTICE

The last day of operation for the school canteen for 2017 will be 8th December 2017

Please ensure for the last week of school your child has recess, lunch and a drink bottle.

Thanks to Anne and her team for all her hard work during 2017.

Bus Trial

Tuesday Dec. 5th
Wednesday Dec. 6th
Thursday Dec. 7th

Secondary students will finish classes at 3.00pm on these days.

Principal News with Mr George Frangos



Bus Trial

Earlier in the year we investigated moving to a 5 x 60 minute period day for secondary students at Coolah Central School in 2018, with alignment of the finishing time with primary at 3pm. We consulted with various groups including the school Parent and Citizen Association, Bus Companies, Teachers and the school Student Representative Council about the suggested timetable changes. We are currently finalising the 2018 timetable to accommodate the new period structure and

the 3pm finish time. In preparation for the change in curriculum we will do a bus trial over 3 days which includes the following dates:

Tuesday 5/12/17
Wednesday 6/12/17
Thursday 7/12/17

This means all students will finish at 3pm on these days and buses will arrive and pick up students. This trial will allow us to identify any issues that may arise and make the necessary adjustments.

Deputy News with Mr Hughes



Deputy Principal's Report. News from Mr Hughes

I'd like to take this opportunity to thank staff, students and the community for their support throughout 2017. This year has seen significant changes to some school policies and infrastructure which will lead directly to improved

student learning outcomes. Early next year we will see the library upgrade which will benefit all students. With holidays fast approaching I'd like to wish everybody a safe and enjoyable holiday season. As always I can be contacted at the school should you have any questions or concerns.

Miss Fahey's Class



Welcome to Week 9!

Intensive Swimming will continue for this week and finish this Thursday. Well done to everyone for your hard work, I hope you have learnt lots of life long skills.

Our end of term assembly will be this Friday.

Well done to all students receiving awards. More information can be found about the assembly in this newsletter.

We will be starting a unit on Christmas this week and it will continue on until the holidays.

Thank you for a big year of hard work, it has been wonderful to see you all learn and mature. Best wishes to Ashton as he moves to Secondary next year, we will definitely miss you in our classroom. Wishing everyone a safe and happy holiday and a very Merry Christmas.

Year 4/5 News with Mrs O'Neill



Welcome to Week 9. This will be our final newsletter for the year!

This week our School Swimming Program continues. What a fantastic program this is! On behalf of Year 4/5 I would like to thank all the staff and volunteers involved

in organising and running this very beneficial and fun program for our students.

Last week I sent home Secret Santa information and each student was given a name of another student to buy or make a small gift for. If you have any concerns regarding this please feel free to contact me. Our class will be sharing our gifts with each other on the last day of term. Remember *'the gift of giving is just as rewarding as receiving'*.

The next 2 weeks will be busy with various events and parties leading up to the end of term. Some of our Xmas party dates may change as we are waiting for confirmation on a few things however at this stage the dates will be as follows:

- Captains for 2018 speeches- on Wednesday this week Year 5 students will present their speeches to the Primary and Infants school and then students and staff will vote on Primary

School Captains for 2018.

- End of Term Assembly- Friday December 8th at 9.15am.
- Presentation Night- Monday December 11th from 7pm in the school hall.
- PBL Rewards Day will be held on Tuesday December 12th.
- Primary Class Party- This will be held on Wednesday December 13th. We will have a lunch at school from 12 noon and we will go to the pool for the afternoon from 1.30pm.
- Year 4/5 Secret Santa- Thursday December 14th (secret Santa gifts are due in to school by the Wednesday, December 13th).

I would like to thank everyone in Year 4/5 for their tremendous effort this year, which has resulted in some fantastic achievements. I am extremely proud of each and every student in my class and I have thoroughly enjoyed watching you all mature and blossom. It has been an absolute pleasure being your teacher this year. I wish everyone all the best for their future years of schooling. Wishing you all a safe and Merry Christmas and I look forward to seeing you all when we return to school in 2018!





This week we will share the role of class captain and our "Pupil of the Week" is **Shae**.

As this is our final class newsletter report for the year, I would like to thank all parents and friends who have assisted Kindergarten in any way throughout the year. Your help has been greatly appreciated.

I would also like to wish everyone an enjoyable and relaxing holiday. Best wishes for a wonderful Christmas and a happy, healthy and prosperous 2018.

Birthday wishes go to **Blake, Malaki** and **Bailey** who will all celebrate their birthdays this month. (We hope that you all have a fabulous birthday).

Homework/Class Work/News

Now that we have completed all of our Homework units the students may revise the sight words and sounds which have been learnt this year and if your child is looking for some extra work to do, then he/she may write some stories.

In **Literacy** we will continue looking at a variety of Christmas stories and we will be completing our letters to Santa. In **Maths** we will be looking at division, counting patterns, 3D objects and digital time and in **Art/Craft** we will continue making our Christmas displays. In all other subject areas we will be revising and consolidating concepts we have learnt this year.

Awards/Achievements

Congratulations go to **Kaliyah** who has completed 125 nights of Home Reading and **Holly** and **Annabelle** who have reached the magical 200 nights.

Please send in a drink of water and some extra fruit each day for our sip and crunch.

Our **Intensive Swimming** will continue until Thursday and we will be going to the pool each day. All students will need to bring their swimmers, towel, sunscreen, thongs/sandals and a rash shirt each day. We will change into our swimmers at school.

The students have improved in leaps and bounds and they should all feel very proud of themselves. Thankyou to all of our swimming instructors for the terrific job that they have been doing. A special thank you to Mrs Wilson for organising this very important programme.

Friday- Term 4 Assembly. An early congratulations go to all award winners at this assembly and also at our Presentation Night next Monday.

Our SRC Disco last week was lots of fun. Thankyou to Mrs Burgess and Ms Riley and her band of helpers for organising this fun event.

Next week we will have a busy time:-

Monday- Presentation Night

Tuesday- Class parties

Wednesday- PBL Rewards Day

More details will be sent home at a later date.

Year 1 News with Miss Watson



Welcome to the final 2 weeks of school for 2017. This is my last newsletter report for the year.

I would like to start by saying a BIG Thank You to all the students of Year 1 for welcoming me into their classroom this term. Year 1 you have been a fantastic class and I wish you all the best in Year 2. I have enjoyed my time with you all. Thank You to the parents for your support you have given me.

Swimming: Wow what a fantastic first week we had everyone's confidence and skills have been improving, keep up the great work this week and take away the skills and new knowledge to practice over the Christmas Holidays. Please remember to keep safe around water.

Spelling: I won't be sending spelling words home this week we will be learning them in class. There will be no spelling test this week due to the end of term assembly, spelling activities will still continue in class as per

normal though. Spelling and sound for this week is 'er' as in ladder.

MATHS: This week we will be completing Unit 32 sharing, solving problems, reading maps.

We have a birthday this Week Heidi is 7 on the 8th December. A Happy Birthday from your friends in Year 1. Enjoy your day on Friday.

In Week 10 we will have our K, 1 and 2 class's party and PBL Reward Day for the students who have reached Camouflage level.

Please don't forget End of Term Assembly is on this Friday 8th Dec. We look forward seeing as many family and friends there as possible. Then the 11th December is Presentation night.

I wish everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. Please remember to look after each other and keep safe at home or on the road. Enjoy your holidays. We will see everyone in 2018.

Year 2/3 News with Mrs Ferguson & Miss Frazer



Wow, Week 9 already!

This term and this year have just flown by!

I would like to quickly recognise all of the efforts of students, parents, carers and families for supporting each other in many different ways. You have all contributed to a fantastic year of learning and extra-curricular opportunities. Well done.

We continue with Intensive Swimming this week, finishing up on Thursday. We will be having our end of term assembly this Friday, all are welcome. Congratulations in advance to all award recipients.

MATHS:- We will complete our end of term diagnostic assessment this week.

SPORTS:- There will be no sport on Friday due to intensive swimming, however please still wear your sport uniform to school.

ENGLISH: The spelling sound focus this week is based around the sound 'er' as in ladderer, 'ar' as in dollarar, 'or' as in doctoror, 'a' as in pizzaa, 'e' as in buckete, 'i' as in

dolphin, 'o' as in irono and 'u' as in cactus. I encourage all students and families to not take the foot off the accelerator yet, we have not finished our learning for the term and consistent diligence and persistence is required; this includes practicing your spelling words and reading daily. Spelling improvers for the week are; Elke, Matilda, Isabella, Zoe, Kade, Kobi, Dawson, Claudia, Jessi, Libby, Ryan and Chase. Well done 2/3!

HOMEWORK:- There will be no homework this week or next as we have finished all homework contracts in our workbooks. Well done 2/3!

Please also remember to keep collecting PBL's as the cut off date is this Wednesday as final numbers will need to be confirmed and booked. I would love to see as many students enjoying this excursion as possible!

I would like to take the opportunity to wish Sam and Chase a Happy Birthday for during the holidays! 2/3 hope you enjoy your relaxing birthdays!

Thanks again to all students, families, carers and community members who have contributed to such a great year. I hope you have a safe, relaxing and refreshing holiday, coming back in 2018 ready for another huge year of learning.

Year 3/4 News with Mrs Burgess



We continue on with Intensive Swimming this week, Thursday will be our last day. It is great to see all of the children trying very hard and enjoying the warm weather at the pool.

Our end of term assembly will be on this Friday, see information elsewhere in the newsletter. Congratulations, in advance, to all award recipients!

SPELLING: The spelling focus this week is based around the sound 'er' as in ladderer, 'ar' as in dollarar, 'or' as in doctoror, 'a' as in pizzaa, 'e' as in buckete, 'i' as in dolphinin, 'o' as in irono and 'u' as in cactus. There will be no spelling test this week due to the end

of term assembly, spelling activities will still continue in class as per normal though.

SPORT: There will be no sport this week due to Intensive Swimming; students still need to wear their sports uniform on Friday though.

Happy Birthday wishes to both Sid and Amelia who celebrate their birthday on Tuesday! We know you will have a great day. Happy Birthday!

I would like to take the opportunity to thank everyone for a great year and to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a safe and relaxing holiday.





The Year 6 transition into secondary went really well last week and everyone seems to be a bit more relaxed about what is expected of them now.

Swimming continues this week and will conclude on Thursday. Please bring all your equipment every day. Hopefully everyone has sorted their Year 6 Dinner arrangements and have returned RSVP's.

This Friday is our end of Term Assembly, we look forward to seeing everyone join us to celebrate our successes from the term.

Don't forget your Secret Santa gifts. Please get them in ASAP.

Have a great week everyone.

A Sneak Peak at the Week..

CCS Calendar of Events - Week 9

- 4th Dec • Intensive Swimming
- 5th Dec • Intensive Swimming
• Bus Trial
- 6th Dec • Engaging Students
TAFE
• Intensive Swimming
• Bus Trial
- 7th Dec • Intensive Swimming
• Bus Trial
- 8th Dec • Term 4 Assembly

CCS Calendar of Events - Week 10

- 11th Dec • Presentation Night
• Bronze/Silver Rewards Day
- 12th Dec • Gold/Platinum Rewards Day—Tamworth
- 13th Dec • Yr 6 Graduation Dinner



The P&C have asked for donations of cakes and slices for the End of Term Assembly on Friday 8th December.

Please leave donated items at the School Office on Thursday 7th December.

Intensive Swimming & Swimming for Sport

Please note that all students need to wear a rash shirt that is in good condition. Stretched and worn out rashies do not protect from the sun and become a hazard by dragging the students down in the water.



Secondary PBL Raffle Winners

Angus Morton - HSIE
Ben Cox - HSIE
Charlie Roberts - HSIE
Rachael White - School Services

Students receive a \$5.00 voucher to spend at the School Canteen



P&C End of Year Christmas Meeting

**Tuesday December 5th
at 6.00pm**

CCS Staff Room



COOLAH CENTRAL SCHOOL SECONDARY EQUIPMENT/BOOK REQUIREMENTS 2018

PLEASE NOTE:

- Every secondary student is required to turn up to school prepared to learn with the appropriate books and equipment.
- We ask that parents support their children in getting organised for school, by ensuring that they have what they need for the day. If students come to lessons unprepared, parents will be contacted to help resolve this issue.
- All workbooks are to be covered with contact to help keep them together. Please DO NOT purchase lecture pads with pages that easily tear and ensure that all workbooks have a margin.

Equipment List- Years 7-12

-Pencil Case	-Lever Arch folder (Yrs 11 & 12)
-Pens: Blue, Red & Black	-Plastic Sleeves (Yrs 11 & 12)
-Lead Pencil	-Reinforced Lined A4 paper (Yrs 11 & 12)
-Sharpener	-Hole Punch (to sit in folder-Yrs 11 & 12)
-Eraser	-Plastic subject dividers (Yrs 11 & 12)
-30cm Ruler	
-Scissors	
-Lg glue stick	
-Correction tape	
-3 pk Highlighters	
-10-12 pk coloured pencils	
-USB (4G min)	
-Casio fx-82AU PL US II calculator (\$22 from Front Office)	
-Student Diary (available at local newsagents/Officeworks)	

In addition to this equipment, students will need to the following for each subject:

<u>Year 7</u>	<u>Year 8</u>
English – 200 page A4 workbook	English – 200 page A4 workbook
History – 160 page A4 workbook	History – 160 page A4 workbook
Science – 200 page A4 workbook	Science – 200 page A4 workbook
Geography - 200 page A4 workbook	Geography - 200 page A4 workbook
Maths - 2 x 160 page A4 workbooks, Geometry set	Maths - 2 x 160 page A4 workbooks, Geometry set
Music – 96 page A4 Music book (reg. lines & music lines)	Music – 96 page A4 Music book (reg. lines & music lines)
Art – Visual Art Diary (\$5 at Front Office), paint brush set (Flat & Round), Paint Shirt	Art – Visual Art Diary (\$5 at Front Office), paint brush set (Flat & Round), Paint Shirt
PD/H/PE - 96 page A4 workbook	PD/H/PE - 96 page A4 workbook
D&T- 96 pg A4 workbook, USB (see above), leather enclosed shoes	D&T- 96 pg A4 workbook, USB (see above), leather enclosed shoes
Food Technology- 96 pg A4 workbook, USB (see above), leather enclosed shoes, Apron, 1L container + lid	Food Technology- 96 pg A4 workbook, USB (see above), leather enclosed shoes, Apron, 1L container + lid
Agriculture- 96 pg A4 workbook, hat	Agriculture- 96 pg A4 workbook, hat
Computers- USB (See Above)	Computers- USB (See Above)

<u>Year 9</u>	<u>Year 10</u>
English – 200 page A4 workbook	English – 200 page A4 workbook
History – 200 page A4 workbook	History – 200 page A4 workbook
Science – 200 page A4 workbook	Science – 200 page A4 workbook
Geography - 200 page A4 workbook	Geography - 200 page A4 workbook
Maths - 200 page A4 workbook	Maths - 200 page A4 workbook
Food Technology - 96 page A4 workbook, Apron, 1L container + lid	Food Technology - 96 page A4 workbook, Apron, 1L container + lid
IT Wood - 96 page A4 workbook, leather enclosed shoes	IT Wood- 96 page A4 workbook, leather enclosed shoes
IT Metal - 96 page A4 workbook, leather enclosed shoes	IT Metal - 96 page A4 workbook, leather enclosed shoes
Music – 96 page Music book (reg. & music lines)	Music – 96 page Music book (reg. & music lines)
Art – Visual Art Diary (\$5 from Front Office), paint brush set (Flat & Round), Paint Shirt	Art – Visual Art Diary (\$5 from Front Office), paint brush set (Flat & Round), Paint Shirt
PD/H/PE - 96 page A4 workbook	PD/H/PE - 96 page A4 workbook
PASS - 96 page A4 workbook	PASS - 96 page A4 workbook
PDM - 96 page A4 workbook, USB (See equipment list)	PDM - 96 page A4 workbook, USB (See equipment list)
Agriculture- 96 page A4 workbook, hat	Agriculture-96 page A4 workbook, hat
<u>Year 11</u>	<u>Year 12</u>
English (Std)	English (Std)
English (Adv)	English (Adv)
Mathematics	Mathematics
Gen. Mathematics	Gen. Mathematics
SLR- Apron, 1L container + lid	SLR- Apron, 1L container + lid
Biology	Biology
PD/H/PE	PD/H/PE
Agriculture	Agriculture
Industrial Tech: Metal- USB (see over pg), leather enclosed shoes	Industrial Tech: Metal- USB (see over pg), leather enclosed shoes
Geography	Geography
Music	Music
Primary Industries- Appropriate clothing & Footwear, hat	Primary Industries- Appropriate clothing & Footwear, hat
Modern History	
Hospitality- Uniform & Toolkit	Hospitality- Uniform & Toolkit

IMPORTANT: Senior Students are to also check their subject information booklets for fee and equipment information.

All senior students (Years 11 & 12) are required to purchase a lever arch folder. They will need a hole punch, subject dividers. Reinforced A4 lined paper and plastic sleeves (avoid sleeves that are light-weighted as they tend to rip). It is expected that all senior students return to school Day 1 with their folders organised.



SECONDARY SCHOOL ASSESSMENT/ASSIGNMENTS

Year 7

- ♦ Geography: Town Case Study Presentation 5th December
- ♦ English : Weekly spelling

Year 10

- ♦ Geography: RAP Report—Week 9

Year 12

- ♦ Geography—Mega-city Case Study 12th December
- ♦ Advanced English—Weekly Writing tasks
- ♦ Advanced English—Weekly Blog Posts
- ♦ Advanced English—Discovery Portfolio: Due Term 1, 2018

Can parents and guardians please check students diaries as there may be additional homework or teacher correspondence

Secondary Sport

This Wednesday Secondary Sport will again be swimming. Students need to remember, swimmers, towel, sunscreen and \$3.00 if they do not have a season ticket.



Premier Sporting Challenge Leading With Action Day

Students from Coolah Central School & Dunedoo Central School participated in a Leading with Action Day on Friday 1st December.

NSW Netball, Rugby, Cricket and Soccer Development Officers came out to run sessions with students. Next year these students will become leaders themselves with primary students from each school during a Learn 2 Lead Day at one of the schools.



Start Dates



2018

Student Return Dates for 2018

Kindergarten 2018 commence Big School on Thursday 1st February 2018.

All Year 1 - 6 students commence school on Tuesday 30th January

Years 7, 11 & 12 commence on Tuesday 30th January

Years 8, 9 & 10 commence on Wednesday 31st January

General Meeting

Coolah Youth & Community Centre
Tuesday 12th December
5.30pm at Coolah Youth Hall
(across from the Central School)
All Welcome

Kindergarten Best Start Assessment Program 2018

Testing Dates -
Tuesday January
30th & Wednesday
January 31st

YEAR 12 FUNDRAISER

CHRISTMAS CAKE STALL

Monday the 11th of December
at Recess and Lunch
in the Secondary Quad



PRICES FROM 50c TO \$3

GROUP 14 NETBALL

TRIALS

13s, 14s AND 15s

If you are turning any of these ages in 2018 and would like to play state age netball and carnivals on Sundays leading up to state age.

Representing Group 14

Trials will be held at Gilgandra

10th December at 10am

Parents

If you would like more information

Contact Peter Eastburn

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Genie in the Jukebox

DVD'S

\$7.00

Orders for DVD's of our wonderful performance, Genie in the Jukebox are now being taken.

Please fill in the slip below and return to the Front Office with payment by **TOMORROW**, Tuesday 5th December at 9.30am. **NO ORDERS WILL BE TAKEN AFTER THIS TIME.**

Genie in the Jukebox DVD Offer

Iwould like to order DVD's
at \$7.00 each.

I enclose \$.....

Please tick -

I will pick up from school

☐

Please send home with child

☐

childs name.....



Macquarie Regional Library Summer Reading Club

1 December 2017 - 31 January 2018

Last year the Summer Reading Club was a HUGE success! It is hoped, with the help of your school, this year's participation will be even bigger and better!

Your students are encouraged to read along with the program by...

- ✱ Registering for the Summer Reading Club and receive a free Summer Reading Activation Kit.
- ✱ Reading and collecting bonuses and prizes.
- ✱ Unleashing their imagination in fun workshops held in the library all through the holidays.

Children can register from the 1st December at the library, for their free Summer Reading Activation Kit filled with fun activities, giveaways and reading log and continue to collect incentives as they read across the summer.

To improve participation this year, teachers are encouraged to promote this program to children and parents as they enquire about holiday activities. Information about the Summer Reading Club could also be included in your school newsletter.

If you would like more information, posters for display or a visit from library staff to promote this program, please contact me on 6377 1910.

Yours sincerely,

Julie Sherlock
Coolah Branch
Macquarie Regional Library

Summer Reading Club Launch Party
12 December 2017
3.30pm to 4.30pm



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