

# COORANBONG PUBLIC SCHOOL 'COOEE'

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Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> November, 2017

## Important Dates to Remember

Mon 20 Nov – Life Education program  
Thur 23<sup>rd</sup> Nov

Mon 20 Nov – School Swim Scheme  
Fri 1 Dec

Thur 23 Nov P&C Meeting @ 4pm

Wed 29 Nov Aboriginal Ed. forum

Fri 1 Dec Movie Night

Wed 6 Dec Year 6 Farewell

Thur 7 Dec "Brushes Up" Exhibition

Mon 11 Dec Sports Presentation

Tue 12 Dec Presentation Day

## Term 4 – Week 6

The last few weeks have certainly been full of a variety of events and it doesn't look like slowing down any time soon. I would like to extend my thanks to all the families and guests that participated in the Colour Run on Sunday. Your enthusiasm and respect levels were outstanding.

A massive thank you to the **Cooranbong Rural Fire Brigade** for all their help on Sunday. I think they had nearly as much fun as the runners. It was great to see a local community organisation helping out at our school. They provide such a valuable service in our area. If you are able to volunteer some time I am sure they would love to hear from you.



## Aboriginal Education Forum

On Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> November we will be holding an Aboriginal Education Forum. All of our Aboriginal families are invited to attend. The session will begin at 9:30am in the library and will be an informal yarn about Aboriginal education at Cooranbong Public School. Ms Selena Archibald, AECG rep and Aboriginal Education Officer from MHS will also join us. Light refreshments will be provided. Please return the reply slip at the end of this newsletter to the office if you wish to attend.



## Life Education Program

The Life Education Program (also known as Healthy Harold) is due to visit our school on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> November until Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> November. Your child will participate in a 60-90 minute lesson in the mobile classroom. This program will benefit all students as it covers essential areas from the NSW syllabus. Cost per student is \$10. Notes with payment must be made by Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November.

## School Swim Scheme

Thank you for the overwhelming response to our school Water Safety and Swim School programs. Despite an increase in the number of places available to participate this year, we are unable to provide a place for all children wishing to attend. Places will be offered to children on a needs basis, starting with the younger grades as for many it is their first opportunity for a school based swimming program.

A note with additional information will be given to the children who have been placed in the Swimming or Water Safety programs. In accordance with Department of Education Policy we are unable to give

refunds but will give you a credit that can be used for such activities as Picnic Day, Life Education or school contributions. Thank you in advance for your assistance in this matter.

## Remembrance Day Ceremony

Last Friday our students participated in a Remembrance Day ceremony at school. Our leaders did an outstanding job running the ceremony and paying their respects on such a special date on our national calendar.

As part of this year's ceremony our leaders all took a soil sample that will be sent to the ANZAC War Memorial at Hyde Park. As part of the NSW Centenary of ANZAC the NSW Government is expanding the ANZAC Memorial Hyde Park Sydney to bring to life the original 1930's vision of the Memorial. The enhanced Memorial will include a state-of-the-art education centre and a new 'Hall of Service' that will feature a commissioned art installation containing soil from significant sites around the world and across NSW. The soil will be preserved and displayed next to the names of each town it was collected from, symbolising the ground where men and women enlisted from for the First World War.



## Explicit Instruction Parent Information Session

Mr John Fleming will be visiting Cooranbong Public School again on Friday December 1<sup>st</sup>. As part of his visit, Mr Fleming will headline a Parent Information Session to help parents really understand what Explicit Instruction is and how we are using this pedagogy to support student's learning at CPS. I urge you all to stay on in the Library from 9:15 – 10:00am. Light refreshments will be provided. Please return the tear off slip at the end of this newsletter to the office if you will be attending. Thank you.

## Attendance Award Winner

This week's attendance award winner was Marcus (KH). Marcus was at school on time every day last week and has won a \$5 canteen voucher. Great work!

## Clancy Raffle Winners

Last week's Clancy raffle winners were Zoe (1C), Elsie (1C) and Zara (1C). They have all received a \$2 voucher from the canteen. Well done!

## Southlakes Marketplace

We have received a HUGE thank you from Southlakes Marketplace for your generous donations of food items. These will go into food hampers for families in need this Christmas.



AARON QUINNELL  
PRINCIPAL

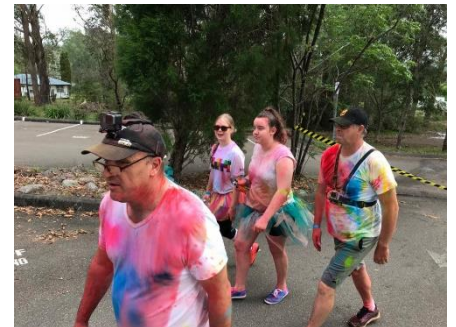
## Cooranbong Colour Carnivale

Last Sunday our Year 6 students hosted the first ever Cooranbong Colour Carnivale on our beautiful school grounds. The event was very successful with almost 200 people purchasing tickets to enjoy the event. We had colour from one end of the school to the other and not very many people left the school grounds without looking like a colourful rainbow!

An event like this is not possible without the support of our dedicated staff and P&C. In particular, we would like to thank Mr & Mrs Eves, Mr Andrews, Mr Quinnell & Gus and Mr & Mrs le Roux for arriving from 6.30am to complete the set up of the course and those staff that gave up their Sunday morning to be here to throw powder at everyone, The Ward family for cooking the BBQ and the P&C for selling food and drinks. A special mention goes to Mrs Fernance who arranged for sponsorship for the event and organised for the Cooranbong RFS to attend - we are not sure who had more fun, the RFS or the participants! Also to Mrs Kamaralli for designing our advertising flyer and Mr Lokuge for providing first aid support on the day. We are very lucky to have such dedicated and talented people in our community.

Thanks again to everyone for participating and supporting our students. It was fantastic to see our school and local community come together for such a unique event.

Mrs Brown & Miss Thomas



## P&C News

What a great day we had last Sunday at the Colour Run! It was a pleasant day with lots of colour and fun. A big thank you goes to all the boys from Cooranbong Rural Fire Brigade – you made the day so much fun for everyone!

Cooking the BBQ on the day was Gary and Rachel Ward with the help of Beau Ward and Beckie Martin. Thanks so much for your help. Also a thank you goes to Jo Pfahl, Len Monk, Cate Watson, Kylie Montgomery and Rachael Stothard. Thanks so much, without the help of volunteers these events wouldn't happen.

Pancake Day – a big thank you must go to Steve Ward for his lovely pancakes. We all appreciate you taking the time to make them for all to enjoy. Thanks to Erin Pearson, Paula and Kay for your assistance.

Our next P&C meeting is on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> November, 2017 at 4pm in the Library. Everyone is welcome to attend. P&C's are not just about sausage sizzles and fundraising. We are advocates for public education especially of the school our children attend. At meetings we discuss what is relevant to our school and offer insights as parents/carers into programs and activities of that school.

For further info please email me on [bill68kay@gmail.com](mailto:bill68kay@gmail.com) or call me on 0432 275 276.

### Christmas Raffle Tickets

**Keep a look out for P&C Christmas Raffle Tickets being sent home next week. There are some great prizes on offer so we hope you can buy/sell as many as possible. Thank you.**

*Kay Fernance  
P&C President*

**MEGA Christmas Raffle**

**Tickets \$2 each**

**1<sup>st</sup> Prize – value \$590**

- 3 nights Valla Beach Tourist Park
- Porpoise pool family pass
- Target & Kmart gift cards

**2<sup>nd</sup> Prize – value \$330**

- Captain Cook cruise for two
- Oakdale family pass
- Wangi family dinner
- Perrams & Doylo vouchers

**3<sup>rd</sup> Prize – \$250 cash**

**4<sup>th</sup> Prize – value \$200**

- Tall Trees dinner for 2

**Drawn Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December  
At our school assembly**

**More tickets available from the front office**

## Canteen News

**Due to circumstances beyond our control the canteen will be closed every Monday for the rest of this term.**

We have many varieties of fruit available at the canteen – apples, mandarins and on some days, watermelon. Fruit is 50c a piece and you get a free keyring with each piece you buy.

Summer Specials – Salad boxes, salad sandwiches are all available at the canteen.

### Canteen Roster

Monday 20 November	CLOSED MONDAY
Tuesday 21 November	Shani
Wednesday 22 November	Sandra & Tracey
Thursday 23 November	Paula & Ayesah
Friday 24 November	Kay & Vanessa

**Fun Food Fact:** Lettuce is a member of the sunflower family.

**Days the canteen will be closed:**  
**Every Monday of Term 4**  
**12<sup>th</sup> December – Presentation Day**  
**14<sup>th</sup> December – Picnic Day**

*Paula*  
CANTEEN CO-ORDINATOR

## Cooranbong Creative Kids

Playgroup is held every MONDAY in the school hall from 9.30am to 11.30am. As well as free play, craft and music, we visit local parks and the school playground. All children 0-5years are welcome. It is \$3.00 per family.

On Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December Playgroup and Cooranbong Public School will be hosting a GOLD COIN DONATION MOVIE NIGHT. “Boss Baby” will be showing as well as karaoke. Activities start from 6pm with the movie starting just on dark. There will be food available (at extra cost) such as a sausage sizzle and snacks (popcorn, fairy floss and ice blocks). Coffee will be available through “Luv a Latte” for parents and carers. We hope to see you there. All profits go towards much needed equipment for the children of Cooranbong Public School.





**OUTDOOR MOVIE NIGHT**  
**PBL LAUNCH CELEBRATION**

**WHERE: COORANBONG PUBLIC SCHOOL OVAL**  
**WHEN: FRIDAY, 1 DECEMBER 2017**  
**TIME: FESTIVITIES START AT 6PM, MOVIES STARTS AT DARK**  
**COST: GOLD COIN DONATION**  
**WHAT TO BRING: PICNIC BLANKET AND/OR LOW CHAIRS**  
**BYO PICNIC OR ENJOY A SAUSAGE SIZZLE**  
**COME AND ENJOY JUMPING CASTLES, MUSIC, LOLLY STALLS, SNOW CONES, AND MORE**

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### Music Lessons Available on The Music Bus

The Music Bus now has availability in some of their Thursday classes across an array of instruments including Singing, Guitar, Drums and Keyboard.

#### Music Bus Lesson Times

- 12:30PM **Keyboard**
- 1:05 PM **Guitar/Uke**
- 2:00 PM **Drums**
- 2:30 PM **Guitar/Uke**
- 3:00 PM **Singing**
- 3:30 PM **Keyboard**

The Music Bus is a wonderful program and is now open for all students from Kinder to Year 6. It provides a brilliant and cost effective way for students to get fun and specialist music lessons without parents having to travel all over the area after school.

Cost of lessons is only \$16 per week (Drums \$18) paid by the term, which is around half the price of a regular private lesson. If you're interested in your child having music lessons through The Music Bus, please check out their website at [www.themusicbus.com.au](http://www.themusicbus.com.au) or call 1300 168 742.

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### ABORIGINAL EDUCATION FORUM

I will be attending the Aboriginal Education Forum being held in the Library on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> November at 9.30am.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact Phone No. \_\_\_\_\_

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