FROM THE ARTS TEACHER

What a fantastic time we’re having in the Arts Department! Here’s our “Highlights Reel” from the last fortnight:

Senior Choir are working on their Singfest Repertoire, and the current song has a rather ‘chilly’ theme... stay tuned for the date of their performance of Snowflake Symphony.

Drama classes are exploring the sharing of action and responding to texts using movement. Their efforts have been encouraging and I’m looking forward to more entertaining improvisations! Tim’s robbing of my bakery was a hilarious ending to our drama lesson.

Alexandra Hills State High School Dance Troupe Performed for our yr 4-6’s

Coming Events

2nd Hand Uniform shop open
Every Monday 2.30-3.00pm
Every Tuesday 8.30-9.00am

9th to 12th May
NAPLAN Yrs 3 and 5

Thursday 12 May
Yr1 Fire Brigade Education Visit #2

Tuesday 17 May
ICAS Digital Technologies comp

Thursday 26 May
Under 8’s day
Prep-Yr3 9am-11am

Friday 27 May
Choir excursion
Goodstart Early Learning Centre

Monday 30 May
ICAS Science Comp

30 May—3 June
Beginners Music Week

Tuesday 31 May
Carnival Day 2
Yrs 4-6
FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents, Student and Friends.

It has been another busy fortnight here at Coolnwynpin State School. I am delighted to see so many of our students working hard towards their learning goals particularly within our priority areas of Reading, Numeracy and Attendance. Keep up the great work everyone.

NAPLAN 2016

Next week our students in Years 3 and 5 will be sitting the 2016 NAPLAN Tests. This testing program will see students sit the following tests:

- Tuesday May 10th - Language Conventions and Writing Tests
- Wednesday May 11th - Reading Test
- Thursday May 12th - Writing Test

You can support your child at home with preparation for these tests by ensuring they have a good night sleep (no late nights), a healthy and hearty breakfast and by remaining positive and encouraging about the tests.

If you would like to discuss the 2016 NAPLAN tests with me please feel free to give me a call on 3906 4333.

Flashing School Zone Lights—Callaghan Way

Our school is scheduled to have flashing light school zone signs installed on Callaghan Way next week.

Coolnwynpin State School was nominated to receive these new signs as part of a Queensland Government commitment to improve school road safety.

You will notice that the new signs look similar to standard school zone signs with the addition of a red flashing ring around the speed limit as well as two flashing yellow lights at the top of the sign.

The installation of flashing light school zone signs is proven to improve visibility of school zones, serving as an active reminder for motorists to slow down.

So next time you’re dropping off or picking up your child, keep an eye out for the new signs and make sure you stick to the signed speed limit.

Kind Regards

Mick Lawrance
Principal

Our Positive Behaviour for Learning goal for the coming week is:

To be safe and respectful when lining up for class.
Attention pregnant mothers: The school has had two reported cases of chicken pox this week. One case is in Year 3 and the other in Year 5.

Attendance – Every day counts! All day, every day! Attendance and learning are closely linked.

The school’s attendance target is 95%.

The whole of school attendance Term 2 Week 3 was: 92.3%. To celebrate attendance at Coolwynpin - each year level's attendance for Week 3 was:

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Mother’s Day Stall
Thank you to the P&C who organised a great range of gifts for the students to be able to purchase. Thank you to all the families who were able to participate as this is an important fundraiser for the school’s P&C, as all money goes directly to supporting the students. We wish all our mothers a very Happy Mother’s Day this Sunday. Enjoy with your children and family!

Premier’s Reading Challenge
The school will be supporting the Premier’s Reading Challenge again this year which will commence this month. Information about the challenge and the recording forms for the books your child reads will come home soon.

Siany Daley
Deputy Principal

Win a family movie pass
An information letter about our 2016 Voluntary Contributions Scheme was sent out to all families last week. Be in the draw for a Family Movie Pass by contributing to this scheme before the end of Term 2. Thanks to the many families who are already in the draw by making a payment. Your contributions will be go directly towards our “Cool School Project” and hopefully we will be able to start air-conditioning some classrooms in 2017.

Payment Date Reminders

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What is NAPLAN?

The NAPLAN test dates for 2016 are Tuesday 10 May, Wednesday 11 May and Thursday 12 May.

The National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) is an annual national assessment for all students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9. All students in these year levels are expected to participate in tests in reading, writing, language conventions (spelling, grammar and punctuation) and numeracy. All government and non-government education authorities have contributed to the development of NAPLAN materials. All students are encouraged to participate in NAPLAN tests.

NAPLAN 2016 tests timetable

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- Language conventions test includes spelling, grammar and punctuation.
- Numeracy test includes number; space; algebra, function and pattern; measurement, chance and data.
- Calculators are NOT permitted in the Numeracy test in Years 3 and 5.

What happens if my child is absent from school on test days?
Where possible, schools will organise for individual students who are absent at the time of testing to complete missed tests at another time during the testing week. Individual students are not permitted to sit tests after Friday 13 May 2016.

Will I receive a report on my child’s performance?
A NAPLAN report will be issued by your school later in the year. The same report format is used for every student in Australia. The school will notify you when the reports are being sent to you. If you do not receive a report, you should contact the school. Individual student results are strictly confidential.

Where can I get more information?
For more information about NAPLAN: visit the NAPLAN website www.nap.edu.au

Student absence Line
39064360

School Watch
131 788

Help Brooklyn gain access!
Win a signed and framed 2016 Brisbane Broncos Jersey. Tickets only $5 each.
Drawn 26 May 2016
Only 1000 tickets available so get in quickly to secure yours!
1A Report

Year 1’s Get Down Low and Go Go Go!
In week 3 the Firemen visited Year 1. The students were very keen to learn about fires and the best safety procedures to use if a fire started. Students demonstrated what to do if there is a fire in their house and what to do if their clothes caught on fire.

SMOKE and HEAT rises
so Get Down Low and
Go Go Go!

ROLLING WILL SMOTHER the fire and put it out.
So Stop Drop and Roll!

2A Report

Students in 2A have settled well into their new reading groups over the past few weeks. They are enjoying Physical Education lessons on the oval, now that the weather has cooled down a little. Many of our students are members of the school choir and it was a proud moment to see them perform in front of our school community at our recent A.N.Z.A.C. service. This term students are busy improving their speaking and listening skills by presenting an item each week and participating in the discussion that follows. We all look forward to these presentations and are learning something each day about our friends interests. This term in History 2A we are investigating places of historical importance in our local community and why they continue to be meaningful today. Students have many questions about life in the past and are uncovering many interesting facts. 2A are also reading and viewing a variety of narratives containing interesting characters and learning how authors use language to make the reader feel a certain way about the characters in the stories. Students will shortly begin to write their own character descriptions. Our class was honoured to be named “Class of the Week” recently and we are working hard to capture the award once more.

3A Report

Hot Science at the Cool School!

This term students in year three will be getting into hot water, along with all sorts of other heat related experiments. They are currently investigating heat energy: what it is, how it works and how we use it in all kinds of interesting ways. Students have begun making their own predictions and testing their ideas with actual experiments in the classroom. Some of these simple experiments can easily be done at home with things from around the house (With some adult supervision for the hot water of course!).

Students measure the temperature of water in the dye diffusion experiment.

6A Report

In Science this term, Year 6 has been exploring the role of electrons in transferring energy in electric circuits. We have been designing and creating electrical circuits in our classroom and experimenting with batteries, light globes and wiring. We’ve added to our challenges, switches and buzzers and changed the battery volts to see what would happen to our light bulbs. Aren’t we bright sparks!?
From the Parents and Citizens Association

Mothers Day
Big thanks to everyone who supported the Mothers Day stall. Happy Mothers Day to all of our lovely Mums.

Entertainment books for sale!!!
Please use this link to order:

Coming soon.....
Cool Walkings 24th June 2-3pm - our very own walkathon to help raise money to complete the shaded grandstand area on the side of the oval.
Sponsorship forms will come home soon, great prizes to be won! This year’s theme is come as your favourite super hero!

Pie Drive forms will come home in week 10 of term 2 and are due back early in term 3. Watch out for these in the kids’ bags!!! The money we raise from this will also go towards completing the shaded grandstand area on the side of the oval.

How to Save Money at the Tuckshop
The Cool School Koala Café offers a service to the students and staff of the school, to provide healthy, nutritious, low cost food catering to all tastes. Costs are kept to a minimum by sourcing local, seasonal ingredients and making all the food from scratch ourselves so we can pass the savings onto the families. It’s not expected that families buy tuckshop every week but the service is there for those who need it. We’re all trying to make ends meet these days and buying tuckshop every week just isn’t affordable for most of us but there are a few ways you can make it work for you and save you money.

Buy the meal deals
Every tuckshop day has a meal deal. The savings are only minimal but it all adds up if ordering for a few children. Currently, they are as follows:

- Monday: Ham & Cheese Toastie, Flavoured Milk & Cookie (Price $5.00, saving 50 cents)
- Thursday: 5 x KFC Strips, Chunky Wedges & Popper Juice (Price $5.00, saving $1)
- Friday: Lasagna, Garlic Bread & Juice Popper (Price $6.00, saving $1)

- Every day: Ham or Chicken & Salad Roll (Price $3.50)

Buy for either First or Second Break only
If you’ve got plenty of snack foods and fruit at home, why not just order a sandwich and a drink or vice versa? We buy the fruit fresh every week and it is cut to order, so it won’t get smashed or go brown in the children’s lunch boxes when brought from home.

Payment for Chores
I know my children are more likely to do more chores around the house if I promise them tuckshop that week. Tell them how much they’re allowed to spend, eg $5 and match that to the chores you’d like them to do.

Support Theme Days
You may not be able to afford tuckshop on a regular basis but theme days are a great opportunity for children to have a bit of fun with unusual or exciting food items. So far in 2016 we’ve celebrated St Patrick’s Day, Easter and a Star Wars themed day.

Over the Counter Snacks
We can’t afford tuckshop all the time but allowing your child 50 cents to $1 a week all adds up to supporting the tuckshop and the school. We have plenty of healthy items like homemade fresh fruit iced poles, 100% juice Zooper Doopers, freshly cut fruit, homemade baked items and healthy noodle type snacks. We also offer a variety of different snacks from week to week.

Thank you for your continued support of the Cool School Koala Café.
NOW TAKING ENROLMENTS FOR 2017

Prep Parent Information Session

When: Wednesday 1 June 2016
Where: Coolwynpin State School
        Callaghan Way, Capalaba
Time: 9.00am – 11.00am

We welcome all families who have children born between 1 July 2011 and 30 June 2012 to our Prep Parent Information Session.

Our Prep teachers and members of the school leadership team will share with families what they can expect when their child attends Prep at Coolwynpin State School.

Prep Open Days
11:45am - 1:00pm
For children and parents considering enrolment in Prep in 2017 at Coolwynpin State School.
Wednesday 27 July 2016
Friday 12 August 2016

Prep Orientation Sessions
9:00am—11:00am
For children enrolled in Prep for 2017.
Wednesday 12 October 2016
Wednesday 26 October 2016
Wednesday 9 November 2016
We value greatly the support of our local community.