



COOLONGOLOOK PUBLIC SCHOOL

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WHAT'S ON

Athletics Carnival

Wednesday 18 June

NAIDOC

Tuesday 1 July

CANTEEN

Every Thursday

Please have your orders in by Tuesday

Library

Every Monday

Please remember your library bag and
to return outstanding library booksy

TERM 2 PLANNER

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
W1 Term 2 Apr 28	29	30	May 1	2
Term 2 start School Development Day	School Development Day	All students return to school		Zone Cross Country POSTPONED
W2 Term 2 May 5	6	7	8	9
Netball PSSA Trials			Scripture	Zone Cross Country 09:00am - 02:30pm Zone Cross Country
W3 Term 2 May 12	13	14	15	16
Gymnastics			Scripture	
W4 Term 2 May 19	20	21	22	23
		Non operational - floods 02:15pm - 03:00pm Assembly 2:15pm	Non operational - Floods Scripture	Newsletter Non Operational - Floods
W5 Term 2 May 26	27	28	29	30
			Scripture	08:30am - 08:45am Walk to School Day
W6 Term 2 Jun 2	3	4	5	6
Gymnastics	PSSA Soccer Trials BOYS		PSSA Soccer Trials GIRLS Scripture	
W7 Term 2 Jun 9	10	11	12	13
King's Birthday Kings Birthday		02:15pm - 03:00pm Assembly 2:15pm	Scripture	Newsletter
W8 Term 2 Jun 16	17	18	19	20
		Athletics Carnival 08:15am - 03:00pm Manning West Small School Athletics Carnival	Scripture	
W9 Term 2 Jun 23	24	25	26	27
			Scripture	
W10 Term 2 Jun 30	July 1	2	3	4
	NAIDOC Excursion to Bungwahl PS	Reports Home 02:15pm - 03:00pm Assembly 2:15pm	Scripture	Term 2 end Newsletter



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Contact Us
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From the Principal's Desk

Hello everyone,

I can't believe how quickly the term is flying by — with only three weeks to go, staff are incredibly proud of the effort, growth, and achievement we're seeing across all year levels. It's been a joy to watch students challenge themselves, support one another, and make the most of every learning opportunity.

A big thank you to all the parents and carers who attended this week's school assembly. Your presence means a great deal to our students, and we're so proud of the way they continue to shine as confident, capable learners. A special mention goes to our student leaders — Lily, Brock, Charlette, Natalie and Hannah — who have been doing an outstanding job leading our assemblies with maturity and pride. We are looking forward to welcoming you again for our final assembly of the term on Wednesday 2nd July at 2:15pm. It will be a wonderful opportunity to come together as a school community and celebrate a successful term. Next week, our students will be participating in the Manning West Small Schools Carnival on Wednesday at Tuncurry Oval, competing alongside students from Barrington, Krambach, Bungwahl, and Stratford. It promises to be a fun-filled day focused on participation and sportsmanship. While we always enjoy a win, the main goal is for students to do their best, support each other, and finish the day with plenty of smiles! Students will be travelling to the oval by bus and must be at school by 8:20am. We would love to see as many parents and family members as possible at the oval cheering on our students. Students are welcome to travel back to school by bus or with their parents. If you choose to take your child home at the end of the carnival, please let one of the teachers know.

On Tuesday 1st July, our students will be visiting Bungwahl Public School to celebrate NAIDOC Week. This is a special time to recognise and celebrate the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. Students will take part in a range of meaningful cultural activities and experiences designed to deepen their understanding of First Nations perspectives. We encourage students to wear red, yellow, and black — the colours of the Aboriginal flag — if possible. Please ensure your child brings morning tea, a water bottle, and a warm jumper, just in case the weather turns cool. Lunch will be provided.

Semester 1 student reports will be sent home on Wednesday 2nd July. You may notice that the format of the reports has changed this year. These new reports respond to feedback from parents and carers who requested clearer, more concise information about their child's progress. The aim is to make reports more accessible for families, while also helping schools streamline the reporting process. Reports will continue to reflect your child's strengths, areas for growth, and progress across learning areas. Parent-Teacher Interviews will be held early in Term 3 for families who would like to further discuss their child's learning progress. More information about booking times will be shared soon.

We look forward to catching up with many of you in the final weeks of term and celebrating the hard work and achievements of all our students!

Jason Tindall
Principal





AUSSIE OF THE
Month

Classroom AWARDS



CONGRATULATIONS
LENNOX

Writing Award

Evan for building confidence in Writing.

Justin for improvement across all areas of writing.

Math Award

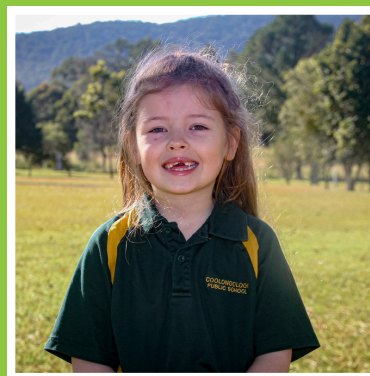
Lilliana for always giving her best during math activities.

Natalie for applying mental strategies to solve math equations.

Spelling and Reading Award

Evee-Lee for taking care and trying hard to correctly spell and write her spelling words.

Liliana for thinking and predicting about the big idea contained in texts when reading.



COOLONGLOOK P & C CANTEEN

WE NEED YOU!



CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS FOR OUR CANTEEN!

We need your help to keep our school canteen running smoothly!

Volunteers are essential to providing our students with healthy and delicious meals. Whether you can spare a few hours a week or just a once-off shift, your contribution will make a big difference. Join our friendly team, meet other parents, and support our school community.

If you're interested, please contact the canteen manager via email coolcanteenmanager@outlook.com

Thank you for your support!



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Parent App

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Key Features

- Get real time push notifications from your school
- Stay signed in and save your card for secure payments for fees and excursions
- Give consent, sign forms and respond to attendance alerts
- View the school calendar and news



Key Features:

School Calendar

Access events and important dates directly within the app.

School News and Announcements

Stay informed about school updates and announcements.

Payments

Process online payments for school fees and other expenses.

Attendance Tracking

Monitor your child's attendance record.

Consent Forms

Provide consent for school events and activities.

Parent-Teacher Interviews

Book and manage parent-teacher interviews through the app.

Parent Portal

Manage your account, view your child's information, and access other features through the parent portal.

Parent Communication

Receive personalized email and SMS notifications from the school.



Compulsory school attendance

Information for parents

Education for your child is important and regular attendance at school is essential for your child to achieve their educational best and increase their career and life options. NSW public schools work in partnership with parents to encourage and support regular attendance of children and young people. When your child attends school every day, learning becomes easier and your child will build and maintain friendships with other children.

What are my Legal responsibilities?

Education in New South Wales is compulsory for all children between the ages of six years and below the minimum school leaving age of 17 years. The Education Act 1990 requires that parents ensure their children of compulsory school age are enrolled at, and regularly attend school, or, are registered with the NSW Education and Standards Authority for home schooling.

Once enrolled, children are required to attend school each day it is open for students.

The Importance of arriving on time

Arriving at school and class on time:

- Ensures that students do not miss out on important learning activities scheduled early in the day
- Helps students learn the importance of punctuality and routine
- Give students time to greet their friends before class
- Reduces classroom disruption

Lateness is recorded as a partial absence and must be explained by parents.

What if my child has to be away from school?

On occasion, your child may need to be absent from school. Justified reasons for student absences may include:

- being sick, or having an infectious disease
- having an unavoidable medical appointment
- being required to attend a recognised religious holiday
- exceptional or urgent family circumstance (e.g. attending a funeral)

Following an absence from school you must ensure that within 7 days you provide your child's school with a verbal or written explanation for the absence. However, if the school has not received an explanation from you within 2 days, the school may contact you to discuss the absence.

Principals may decline to accept an explanation that you have provided if they do not believe the absence is in the best interest of your child. In these circumstances your child's absence would be recorded as unjustified. When this happens the principal will discuss their decision with you and the reasons why.

Principals may request medical certificates or other documentation when frequent or long term absences are explained as being due to illness. Principals may also seek parental permission to speak with medical specialists to obtain information to collaboratively develop a health care plan to support your child. If the request is denied, the principal can record the absences as unjustified.

Travel

Families are encouraged to travel during school holidays. If travel during school term is necessary, discuss this with your child's school principal. An Application for Extended Leave may need to be completed. Absences relating to travel will be marked as leave on the roll and therefore contribute to your child's total absences for the year.

In some circumstances students may be eligible to enrol in distance education for travel periods over 50 school days. This should be discussed with your child's school principal.

My child won't go to school what should I do?

You should contact the principal as soon as possible to discuss the issue and ask for help. Strategies to help improve attendance may include a referral to the school's learning and support team or linking your child with appropriate support networks. The principal may seek further support from the Home School Liaison Program to develop an Attendance Improvement Plan.

What might happen if my child continues to have unacceptable absences?

It is important to understand that the Department of Education may be required to take further action where children of compulsory school age have recurring numbers of unexplained or unjustified absences from school.

Some of the following actions may be undertaken:

- **Compulsory Schooling Conferences**

You may be asked, along with your child, to attend a Compulsory Schooling Conference. The conference will help to identify the supports your child may need to have in place so they attend school regularly. The school, parents and agencies will work together to develop an agreed plan (known as Undertakings) to support your child's attendance at school.

- **Application to the Children's Court – Compulsory Schooling Order**

If your child's attendance at school remains unsatisfactory the Department may apply to the Children's Court for a Compulsory Schooling Order. The Children's Court magistrate may order a Compulsory Schooling Conference to be convened.

- **Prosecution in the Local Court**

School and Department staff remain committed to working in partnership with you to address the issues which are preventing your child's full participation at school. In circumstances where a breach of compulsory schooling orders occurs further action may be taken against a parent in the Local Court. The result of court action can be the imposition of a community service order or a fine.

What age can my child leave school?

All New South Wales students must complete Year 10 or its equivalent. After Year 10, and up until they reach 17 years of age, there are a range of flexible options for students to complete their schooling.

Working in Partnership

The NSW Department of Education recognises that working collaboratively with students and their families is the best way to support the regular attendance of students at school.

We look forward to working in partnership with you to support your child to fulfil their life opportunities.