COORANBONG PRIMARY SCHOOL 'COOEE' INNOVATION OPPORTUNITY EXCELLENCE

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Term 4 Week 6 13th November 2014

Lest we forget

This year November 11th marked the 96th anniversary of the Armistice which ended the First World War (1914–1918). This was commemorated by a service at our school run by our school captains and accompanied by Year 5 and 6.



We were very lucky to have Mrs Pat Gregson from a local Historical Society who spoke to all of our students about everyday experiences that soldiers dealt with during the war. They were certainly intrigued by all the information shared with them.



Following the service, students 'planted' a poppy in our school grounds that they had made. Any students who had family involved in the war, wrote their names on a special 'plaque' and this was posted on our Wall of Remembrance.

Mr King took Lachlan and Toya to a service at Morisset Country Club where they represented our school, lay down a wreath and both had individual readings to do. Our captains once again made us proud and did a wonderful job commemorating the fallen service men and women.



P & C Meeting

The next meeting of the P&C will be held next Tuesday 18th November at 6pm. Everyone is welcome.

Meet earlier if you wish at 5.30pm for coffee and a chat.



Growing Harvesting Preparing Sharing

This week has seen some of our vegetables and salad ready for harvesting!



Years 3-6 were split into 2 groups throughout the week where some students did gardening and the other students were involved in cooking.



Students were very busy weeding, raking, laying mulch throughout our gardens and searching for creatures that live amongst our luscious land. Cooking was a hit this week with students having full responsibility for their contributions. Collaboratively reading recipes, measuring ingredients and following instructions from Mrs Miller allowed for some superb smells to come out of the canteen.





Students made their own herb bread rolls and hummus "from scratch"!

Part of cooking is tidying up, so after the canteen was spotless, our students set the tables and served their home cooked meal to students and staff. The carrots and celery dipped in hummus were delicious as were the hot bread rolls! Excellent work students – we can't wait to see what's on the menu next week!





Students are so proud of their creation they have decided to sell the fresh hummus that they have made. They are charging \$1 a bottle and all proceeds will go towards the SAKGP. If you would like to buy some of our freshly made products, please see Mrs Miller or go to the office for details.



Parents and family members were proud of their children as they received their certificates and watched the animoto about all they have done during transition.

Keep an eye on Facebook as the 'presentation' will be uploaded shortly.



Our new Kinders are ready for 2015

Congratulations to all of our new Kindies who finished off their transition program this week. We were very impressed with the great way they have progressed, adapted to school routine and made lots of new friends.

Enrol for 2015

Its never too late to enrol at our amazing school, so if you know of any families in the area who are looking for their children to attend a 'top notch' school – send them our way!

Principal for a Day



Aidan got the opportunity to shadow Mr Snedden today at Morisset High school, as the Principal ⁽ⁱ⁾ Can't wait to hear his review!

Family Fun Day – 5th December 6-8pm

Our P&C are in the process of organising a Family Fun Day for Friday 5th December. Details will be discussed at the next P&C meeting and sent home shortly.

<u>Donations Request</u>: A HUGE Raffle will be drawn at the Family Fun Day. The P&C are asking for donations for prizes for the raffle. If you have anything of excellent quality which you would like to donate please drop your items into the school. They will be much appreciated. Thank you to the families who have donated so far!

We need your help!

Raise your Hand - Anaphylaxis Awareness



We are currently ranked 21st in Australia and 3rd in the state, for the Anaphylaxsis 101 campaign!!! It would be great to be in the top 20 or even first for our state. Fantastic for our little school.

How can you help us get a placing and win a \$10 000 grant for our school?

Easy....

Please to go to anaphylaxis101.com.au

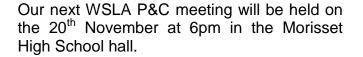
click 'raise my hand'

and select Cooranbong Public School from a drop-down list.

Participants can raise their hand once every day during the course of the competition. The competition runs till **<u>18th December 2014</u>**.

Western Shores Learning Alliance P&C

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Everyone is most welcome to attend! Please see Mrs Avery if you have any questions regarding this.

School Swimming Scheme

Students who have not reached a satisfactory standard of water safety and survival skills and are unable to swim 25m confidently unaided in deep water are eligible to participate in the School Swimming Scheme. The Scheme focuses on non-swimmers in Years 2 & 3, but provides for nonswimmers in Years 4 to 6.

A Water Safety Program is also on offer for **Kindergarten to Year 1 students**. This is not a Learn to Swim Program but a Water Safety and Familiarisation Program.

Students are requested to bring a green shopping bag to carry their swim gear in. Plastic bags are not recommended.

Both swim programs are held at Avondale Pool at a cost of **\$55.00** which includes bus fare, pool entry and instruction from fully qualified swim instructors. Beginning **24**th **November** leaving school at 11.00am and returning 12.30pm. Places are still available for both schemes so don't miss out. Permission notes are available from the school office.

Upcoming Events - Term 4

20	INOV	WSLA P&C meeting
18 th	Nov	P&C Meeting 6pm
5 th	Dec	Friday Fun 4-6pm
8 th	Dec	Sport Presentation Day

- 9th Dec Presentation Day
- 11th Dec Year 6 Farewell
- 16th Dec Picnic Day

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- 17th Dec Last day of school
- 18th Dec Staff Development Day
- 19th Dec Staff Development Day



Catalogues were sent home last week. There are some great gift ideas in the catalogues and each order helps to earn free books and teaching materials for our classrooms. Please have orders with payment back to the school by Monday 24th November. Thank you.

Exciting news from our P&C....

Congratulations

Cooranbong Public School P &C on receiving a \$5,000 grant

This Our Neighbourhood Community Grant will fund weekly IT tutoring sessions to develop skills, confidence and awareness in a variety of digital mediums for local CALD residents.

The Our Neighbourhood Community Grants support local community projects in vital need of assistance.

To see the full list of grant wirners and to learn more about Our Neighbourhood visit ourneighbourhood.com.au



Parent Tips

Future Leaders Program - An ideal development opportunity for school Student Representative Council (SRC) or any student who shows leadership potential. To make a booking or find out more, contact Sport and Recreation on 13 13 02 or visit

<u>http://dsr.nsw.gov.au/futureleadersprimary/</u> for primary school programs and <u>http://dsr.nsw.gov.au/futureleaderssecondary/</u> for secondary schools.

Understanding climate change - Is your child learning about climate change at school? CSIRO's scientists are learning how the earth's climate system works through observation, measurement and modelling. Find out more: <u>http://www.csiro.au/Outcomes/Climate/Understan</u> <u>ding.aspx</u>

Little Aussie Songsters competition - An Australia Day competition where primary students

can video their singing of our national anthem. For further details, visit

<u>http://www.aussievault.com.au/vault/136/detail/littl</u> <u>e-aussie-songster</u>. The competition is now open and will close on **Saturday 14 February 2015**.

Ready for high school - Just to let you know that the Transition to high school, Ready for High School Checklist is now available in 36 languages. Search by language: <u>http://www.schools.nsw.edu.au/languagesupport/</u> <u>documents/start_ss/rfhsc.php</u>





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