



COOLAH CENTRAL SCHOOL

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Newsletter:

Tuesday 2nd April 2019
Week 10B - Term 1

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YEARS

Serving the Coolah Community

1868-2018

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KINDY/YEAR 1 ALL SMILES AT CCS



P&C Meetings

Third Tuesday
each month
@ 6.30pm
CCS Staff Room

CCS Calendar of Events - Week 10A

April Thurs 4th	• Year 7 - Wellington Caves
Fri 5th	• Primary North West Soccer

"The virtue is in the struggle not the prize"



Students from Years 4 to 12 will participate in the Tell Them From Me survey at the end of this week. Coolah Central School completes this online survey each year as it allows the school to collect data which is used to inform our future planning. The

survey is totally anonymous as student results are confidential and de-identified before the school has access to them. Participation is voluntary and students may wish to skip any questions they are uncomfortable answering. Further information about the survey is located later in the newsletter. Students/or parents can choose to opt out completely if required. Parents/caregivers who do not want their child to complete the survey are asked to notify the school front office before Thursday at 11am.

The operation of the school canteen is overseen by Coolah Central School's Parents and Citizens Committee which employ a canteen manager, Barb Baker, for 3 days per week. The canteen has been opening 5 days a week with the aid of volunteers. The canteen will no longer offer credit or allow people to set up an account from next term. All purchases must be paid for at the time of purchase. Students who require support with food at school will be provided for. They

are to see the Principal or Deputy Principal. It would be appreciated that anyone with outstanding money owed to the canteen finalise their account before the end of term. Students with outstanding accounts at the canteen next term will not be served until the outstanding amounts have been paid.

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

Secondary Homework Centre

The Secondary Homework Centre will be operating at the following times in the Computer Room.

Mondays - 1.30pm to 2.00pm
Tuesdays - 1.30pm to 2.00pm
Wednesdays - 1.30pm to 2.00pm
Thursdays - 3.00pm to 5.00pm



APRIL SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

**MONDAY 15TH APRIL -
FRIDAY 26TH APRIL**

STAFF RETURN - MONDAY 29TH APRIL
STUDENTS RETURN - TUESDAY 30TH APRIL

Canteen Weekly Specials



Thurs 4/4

Spaghetti
Bolognaise
&
Garlic Bread

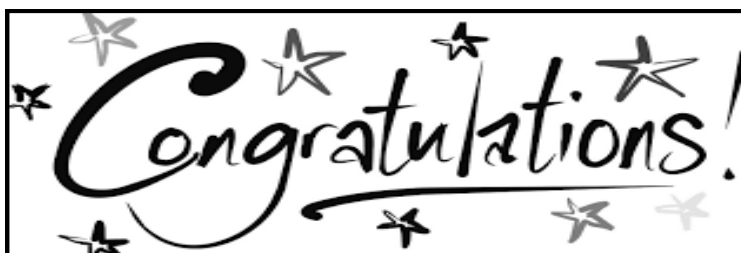
**LUNCH
SPECIAL**

\$6



Tues 9/4

Chicken
Parmigiana



**Secondary PBL
Raffle Winners**

Brendon Yr 10 - HSIE
Charlotte Yr 10 - Science
Jessica Yr 8 - HSIE
Jessica Yr 8 - Science

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



SECONDARY SCHOOL ASSESSMENT/ASSIGNMENTS

Year 7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Maths - completion of class exercises ◆ English - Character Profile Booklets (Due Monday 8th April) ◆ English - Film Techniques Test (Mon 1st April) ◆ Geography - Skills Booklet (Week 10) ◆ Science—Topic test Properties of Substances (Friday 5th April)
Year 8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ History - Viking Shield Assessment (Due Week 10) ◆ English - Novel study - Essay (Due 2/4) & all chapter exercises up to date ◆ Maths - Weekly Homework Booklet ◆ Maths assignment due 5.4.2019
Year 9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Maths (Green) - Weekly Homework Booklet ◆ Maths (Green) - Assignment due 4.4.2019 ◆ English (Green) - Poetry Test (3/4) & Revision of Language Features ◆ Maths (Red) - Assessment due Thursday 11th April
Year 10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Maths (Green) - Weekly Homework Booklet ◆ Maths (Green) - Assignment due 4.4.2019 ◆ English (Green) - Poetry Test (3/4) & Revision of Language Features ◆ Science - Topic Test (Due 8th April) ◆ Geography - Investigative Study Due 2nd April ◆ Maths (Red) - Assessment due Thursday 11th April
Year 11	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Advanced English – ‘Reading to Write’ folio ◆ Maths - Complete class exercises ◆ Geography - SGP (ongoing; Final due 31st May) ◆ Biology - Enzyme assessment due 12th April
Year 12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ All class work to be up-to-date ◆ Modern History - All booklets up-to-date ◆ Advanced English: TS Eliot Booklets—Last Day of Term ◆ PDHPE - Ensuring all class work is up to date ◆ Biology – Practice exam type questions for handing in
Can parents and guardians please check student diaries as there may be additional homework or teacher correspondence	

Secondary Sport with Mrs Staniforth

Good luck to the following students who head to Sydney for CHS Swimming on Monday next week -Jyeson, Hallam, Kane, Lachlan, Isabelle, Caitlin and William. Good luck and Go, Go, Go for Coolah.



***Tell Them From Me* student survey:
Information and consent form for
parents and carers**



Dear Parents and Carers

In Term 1 2019, our school is taking part in the *Tell Them From Me* student survey. The survey will provide us with valuable feedback on what our students think about school life, how engaged they are with school and the different ways that teachers interact with them. Schools in Australia and around the world have used the *Tell Them From Me* survey to help them improve. The survey is completed on-line and is run by an independent research company, **The Learning Bar**, which specialises in school-based surveys.

Staff in schools will **not** be able to identify individual students from their responses. To ensure confidentiality, participating students will receive a unique username and password. Where fewer than five students respond to a question, the results will be suppressed. The survey typically takes 30 minutes or less to complete and will be administered by the school during normal school hours. Once the surveys are completed by students, reports are prepared and in most cases are available to schools within three business days.

As well as schools getting student feedback, the Department of Education, through the Centre for Education Statistics and Evaluation (CESE), has access to data from across NSW and is running a research project to look at state-wide patterns of student wellbeing, engagement and effective teaching practices. The research is looking at how these things impact on student outcomes, including academic performance. Individual students will **not** be identified in any CESE publications, and all information will be handled in accordance with the relevant privacy legislation. Students' personal information will not be disclosed by the department to any other person or body other than as required by law.

This research will help schools in New South Wales to better understand how to improve student wellbeing and engagement. It will also help teachers and principals discuss what works to improve student outcomes.

Participating in the survey is entirely voluntary. Your child will not take part if either you or your child do not wish. If, during the survey, your child is uncomfortable, he/she can choose to stop the survey at any time. The majority of questions in the survey can be skipped.

If you **do not want your child to take part** in the survey, please phone the school office 6377 1101 before Thursday 4th April at 11am.

More information about the survey and the research is available in English on the CESE website: <http://surveys.cese.nsw.gov.au/information-for-parents>

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K-6 News

Our school will be taking part in 'The Big Vegie Crunch' on Thursday 4th April, 2019. This is an initiative by the Government to encourage all children to regularly enjoy vegetables and fruit. As we usually have our Crunch and Sip daily at 12pm, we will be having our Big Vegie Crunch on this day at the regular time. Please ensure you support your students by packing them an extra piece of fruit or vegetable to enjoy with their peers.



A huge congratulations to all students from Year 4-6 that represented our school at Zone Rugby League in Coonabarabran last Friday. A large number of these students have now been selected to represent Coonabarabran Zone at North West Rugby League on May 6th in Tamworth.

Support Unit celebrated International Down Syndrome Day on Thursday the 21st March. Students and staff wore odd socks and enjoyed party food and some class games to celebrate the occasion.

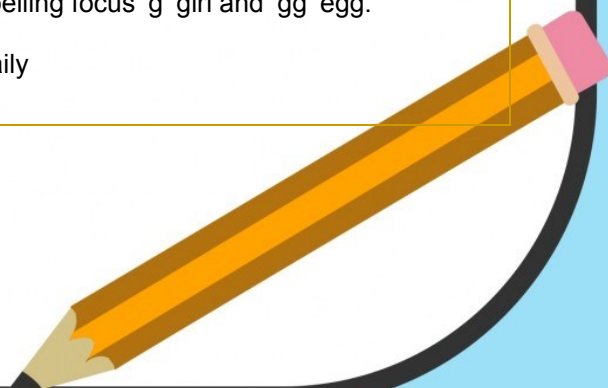
The students have access to a wonderful Mathematics computer programme called Mathletics. This programme helps to reinforce and consolidate the mathematical concepts that are studied at school. If you would like to access this programme at home, please see your child(ren)'s class teacher(s) for the log in details.

The students in Kinder, Years 1 and 2 have been doing lots of fun things using the Reading Eggs programme on their computers. The licence for this has currently expired, however we are looking into renewing it as it was great to see the number of children who were also completing the activities at home. We will let you know when this programme becomes available again.



K-6 News

Homework and Assignments Due		
Kindergarten/ Year 1	Homework Home reading Spelling	<u>Kindergarten</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♦ Homework– unit 8 ♦ Home Reading– daily ♦ Sight words-daily ♦ <u>Year 1</u> ♦ Homework book– unit 9 ♦ Home Reading-daily ♦ Spelling-daily
Year 1/2	Homework Contract Spelling Home Readers	Students are to complete homework contract 9 this week. Students are to write their words out each night. Students are to read each night and fill in there reading log.
Year 3	Spelling Homework Reading	* Spelling sound this week is 'g' girl and 'gg' egg. * Contract 9. * Please read every night and remember to complete you nightly Home Reading Log and return it when you have reached your milestone.
Year 4	Homework Spelling: Reading:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contract 10 Due Friday. Sound this week is 'g' girl and 'gg' egg. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Please remember to read for 15-20 minutes each night.
Year 5/6O	Homework Spelling words 5-20 minutes of reading Year 5 Geography	Contract 9 Spelling focus 'g' girl and 'gg' egg. Daily Research task is due THIS WEEK- April 3rd. Please bring in Easter hat decorations for hat making
Year 5/6W	Homework Spelling 20 minutes reading Year 5 Geography	* Contract 9 * Spelling focus 'g' girl and 'gg' egg. Daily Research task is due THIS WEEK- April 3rd. Please bring in Easter hat decorations for hat making
Learning & Support	Homework Spelling words 15-20 minutes of reading	* Contract 9 Spelling focus 'g' girl and 'gg' egg. Daily



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WHY SHOULD I HAVE PROFESSIONAL DRIVING LESSONS?

Drive 4 Life recommends learner drivers have professional driving lessons as soon as possible after passing your knowledge test. Expert driver training and education from a qualified instructor teaches you to develop good, safe driving habits and behaviour from an early stage in your driving life.

WHAT WILL I GAIN FROM DRIVING LESSONS?

Having driving lessons from one of our professional driving instructors will enable you to:

- ✓ Learn the skills and techniques you will need to pass your RMS driving test
- ✓ Become a safe and smart road user
- ✓ One professional driving lesson is worth three (3) log book hours

www.1800drive4life.com.au



CCS Calendar of Events - Week 11A

April Mon 8th - Wed 10th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CHS Secondary State Swimming
Mon 8th - Fri 12th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Year 11 Hospitality and Primary Industries Work Placement
Tues 9th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Secondary Debating Coonamble
Thurs 11th - Fri 12th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PSSA Primary State Swimming
Fri 12th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • End of Term Assembly • Easter Hat Parade - 12pm

SAFER DRIVERS COURSE

RMS ACCREDITED

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WHAT IS THE SAFER DRIVERS COURSE?

The Safer Drivers Course is designed for learner drivers to help them prepare for driving solo when they graduate to their provisional licence.

It teaches young drivers ways to reduce road risks and develop safe driving behaviours.

Some of the topics covered in the Safer Drivers Course:

- ✓ Challenges in the decision making process
- ✓ Developing ways to cope with distractions
- ✓ Fatigue and night driving
- ✓ Speed management and safe following distances

Course fee is \$140, which includes a 3 hour group discussion and a 2 hour in-car coaching session.

The Disadvantaged Learner Initiative (DLI) is available through the RMS, where eligible participants (see below criteria) can sit the course free of charge.

WHAT ARE THE REQUIREMENTS?

- ✓ A current NSW learners licence
- ✓ Minimum 50 log book driving hours
- ✓ Be aged under 25 years*
- ✓ DLI - Must hold a Pensioner Concession or Health Care card, in their name, issued by Centrelink.

Upon completion of the course, participants will receive a 20 hour credit in their log book.

UPCOMING DATES

Inverell	May 4th
Narrabri	May 18th
Coonabarabran	May 11th



Find us on 



Coolah Central School

Invites

Parents & Carers

to our

Kindergarten to Year 6 Easter Hat Parade

on

Friday 12th April 2019 at 12.00pm

Venue: School Hall








Our P&C will be holding an Easter egg raffle which will be drawn on Friday 12th April 2019 at the conclusion of the Parade.

Donations of Easter eggs will be greatly appreciated and these may be sent into the office before the Easter Hat Parade.

Please return all raffle tickets with money and donated eggs to the front office.

Tickets will be available to purchase at the door from the P&C.

CCS P&C Easter Raffle Drawn 12th April 2019	CCS P&C Easter Raffle Drawn 12th April 2019	CCS P&C Easter Raffle Drawn 12th April 2019	CCS P&C Easter Raffle Drawn 12th April 2019	CCS P&C Easter Raffle Drawn 12th April 2019
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Phone	Phone	Phone	Phone	Phone



Primary Representative Sport

It has been a big couple of weeks for primary representative sport at Coolah Central School.

David Peachey/Russell Richardson League

Twenty eight primary students from year 3-6 travelled to Dunedoo for the annual Peachey-Richardson carnival. This year was the biggest one yet with over 25 teams in the Peachey and 12 in the Richardson competitions.

Our 3-4 Richardson Cup side performed very well on the day remaining undefeated after two wins and a draw from their three games. They were coached by Chris Kearney and they played some great football. This is a non-competitive competition so no team progressed to the finals day.

In the David Peachey Shield, we fielded two teams one competitive and one non-competitive. Our all girls non-competitive side showed that they will be a force to be reckoned with at the upcoming girls carnival after matching it try for try with the all boys Mendooran side. They had good wins in their other two games against Dunedoo sides. The girls only qualifying day will be held in Dubbo on Tuesday 4th of June 2019. Thanks Chantelle and Hugh for looking after this team.

Our competitive boys team also had a great day with two wins and two losses from their very hard pool. They came up against the eventual finalists from Gilgandra in their first match which was a very hard game against a well drilled side, however the boys learnt from this game and showed excellent improvement throughout the day. Thanks to Steven Burgess for coaching them. Congratulations to all students for their excellent sportsmanship and behaviour.

Zone and Southern Zone Soccer

Libby, Brendon and Jessi attended Zone Soccer at Coonabarabran on 22nd of March and they were all successful in being selected for the zone team. They then travelled to Gunnedah for Southern Zone on Tuesday 26th of March with Libby being selected to play in the possibles v probables match. All three students did a fabulous job of representing our school.

Zone Rugby League

Last Friday we took 15 students to try out for the U11 and Open zone rugby league teams. This proved to be very successful with 13 out of the 15 being selected to attend the North West Rugby League trials at the beginning of May. I would like to congratulate Henry, Angus, Molly, Sid, Sam, Hamish, Indie, Bonni, Sienna, Gabby, Maddie, Toby, Jack, Cooper and Isaac on their fabulous behaviour and skill level and I would like to wish those going to North West good luck.



Our David Peachey—Russell Richardson



P&C News

The P&C AGM was held on the Tuesday 19th March at 6.30pm:

Newly elected Committee:

President: Andrew Thomas

Vice President: Kathy Rindfleish

2nd Vice President: Torie Martin

Secretary: Alli Mudford

Treasurer: Lucinda Miller

Public Officer: Lucinda Miller

Congratulations to all office bearers we have an exciting year ahead. At the next meeting there will be a planning session to work out our priorities for 2019 for fundraising.

MEETINGS 3rd Tuesday of the Month. Next meeting will be held on the Tuesday 21st May at 6.30pm

FIREWOOD RAFFLE






\$2 per ticket available at HAYNES CRT or at the front office. To be drawn at the end of term assembly on Friday 12th April.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Rockn at the Racecourse, 13th April 2pm – 12am in the coffee van - if you can help please see Lucinda Miller.

Hartwood Country Music Festival Easter long weekend 19th, 20th and 21st April — the P&C will be catering lunch and will have the coffee van if you can donate a few hours it would be greatly appreciated!



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