



# COOLONGOLOOK PUBLIC SCHOOL

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## **Premier's Reading Challenge**

Tuesday 28 Feb

## **P & C AGM**

Tuesday 8 March

## **Assembly**

Tuesday 15 March

## **P & C General Meeting**

Tuesday 22 March

## **Exciting News**

Scripture will start on the Thursday  
10 March.

Can all permission notes please be  
returned to the front office.

# *From the Principal's Desk*



Hi everyone and welcome to our 2nd Newsletter Edition for 2022. What a busy start to the year! The students have settled well into their new classes, and we look forward to welcoming parents and carers back soon to our wonderful, little school.

Firstly, thank you to the parents and carers who attended our P&C meeting on Tuesday afternoon. There was some great discussion around Term 1 fundraising, and I look forward to letting the children know about the exciting announcement of the re-opening of our school canteen in the coming weeks. We are lucky to have such enthusiastic parents supporting our school and we thank them for their time and energy.

Currently, I am working closely with departmental officials to address some concerns regarding our existing carpark area. We are seeking assistance with the fencing at the front of the school, which secures our students from any moving traffic. The proposed fencing may mean that the current carpark would be broken into two areas, a staff and parent parking area. Further information will follow in the weeks ahead.

Congratulations to Jayde Roberts who represented our school at the Zone Swimming Carnival yesterday. Jayde finished first in her freestyle heat and had the third fastest time overall for her age group. What an outstanding achievement! Stella Barnes was also scheduled to compete on the day, but unfortunately was unable to attend owing to sickness.

Catering to each student's individual learning needs continues to be our priority. Over the coming weeks, all teachers will meet with students individually to identify a literacy, numeracy and social goal for the remainder of the term. Early in Term 2 we will ask parents and carers to join these discussions and give feedback regarding student goals, contributing to the conversation around the maximising of each child's learning.

As always, please contact me at the school if you have any questions or concerns regarding current events and activities at the school. Looking forward to chatting with you soon.

Jason Tindall  
Teaching Principal



Year 1 have welcomed our latest Little Lizards into our classroom over the past few weeks. The new Kinders have enjoyed stories, songs and games and Year 1 and 2 have been especially accepting in helping them to adjust to big school.

They have been teaching them how to log on to computers and use programs like ABCya and Reading Eggs.

They are learning about reading, writing and counting numbers while Year 1 and 2 are working on place value and addition and subtraction.

We are also learning what is a community and where to find them.

More news next time...

*Mr Martyn*  
*Classroom Teacher*

## K-2 Assembly Awards

**Math Award** to Ryder for using place value when working with 3 digit numbers.

**Writing Award** to Tyler for finding words in his quiet reader to use in his writing.

**Reading Award** to Hudson for recognising questions during his reading.

**PBL** to Kaylee for being kind to new students in the classroom and playground.



## 3 - 6 CLASSROOM

Years 3-6 are enjoying working in their learning groups for both Literacy and Numeracy. This means individual support and focussed learning activities are provided in these Key Curriculum Areas. Our fantastic SLSO's Mrs Everingham, Mr Martyn (Jake) and Miss Thoroughgood also provide extra support individually and during group activities.

In History and Personal Development, students have been learning about 'Walking in Someone Else's Shoes'. This includes learning about a variety of disabilities and how it impacts upon people's daily lives. Empathy has been a focal point in many of these discussions. Students have been writing expositions about "Should People with Disabilities Get Special Help" and have been providing interesting arguments on why it is important to care for others. They have also been learning to use Auslan to spell their names.

Just a reminder that The Premier's Reading Challenge will begin early next month, and we strongly encourage all students to participate in this reading program. Books are available from the library. Library borrowing day will be Tuesday and students will be asked to bring a library bag for borrowing.

Mrs MacArthur and Mrs Donnelly  
*Classroom Teachers*

### 3-6 Assembly Awards

**Math Award** to Jayde for excellent work in whole number, 2D shapes and angles.

**Writing Award** to Stella for excellent opinions and persuasive techniques when writing and exposition.

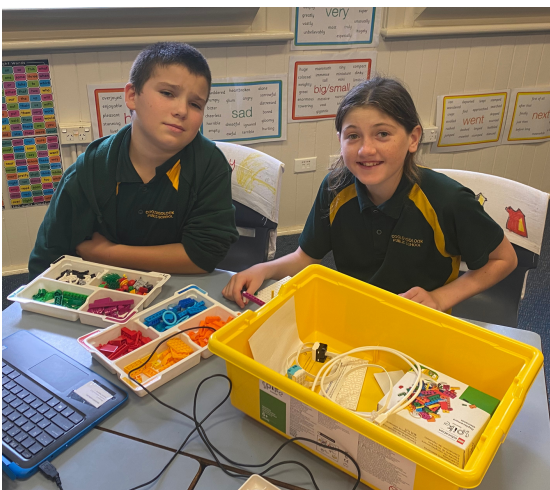
**Reading Award** to Levi for effort in reading and improved reading level.

**PBL** to Donovan for being kind and considerate in the playground and the classroom.





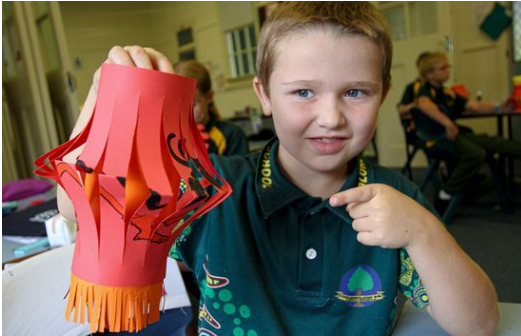
# Learning with LEGO



RESPECTFUL SAFE SWITCHED ON



*The 3 -6 Classroom have been learning about Chinese New Year.*



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The Premiers Reading Challenge aims to encourage a love of reading for leisure and pleasure in students, and to enable them to experience quality literature. It is not a competition but a challenge to each student to read, to read more and to read more widely.

The Challenge will open for student registration on February 28. Students wishing to participate must register via their 'Student Portal'. When logging on at home please enter the following details in the browser, <https://student.det.nsw.edu.au>. Once logged on, a link to the Premier's Reading Challenge website can be found under the Learning section. If you are unaware of your username and/or password or need assistance to register, please see Mrs. Donnelly.

The Premier Reading Challenge booklists are available in the library for students to borrow. Mrs. Donnelly has put together a prize for the student who reads the most books in both the K-2 class and 3-6 class.

**The 2021 Challenge dates are as follows:**

Challenge opens: Monday 28 February 2022

Challenge closes for students: Friday 19 August 2022

Challenge closes for coordinators: Friday 2 September 2022

Challenge	Number of books you must read	Minimum number of PRC books	Maximum number of Personal Choice books	PRC booklists you can read from
K-2	30	25	5	K-2, 3-4, 5-6
3-4	20	15	5	3-4, 5-6, 7-9
5-6	20	15	5	5-6, 7-9

# 2022 NSW Premier's Reading Challenge

## Start reading now!

### Key dates for students in K-10:

**Challenge opens**  
Monday 28 February

**Challenge closes for student entries**  
Friday 19 August

Artwork by Stephen Michael King

[www.premiersreadingchallenge.nsw.edu.au](http://www.premiersreadingchallenge.nsw.edu.au)



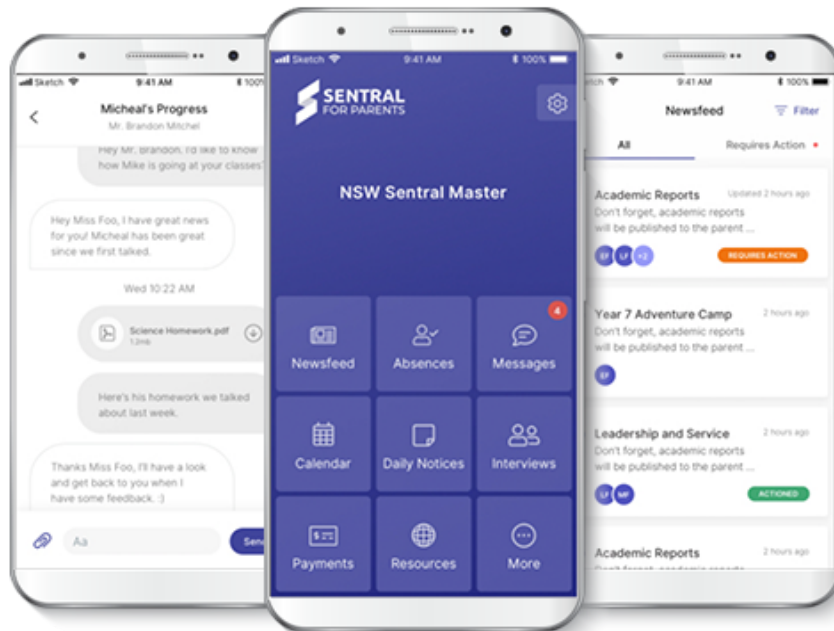
# Sentral for Parents App and Parent Portal

The Sentral for Parents app allows you to monitor your child's school journey simply and efficiently. You will find numerous smart features that help streamline your day. Receive messages and notifications from teachers, report absences, make payments for school activities and more. The Sentral for Parents app helps you stay connected and informed about your child's education.

Notes were sent home on Monday asking parents to confirm their family email address. Can these please be return to the school, if you would like access to the Parent Portal and Sentral App.

Another note will be sent home next week with your unique code.

Download the Sentral for Parents app





# **BE BUS AWARE**

## **Stay alert and cross with care**

Bus Safety Week 2022  
Monday 21 – Sunday 27 February



**BeBusAware.com.au**

### **Bus Safety Week reminds all road users to 'Be Bus Aware'**

Our school bus operator Busways is reminding all road users, parents, and students to 'be bus aware' as part of Transport for NSW's Bus Safety Week campaign, running Feb 21 – 27.

Bus Safety Week, part of the 'Be Bus Aware' campaign, sees Governments, bus operators, and emergency services raise awareness about the importance of being safe in and around buses and spread the message to 'Be Bus Aware'.

The initiative provides a timely reminder to parents to have a talk with their children about bus safety; to motorists when giving way to buses; to pedestrians to make sure they are alert of their surroundings; and to cyclists to ensure they can see where buses are. We all have a part to play in bus safety.

The 'Be Bus Aware' campaign has been developed with input from Bus NSW, NSW Police and Transport for NSW.

For more information on bus safety or to learn about Transport for NSW's 'Be Bus Aware' campaign, visit <https://roadsafety.transport.nsw.gov.au/campaigns/be-bus-aware/> or visit the Busways website [www.busways.com.au](http://www.busways.com.au).