



COOLAH CENTRAL SCHOOL

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Week 1A - Term 1

January
Friday 31st

- House Captain Elections
- Primary Swimming

January
Friday 31st
February
Saturday 1st

- Cassilis Rodeo

Week 2B - Term 1

February
Monday 3rd

- Kindergarten students begin school

Friday 7th

- Swimming Carnival

P&C Coffee Van

Volunteers are needed to help in the P&C Coffee Van at the Cassilis Rodeo this Saturday, February 1st. Please contact the school if you can help out for an hour or two.



Principal's News with Mr Hughes

Welcome back to all students and staff. I hope everyone had a great Christmas holiday and is refreshed, ready for a great and exciting new year of learning ahead.

This past holiday period has seen large areas of our state devastated by bushfire. The impact of these fires does not just relate to the damage caused by flame and smoke, but importantly, it also has an emotional impact on us, our families and communities. I would like to remind you that Coolah Central School has supports in place for our students and families should they be affected. Please contact the school if required to discuss the support we can provide.

A reminder that the NSW Ministry of Health and NSW Department of Education have recommended that any student who was travelling in China (including Hong Kong) over the past 14 days should not return to school or child care services this week, as the coronavirus' incubation period can be as long as two weeks. Please advise the school if this affects your children.

We have a number of staff changes to let people know about.

Ms Lisa McDonald has been successful in gaining a substantive position teaching at Dunedoo Central School and Mrs Cheryl Rawlinson has taken extended sick leave. Mr Phil Jones has also left to the north coast. We are in the process of working with the Department of Education to find replacements for these teachers and hope to have our staffing settled for the year shortly.

Mrs Melissa Richard starts as Head Teacher Wellbeing and Mrs Rikki Esdaile will assist with some Learning and Support Teacher work.

For K-6 classes in 2020 we have again being successful in gaining government drought support to maintain our staffing numbers at our 2018 levels despite a fall in enrolments. As a result we still have six K-6 classes. Teachers and classes are:

K – Mrs Simmons
1/2 - Mrs Esdaile
3 - Mrs Burgess

4 – Mrs Wilson/Miss Watson
5/6O – Mrs O'Neill, and
5/6W – Mrs Wesley

All students will have Math in their own year level.

On the first day of school we had our staff development day. The focus on this learning was to ensure that staff have the skills to cater for all students learning needs and that staff work consistently to ensure all students are made accountable for their learning. As always my expectations of student behaviour is that they learn all they can, they help their classmates learn all that they can and that they allow the teacher to teach the class effectively.

I am looking forward to a fantastic year of learning at Coolah Central School.



Swimming Carnival

The swimming carnival is next Friday, 7th February. This Friday, 31st January, we will be having house captain elections and filling in race cards for Friday. Just to remind parents of primary students, if your child would like to try and make it to Zone swimming they must swim in 50m of any stroke they wish to try and make it away for. The only exception is in a Medley where they must swim 200m.

A copy of the swimming program has been placed on Skoolbag and our Facebook page so you can check with your child the events they would like to enter.

By Friday all students will know the Sporting House they are in and also the colour of the house. If they are unsure please contact the front office.

Remember students turning 8 this year and up are eligible to swim at the carnival. All students who are 8 and up are expected to arrive at the pool by 8.45am. Buses will drop off at the pool.

Primary Swimming each Friday afternoon for Sport for the rest of Term 1.



School Excursion Consent Forms

Parents/Guardians - Please fill out the below slip and return it back to the school at your earliest convenience.

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COOLAH CENTRAL SCHOOL EXCURSION CONSENT FORM

I hereby consent to Yr..... to participate in
..... Yr.....
..... Yr.....
(Student's names)

excursions/PE/sports (including swimming) activities in walking distance of the school during the 2020 School Year during school hours.
Special needs of my child/children of which you should be aware (allergies, medication – please provide full details):

Coolah Central School Web Page/Facebook

☐ I give permission for my child's photo and school work to be published in print form and displayed on Coolah Central School's website and Facebook. I understand that the site will be accessed via the Internet and that full identifying information about my child will not be provided.
(First names & Year Group only will be published)

☐ I do not give permission for my child's photo and school work to be published in print form and displayed on Coolah Central School's website and Facebook.

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Signature of Parent or Guardian

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Date

Current email address.....
Ref: AnnualExcursionPerm(Staff/SASS/Forms)