



Coonamble Public School



Wednesday 28th February 2018

Term 1 Wk 5

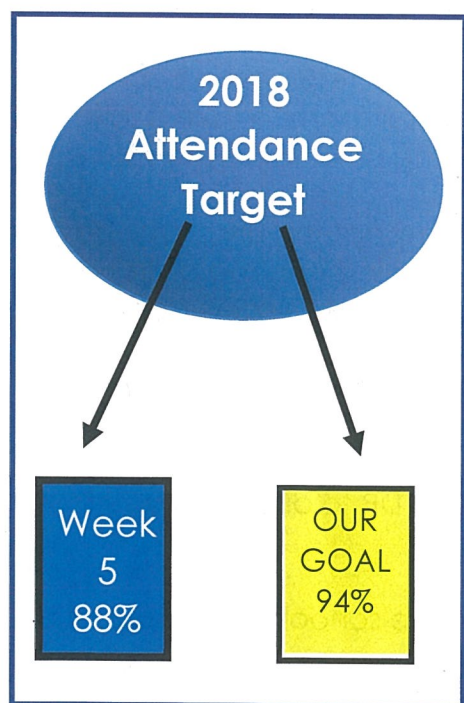
We acknowledge the school is built on Wailwan land and the home to many Gamilaroi families.



Dates for the Calendar

- 2/03/2018 - CPS Assembly 10.45am - 5S Hosting 6F presenting item
- 5/03/2018 - Regional Swimming Carnival Armidale
- 5/03/2018 - AECG meeting 10.00am CPS Community Room
- 12/03/2018 - Young Leaders in Sydney - School Captains
- 13/03/2018 - P&C Meeting 5.15pm in CPS Staff Room

Proud and Strong



*Back Row: Connor Vella, Braydon South, Tarni Smith,
Zachary Smith, Annabelle Harris,
Cyrán Fernando Roberts, Riley Dunn*

*Front Row: Ashton Dunn-Blackhall, Kalarni Slacksmith,
Chayse Pennell-Corby, Bradley Turnbull, Noah Thurston,
Matthew Thurston, Brandon Peacock*

From the Principal.....

Dear parents, carers, family and friends,
 Congratulations to our students who competed in the zone swimming carnival last Friday. It was held at our pool and we had a good team to represent our school. Also thanks to Ms Wendy Smith and Mrs Justine Watson who organised the carnival. The day ran very smoothly and from all reports, behaviour was excellent. I believe we have some students who will represent the school at regional level which is great. Well done everyone.

Staffing

This week we welcome two new School Learning Support Officers (SLSOs) to our staff - Mr David Kershaw and Mr Michael Wallace. They will be providing support to students during staff absences.

A casual teacher, Mrs Sara Hickey also joins us this week. She will work from time to time, covering staff absences.

Learning Behaviour

Last year we worked hard to ensure that learning is the main purpose of our school and to learn effectively, students need to be in class at all times. Students who leave the room without permission are unsafe as they can't be supervised. Students who disrupt the learning of others and behave inappropriately are not being safe, respectful learners.

There are school processes for ensuring that all students can be safe, respectful learners.

- If students leave the room without permission, they are given 5 minutes to return and join the class again.
- Teacher reports the absence to the DP if the child has not returned in 5 mins.
- DP locates the student and gives another opportunity for them to take a safe option - (return to class or go to buddy class for 5-10min). If the child takes the safe option, they can return to class and continue their learning.
- If students refuse to take the safe option, escalate or repeat the unsafe behaviour more than twice in one day, parents or carers will be called and the child will go home for the rest of that day. They are not suspended but will receive a warning of suspension.
- If students repeat this behaviour again within the next 5 school days, they will be suspended officially for 1 or 2 days, depending on the severity.

Parents/carers will be contacted by teachers, the AP or the DP to discuss any serious concerns, especially if incidents are repeated.

Please discuss this process with your children and support the school to ensure that learning is protected for your child and all students.



Student Representative Council

SRC

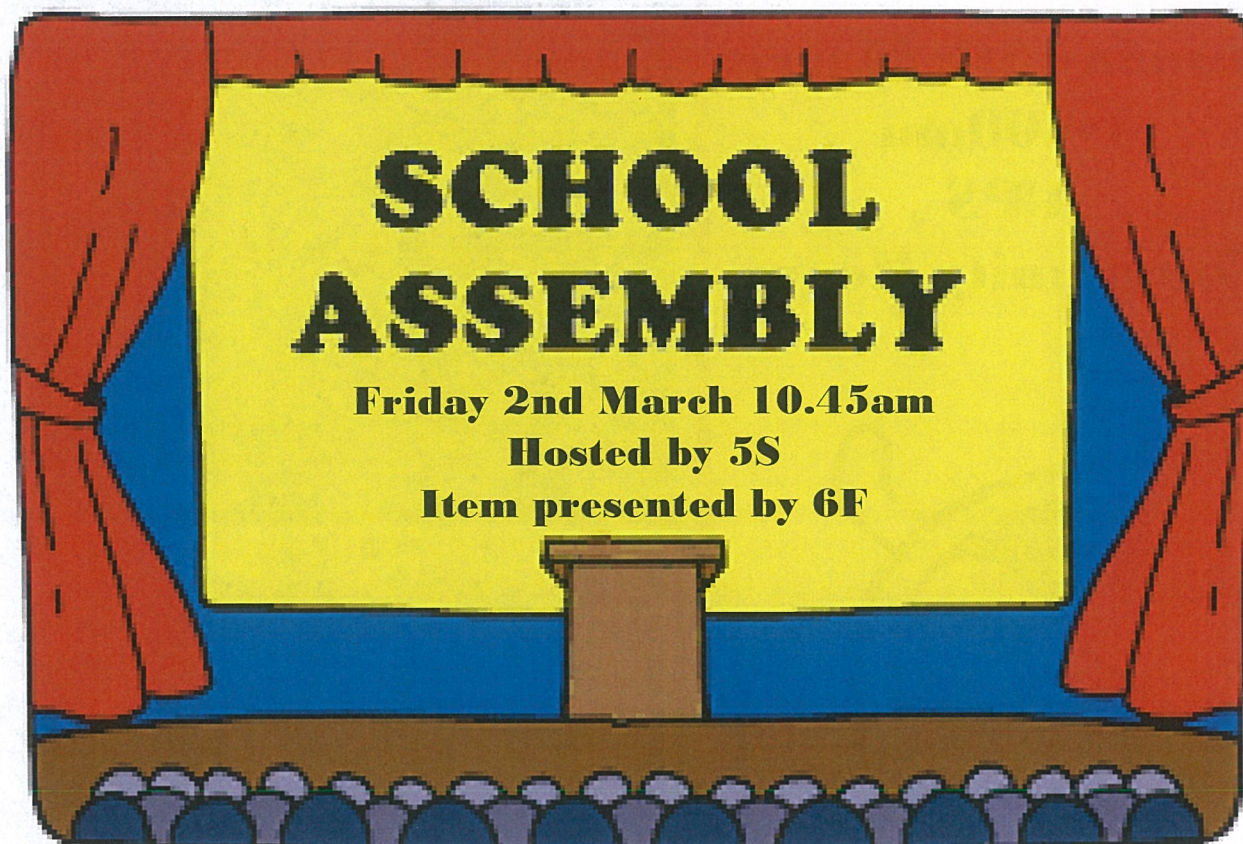
Our Student Representative Council (SRC) will be established again this year. Mr Tony Schmierer will be the teacher leading and guiding the SRC this year.

The students have been elected by their class and will be led by the school captains. Badges and contracts will be presented at assembly on Friday with parents and carers being invited to join the SRC for morning tea in the community room.

I welcome parents with concerns, questions and issues to contact me so that I can explain or resolve issues quickly. It is difficult to resolve issues if I am unaware of them. Our school welcomes input and involvement of parents on many levels.

Have a great week.
Annette Thomson
Principal

* Attention Parents/Carers!! *
* If you have changed your address or phone number *
* please advise the office and update your details ASAP *





Playground Buddy Bonus:
Patrick Forbes

Awards Week 4

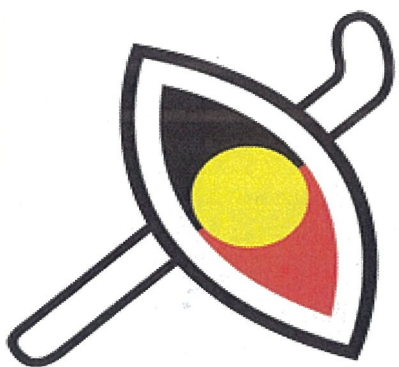
Infants Buddy Ticket Winners:
Elizabeth Smith,
Emily Wendelin-Craig,
Orion Smith

Primary Buddy Ticket Winners:
Jaliyah Thurston,
Dorothy Fernando

Best Listening Students:
Kaidence Albert,
Mikiala Thurston

AECG Meeting

Monday 5th March
10.00am
CPS
Community Room





Dear Parents and Caregivers,

It has been brought to our attention that some children in our school have head lice. Could you please check your child/children and treat if necessary.

Below is a guideline in relation to how to treat head lice.

HOW TO CHECK HAIR EFFECTIVELY FOR HEAD LICE

Why use hair conditioner?

Head lice can move at up to 30 cm per minute – they rapidly run and hide from searching hands and can often be missed. Applying a large amount of hair conditioner to the dry hair 'stuns' the head lice and slows them down. They become trapped and can then be easily combed out with the 'nit' comb.

You will need:

- A metal 'nit' comb. Look for one with long, smooth, cylindrical teeth, about 1mm apart. Your local pharmacist should be able to obtain these for you.
- A bottle of inexpensive hair conditioner. Choose one that is not 'runny'.
- Some white tissues or paper towels.
- A magnifying glass (optional).

What to do:

- Apply **plenty** of hair conditioner to the dry hair until saturated. Comb through with an ordinary comb or brush to remove tangles.
- Section and comb the hair thoroughly with a metal fine-tooth 'nit' comb in 4 directions – forwards, backwards, left, and right. Continue to section and comb the whole head like this.
- Wipe the comb on a white paper towel or tissue as you work, and when completely finished, examine your findings to check for any adult lice or hatchlings. Hatchlings are young lice that emerge from eggs. You may need to use a magnifying glass and a strong light to see lice or eggs.
- Using white hair conditioner may make it easier to see the head lice.
- When combing is completed, rinse the hair conditioner out and dry the hair.

Please note that students are not to attend school with untreated head lice.

Annette Thomson
Executive Principal
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Attention Parents/Carers of students in Years 4 - 6

In Term 1 2018, our school is taking part in the Tell Them From Me survey. The survey will provide us with valuable feedback on what our students think about school life, how engaged they are with the school and the different ways that teachers interact with them.

Staff in schools will **NOT** be able to identify individual students from their responses. To ensure confidentiality, participating students will receive a unique username and password. Where fewer than five students respond to a question, the results will be suppressed. The survey typically takes 30 minutes to complete and will be administered by the school during normal school hours. Once the surveys are completed by students, reports are prepared and in most cases are available to schools within three business days.

Participating in the survey is entirely voluntary. If you **do not want your child to take part** in the survey please return the non-consent form sent home today. Please return notes by **Monday 12th March 2018 if you do not want your child to take part in the survey.**

What does it ask?

The student survey asks students a range of questions related to the following:

Participation in sports and extra-curricular activities	Behaviour at school	Effective learning time
Use of ICT for learning	Homework behaviour	Teaching relevance and rigour
Sense of belonging	Interest and motivation	Perseverance
Positive relationships	Effort	Experience of being bullied
Valuing school outcomes	Skills and learning challenge	Advocacy at school
Positive teacher-student relations	Expectations for success	Positive learning climate

P&C News

Come and join the P&C

primaryschoolpandc@gmail.com

The Coonamble Public School P&C is looking for new parents, carers or guardians to assist them, whether it is contributing at regular meetings, helping out with a fundraiser or the canteen. We are looking for new members to fill the roles of parents who have left due to children now attending high school and/or moving out of the area.

Community members are also welcome to join or contribute to the P&C.

The P&C is responsible for operating the school canteen. With the help of volunteers the canteen is able to open five days per week. The profit from the canteen, as well as any fundraising undertaken has given students many benefits over the years.

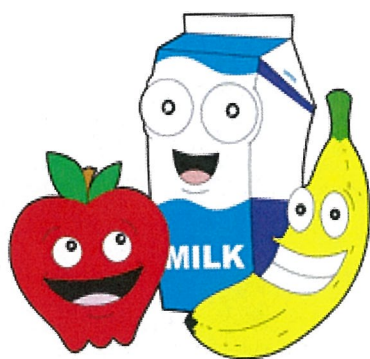
Meetings are held the second Tuesday of the month in the staff room. Your contribution can be as large or small as you can manage, but your ongoing support is invaluable.

Next Meeting: March 13th 5.15pm - 6pm (keeping the cleaner happy and out on time). Meetings do not go overtime as we appreciate your family time and other commitments.

This is a great way to meet new people and make new friends! Please come and join us, membership is \$2 for the year, and you can join at any time during the year. If we don't have the people to help, our children will miss out. There is so much we can

accomplish together!

Please contact Jolene Dennis for further information on 0421 644 645



Canteen

A big welcome to Jasmin Fernando our new canteen manager for 2018

*Jasmin and her helpers will open the canteen daily
8.30am - 2.15pm*

Next P&C Meeting.....

*Tuesday March 13th
5.15pm
CPS Staff room*



Community News

Kevin Humphries MP
MEMBER FOR BARWON



\$100 VOUCHER FOR CHILDREN'S SPORT AND RECREATION FEES

Parents in NSW are now able to start claiming \$100 towards extra-curricular sport and other physical activity fees thanks to the NSW Government's new Active Kids program.

Active Kids will provide a \$100 voucher for parents to put towards sporting fees and registration costs for every school-aged child in NSW.

The health of our children is a priority for me and every parent. I hope this makes a difference in enabling you to enrol your child in the sport or physical activity of your choice.

Families will be able to use the voucher for registration and membership costs, as well as fees for physical activities such as swimming, dance lessons and athletics.

The annual voucher will not be means tested because the NSW Government wants every child from every family to get active and involved in community sport and fitness.

Parents are able to use their voucher to claim up to \$100 per school age child, per calendar year to reduce the cost of sport registration or membership of approved active recreation activities.

More details about the program and eligible sports is available at <https://sport.nsw.gov.au/sectorddevelopment/activekids> or by phoning Active Kids enquiry line on 13 77 88.

Kevin Humphries

Kevin Humphries MP
MEMBER FOR BARWON

6th February 2018

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Tenat Support & Education Project

In partnership with Origin Energy and the Energy & Water Ombudsman NSW (EWON) are visiting

Gulargambone

for our Power and Water Workshop. Bring your Bills day and Family Fun Day.



COME ALONG TO THIS FREE COMMUNITY EVENT

1:00pm: Power & Water Workshop and Bring your Bills day

Are you in hardship? Bring your bills along and come meet with the Energy & Water Ombudsman NSW (EWON) & the Origin Energy hardship team who will be on hand to review large energy and water bills, assist with rebates, how to read your bills and provide energy saving tips. There will be a free light lunch and refreshments provided and those attending will also get an entry into our Lucky door prize (2 x \$100 visa cash cards)

3:30pm: Family Fun Day

Come talk to Murdi Paaki and Mid Lachlan Aboriginal Housing, find out about services in your community. There will be a free BBQ dinner, give-aways, jumping castle, as well as renowned comedian and special guest MC 'Sean Choolburra'. Meet and greet with an NRL player and performance by 'Street Warriors'.



Street Warriors

Event details

Lions Park,
Bourbah St Gulargambone
Wednesday, 7th March 2018
1:00pm - 6:00pm



Energy & Water
Ombudsman NSW



Sean Choolburra

THE NATIONALS for Regional NSW

COONAMBLE Ag Field Day

FREE ENTRY

Proudly Sponsored By:

Dubbo City Toyota
Gulgandra Toyota

**Saturday 24th March 2018,
8:30am-5:30pm**
Coonamble Showground, Castlereagh
Highway, Coonamble NSW

Covering all aspects of cropping, livestock
and agriculture, plus something for the home
and office.

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2 DAYS

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For more information:
www.coonambleagfieldday.com
Ph: 0400 713 356

PHYSIE IS BACK

Fun, upbeat, pop music is the soundtrack to a sport that fuses dance styles such as jazz, ballet, hip hop, contemporary, aerobic dance and even yoga. Our innovative choreography changes annually and is designed for maximum variety and fun.

2018 classes- Classes begin Tuesday the 27th of February

Babies (2-5 year olds)- Tuesdays 330-400 at the RSL with Miss Steph

5-6 Year Olds- Tuesdays 330-400 at the CPS School Hall with Miss Simone

7-8 Year Olds- Tuesdays 400-500 at the CPS School Hall with Miss Simone

9-12 Year Olds- Tuesdays 400-500 at the RSL with Miss Steph

Ladies (21 years and up)- 5.15-6.00 at the RSL with Miss Simone

Check out our Facebook page or email for more info @

coonamblephysie@gmail.com



BJP PHYSIE



Royal Far West Auction

DATE: 7TH APRIL 2018

TIME: 7PM

VENUE: COONAMBLE GOLF CLUB

THEME: CHRISTMAS COONAMBLE STYLE

COST: \$35

Tickets are on sale at AJF Brien and Sons until 4th April



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