

# COORANBONG PRIMARY SCHOOL 'COOEE' INNOVATION OPPORTUNITY EXCELLENCE

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**Term 4 Week**  
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## Thank you

I would like to take this opportunity to say what a wonderful year we have had. Our students have succeeded in so many ways and our little school is continuing to thrive.



Have a safe and relaxing break with your families. We are looking forward to seeing you all again on **Wednesday the 28<sup>th</sup> January 2015**, for another amazing year.

## Farewell Mrs Deer

A huge thank you to all of our staff who have worked tirelessly this year in providing quality education for our students. Your dedication and commitment to Cooranbong Public School is commendable.

To all of our families, a big thank you for your continued support. When families, school and the broader community work together, so many opportunities arise for our children!

Lastly the biggest thank you goes to our children for all the hard work and effort they have put into their learning and school life as a whole. Our school is a calm and happy place because of you!



As you all know by now, Mrs Deer is retiring at the end of this year.

We would like to wish you all the best in your retirement, Mrs Deer and hope that your new journey in life is filled with love, laughter and lots of happiness. We will miss your cheery and infectious nature, not to mention your expertise and skills in teaching.



Thank you for all you have done for the students, staff and families of Cooranbong Public School!

### **Message from Mrs Deer**

My time is now and I am excited about being known as a retiree, a traveller and a Grandma!! CPS is not just an amazing physical environment but an amazing community too. I have enjoyed my years of teaching and the opportunity it has given me to touch the lives of so many fabulous students. Each child has so much to give and I learnt from them as they learnt from me. It is a rewarding position to be in when the students trust you and talk to you. (Sometimes parents wish that they had just kept one secret from the teacher!!)

I leave teaching with a little sadness in my heart as it has been so good to me. I am grateful to my mother who thought it was important to educate me when girls were not always offered higher education. In my early years at CPS a family gave me a gift with a poem attached. I was proud to receive it and

incorporate its' message into my daily teaching. A few lines....

*Teacher*

*At 9 o'clock when his name rolls off her lips he feels good;*

*Honeysweet inside.*

*That little touch of fame in the poetry of his name.*

*And she is fair.*

*Her red ticks smile across the labours of his life,*

*...And he will never cease to try, because she is fair.*

Embrace change for a better future and above all value a good education. Goodbye and thank you to the staff, students and parents of Cooranbong Public School. I'm jumping on the Fun Express!

### **Farewell Year 6**



What a great night our Year 6 farewell turned out to be. We are so proud of how much you have all achieved while learning and growing at our school.

All the best for high school seniors and we wish you every success in the world.

"It has been a great 6 years. Sad to go." – Iza – Year 6

"It has been the best 7 years of school ever and I am going to miss all the teachers and students" – Sienna – Year 6





Kira I often think back to when they all started in Kindy in 2008 and all their first friend's birthday parties. It was the most beautiful class and although some students have moved on and others have joined us they have remained an amazing group of children who have maintained some wonderful friendships. Tomorrow will be very sad as we "clap you out" at the end of the day on your final bell at Cooranbong School.

Good luck to all of you on your new journey in life – it has been a pleasure to know you.

"Our school is awesome and the teachers are lovely, especially Mrs Avery." – *Chloe Year 6*



"Very awesome school! – *Hayden – Year 6*

"Best school ever! I'm going to miss everyone, especially Mr King" – *Jackson, Year 6*



### **Message from Mrs Sewell**

I have been fortunate to have worked at Cooranbong Public School for the duration of our current Year 6 students. As the Nan of

"This school has lots of talent and everyone is well behaved" – *Natalie – Year 6*

### Thank you school Leaders

Congratulations to Toya and Lachlan for your inspirational leadership this year. You are both to be commended on your outstanding role modelling for the rest of your peers and for your ability to lead the school with professionalism.



Well done to Imogen and Chloe for being elected the school captain and vice captain for 2015.



"I'm going to miss this school. It's been an amazing year" – *Emogene* – Year 6

"This school is awesome and fun. We have the best Principal!" – *Chloe* – Year 6



### Planning for 2015

Our classes are now as finalised as they can be for next year. These will be displayed for everyone to see on **Wednesday the 28<sup>th</sup> January 2015**, on our new noticeboard at the front of the school. We will also display these class lists on the notice board outside Mrs Deer's room.

Please remember that although we strive to ensure that classes remain as we originally set them up, new unforeseen enrolments to our school may alter these.

We ask that you understand this process in the beginning of the year, as we will be doing all we can to make these classes as stable as possible.

### 2015 Calendars

Our 2015 school calendars will be distributed with this newsletter. Our staff have worked hard to ensure we have produced a solid plan for next year and we hope that these calendars are valuable for you, for your 2015 planning.

Please remember that unforeseen circumstances may alter the dates of activities already planned. Please be assured though that we will do everything we can to ensure that dates in the calendar will remain as planned.





### **Budget for 2015**

Attached to this letter is also a final school budget plan, for families, for next year. This is a general term by term plan so that families can see what expenses are going to be incurred, in order that they can plan for them.

Please remember that some items on the budget list are not for all children! An example of this would be the 4/5/6 Canberra excursion and the K/1/2 excursion to Newcastle.

School contribution fees next year are:

**\$60 per student (\$15 per term) or \$100 per family (\$25 per term).**

If you have any concerns, please feel free to see Mrs Avery to discuss them.

### **Important dates for the 2015**

26 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Australia Day
27 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Staff Development Day
28 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Students return
29 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Kinder Best Start Assessment
30 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Kinder Best Start Assessment
2 <sup>nd</sup> Feb	Kinder students begin
10 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Swimming Carnival
10 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Taekwondo starts at school
12 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Parents visit new classrooms

## **Eureka Taekwondo Traditional Martial Art For Self Defence**

Just Turn Up Or Phone For Info  
all ages welcome.

Starting At Cooranbong School  
on Tuesday 10th February 2015  
5.30pm to 6.30pm. 6<sup>th</sup> Dan Master  
Instructor Steve Turner

Ph: 0400 002951 or email:

[eurekataekwondo@gmail.com](mailto:eurekataekwondo@gmail.com)

Tuesdays 5.30pm to 6.30pm, 1 Free lesson



Thank you to all of our fantastic volunteers who made the Family Fun Night a huge success. We made about \$450 for equipment for next year.

A special thank you to:

Moore's Meats for the supply and donation of sausages

Bill, Richard and Matt for cooking the sausages and onions.

All our contributors of donations:

Lakehaven Kmart

Coles Morisset

Prada Health & Beauty

Morisset Pet & Aquarium

Wyee Nursery

Footcare Clinic

Cooranbong Florist

CPS families who donated goods

Wishing you all the best for the holiday season.

*Jo, Karly and Kay,  
Cooranbong Creative Kids*

## **Parent/Carer Tips**

### **Leaving your child at home alone -**

Making some clear 'home alone' rules with your child gives them an understanding of their boundaries and can also keep you from worrying. Most kids will be fine on their own when the appropriate time comes, so long as some guidelines are followed.

Find out more:

<http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/en/wellbeing/development/leaving-your-children-at-home-alone>

### **Printable 2015 homework calendars**

- Kids and families run more smoothly when there's a plan - so print out School A to Z's 2015 homework and study calendar, which includes key dates and school holidays.

Find out more at

<http://bit.ly/2015SchoolCalendar>.

### **Swim and survive program -**

Lessons are for beginners through to confident swimmers keen to practise their technique (from infants to 12 years). See the map to find the pools where friendly swim teachers with AUSTSWIM accreditation teach across

NSW. Find out more:

<http://www.dsr.nsw.gov.au/swimandsurvive/about.asp>

**SCHOOL SECURITY PHONE NO  
DURING THE HOLIDAYS IS  
1300 880 021**



### **An End of Year Joke** **from Mrs Burns**

*Why did the tomato blush?*

Because it saw the salad dressing!



*haha*

**HAVE A SAFE AND HAPPY HOLIDAY!**