



# Coonabarabran Public School

## Newsletter Term 4 - Week 8

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28 November 2012

### The Best from the West

NSW Junior Chess League

by Charlie Knight

Following a hard-earned success at the qualifying rounds earlier in the year, the CPS Chess A Team of Fergus Atkinson, Jarrod Lambert and Charlie Knight all travelled to Sydney with our parents on Friday to meet Mr Lowe at the Sydney Academy of Chess in Burwood.

After a delicious traditional Chinese meal, which included Peking Duck, with Mr Lowe and his mother, we had an opportunity to play against the NSW Junior Rapid-Play Champion Neil Wright to hone our skills in preparation for the following day.

The tournament was played on Saturday at the historical Salvation Army Hall - a little old hall opposite the great Sydney University. There were ten teams from around regional NSW. This means that we all played nine tough games against the champions of each region. After a mentally gruelling day, once the scores were tallied, the CPS team were equal 5th in the state.

All three boys stood the test of the challenge and played very well. As weary as we all were, Mr Lowe had other plans for us! After a picturesque and informative tour through the grounds of Sydney UNI (where Mr Lowe was an excellent student - or so he says!!), we then headed for Chinatown. This trek was interrupted by an impromptu tour of the ABC radio studios, led by Susan Atkinson, Fergus' aunty and the producer of the Evening Show (has anyone ever played Norman the quiz??). We were not sure who was more excited - us boys or the parents.

After walking for what seemed to be forever through Paddy's Markets and the centre of Sydney, we entered the wondrous and aromatic suburb of Chinatown. Have you ever had ice-cream with such flavours as Cigar Smoke, Blue Cheese or Popcorn?? Not only that but this ice-cream was made on the spot with the super freezing power of Liquid Nitrogen! Typical of our exotic teacher, he knew where to find this mysterious treat!! With both our bellies and senses full, the families departed and made their separate ways through the city.

It was truly a magnificent experience and we want to say thank you, thank you, thank you to our parents and also Susan Atkinson - and a special giant thank you to Mr Lowe!



We're on the Web!

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Setting goals  
Have gear ready  
Plan your time  
Be at school on time  
\* \* \* \*

Organisation

This week's key to success is ...



# Willoughby's Weekly Words

Last Friday the school held another C.A.P. Clubs Day. All the children I spoke to who were involved in the day enjoyed the activities. Days such as this take a lot of organising and I'd like to thank all those involved for their efforts in providing something for the children outside of the normal education routine.

Bullying is something that exists but something that we don't want in our school. It involves a person or a group of people taking advantage of someone less able to defend himself/herself either physically or emotionally. It is not usually a one off incident; it is usually ongoing.

One of the main ways to stop bullying is to ensure children develop resilience and not "play the victim". The school wants any instance of bullying reported as soon as possible after it happens; we don't want to hear about it several weeks after the event.

Please encourage your children to report bullying at school themselves if it is happening to them or if they see others being the target of it. The longer the matter is left unreported, and therefore unaddressed, the bigger the problem may become and the more they rely on a parent/caregiver to report it on their behalf, particularly as they become older, the more difficult it will be to develop the resilience necessary to cope well with life.

# P&C News

The P&C will be conducting a **Christmas Raffle**. Prizes include a **Gingerbread House** and **iTunes Cards**.

You should have received your raffle tickets with this newsletter. **Contact Cyndi Smith, 0429 423 167**, if you have any questions or require more raffle tickets.

Tickets will be sold for .50¢ each.

## LIBRARY NEWS

Thank you to all of those wonderful students who have returned their overdue library books!

As there is only a few weeks of school left you should come in and book some time on the iPads. The iPads are available at lunch time on Tuesdays and Wednesdays.



See me at lunch time to book in a time.

Mrs Evans

## What's on at CPS?

- |                          |   |
|--------------------------|---|
| <b>Thurs 29th Nov:</b>   | Years 3 - 6 Assembly  |
| <b>Fri 30th Nov:</b>     | Stage 3 students return from Canberra excursion - ETA: 4.00pm |
| <b>Tues 4 Dec:</b>       | Christmas Scripture   |
| <b>Thurs 6 Dec:</b>      | Year 6 Farewell Social  |
| <b>Weeks 9 &amp; 10:</b> | Intensive Swimming  |
| <b>Mon 17 Dec:</b>       | Awards Night  |



## Canteen News

**New Paddle Pop flavour!**

**Goey Toffee Apple - \$1.60**

### Canteen Roster

Thurs 29 Nov	.....	F Border
Fri 30 Nov	.....	
Mon 3 Dec	.....	
Tues 4 Dec	.....	D Pettiford
Wed 5 Dec	.....	Z Smith
Thurs 6 Dec	.....	T Knight
Fri 7 Dec	.....	



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# Early Stage 1 & Stage 1 Assembly Awards

KC:	Kayla Smith
KC:	Western Peck
KH:	Kayla Harris
KH:	Jack Foster
1A:	Sophie Bunting
1A:	Ryan Goard
1M:	Chloe Schmidt
1M:	Lewis Fuller
2H:	Genevieve Abbott
2H:	Jordan Dicks
2N:	Asha Wortley Cain-Cronin
2N:	Heaven-Leigh McAway Davis

- \* having amazing clever answers
- \* being a champion Chess player
- \* creative story writing
- \* creative story writing
- \* writing such interesting sentences
- \* being a clever learner and for great 'getting along' skills
- \* being keen to learn and fly to the next cluster
- \* working well in class
- \* for showing great improvement with her reading levels
- \* for her increasing confidence in class
- \* wonderful manners all of the time
- \* fantastic test results



Beauty  
AND THE  
GEEK

## FAREWELL YEAR 6 SOCIAL

The 'Farewell Yr 6' Social will be held on Thursday the 6th December in the school hall, starting at 7pm and finishing at 9pm. The social is for 3-6 students only.

The theme for this year's final social is 'Beauty & the Geek' so come along in style and dance the night away with your best friends and say goodbye and good luck to our wonderful Yr 6 students of 2012.



A farewell dinner and short graduation ceremony for the Yr 6 students and their families will take place before the social, starting at 6pm. Invitations have already been sent home. Please see Miss Kuras if you have misplaced yours.

Last week Mr Willoughby congratulated Charlie Knight and Tully Andrews on their terrific horsemanship skills at the recent Baradine Central School Horse Sports Day.

Both Tully and Charlie were presented with their age group 'Highest Point Score' sashes at recent school assemblies.

Tully is shown here displaying her winning sash and riding style to Mrs Cox.



## BANK SOME MONEY AND YOU COULD BANK YOURSELF AN IPAD MINI.

Simply making a deposit through School Banking will put you in the draw to win one of twelve (12) IPAD Mini's valued at \$369 each for Christmas\*.

Here's how it works -

- Make a deposit into your CommBank Youthsaver account at school any time between November 19 - December 14 2012.
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- For more information, simply contact your School Banking Specialist or the School Banking Helpdesk on 1800 674 496.

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After last weeks visit with Early Birds, the Year 5 students were back again to take their Early Bird pre-schooler for a tour of Coonabarabran Primary School. The Year 5 students took them to places such as the Music room, Library, Computer labs and the Front Office. The Early Birds met many teachers and staff members along the way. Some Early Birds even got to have a visit with Mr Willoughby in his office! They finished their tour at the Canteen where Mrs Frazer was waiting with a treat organised by Mrs Coe. They had a wonderful tour of our big school and then the Early Birds returned to the Kindergarten classrooms for a song and activity until it was time to leave. Thank you to the Year 5 students for looking after the Early Birds so well.



## Outstanding Chefs!

Throughout Term 3, 5/6K had a cooking assignment that they worked on in their homes. Now you can get a copy of their recipes!

All of the recipes have been compiled into a coloured recipe book, filled with breakfasts, lunches, dinners, smoothies and snacks!

If you would like to buy a copy, please send \$8 in an envelope to Miss Kuras in 5/6K.

You won't be disappointed!

## SRC BOOK OF THE WEEK

When 11 year old **Gregor the Overlander** follows his little sister through a grate in their laundry room he discovers a dark Underland beneath the city. Read this story to join Gregor on his high paced adventures in the Underland!



I rate it: ★ ★ ★ ★ ☆

## Term 4, Week 8 - Problem of the Week

Turn to page 7 to find this week's problem.



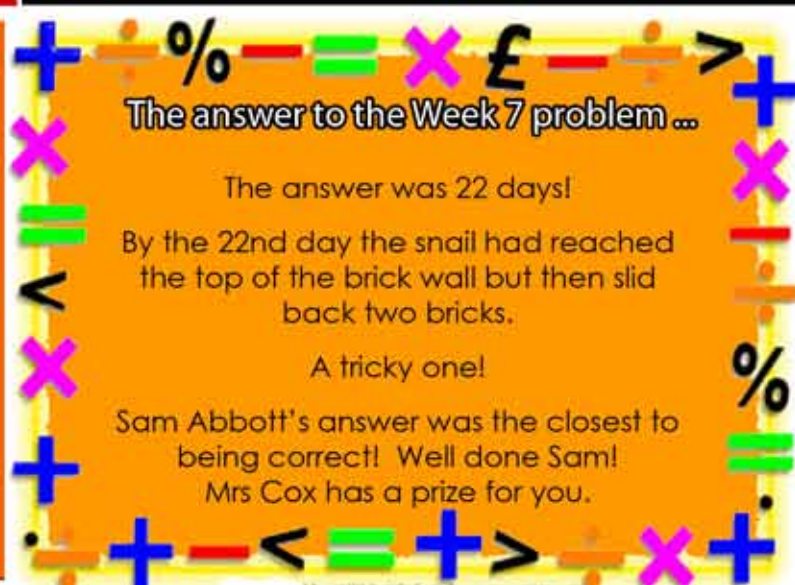
## The answer to the Week 7 problem ...

The answer was 22 days!

By the 22nd day the snail had reached the top of the brick wall but then slid back two bricks.

A tricky one!

Sam Abbott's answer was the closest to being correct! Well done Sam! Mrs Cox has a prize for you.





## SWIMMING

All Stage 2 went to the pool for sport in week 7 to be tested to see how far they could swim. Everyone tried their hardest. Those who need to learn to swim will be included in the Intensive Swimming Scheme to be held every day in Weeks 9 and 10. It is important that the notes are returned so that everyone that needs to can learn this life skill - swimming is the only sport that saves lives!



## HSIE

This term we have been studying People, Past & Present. Among the many special activities was a special visitor to our room. Mrs Mack showed 3A and 3H some different techniques to help draw some of the older houses around Coonabarabran. Everyone was impressed with how much better their houses looked after Mrs Mack showed them how to draw them. Thank-you Mrs Mack for giving up your time. Our experiences will continue with our trip to Gunnedah museum on Friday.



# Class Focus: 3A

## Minecraft

Dangerous, explosions  
Crafting, mining, fighting  
Make a diamond sword game

Nicholas Wham-Campbell

## POETRY

In English we have been learning about different forms of poetry, including acrostics and cinquains. Here are some examples that we have written:

Reading is great!  
Everyday it's great to read  
Alphabet and sounds to start  
Down the page  
I read books on the internet  
Never go to bed without reading  
Get up and grab a book  
Jace Weatherall

## Cars

Cars  
fast, furious  
racing, moving crashing  
love for fast cars  
transportation  
Will Cole

Also we have been learning about how to make our poems and writing more interesting by using alliteration. Here are some examples that we have written:

Friendly funny funky Finlay  
Lazy Lockie likes licking lollipop  
Young yabbies yelling  
Mad Mice marching to Moscow museum

Finlay  
Will  
Matthew  
George



## LEVEL 1

Everyone in 3A was able to have a picnic under the shade trees as a reward for being on Level 1. Pizza, drinks and ice blocks were on the menu as a reward for being well behaved so far this term. Hopefully everyone will be on Level 1 for the end of year reward.

We are all looking forward to a busy, great and exciting end of year.

Mr Adam



## Media Release

Monday 26 November 2012

### Help Untangle Tales at the library this summer

A frog prince without a crown?  
Little Blue Riding Hood?  
Hansel and Gretel lost again?  
Everything is mixed up at the library.

Macquarie Regional Library is inviting all young people to come in and help untangle the fairytales and join the Summer Reading Club this summer. The program launches on Monday 3 December across the library region.

"The 2012 to 2013 Summer Reading Program, themed Untangled Tales, focuses on fairytales and folk tales and will encourage children and young people to explore and untangle magical and wonderful tales from all over the world." Mr Bayliss said.

"Visit your branch library to register for the program and receive your free reading pack filled with fun activities, great incentives and a reading log" said Mr Bayliss.

Young people can also take part in a Fairytale Hunt and a range of twisted and tangled fairytale activities which encourage the love of books and reading.

The Summer Reading Club is a free annual program and a great way engage young people throughout the summer school holidays and promote reading as a fun and enjoyable experience.

More information about the Summer Reading Club and reading logs will be available from the library website, [www.mrl.nsw.gov.au](http://www.mrl.nsw.gov.au), as of Monday 3 December 2012.

John Bayliss  
Director  
Macquarie Regional Library

For more information about the program or to arrange an interview or photograph, please contact Jocelyn Morris on 6801 4510, or email [jocelyn.morris@dubbo.nsw.gov.au](mailto:jocelyn.morris@dubbo.nsw.gov.au)



This term Year two have been reading the Mog series of Junior Fiction books written by Judith Kerr.

These wonderful old favourite picture books have been entertaining children for over 40 years. Judith was born in Berlin and she now resides in England. Along with her lovely picture books Judith also writes novels for older readers.

Year Two have been learning about Judith Kerr and are now able to locate her books in our library. They have made Mog Masks and coloured Mog pictures.



**Year Two & Mog  
in the Library**

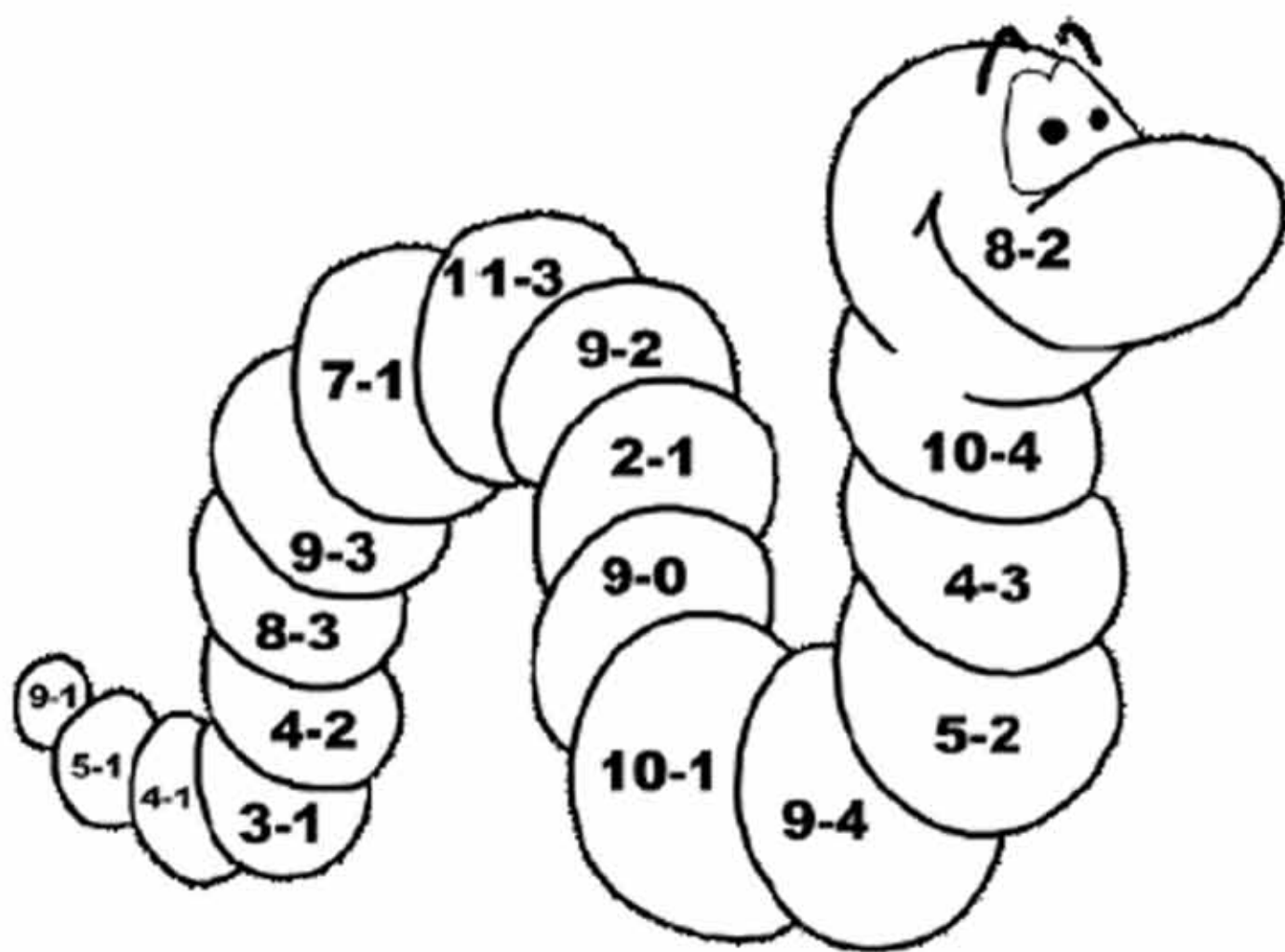


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Date \_\_\_\_\_

# Answer Me, Colour Me!

**Directions:** Color the answers in the picture using the corresponding key.



Key

1 = Red	6 = Yellow
2 = Brown	7 = Orange
3 = Blue	8 = Gray
4 = Green	9 = Light Blue
5 = Purple	10 = White



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# Coonabarabran Pony Club Showjumping, Combined Training & One Day Event

8th & 9th December

Entries via: [www.nominate.com.au](http://www.nominate.com.au)

Entries close: Monday 3rd December

Christmas Rally  
2nd December  
Guest Instructor

Sharmayne  
Spencer

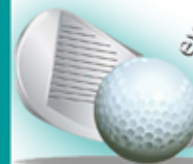
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# Coonabarabran Junior Golf

Contact: Brad Kelly  
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every Friday afternoon  
3.30 - 5.00pm



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