

# Coolongolook Public School News

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Principal: Mr Jason Tindall

TERM 4 WEEK 6

## From the Principal's Desk

Week 6 already! There are a number of exciting activities happening over the next few weeks so I hope to see you at school soon.

### Swim School

This week our students have travelled to Great Lakes Aquatic Centre for their yearly swimming lessons. The week has been a great success with all students displaying amazing improvement with their swimming and it has been nice to hear the swimming instructors at the centre speak so highly of our students' effort and behaviour during this time. A big thank you to Miss Shannon, Mrs Donnelly, Mr Martyn, Mrs Everingham and Mrs Pepene, for their assistance along with Brian, Jo and Jake for their expert swimming instruction. A big thank you to all those that assisted with timekeeping during our swimming carnival. The event was a great success and a special thank you to the many parents who travelled to the centre to support our children.

### P&C Roles and Responsibilities Meeting

On Tuesday 27 November, the P and C will hold a special meeting to discuss 2019 school fundraising and roles and responsibilities for these upcoming events. We hope you can come along and assist with this important planning event.

### Linking School and Early Years Project

Recently our school was notified that we would be linked with a new and exciting initiative, the Linking School and Early Years Project. This project was established with the aim of ensuring that all children enter the formal primary education system ready to engage and be successful in school. The project also aims to ensure that schools are prepared for children of all abilities and backgrounds when they first attend and that families, services and

communities are ready to support their child's learning. On Tuesday 27 November, the project's manager Bree Katsamangos will be at our school to discuss this project further. Hope to see you at school at 2pm.

### End of Term Excursion

On Monday 3 December, all students will be travelling to Forster for their class excursion. K/2 will be spending the day on the Amaroo while 3/6 will be exploring Pebbly Beach and Bennetts Head. Please see the attached permission note for further information.

### Presentation Assembly

Families, friends and volunteers are invited to join us at the Coolongolook Hall on Monday 17 December for our annual Presentation Assembly starting at 10am.

### Term 4 Rewards Day

On Tuesday 18 December, students will travel by bus to the Big Buzz for our 'Rewards Day'. There will be no cost to the children. Parents/Carers are welcome to join us at the park. There **will be** a cost to parents/carers on entry to the park on the day.

### Mobile Phone messages

Thank you to the many parents/carers who continue to assist with our open lines of communication by texting current issues and events to my mobile. I appreciate being kept up to date but sometimes I'm unable to reply to your messages owing to my often busy schedule. If possible, can you leave your message with Lisa in the office or on the school mobile phone (0436 622485) and/or answering machine, so we can guarantee the matter is dealt with promptly. Thank you for your assistance with this matter.

### School Hats and Water Bottles

With the summer months almost upon us, it is more important than ever to cover up and rehydrate. Therefore, during Term 4, all students will be encouraged to have the bottle filled at all times and have them in the room during class time. In addition, it is compulsory for all students to be wearing their school hats during playtime. We will once again be enforcing the 'No hat, no play' rule during the term and any student without a hat will remain in the shaded area at playtime.

### Head Lice

Just a quick reminder, that there have been a few recent reports of head lice at school. We hope you can continue to check your child's hair regularly and take appropriate action if required.

Jason Tindall  
Principal

### Assembly Awards

At our assembly on Tuesday 13 November, our students received the following awards:

### K-2 Awards

**Shae Coupland** – Reading Award for making improvements during reading groups.

**Kaiden Brookes-Glover** – Writing Award for making an effort to do independent writing in class.

**Edward Hartridge** – Mathemagician Award for demonstrating his mathematical abilities.

**Darleen Pacey** – Playground Award for making an effort to include others.

**Jasleen Kaur** – Bookwork Award for always presenting neat, quality work.



*Shae Coupland, Edward Hartridge, Darleen Pacey, Jasleen Kaur, Kaiden Brookes-Glover.*

## CALENDAR

### TERM 4 WEEK 7 (26-30 NOVEMBER)

Wednesday	Canteen
Thursday	Water Safety Education Program Kindy Orientation 9am-12.15pm Breakfast Club
Friday	Reward Afternoon

### TERM 4 WEEK 8 (3-7 DECEMBER)

Monday	Whole School Excursion
Tuesday	Assembly 9-10am
Wednesday	P&C Picnic Day
Thursday	Breakfast Club
Friday	SRC Talent Quest, Reward Afternoon

### TERM 4 WEEK 9 (10-14 DECEMBER)

Wednesday	Canteen
Thursday	Breakfast Club, Year 6 Farewell and Disco
Friday	Reward Afternoon

### TERM 4 WEEK 10 (17-19 DECEMBER)

Monday	Presentation Day 10am Hall
Tuesday	Rewards Day Big Buzz
Wednesday	Last day for students
Thursday/Friday	Staff Development Days

### 3-6 Awards

**Rahnee Cole** – Reading Award for improved expression and fluency.

**Myla Ede** – Playground Award for co-operating with others.

**Chloe Roberts** – Bookwork Award for presenting neat work.

**Thomas Dwyer** – Mathemagician Award for improvement in thinking mathematically.

**Shakayla Johnson** – Writing Award for improvement in writing creatively.



*Shakayla Johnson, Thomas Dwyer (absent Rahnee Cole, Myla Ede, Chloe Roberts)*

### Gold Awards

Congratulations to the following student for achieving their Gold Award – Shakayla Johnson.



*Shakayla Johnson*

### P&C News

We would like to start off by saying a very big THANK YOU to the Delardes family at 'South Wang Wauk Recycling'. We have recently received a very generous donation from this local business to go towards our Coolongolook community defibrillator fundraiser. We are all very grateful for your contribution as you have now made it possible for us to purchase a defibrillator. Thank you again!

We hope everyone had a successful time selling their chocolates. Thank you to everyone who participated in our Cadbury chocolate box fundraiser this term, we really appreciate your support. Please remember all money and any unsold chocolates are due back into the office by 23 November.

Our second 100 Club has been filled, and the winner of this draw was Jenny Gough. Jenny received a \$50.00 Caltex fuel voucher. We still have 2 x 100 Club to be sold, so please see Lisa in the school office if you would like to make a purchase.

Thank you Neryl and the sewing ladies for reading and judging our creative writing competition stories from last term. We heard there were many wonderful stories written; great job kids and thank you to all who participated. Thank you also to Lisa for kindly donating the prizes awarded for this competition. The prize winners were as follows:

1<sup>st</sup> Place - Chloe Roberts,

Participation - Myla Ede, Jayde Roberts, Isabel Griffis, Jasleen Kaur and Jacarla Murray

Congratulations and well done kids!

Coming up on 5 December, the P&C will be holding an 'Old Traditional Monster Picnic' at school from 11am-2pm. Kids; get creative and come along to school in old fashioned clothing to keep with the olden days theme. Parents/carers, family and friends are all invited to join us... Pack a picnic lunch and come along, dress up if you wish, with old traditional inspired activities - such as the egg and spoon race - to take place after lunch.

Our Christmas hamper raffle has now begun! We are asking parents/carers and community members if they could please kindly donate any non-perishable Christmas related items to fill the hamper/hampers that we will



then raffle off at the end of year school presentation, on 17 December. Raffle tickets will be available in the school office for all those wishing to purchase extra tickets or for anyone wishing to help us sell tickets. Tickets will be sold for \$1 each or three for \$2.

The Year 6 students have decided on a 'Grease' themed farewell for their end of year dinner. Think 50's diners, poodle skirts and milkshakes! If anyone has some decor to help set the mood, Year 6 and the P&C would be very appreciative. Feel free to call Rachael or Lisa to discuss.

The 'Coolonglook Community Hall Open Day' is on 25 November from 10am - 2pm. We hope everyone is able to attend and enjoy this wonderful community event. Go along and have a look at the many displays from school students, sewing ladies (with items for sale), playgroup kids, and also see local memorabilia on display. The P&C will be holding a BBQ for everyone to enjoy lunch as well.

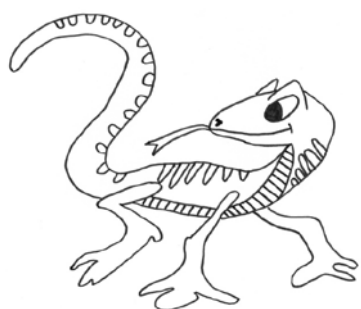
Our next P&C meeting will be held on Tuesday 11 December at 2pm in the school office. Please come along and join us; new members are always welcome.

Thank you

Emily Griffis  
Vice President

## PBL Update

Tuesday 13 November was our PBL "Reveal Day". Students had been asked to help choose a mascot and colours which will be used in all PBL materials throughout the school. After staff consultation, the mascot chosen was our school friend Lionel the Lizard, expertly drawn by Thomas Dwyer, and the colours are green (Respectful), purple (Safe) and aqua (Switched On). Some students enjoyed celebrating with ice-creams!

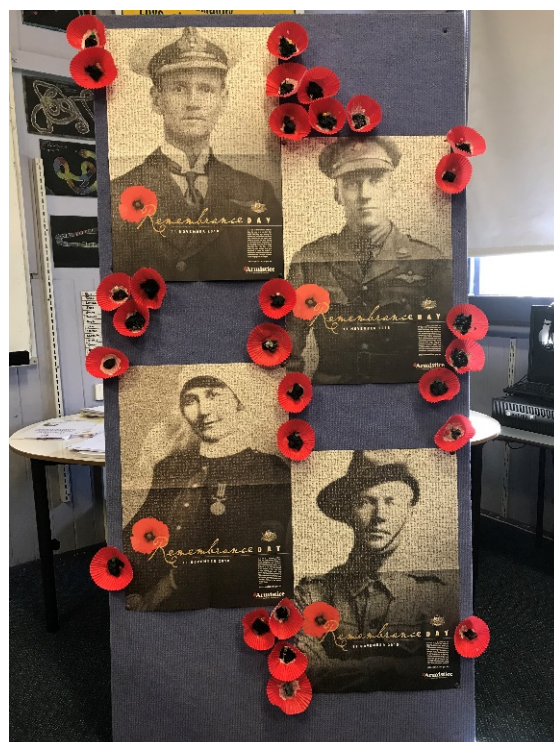


## Remembrance Day Assembly

On Tuesday 13 November we held our Remembrance Day Assembly at school. This year was especially important as it was the 100<sup>th</sup> year anniversary of the signing of the Armistice. Thomas Dwyer from Year 6 gave an excellent presentation on the sacrifices made during World War 1 and the difficulties experienced throughout the world.



*Thomas Dwyer giving his presentation on Remembrance Day.*



## Water Safety Education Programme



# ROYAL LIFE SAVING NEW SOUTH WALES

Royal Life Saving NSW will be visiting the school on Thursday 29 November for a Water Safety Education programme.

From 9.15-9.35am all K-2 students, including our new 2019 Kinders, will listen to a story on water safety and engage in water safety discussions. From 9.45am-11.15am Years 3-6 will listen to a safety talk on the dangers of various waterways, and participate in dry rescue activities, learn basic CPR and how to call an ambulance.

## Library Update

Mrs Harrington is presently conducting the annual library stocktake. This is taking a little longer than usual and we are also being hindered with current renovations taking place.

Because of this, our library will unfortunately have to remain closed for the rest of the term. Hopefully it will open next year bigger and brighter than ever!! If students still have overdue books, could they please return these as soon as possible to the office.



## School Hats

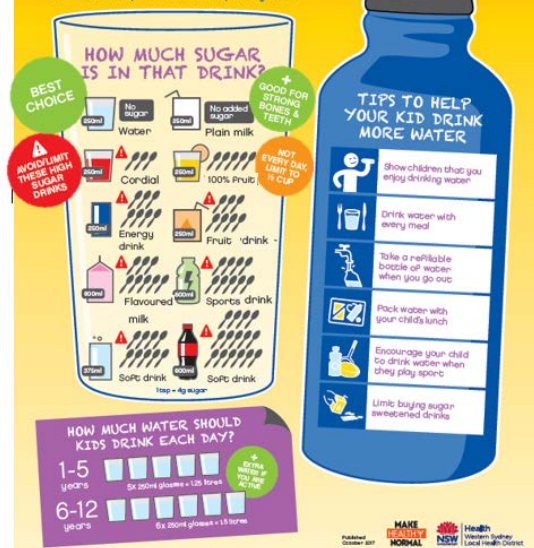
Reminder to all parents/carers and students that the school hat policy is NO HAT NO PLAY. We are encouraging all students to check every morning that they have their hats in their bags ready for the day. At playtime, if students have forgotten their hat they need to play in the shaded area. Please ensure your child's name is clearly marked with their name in permanent marker.



## Good for Kids good for life

# CHOOSE WATER as a drink

Water is the best drink as it does not have any added sugar. Fruit juices, soft drink, sports drinks or cordials should not be given to your child everyday as they contain a lot of added sugar. Tap water is the best choice. In most areas tap water contains fluoride, which helps children to develop strong teeth.



Source: Western Sydney Local Health District



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## Important Dates

- **December 3** – K-2 Amaroo Dolphin Experience – 3-6 Aboriginal Cultural Walk (notes to come home next week)
- **December 4** – Bulahdelah Central School Year 7 Orientation
- **December 5** – P&C Picnic Day (notes to come home next week)
- **December 13** – Year 6 Farewell 5-6:30pm/Whole School Disco 6:30-8pm
- **December 19** – Presentation Day 10am Community Hall
- **December 18** - P&C Big Buzz End of Year Excursion
- **December 19** – End of Term 4
- **January 30** – Start of Term 1 2019



# OPEN DAY



**To celebrate the opening of  
our new BBQ area**



## Coolongolook & District Memorial Hall



\* DATE: Sun 25th Nov 2018 ~ 10am to 2pm

- ◆ Morning Tea & Sausage Sizzle available by the local School.
- ◆ Memorabilia on Display of our Local Soldiers, Community History & local school photos from the past.
- ◆ Coolongolook Public School display.
- ◆ Sewing Group display with items for sale.
- ◆ Mini Stalls.



**~ Come one, Come all.....to Coolongolook Hall ~**

- ◇ Hall available for Hire for Events such as Weddings, Parties, Funerals & Meetings.
- ◇ Current Events held here—Anzac Celebrations, Sewing Group, Play Group, School Events, Landcare Catering, Family Reunions & Social Community events.
- ◇ For more information phone Neryl 0402123446