

Coonamble Public School Newsletter

Tuesday 4th April 2017 - Term 1 Wk11

We acknowledge the school is built on Wailwan land and the home to many Gamilaroi families.

Dates to remember

- * 7/04/2017 - Assembly
- * 7/04/2017 - Easter Hat Parade - Last day of Term 1
- * 25/04/2017 - Anzac Day
- * 26/04/2017 - Students return for Term 2

PROUD AND STRONG AWARDS

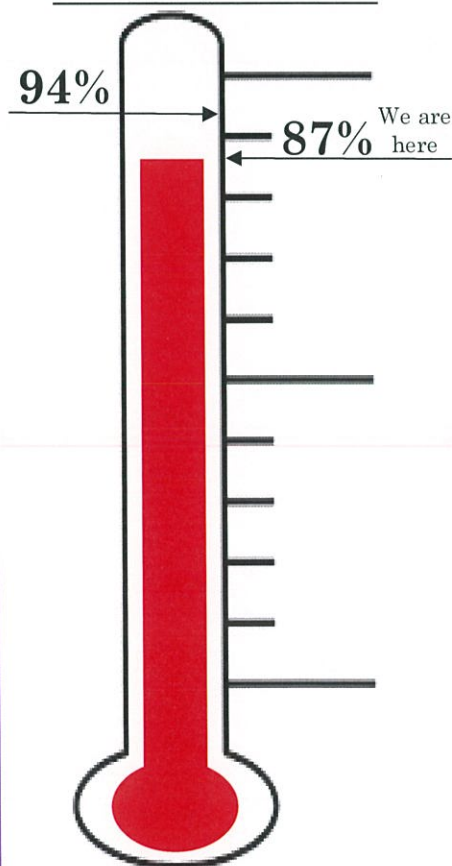


Week 9 Term 1

Front row : Tayla Byrne, Jade Craig, Kiarni Smith, Keith Welsh, Nathan Davis

Back row : Alex Moran, Kairi Miller, Kadyn Arrowsmith, Teanna Craig, Khloe Boney, Gloria Murray, Katelin Maroney, Myra Welsh

ATTENDANCE



Principals Message

Dear parents, carers, family and friends,

Thank you to all staff who attended the school disco last Thursday to support the P&C. The students who attended had a great time and joined in with the dancing and games. Special thanks to our Year 6 students who organised some dances, games and assisted young students in the Easter parade. It was lovely to see our senior students being leaders and great role models. Also thanks to Miss Hughes for keeping the night moving as a compere and the parents/carers/friends of students who worked tirelessly in the kitchen and on the door. Thanks everyone. All funds raised by the P&C will be put towards air conditioning in every classroom.

Bus Stop Behaviour

Unfortunately, I have had reports from the community that some of our students are throwing rock at cars while they wait for the bus. This is very dangerous behaviour which could have serious consequences. Young children require supervision at a bus stop and we would ask that parents supervise their children at community events and ensure that they behave safely at all times. We would ask all families of students who catch the bus to remind children of their need for safe behaviour and respect for others.

Thank you for your co-operation.

Excursions – pay by instalments at any time

Teachers are planning our major excursions for stage 2 (years 3 & 4) and stage 3 (years 5 & 6) for later in the year. We will be finalising numbers and booking the camps soon. If your child will be attending their stage camp, you can start to make payments at the office now towards the excursion. This facility will mean that you won't have to pay the whole amount in one lump sum. You can pay as little as you like each week or fortnight through the front counter. The school subsidises the excursions to assist students. If you require further financial support/assistance, please make a request to me. All enquiries are kept in strictest confidence.

Tell Them From Me Survey

This term, our school, like many other public schools in the state, will participate in a Department of Education initiative: the *Tell Them From Me* student feedback survey. The survey measures factors that are known to affect academic achievement and other student outcomes. The focus of the NSW-wide survey is on student wellbeing, engagement and effective teaching practices.

More information about the survey is available at: <http://surveys.cese.nsw.gov.au>

The survey is a great opportunity for our students to provide us with valuable and quick feedback on what they think about school life, how engaged they are with school and the different ways that teachers interact with them. Schools in Australia and around the world have used the *Tell Them From Me* survey to help improve how they do things at school. I want to assure you that the survey is confidential. The survey is conducted online and will typically take less than 30 minutes to complete. It will be administered during school hours between 13 March and 7 April. Participating in the survey is entirely voluntary.

A consent form and FAQs for parents/carers about the survey is being sent home with students. If you **do not** want your child or children to participate, please return the form to school by **Friday, 17th March**. Copies of the form and FAQs are available from: <http://surveys.cese.nsw.gov.au/information-for-parents>

ANZAC Day

The school will be celebrating ANZAC day on Wednesday 26th April (1st day back for students) with an assembly. Each class will make wreaths to lay during the school service.

Any student who would like to march with the school in the community ANZAC parade, please meet Miss Small and myself outside the RSL at 10.30am on Tuesday 25th April. A number of teachers will also be attending.

The end of term is approaching very quickly. We will end with our Easter parade. All parents, carers, family members and friends are welcome to attend our assembly, enjoy a BBQ lunch with your children and watch the parade after lunch.

Have a great week and a safe and happy holiday.

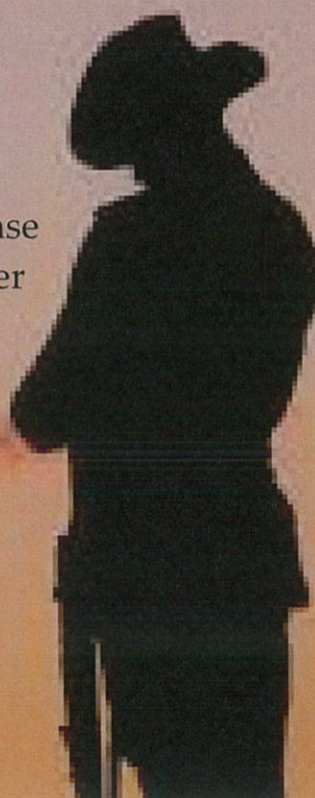
Annette Thomson
Principal

ANZAC DAY

Dear parents,

Just a reminder that CPS will be marching in the town ANZAC parade on Tuesday 25th April. All students and families are welcome to join us. Please meet us outside the RSL at 10:30am in full summer uniform.

Also we will be holding an ANZAC service at school on Wednesday 26th April. All families are welcome to join us for this special occasion. Our service will start at 11am.



STAGE 2 (YRS 3 & 4) EXCURSION
Deposit due Friday 7th April, 2017

Bronze Awards for Week 10



Front Row: Emily Wendelin-Craig, Shania Welsh, Gypsy McKenzie, Robert Dennis, Siarne Smith, Sophie Harris, Kayley Boney, Brandon Peacock,

Back Row: Jaliyah Thurston, Byron Moran, Mia Justice, Reagan Fernando, Matthew Thurston, Beth Underwood, Ashley Proctor, Shirleena Fernando-Roberts, Shane Kennedy

Expression of Interest

Aboriginal Parent Rep

Coonamble Public School Reference Group

If you are an Aboriginal Parent or Carer and would like to be a member of the SRG.

Please contact Josh Fernando on 0268221966

or email: joshua.k.fernando@det.nsw.edu.au

Closing Date 5/05/2017

Do you have a MR or HR Licence and a WWCC?

We are looking for some people who are willing to drive our school bus on a voluntary basis to take students on sporting trips and other daily excursions. If you have a licence but not the Working With Children Check, we can assist you to apply for it.

If you are interested, please contact
Annette Thomson 68221966.

Anyone wishing to be a part of the NAIDOC Committee Please call Josh Fernando on 0268221966



Thank you to all the children who attended our P & C disco last Thursday night. It was a fun filled night with lots of dancing. All money raised from this event will help fund air conditioning in the remainder of our wonderful classrooms. Also a big thank you to all staff and parents who helped out on the night, without you these nights wouldn't run.

School uniforms are available for purchase from our canteen.

Important dates to remember:

- ◆ **Tuesday 4th April**— General meeting at 5:30pm in the community room. That's **TONIGHT**, so hope to see you there!
- ◆ **Tuesday 9th May**—AGM at 5:30pm in the community room. So if you have a spare five minutes and would like to have an input into your child's education please feel free to come along and join our awesome P&C committee. A gold coin joining fee.

Keep tuned for our next fundraiser.

Happy Easter!



Coonamble Public School's Easter Hat Parade

All family, community, and friends of the students at CPS are invited to join our Easter celebrations on Friday 7th April.

- ☞ 10:45 - Weekly Assembly
- ☞ 11:30 - Free BBQ Lunch
- ☞ 12:30 - Easter Hat Parade

There will be special prizes for a few students in each class who have made their hats (in class or at home) with a little extra tender love and care.

Preschool will also be running their annual Easter raffle with delicious baskets of Easter eggs.





Coonamble Public School Preschool are holding their annual Easter basket raffle. We are asking for your help by donating Easter Eggs and chocolates that will be used to make our delicious prizes. Please send all donations to the preschool.

Tickets will be available from Preschool staff.

Cost will be \$2 each .



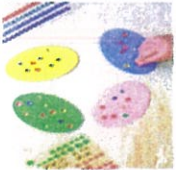
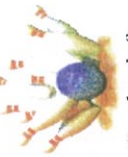
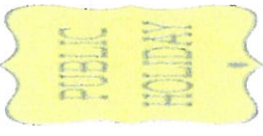
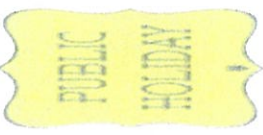



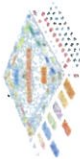
Prizes will be drawn at the Coonamble Public School Easter Hat Parade on Friday 7th April 2017.

Remember the more chocolate we have the bigger and better the prizes.



EASTER HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES AT COONAMBLE SHIRE LIBRARY

Week 1

MON 10/4	TUES 11/4	WED 12/4	THURS 13/4	FRI 14/4	MON 17/4	TUES 18/4	WED 19/4	THURS 20/4	FRI 21/4
MOVIE MARATHON  10.30am – 5pm Snacks provided	EASTER EGG HUNT  11am- 12.30pm 2pm – 3pm	EASTER EGG CRAFTS  11am – 12.30 2pm- 4pm	TEN PIN BOWLING AT DUBBO  See back for further details	PUBLIC HOLIDAY 	PUBLIC HOLIDAY 	VELVET ART AND SAND ART  11am-12.30pm 2pm-3.30pm	LEGO CREATIONS  11am- 12.30pm 2pm – 3.30pm	ICE SKATING IN DUBBO  See back for further details	MOVIES and board games  10.30am- 5pm



- Permission slips can be found at the Coonamble Shire Library.
- On Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday the library will be shut from 12:30pm—1:30pm.
- For any inquiries about the holiday program please call Luke Cohen on 0437667153.
- Read the program carefully – some days we are on an excursion.
- All children welcome but those under 10 years old must be supervised by a parent or carer during the activity.

