

COORANBONG PRIMARY SCHOOL 'COOEE' INNOVATION OPPORTUNITY EXCELLENCE

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Innovation

The last few weeks have seen staff, students and many community members working together to develop a shared purpose for our school. We are very proud of the strategic changes that have been embedded this year and the calmness and improved academic results that are emanating from our students.



Our 20/20 vision is clear and our strategic directions to bring about this vision are currently being developed. Thank you to the families who have consulted so transparently in this very important process.



Opportunity

We are pleased to announce that we will have a technology specialist teacher next year who will be focusing on the continual development of our staff and students' knowledge and skills in technology.



Our school will also be offering community workshops in technology in 2015, so that we can all continue to enhance our knowledge and skills to thrive in this technological age.



Excellence



Our “Power Writing” program has seen marked improvement in student writing from Kindergarten to Year 6 and we are very pleased with the enthusiastic way that our students have embraced this program.



Music lessons will continue next year so if you are interested in one on one tuition during school hours, please come in and see the office, who will be happy to help!



Our enrolments are continuing to grow as the broader community is finding out about the wonderful things that are happening at our school. Thank you for spreading the word as “word of mouth” is the best way to let people know how amazing our students are and how committed our school is to ***Innovation, Opportunity, Excellence.***



Thank you students!

It is always lovely to have the students share their proud moments with me. The ‘moments’ range from work samples, funny stories, exciting new toys and even interesting questions they want to ‘bounce’ off me.



We believe students should feel a sense of ownership and comfortable inquisitiveness throughout their school life.

Thank you for giving us the extra special glimpses into your lives children! 😊



Thank you to all who have supported the Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program so far. The SAKGP is seeking donations if you are able to help with any of the following:

- Rolling pins
- Tongs
- Cutting boards
- Plates
- Glasses
- Water jugs
- Small bowls
- Mixing bowls

For more information on this wonderful program please visit www.kitchengarden.com.au

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!

Raffle Tickets



You will find with this newsletter a book of raffle tickets from the P&C. If you could please sell as many as you are able to it would be much appreciated. The raffle will be drawn at the Family Fun Night on 5th December. Please return sold tickets to the school before the night. Extra ticket books are available from the front office if required. Thank you for your support.

Wallet Found

A wallet has been found in the Meyers Crescent area at Cooranbong. If you know of anyone who could take claim to it please contact the school.



P&C News

The final P&C meeting for the year was held on Tuesday evening. We did some work on the school vision and finalised plans for the Family Fun Night.

The Family Fun Night will be held on Friday 5th December from 6pm till 8pm and is open to all. There is **no entry charge** and there will be lots of fun, free activities for the kids! You can buy dinner from the playgroup BBQ and dessert from the cake stall. You can also purchase raffle tickets for some awesome prizes donated by local businesses and families

Cake Stall - Have a think about what you could make for the cake stall for the Family Fun Night. Coconut Ice, jellies, cupcakes, cookies, cake, toffee, alcohol-free rum balls... anything delicious is most welcome!

We had a big response to the Homework Survey with just under 1/3 voting to keep homework as it is and just over 2/3 voting for less or no homework. The clear favourite option was to remove all homework except home readers. The P&C and staff will consider your responses when designing the homework system for next year.

A big **thankyou** to all the parents who have been involved with the school this year. If parents are interested in learning about different ways to keep in touch with how their children are going at school, contact the P&C on office.evc@gmail.com or let Trish or Sue in the front office know.

URGENT HELP NEEDED

Our Uniform Shop Co-ordinator has recently returned to the workforce and is unable to run the Uniform Shop. If you have some time available to take over the role of running the Uniform Shop PLEASE let the school know. For more information please contact the school. THANK YOU.

Western Shores Learning Alliance



Western Shores Learning Alliance P&C

Our next WSLA P&C meeting will be held tonight at 6pm in the Morisset High School hall. Everyone is most welcome to attend!

Upcoming Events - Term 4

20 th	Nov	WSLA P&C meeting
4 th	Dec	Thank You Afternoon Tea
5 th	Dec	Friday Fun 6-8pm
8 th	Dec	Sport Presentation Day
9 th	Dec	Presentation Day
11 th	Dec	Year 6 Farewell
16 th	Dec	Picnic Day
17 th	Dec	Last day of school
18 th	Dec	Staff Development Day
19 th	Dec	Staff Development Day

Attention all Year 6 parents with students attending Morisset High School next year.

The MHS uniform shop will be open Wednesday 3rd December (Orientation Day) from 8am -10.00am.

Also, during the holidays the times are:

Wednesday	January	21st	:	8.00-	2.00
Thursday	January	22nd	:	8.00-	2.00
Friday	January	23rd	:	8.00-	2.00

Tuesday	January	27th	:	8.00-	2.00
Wednesday	January	28th	:	8.00-	12.00
Thursday	January	29th	:	8.00-	12.00

Your children will receive an orientation pack with this in it along with prices etc, but should you need other information go to school web site morisset-h.schools.nsw.ed.au