Friends of Carramar

Recently students from Coolwynpin State School joined 3000 schools and kindys across Australia to get their hands dirty for Schools Tree Day.

Part of National Tree Day celebrations, Schools Tree Day proved the perfect opportunity for our school to kick off a comprehensive program of planting of native trees, shrubs and grasses in the school’s remnant bush area known as “The Carramar”.

Our School community is partnering with Redlands Indigiscapes through the Land For Wildlife program to rejuvenate the Carramar with the aim of protecting and expanding the native biodiversity of the area. Koalas, bandicoots, possums, glossy black cockatoos and white cockatoos, tawny frogmouth owls, kookaburras, rainbow lorikeets, stone curlews and woodland ducks all call the Carramar home.

Coolwynpin Parents and Citizens Association President Mr Dean Adams said he is looking forward to growing the broader community’s interest in protecting and sustaining natural habitats with the launch of the “Friends of Carramar” community conservation group.

The restoration of the Carramar has been made possible with funding from an Everyone’s Environment grant from the Department of Environment and Heritage Protection.

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Coming Events

Monday 10 August
Redlands EKKA Show holiday

Tuesday 11 August
ICAS Maths Comp

Wednesday 12 August
Jnr Athletics Carnival

Thursday 20 August
Science Factory Incursion

Friday 28 August
Book Week Character Parade

31 August-4 September
Intermediate Band Camp
Dear Parents, Students and Friends

It has been another fabulous fortnight at the Cool School. Student learning is our number one priority and I encourage all parents to talk to their child’s teacher about the learning goals which are in place for them in the areas of reading, writing and mathematics. I am very proud of the efforts that so many of our students are making - keep up the great work everyone!

Our school has three simple and identifiable rules which are well known by all students:

- We are Safe
- We are Respectful
- We are Learners.

These rules form the foundations for our weekly Positive Behaviour Lessons which are taught each Monday. I also make a point of publishing the weekly behaviour focus in each newsletter and on the Coolnwynpin Community Facebook Page.

While the vast majority of our students constantly meet or exceed our behaviour expectations we do from time to time have students who require some additional support and at times consequences. This support at Coolnwynpin includes: Daily Check In Check Out programs, Social and Emotional Learning Programs, Playground Passports, Detention and referral to external agencies. For high level behaviours we do on occasion have to visit the consequence of suspension and on very rare occasions exclusion.

It is fantastic that we have so many well behaved students at Coolnwynpin who constantly strive for excellence. Last term, four of these students achieved the highest level of behaviour and were acknowledged with a very special Principal’s Bowling Party at AMF Capalaba. We had a fabulous time learning to bowl, eating hotdogs and ice-cream and laughing the afternoon away. Congratulations to these four lovely girls on their amazing efforts.

Sincerely

Mick Lawrance

Smoking Banned at all Queensland schools including 5 metres beyond their boundaries.

The buffer is a 5 metre no-smoking area around the perimeter of the school, beyond the school land boundary: including all structures in this area such as bus shelters and car parks

Our Positive Behaviour for Learning goal for next week is…..

We Strive to do our best!

At Coolnwynpin State School

We are Safe
We are Respectful
We are Learners

Our Top Attending Classes for Semester One

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DEPUTY PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

Dear Diary...
If you’re anything like our family, life is busy and if it doesn’t go on the family calendar it does not happen! So.. grab your pen, your diary, your electronic calendar! There is so much coming up and you won’t want to miss it!

JNR SPORTS DAY: 3rd time is a charm! Coming up next week Wed August 12th. A great day is planned! Meet us on the oval at 9 for a day of fun and sport activities! Rain, rain stay away!

SPELL-A-THON: sponsor cards and word lists went home this week so please support your children in learning their words and gathering sponsors. Funds raised will go towards installing terrace seating on the oval under shade tents.

BOOK WEEK: Book Week flyer will come home TODAY so book in our sensational Book Week events in the week of August 24-28 and join in our celebration and love of literature!
Mon 24 - Web Quiz hosted by Mrs Ann Leggett our Teacher Librarian
Tues 25 & Thurs 27 - Buddy class visits to share stories and activities regarding class novel studies
Wed 26 - Reading on Rugs and Author visit from Michelle Worthington (9-10) families welcome.
Fri 28 - come dressed as a character from your favourite novel and take part in our character parade at assembly (9-9.45) families welcome.

SCIENCE WEEK: August 17 - 21 with a very exciting visit from the Science Factory on THURSDAY AUGUST 20. Make sure you have returned your notes and $ to the office.

SWIMMING: Starting in Term 4 is our revised PE swimming curriculum. Notes and medical forms have already gone home so make sure you return them to the office ASAP.

STARLAB: FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 11 (day and night visit) Astronomical wonders will be explored and shared as part of this magical sky dome experience in our very own hall. All classes will be able to participate (notes will be sent home soon). Year 3 will get to experience the nighttime wonder as part of their overnight camp on September 11 while other classes will attend during the day on Friday.

YEAR 6 GRADUATION DATE CLAIMER: The date has been set for WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 2nd in the hall from 5.30-8.30. More information will be sent closer to the date but make sure it’s in your diaries!

Rebecca Rayner
Deputy Principal

Absence Line : 39064360

Payment reminders

We have a lot of activities and camps being organised at the moment, below is a list of activities and payment due dates

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If you have financial difficulties for any of the above events please contact our BSM Sandra Penfold to discuss a payment plan. We encourage all students to participate in the above activities.
**HOSES**

**How Confidence Develops**

For most children, school means spending more time on learning and less on ‘play’. It also means more expectations of them - from parents, carers, teaching staff and also of themselves. Children typically start out with high expectations. When they see how well they do things compared to others, their view of their own abilities often changes. They learn that they are good at some things and not so good at others. They also see how others respond to what they do. These things influence their confidence in their abilities, and influence how willing they are to have a go in situations where they feel unsure.

**How Parents and Carers Can Help**

Confidence improves through building on small successes. Adults can help by:
- explaining that skills develop with practice
- encouraging persistence when outcomes aren’t achieved straight away
- acknowledging the process rather than outcome - effort, persistence and improvement
- making sure that goals are achievable by breaking down large tasks or responsibilities into small steps
- being ready to help when necessary without taking over, encouraging children to have a go and valuing individual improvement

**Confident Thinking**

Self-esteem is an important part of confidence. Having good self-esteem means accepting and feeling positive about yourself. Confidence is not just feeling good but also knowing you are good at something. Remember: *How I think affects how I feel.*

Particular ways of thinking are very important for building confidence. Helpful ways of thinking include:
- believing that, if you try, you can succeed
- finding positive ways to cope with failure and being prepared to give it another go
- enjoying learning for its own sake by competing with your own performance rather than that of others.

**Dealing with Disappointment**

*Everybody* fails to achieve their goals sometimes. Adults can help by:
- Acknowledging feelings, and respond sympathetically and with encouragement e.g. “You sound disappointed, but at least you had a go.”
- Helping kids focus on what they can change to make things better, rather than thinking that the situation is unchangeable or that there is something wrong with them, e.g., “What can you try that might make that work better next time?”
- Challenging words like ‘I can’t’ or ‘I’m a failure’, and letting them know that ‘giving up’ may not help them reach their goal.
- Let them know you believe in them and remind them of what they have achieved.

*Adapted from: www.kidsmatter.edu.au*

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**HOC SPOT**

**Book Week 2015**

Book Week this year will take place during the week beginning Monday 24th August 2015. The staff are very busy planning lots of activities for the week that will help encourage your children to continue to have a love of books and reading.

Our Book Week theme this year is “books light up our world”. Each year group is working on a different type of text this Semester, so during Book Week classes will go and visit other classrooms to investigate what type of book they are studying. The week will end with a whole school dress up day – come dressed as your favourite book character. *(NO gold coin donation is required)*

During the week there will be many exciting activities and events around the school and within classrooms. A flyer will be sent home soon so that you can prepare your children for the events listed.

**Book Exchange:**

Our weekly Book Exchange has proved to be very popular. Each child is invited to bring a book that they no longer read to exchange with a book from the Book Exchange. Ms Marshall and her year 6 student leaders do a fabulous job of maintaining the shelves, and exchanging fabulous reading material. This Month, the Book Exchange is once again handing out raffle tickets to those students who visit. On offer are three texts by Australian Authors: Diary of a Wombat, by Jackie French & Bruce Whatley; Wombat Stew by Marcia K. Vaughan and Pamela Lofts and Uno’s Garden by Graeme Base. What a wonderful prize to win for visiting the Book Exchange!

Happy Reading,
Mrs Sutton
**PREP REPORT**

The start of term 3 has been a busy one for prep – students have created their own Aboriginal artwork with the assistance of Arthur Conlon and are soon attending a Science Factory incursion at Coolnwynpin.

The students have been very resilient in their response to the postponed Athletics Carnival, and third time lucky, this will be finally happening on Wednesday 12th August.

With the middle of the term almost here, the prep students have already learnt many new skills and are developing their reading skills through their guided reading groups and sight word practice. Their math skills are developing through the use of lots of manipulative and hands on activities. History this term is an exploration of Family, so we look forward to investigating our family history and sharing this with each other.

**YEAR 2 REPORT**

Students in 2A/B are learning to appreciate the history of their local area by examining the remains of the past. They are exploring how changes in technology have shaped our daily lives

While all students appreciate the benefits that advances in modern technology have brought, some of us have expressed an interest in going back to the past.

**Who do you agree with?**

I would like to live in the present because my grandma lives in Canada and I would not be able to visit her because there were no aeroplanes. By Eliana 2A

I would like to stay in the past because dolls in the past were made of porcelain and they broke easily. Now, dolls don’t break so easily. By Kayla 2A

I like the electronic games we can play now like minecraft . by Thomas R 2A

The present day is better because there are iPhones and iPads to use. By Alexander 2B

I like the present better because housework chores like washing are easier to do and don’t take as long. by Matilda 2B

I would like to go back to the past so that I can try riding a “boneshaker”. By Abbey 2A

I would like to live in the past because I like playing outside and children did that a lot. By Rosie 2A

I think writing with a feather and ink would be better than having to sharpen a pencil all of the time. By Harry 2A

The past is better because toys lasted longer and didn’t need batteries. By Matilda 2B

**YEAR 4 REPORT**

**Forces**

Year 4 have been learning about forces. We have learnt that any kind of force is really just a push or a pull.

Chantel – We played Ping Pong Soccer where we had to move a ball over the mid-line of a table while a partner tries to do the same, using only a straw. This was a push force.

Byron – We played Balloon, Up, Up and Away where we had to keep three balloons afloat. This is a push force.

Ethan and Jacob – We put 30 dominoes in a horseshoe formation on a table and set them off using a domino effect where the last domino fell off the table. This is a push force.
Protect me and my Carramar friends!

Date: 19 August 2015
Time: 4:30pm
Venue: Coolnwynpin State School

Come to the inaugural meeting of Friends of Carramar

The Carramar is a piece of remnant bushland located on the grounds of Coolnwynpin State School. We have received a grant from Everyone’s Environment to regenerate the flora and fauna in the Carramar and teach our children about the importance of conserving natural environments.

The Carramar is worth saving. Everyone is welcome!

Questions? Contact Principal Mick Lawrance on 3906 4333

P AND C NEWS

Koala Fair
If you have lots of items (i.e. for Trash n Treasure), or just want to donate some goods for the Fair you are welcome to drop them in to the Fair Donations Drop-Off Point at anytime. However, next Wednesday 12 August we are making a dedicated drop-off day as there will be other adults available to assist with moving the items (especially heavy ones). If you would like assistance with dropping your items at the Drop-off point please let the Planning Team know by phoning Genevieve on 0421 184 634, email gmtins@hotmail.com or via the School Fair’s Facebook Page (Coolnwynpin SS Koala Fair).

As of this weekend we will be counting down to the Koala Fair – only 2 months to go!! Gen and her team are working hard behind the scene to make this a fantastic event and can only be made better by all the wonderful support they have been receiving from our school community. If you haven’t already please join the Koala Fair FB page, almost every day the team are adding new sponsors and vendors details so please support those that are supporting our community!!

Spellathon
All forms have gone home this week, so start getting sponsors and learning those words!! This year we have made more prizes available and everyone who earns $5 or more goes into the draw to win $100 AMF Bowling voucher!! We have been watching Spelling Bee on Channel 10 as a warm up!!

P&C Meeting
The next P&C meeting will be on Monday 17th August downstairs at Capalaba Sports Club it runs from 6.30pm – 7.30pm. Feel free to join us for dinner upstairs from 5.30pm. All welcome and they even have a kids club now!!

Entertainment Books
August will be the last month that you can order Entertainment books through the P&C, we make $13 per book sold and this money goes straight back to our kids. So if you want one and keep forgetting about it, get in before the end of the month by clicking on this link https://www.entertainmentbook.com.au/orderbooks/22168c7 or by paying cash at the office. They are $65 each and are available as an app for your smart phone or in the traditional books.

Capalaba Sports Club
You might have seen the renovations happening at the club, as part of the grand reopening of the new restaurant the club is extending a fundraising opportunity to our community. Just mention the school name when purchasing food in September and October and the club will very generously chip in 5% from your bill to help fund the new BAF’s (Fans) for the hall. Thanks to Capalaba Sports Club for supporting our community, please support them!!!
We value greatly the support of our local community.

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