



# COOLONGOLOOK PUBLIC SCHOOL

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## What's On

YEAR 3 -6 CAMP  
MONDAY 6 - THURSDAY 9 NOV

**4TH INSTALMENT DUE**

FRIDAY 13 OCTOBER

**FINAL INSTALMENT DUE**

FRIDAY 27 OCTOBER

PAYMENTS CAN BE MADE THROUGH THE  
PARENT PORTAL OR TO THE FRONT OFFICE

Coolongolook  
Public School

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Now**



# From the Principal's Desk



We hope this newsletter finds you well and enjoying the arrival of spring. It has been an eventful last few weeks at our school, filled with important activities and preparations for the upcoming term.

Last Wednesday, we had the pleasure of welcoming Kirsty from the Rural Fire Brigade to our school. Kirsty spoke with our students about fire safety, imparting valuable knowledge about staying safe in the event of a bushfire. She emphasised the importance of having a 'Bushfire ready' plan in place for families, ensuring that everyone knows what to do should the need arise. We are grateful to Kirsty for her informative session, which provided our children with essential fire safety skills.

We also want to extend our heartfelt thanks to the parents who attended our Bushfire information session this past Tuesday afternoon. It was heartening to see so many parents taking a keen interest in the safety procedures our school has in place in the event of a bushfire. Your presence and engagement demonstrate our strong school community's commitment to ensuring the safety of our students. For those who were unable to attend and would like to learn more about our bushfire safety measures, please do not hesitate to contact the school. We are always here to provide information and support.

In the spirit of keeping everyone informed and organised, we have attached the Term 4 calendar to this newsletter. It promises to be a busy term with numerous exciting events and activities planned. We encourage you to mark your calendars and look forward to your visits and participation in our school's exciting term activities.

A big thank you is owed to P and C for their tremendous efforts in our cookie dough fundraiser. I'm sure you would agree that the cookies were not only delicious but also a huge success. In particular, we would like to extend our gratitude to Amanda, Johnie, and Dave for their dedication in organising and delivering the orders to the school. We also want to express our appreciation to the parents who generously dropped off their numerous orders, making this fundraiser such a wonderful success.

One event we are eagerly anticipating is our Crazy Socks and Crazy Shirt mufti-day this Friday. It's a fun-filled day that allows our students to express their creativity through their choice of clothing. This day, filled with fun and colourful attire, coincides with the last day of term, making it a perfect way to wrap up the term on a high note.

As the spring break approaches, we hope you will take the time to relax and enjoy quality moments with your family. School will resume on Monday 9th October, as we embark on the exciting journey of Term 4. We wish you a restful and rejuvenating spring break and look forward to seeing everyone back at school, ready for the adventures that await.

Thank you for your continued support and involvement in our school community. Together, we make a difference in the lives of our students, ensuring a safe and enriching educational experience.

Mr Jason Tindall

**Teaching Principal**



# In the Classroom

We are coming to the end of a very busy term. CPR, bushfire information and Education Week activities. All students and teachers have earned some well-deserved holiday time. Mr. Martyn will return next term after some time away in America with Jake and the family.

K-6 presented a fantastic item at the assembly using Auslan hand signs for the hearing impaired. K-2 had read the story about a boy who used Auslan to save a village from a dragon and a king. We also learnt to sign individual letters of the alphabet.

3-6 have been finishing posters on individual forces like gravity, air pressure, friction and pushing, pulling.

K-2 have been having fun exploring measurement, length, mass, volume and area. 3-6 have been exploring patterns and algebra.

Next term, we will be trialing the new syllabus for English and Math units to be implemented in 2024.

**Mrs Donnelly**



## Days missed = years lost

A day here and there doesn't seem like much, but...

**When your child misses just...**

**they miss weeks per year**

**and years over their school life**

**1** day per **fortnight**  
**= 4 weeks**  
**= Over 1 year missed**

**1** day per **week**  
**= 8 weeks**  
**= Over 2.5 years missed**



**AUSSIE OF THE**  
*Month*

CONGRATULATIONS  
**EDEN**



## Numeracy awards

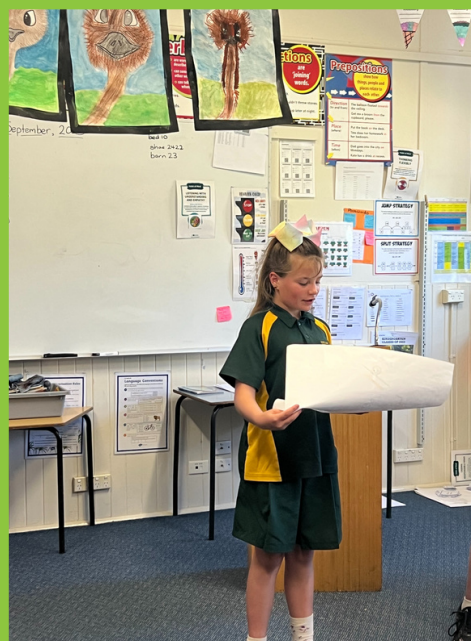
Evee-Lee for improved counting.

Shae for improved application and effort during numeracy activities.

## Literacy awards

Cale for excellent descriptive writing.

Liliana for a wonderful "forces" presentation.





# PROFESSIONAL LEARNING

Continuing our focus on the evidence based teaching of Mathematics, our staff, along with staff from Krambach PS joined to participate in learning about the importance of teaching equivalence. Equivalence is a foundational concept for algebraic thinking and is necessary for success at all levels of mathematics. Research studies reveal that many primary school students have a narrow view of the equals sign as an operation and difficulty solving equivalence problems. We participated in fun activities demonstrating how to best teach the concept of equivalence to our students.



Thank you to everyone involved with the Cookie Dough fundraiser over recent weeks. The P&C have done an amazing job organising and distributing orders to the many families involved. There are many people to thank but a huge 'shout out' must go to Amanda and Johnie for their tireless efforts with this important fundraiser. The school and its community really appreciates it! Thank you.

# HIGH SCHOOL TRANSITION

Our Year Six students are getting High School ready with transition days to





# KINDERGARTEN TRANSITION

Our school hosted a  
Teddy Bears Picnic for our New  
Kinders for 2024.

Welcome Nikoia and Tobias!





# Coolongolook Public School Kindergarten Transition 2024

## Book Fair & Character Parade

22 August 9:15 am to 11:45am

## Teddy Bears Picnic

12 September 9:15 am to 11:45am

## School Visits

Tuesday 17 Oct 9:15 to 11:45 am

Tuesday 24 Oct 9:15 to 11:45 am

Tuesday 31 Oct 9:15 to 11:45 am

Tuesday 7 Nov 9:15 to 11:45 am

Tuesday 14 Nov 9:15 to 11:45 am



## Cattai Wetlands

# BIOBLITZ FESTIVAL

Join scientists and experts at this free nature festival to discover and celebrate all the cuddly, crawly and colourful plants and animals of the Cattai Wetlands.

There are activities for everyone:

- spotlighting
  - bug and plant hunting
  - reptile searching
  - frog tours
  - koala walks & detection dogs
  - birdwatching walks
  - Huge variety of stalls with lots of free resources and citizen science
- (9am - 5pm Saturday at Base Camp)

[midcoast.nsw.gov.au/BioBlitz](http://midcoast.nsw.gov.au/BioBlitz)

**Friday 22 and Saturday  
23 September**

Cattai Wetlands,  
Spring Hill Road, Coopernook

For more details and to see the full schedule of events, scan the QR code. Bookings essential.







# TERM 4 OVERVIEW

PLEASE NOTE DATES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	9 October	10 October	11 October	12 October	13 October <b>Newsletter</b>
2	16 October	17 October <b>Whizzy Water Visit</b> <b>P&amp;C Meeting 3pm</b>	18 October	19 October	20 October
3	23 October	24 October <b>Assembly 2:15pm</b>	25 October	26 October	27 October
4	30 October	31 October	1 November	2 November	3 November <b>Newsletter</b>
5	6 November	7 November	8 November <b>Bulahdelah Show Student Night</b>	9 November	10 November
YEAR 3 -6 CANBERRA CAMP					
6	13 November	14 November <b>Assembly 9:15am</b> <b>P&amp;C Meeting 10am</b>	15 November	16 November	17 November
7	20 November	21 November	22 November	23 November	24 November <b>Newsletter</b>
ALL SCHOOL INTENSIVE SWIMMING					
8	27 November	28 November <b>P&amp;C Meeting 11am</b>	29 November	30 November	1 December
9	4 December	5 December	6 December	7 December	8 December
10	11 December <b>End of Term Presentation Assembly 12pm</b>	12 December	19 December	14 December <b>REWARDS DAY</b>	15 December <b>LAST DAY OF SCHOOL NEWSLETTER</b>
11	18 December	19 December	20 December	21 December	22 December
SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT DAY			SCHOOL HOLIDAYS		

Hello families,

Canteen has continued to be a success. The kids have thoroughly enjoyed the meals and are looking forward to term 4's meal list.

Just a reminder, order forms will be sent home on Thursdays with orders due on Tuesdays. Please hand in your order forms every time you purchase. This helps minimise waste and also ensures enough has been brought to cover all meals.

Canteen will continue to operate on a Thursday. If you purchase a meal and your child doesn't attend school on the day, the student will have credit to use for the next meal they order.

I can be contacted via email [coolschoolcanteenmanager@outlook.com](mailto:coolschoolcanteenmanager@outlook.com) if you have any concerns or questions.

Thank you for supporting canteen!!

Regards,

Amanda Samuel



- Week 2 – Curried Sausages w/mash
- Week 3 – Party pies and sausage rolls
- Week 4 – Bangers and mash
- Week 5 – Hot dogs
- Week 6 – Mini pizzas
- Week 7 – Chicken wraps
- Week 8 – Beef Burgers
- Week 9 – Spaghetti w/garlic bread
- Week 10 – Nuggets and chips

## Sunsmart Snippet

Choose a sun smart hat.

A broad-brimmed, bucket or legionnaire style hat is a simple, effective way to protect your face, head, neck and ears.



Wearing a sun smart hat everyday protects your face, head, neck and ears, and reduces the amount of UV radiation reaching your eyes by 50%.

Baseball caps and sun visors DO NOT protect the cheeks, ears and back of the neck and are not recommended.

[sunsmartnsw.com.au](http://sunsmartnsw.com.au)



**Cancer Council**  
Healthy Lunch Box

## Nutrition Snippet

### HOW TO PACK A HEALTHY LUNCH BOX



A good lunch gives children energy and nutrients to learn, play and grow, and sets them up with lifelong healthy eating habits.

But what does a healthy lunch box look like? Find out in our short video.

[healthyinbox.com.au](http://healthyinbox.com.au)



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