

COONABARABRAN PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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1 December 2010

Chess Team goes to State Country Finals



On November 26-27th, our chess team consisting of Kynan Baker, Nicholas Davis and Joseph Samuel headed to Sydney to participate in the NSW Primary Schools One-Day Country Districts Tournament Finals. On the Friday night, players had the opportunity to oppose (and learn from) NSW Adult Champion Brett Tindall in a SIMUL, a tournament where all the students play against one person simultaneously. Saturday was the day of the finals and there was some tough competition. Held in Glebe, twelve teams representing different country regions from as far away as Albury, Armidale and major centres Wollongong and Newcastle played off for the title. After eight rounds of sometimes suspense-filled play, our team finished tenth. They represented our school and district with sportsmanship and pride. We congratulate the team, their families and friends for all the hours of play, preparation and travel throughout the year. If your child is interested in learning how to play and improve at chess, the school chess club will be operating next year. *Mr C Lowe*

Dates to Remember:

Monday 29th—Friday 3rd December
Thursday 2nd December
Friday 3rd December
Tuesday 7th December
Wednesday 8th December
Thursday 9th December
Monday 13th December

Intensive Swimming
Captain Speeches at 3-6 assembly
2011 School Captains announced
Final Early Birds
Farewell Yr 6 Social, Reports go home, Charity Day
High School Awards
CPS Awards Night, 3-6 Level One activity

P & C has kindly donated twenty bottles of 1 litre sunscreen to the school. Each classroom will have their own bottle to be used by the children. We would like to take this opportunity to thank our P & C who always are working to help raise money for the children of Coonabarabran Public School.

Year 3 You Can Do It Party

On Monday 6th December Year 3 will be walking to the town pool for lunch and a pool party. This is a reward for our "You Can Do It" class token system.

Children will need:
swimmers, towel, \$1 pool entry of season ticket, \$2 for lunch.



If you do not wish your child to attend this excursion please contact your child's respective teacher by Friday 3rd December.

Child behaviour and Parenting

Assessing child behaviour and parenting accurately is vital if the issues that parents are concerned about today with regards to their children are to be adequately addressed. The Parenting and Family Support Centre at the University of Queensland has developed a new questionnaire to assess various child behaviour and parenting strategies and experiences. We are seeking parents of 2 to 12 year old children to share their thoughts in an online survey, which taken approximately 15 minutes to complete. Please visit the website at <http://exp.psy.uq.edu.au/parentingsurvey> to find out more and take part in the survey.

Charity Day

This exciting event is being held Wednesday of Week 9 - 8th December between 11.30 and 12.30. All the activities are being organised and run by Stage 2 and Stage 3 children. Some of the activities include, lucky dips, slime bucket dip, wrestling, face painting. Children in Stage 1 (K-2) are encouraged **not** to bring more than \$5. Money will be changed into tickets by teachers in the morning so that no money is exchanged at the activities. All activities will be valued at 50c or \$1. Funds raised will be dispersed to several charities including Stewart House and Westpac Rescue Helicopter (which should land in our school on Friday 10th December).

Just a Reminder School Year Book

If you would like to purchase a copy of the 'School Year Book' dvd, please return this form to your child's class teacher with \$5 / disc. The dvds will be copied and sent out before the end of term.

Last orders taken on Friday 3rd December

End of Year DVD

Name:

Class:

Number of copies:

Money enclosed: \$

Farewell Year 6 Social Wednesday 8th December 7-9pm



Years 3-6
(except if you have been suspended this term)

\$3 entry

Canteen open

Lots of prizes to be won



Should children stay up late on the weekend

On the weekend some kids want to stay up while other kids prefer to go to sleep early, so they can get more sleep, so they have more energy and are more awake. Firstly I think that kids should stay up late because they might go to a friend's house and stay up late for a long time. They then wake up on the 'wrong side of the bed' (wake up angry) and also you might be up watching TV all night. On the other hand I think that we should not be able to stay up late because if we're doing something the next day then we don't have enough time to do it because we slept in late in the morning. Also if we have to go on an excursion to Canberra or something you will not have enough time to get ready and your mum or dad might have to go to work. To conclude all of the arguments I think that we should not be able to stay up late on the weekend so we have more energy and sleep for playing tomorrow and enjoying all our weekend activities. **By Khi Milgate**

ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

- 5th Edward Chessell
- 6th Joe England
- 7th Dallaz Hawley-Byrnes
- 8th Kathleen Doherty, Kiana Wortley Cain-Cronin
- 9th Fergus Atkinson
- 10th Ben Hasson, Huntah Robinson
- 11th Erin Allan, Caleb Smith, Olivia Meier
- 12th Samuel Fechner, Rebecca Kenyon
- 14th Ty Sim, Asha Wortley Cain-Cronin
- 15th Jesse Hawley-Byrnes
- 16th Jack Richards, Lani Darko
- 17th Jorja Henderson
- 18th Graham Bell
- 20th Alexander Harris
- 21st Adrian Chessell, Lachlan Sutherland
- 23rd Finlay Allison-Mahon
- 24th Jace Weatherall
- 25th Lachlan Esman
- 26th Toby Newton, George Bell
- 27th Alexandra Richards, Max Phillips, Tashani Clarke
- 28th Michelle Staron
- 31st Harry Willoughby
- 36th Cooper Hayes
- 45th Daniel Dicks
- 47th Oliver Kearney
- 49th Anna Goard
- 50th Joshua Bunting
- 56th Amelia Smith, Breanna Menz



On Friday the 19th November we had a special day it was CAP Clubs Day. The first thing was going to Pilliga Pottery on Dandry Road, where I used to live when I was three. I made Christmas presents like a bowl, cup, seal, door sign, a smaller bowl and two mice. After recess I went to beading with my friends and I made a gift for Mrs Wyllie, it was a pair of nice earrings that sparkle in the sunlight. I think we should do this more often because it is a fun thing to do with our friends.

By Macaela Shepherd Hagemann

PERSONAL BEST AWARD

Jace Weatherall

has received the Personal Best Award for the following reasons...

Jace is a happy and friendly student. He is persistent with his school work and has made great progress. He confidently takes part in class activities and is a kind friend. Jace is a valued member of 1H.

CAP Clubs Day

Last Friday our school held its final CAP Clubs Day. CAP Clubs Days are days funded by the Country Areas Program initiative and involves the school and community working together to provide activities for our students to participate in. Primary students had the choice of three activities throughout the day whilst infants students held their clubs activities in the afternoon session of the day. All students had many varied activities to choose from. Some of these included - workshops at Pilliga Pottery, applique and sewing, card making, plaster painting, felt craft, cooking, lawn bowls, tennis, golf, indoor soccer, boxing, touch football, board games, word work craft, drama. **We must say a huge thankyou to all those community members who volunteered their time and or venue for our CAP clubs day.** The students had a fantastic day and were certainly beaming at the conclusion of the day.

Thankyou also to Mrs Pincham who organised the Cap Clubs day.

On Friday 19th November it was CAP Clubs Day. First I went to Pilliga Pottery. It was a long bumpy trip to get there. When we got there we went inside and saw two pots being made. That took up a session. So then we had recess. After that we went inside and I made a small pot with some rings on the side. After that we went back to school and had lunch. In the third session I went to golf. I liked golf because I made the ball airborne. I loved the CAP Clubs Day and I wish there were more of them.

By Angus Lambert

Protect your Pool, Protect your kids

Drowning is the leading cause of death for children under five years of age. Children under five years of age are at greatest risk of drowning, compared to all other age groups, with approximately 70% of drowning deaths occurring in swimming pools. Pool fencing is designed to save children's lives by preventing their access to pools. However it is alarming to see that the majority of children under five years of age who drown in swimming pools, do so as a result of fencing that is not compliant with the legislation. In other words, pool fencing that is not working or not being used as designed is contributing to the number of children drowning. In response The Children's Hospital at Westmead, with assistance from The Samuel Morris Foundation and the Swimming Pool and Spa Association of NSW has developed the Protect Your Pool, Protect Your Kids video, available on The Children's Hospital at Westmead website, to educate pool owners about pool fencing and the common faults. For further information, please visit: www.chw.edu.au/kidshealth/pool_fencing

Canteen News

Term 4

Thur 2nd
Fri 3rd

Wendy Willoughby
C Abberton



UNIFORM SHOP

Will be open on Tuesday afternoons between
2-3.15pm in Term 4 to coincide with
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Jo Isedale 0449875906
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Coonabarabran Physiotherapy

Matthew Rouse—Physiotherapist B App. Sc
68 Cassilis St Coonabarabran
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Macquarie Regional Library

Family Summer Reading Program

The Summer reading program "Scare up a Good book" will run from Wednesday 1 December 2010 to Friday 4 February 2011. Participants are encouraged to be a monster reader over the summer for their chance to win a great prize. Head to the Coonabarabran library to pick up your reading pack filled with a range of gruesome goodies, spooky activities, and a reading log and then start reading. For more information contact Coonabarabran Branch Library on 68421093 or visit the website at www.mrl.nsw.gov.au.

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