

Coolah Central School – Year 12 Formal

Friday 8th November was a special day for our 15 Year 12 students – their Year 12 Formal evening had finally arrived.

Looking very glamorous the students travelled out to Coolah Creek Homestead where they had photos taken in the beautiful garden and courtyard. Thank you to Catherine Beer for taking the photos and to Jillie and Will Arnott for providing the lovely setting.

The formal part of the evening was held at the school where the student's family and friends gathered for mocktails and canapes. A beautiful meal prepared by Mr Michael Boehm and students from Coolah Central School, was served in the decorated, rustic themed hall, which looked fantastic. Speeches and the cutting of the cake followed, which had been made and decorated by Jenna Packham.

The photo booth was again a huge hit with all in attendance.

A great night was had by all, and Good Luck to all our Year 12 leavers for 2019.





Principal's News with Mr Hughes

Welcome to our second newsletter for Term 4. I recently had the privilege of attending our Year 12 Formal and would like to congratulate all involved. The Year 12 graduates had an exceptional night as did the 180 guests who attended. A big thankyou to Mrs Staniforth and Mr Jones the groups Year Advisors who have guided their cohort through their high school years. Thanks also to Miss Williams, Mrs Rindfleish and student helpers who assisted in the setup of the hall and to Mr Boehm and his Hospitality students who did an outstanding job catering for the event.

Recently at the school we hosted two separate Principal meetings. In Week 3 we had the Western Region Secondary Principals Council Conference which involved 20 Principals from all over the western part of NSW coming to Coolah for 2 days of professional learning. In Week 4 we hosted the Mudgee Principals Network Meeting which included Principals form more local schools. A big thankyou again to Mr Boehm and his team of students who catered these events and to the school captains and SRC members who greeted our guests each morning. Many Principals commented on the outstanding way our students go about their business and about the upgraded school facilities.

Our Year 11 students and their parents recently participated in Senior Success Planning interviews with Ms Meares and Mrs Richard. These interviews are designed to help students set targets and goals for their HSC year. Students starting Year 11 next year will be involved in developing Senior Success Plans as they start their final 2 years of school.

Our Aboriginal Education Team have been working hard and are pleased to announce that the official opening of our yarning circle will be on Thursday 28th November at 11.30am. All of the community are invited to attend.

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As always I can be contacted at the school should you have any concerns.



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ZOOSNOOZE

On Thursday October 31st, Year 2 headed off to Taronga Western Plains Zoo in Dubbo for our overnight ZoosnooZ. Year 2 were accompanied by Mrs Richard, Mr Mudford and Mrs Esdaile. We arrived and had our afternoon tea whilst playing on the flying fox in the zoo playground. We then headed around to the Billabong camp. The moment we were all waiting for came when we saw our tents. Screams and cheers could be heard from the bus. The students were allocated their tents and soon made themselves at home. The tents were the real highlight of the trip! We went on a night walk through the Australian section of the zoo. Getting to see how dingoes, koalas, wallabies, quokkas and echidnas behave at night. On Friday we woke bright and early, we filled our tummies with breakfast and headed off on our morning walk. We were all a little tired and weary on Friday. We made our way around the zoo and got to see most of the animals. We had so much fun and really enjoyed ourselves. Year 2 wish to thank Mrs Richard and Mr Mudford for volunteering their time to come away with Year 2. We now have lots of stories and experiences to share!



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RUGBY UNION WORKSHOPS

Coolah Central School has been very lucky in gaining funding from the Coolah Roos Rugby Union Club to run Rugby Union Workshops at school for all students. Secondary students participated in the workshops on Wednesdays and Primary students on Fridays. This program ran for 5 weeks from Week 2 through to Week 6. We have heard lots of positive feedback from students about getting to try a new sport and getting outside to exercise. **Coolah Roos Rugby Union Club** raised funds during their 35 Year Celebration and have teamed with Sporting Schools NSW to offer our students this opportunity.

Thank you to the Coolah Roos **Rugby Union Club from all of** our students.











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K/1/2 Excursion to Red Hill

On Friday the 8th of November, the K/1/2 students excitedly travelled to the Red Hill Environmental Centre in Gulgong to take a step back into the past by comparing life now to what it used to be like in the colonial era and also for the early Aboriginals. We specifically looked at families and investigated how they had changed.

During the course of the day we dressed up in clothes from the colonial era and we visited the Gulgong Museum where we were able to have a glimpse of what life used to be like. We looked at lots of things from the past such as transport, communication devices, clothing, machinery, schooling, housing, occupations and their uniforms and tools, toys and household appliances for example. Things have definitely changed!

We also looked at the life of the early Aboriginals and we really enjoyed looking at all of the Aboriginal artefacts which they once used. We painted pictures using Aboriginal symbols to tell the story of our lives.

Our day was fascinating! We thoroughly enjoyed all of the exciting activities and we learnt so much. We also decided that life is now much easier and with the ever changing world of technology, life will inevitably continue to change.











On Tuesday 19th November, we had a fabulous visiting performance that was all about Rock Music! The show took us on a journey through the history of Rock Music. We learnt about Aussie Rock, Reggae, the Disco era, Punk Rock and smooth jazz tones. All of the students that attended had a great time! The audience was up and down constantly, dancing, cheering and playing a role in the story.

Thank you goes to our school for subsidising this performance and making it affordable for all families.



Upper Hunter Beef Bonanza

With Mrs Thompson

We had a great 4 days at Scone for the Upper Hunter Beef Bonanza with our 7 steers and 1 heifer. All our students were a credit to the school and did a fantastic job exhibiting their cattle. The students have been preparing their cattle at school since May and have been grooming, practicing parading and judging on Monday afternoons in Cattle Club sessions and in their 9/10 Ag and 11/12 Primary Industries classes. We had a great time visiting Merrifield Pig Farm, Whiteheads Dairy and Vinery Horse Stud and got some credible results with our cattle in the hoof and hook competitions, the paraders and junior judging sections. Well done to everyone involved.

Results from the Upper Hunter Beef Bonanza include:

Hoof and Hook Sections (approx. 20 in each class)

- Jenny (Speckle Park heifer) prepared by Georgie, Charlotte and Gwyn- 3rd on the hoof, 3rd in the carcase class with 81 points
- Orange (Limo steer) led by Noah 6th in carcase with 85 points
- Thistle (Speckle Park steer) prepared by Claudia, Sophia and Alice- 2nd place on the hoof
- Black Billy (Black Limo steer) prepared by Indie, Libby and Ryan- Highly Commended on the hoof and 6th carcase with 81 points
- Little T (Limo X steer) prepared by Sid and Sam placed 4th on the hoof and 7th carcase with 80 points
- Vegemite (Santa x Limo steer) paraded by Ben into 3rd place in the hoof competition
- Murray (Charolais x Limo steer) prepared by Tyler and Hayden got a Highly Commended on the hoof
- Bud (Angus x Hereford steer) prepared by Lachie, Jack and Brendan received one of the highest scores for Eating Quality in his carcase class and had the highest daily weight gain of all cattle in the schools program.

Student Parader's Classes

Congratulations to all students who did a fantastic job in their Paraders classes. Judging was not easy and well done to Alice who came 3rd in her heat, Libby 3rd, Sophia 5th and Jack 3rd. Big smiles all around and a fantastic effort from all students whether they picked up a ribbon or not.

Junior Judging

From approximately 90 students in the Primary Junior Judging section, 6 students made the final and were chosen to give oral presentations on why they placed their heifers in the order they did. Well done to CCS for getting 4 of the 6 students into this final. All students spoke very well in front of a large crowd on a microphone. Congratulations to Libby for placing 1st, Sid 3rd, Alice 4th and Claudia 5th. You all did a fantastic job!









A big THANKYOU to:

All our cattle suppliers including The Soster Family, The Cook Family, Henry Thompson, Don Riley Limousin Stud and Scott Mitchell for supplying us with such great animals to work with.

All the parents who helped over the weekend of Scone and at Merriwa and Quirindi Shows - whether it be cooking, setting up or grooming, thankyou for your support.

Mrs Staniforth and Miss Whiteman for being the teachers in charge at Scone and for all your help.

Andrew Moore for transporting our feed from Alexander Downs during the year.

Henry Thompson for donating straw for the cattle.

Frank Wright for transporting our cattle to all the Shows.

The staff at Merrifield Pig Farm, Whiteman Family Dairy and Vinery Stud for giving us fantastic tours of your farms.

All the parents who have helped on Monday afternoons at Cattle Club - your support is appreciated Aimee Porter for making the girls some awesome earrings to wear when competing at Scone.

Below are some comments from those who went to Scone -

- Mrs Staniforth- "It was wonderful, apart from the dust storm!"
- Gwyn " I liked leading the heifer and getting 3rd and catching up with everyone".
- Alice "My favourite part was Vinery Stud because it was a beautiful place and I liked seeing the stallions. I also liked watching everyone from CCS in their Paraders classes".
- Lachie It was sad when I walked away from the yards after saying goodbye to Bud. I really enjoyed taking him in his steer class".
- Noah "Everyone worked really well together over the weekend. It was good to catch up with some friends from other schools".
- Sam "The piggery was interesting because they had lots of pigs and I learnt a lot of how pigs grow and eat".
- Libby "The parading was fun because I got a go on Bud. Games Night was fun also and the horse stud was very posh".
- Tyler "The atmosphere was great and I loved meeting new friends from other schools. I liked helping the primary kids".
- Indie "I liked it all!! I really liked Merrifield Farm piggery and Vinery Horse Stud. Games night was also cool".
- Claudia "I loved the Junior Judging and making it into the finals. I liked talking on the microphone in front of lots of people".
- Jack "The parading was my favourite cause I got 3rd and Bud led really well. The dairy and pigs were also really interesting".
- Charlotte "I liked washing and weighing the steers and the pigs were interesting".
- Sid I loved the piggery, the Dairy and Vinery Horse Stud. I liked getting 4th with Little T in the steer class but was sad to say goodbye to him".
- Brendan "I liked washing Bud because it was hot and we all got wet".
- Ryan "I loved the horse stud and getting a ribbon with the black steer".
- Miss Whiteman "I loved it, it was good to see all the kids working well together".







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SRC DISCO

We invite you to our annual Transition Disco

Wednesday 4th December

5:00 - 6:00 - Infants (Preschool, Kindergarten, Year 1 and 2) 6:00 - 7:30pm - Primary (Year 2-6) 7:30 - 10:00pm -Secondary (Year 6-12)

Canteen



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Entry

