



# Coonabarabran Public School

## Newsletter Term 4 - Week 1

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10 October 2013

### Our Literacy Superstars



Last term a number of our students sat for and performed very well in this year's U.N.S.W. International Schools English Competition. With over fifty-five thousand entries from across N.S.W. and the A.C.T. competition was once again fierce for those involved.

Star achievers included Jordan Dicks, Hannah Meier, Jacob Meldrum-Bandman and Sappirah Knight, who received Credits, and Lachlan Eshman, Cordy Lloyd, Max Phillips, Amy Habbits and Hannah Deshon, who received Distinctions, for their efforts.

Congratulations to all those students but particularly to Lachlan, Cordy, Max, Amy and Hannah, whose results placed them in the top 10% of candidates who entered the competition.



### Mrs Kearney is doing something amazing!!!

Later this month Mrs Kearney will be riding her pushbike from Taronga Zoo in Sydney to Taronga Western Plains Zoo in Dubbo. It's a distance of 430km and she's going to do it in three days! Can you imagine!

On the first day, Mrs Kearney will ride from Taronga Zoo in Mosman (Sydney) to Mt Victoria in the Blue Mountains. That's 141 kilometres! The second day will be down the western side of the Blue Mountains to Molong, a distance totalling 181 kilometres. And on the third day, Mrs Kearney will ride her pushbike 115 kilometres from Molong to Taronga Western Plains Zoo at Dubbo.

The ride will raise money for The Black Dog Institute so let's all get behind her and show her our support.

The ride is called **Zoo2Zoo** and you can find out more about Mrs Kearney's gruelling adventure on the internet at:

[www.zoo2zoo.com/sydney-to-dubbo1.html](http://www.zoo2zoo.com/sydney-to-dubbo1.html)

Or, if you would like to make a donation, visit [www.everydayhero.com.au/pip\\_ Kearney](http://www.everydayhero.com.au/pip_ Kearney)

Good on you Mrs Kearney.  
We think that's an amazing effort!



We're on the Web!

View online at: [www.coonabarab-p.schools.nsw.edu.au](http://www.coonabarab-p.schools.nsw.edu.au)

\* Try something new  
\* Being myself  
\* Answer questions  
\* Think success!

Confidence

This week's key to success is ...



# Willoughby's Weekly Words

Welcome back. I hope those of you who took holidays had a refreshing break.

Our first major event for this term is the Early Birds Fair which will be held this afternoon between 4.00 p.m. and 6.00 p.m. I encourage all parents, but especially those who have their first child enrolling here, to attend. It is a great way to learn about many of the opportunities available to students enrolled at the school.

On a very positive note I wish to start the term by congratulating the winners of Credit or Distinction Certificates in this year's U.N.S.W. International English Competition. To Jordan, Hannah, Jacob and Sappirah (Credits) and Lachlan, Cordy, Max, Amy and Hannah (Distinctions) well done on a great achievement.



Thank you to all the students who have found and returned library books over the past few weeks. Even if you find a long overdue library book, please return it so its available for other students to enjoy.

## What's on at CPS?

Wed 9 Oct:	Early Birds Fair 4:00-6:00pm
Thurs 10 Oct:	Year 6 Maths Day
Thurs 10 Oct:	Baradine Horse Sports
Fri 11 Oct:	St Lawrence's Horse Sports
Wed 16 Oct:	State Athletics Carnival
Thurs 17 Oct:	State Athletics Carnival
Fri 25 Oct:	Walkathon

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# P&C News

P&C will be conducting a stall at this afternoon's Early Bird Fair.

Come along and meet the P&C parents and grab a P&C gift bag in preparation for your child's commencement at school next year.



The next **P&C Meeting** will be held on Monday 14th October at Gecko Red Restaurant at 6:30pm.

All parents, grandparents and friends of students at our school are welcome and encouraged to come along.



# Canteen News

## Canteen Special Meal Deal

This week ...

a Ham or Chicken Salad Wrap  
with a Smiley Drink ... only \$5.00

Canteen volunteers are needed  
to help in the Canteen on Tuesdays.

If you can come between 9:30 and 10:30am,  
please phone the Canteen on 6842 1771.





# Stage 2 & Stage 3 Assembly Awards

3A: Alexander Freeman  
3A: Heaven-Leigh McAway-Davis  
3A: Laynee Cain

- \* Trying to follow instructions correctly.
- \* Her great work in spelling.
- \* Persisting with difficult maths work.

4K: Cordy Lloyd  
4K: Jayde Sim  
4K: Harald Nilsson  
4K: Deshaane Plunkett

- \* For being persistent and completing tasks to a high standard.
- \* For a fantastic effort with poetry.
- \* For an improved effort during Art.
- \* For pages and pages of beautifully written poetry.

4S: Charlize Griffiths  
4S: Maria Tuaoi  
4S: Billy Devenish  
4S: Michelle Staron

- \* Showing persistence in working out maths problems.
- \* Always 'Getting Along' and working well in class.
- \* Endeavouring to be more engaged in class.
- \* Persistently and consistently scoring 100% in her spelling.

5/6A: Izzy Swan  
5/6A: Marisha Athula  
5/6A: Chloe Clarke  
5/6A: Mark Johnson-Taylor

- \* Big improvement in handwriting and literacy.
- \* Showing persistence in Maths.
- \* Showing persistence with her positive work ethic.
- \* Showing a positive change in classroom behaviour.

5/6C: Macaela Shepherd-Hagemann  
5/6C: Darcy Clifton  
5/6C: Luke Bonello

- \* For showing teacher-like qualities at the Infants Tabloids Day.
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5/6W: Wade Frazer  
5/6W: Tom Young  
5/6W: Leah Smith  
5/6W: Harley Clifton

- \* Excellent listening at all times.
- \* Doing a fantastic job on his 'Whodunnit' homework.
- \* Delivering a powerful argument.
- \* Having persistence and not giving up.

## Funny Friday

FRIDAY 18<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER



The SRC are raising some money  
and what better way to do it,  
than to have a Friday that's funny!!!

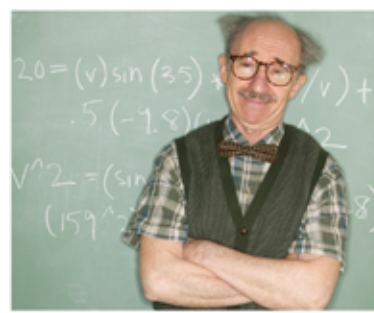
Pull out the wigs, the stripy socks  
or paint on a new nose.  
Wear a big bow, some baggy pants  
or just whatever goes!

Bring in a gold coin donation  
to add to our pot  
and you'll enjoy the benefits...  
We hope there'll be a lot!!!

## Arrival @ school

Please ensure students do not arrive at  
school before 8:30am.

There is no supervision in the playground  
prior to this time.



## Yr 6 Maths Field Day

The transition activities have begun! On Thursday  
the 10th of October, all of Year 6 will be going to  
the High School for a Maths Field Day.

It is suggested that all Yr 6 students go directly to  
the High School on Thursday morning and wait in  
the quadrangle area so that the day can  
commence as quickly as possible, as we plan to  
finish at 2:45pm. Therefore, students will be walked  
back to CPS, ready for buses and pick-up.

A BBQ lunch organised by the High School SRC will  
be provided for all students and the canteen will  
be in operation during recess and lunch.

Students should wear their summer uniform.

It looks set to be an interesting day and we thank  
the High School for their organisation!





The walkathon is held every year as a fund raiser to assist with the running of our many sporting programs in our school. This year the Walkathon will be held on Friday 25th October. All Years 3-6 students are expected to participate in the event and all students who bring in over \$20 will receive a prize at our special walkathon assembly.

The class with the most money, on an average, will receive \$100 to spend as the class wishes and also the two children in the school to raise the most money will receive an open order each. Please encourage your children to participate and collect some sponsors and donations over the next couple of weeks.



## Like to See Your Kids More Confident in Maths?

Maths rules and principles build on each other, step-by-step. If even only a few crucial building blocks are missed, maths starts to become hard and upcoming work won't be fully understood.

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**Coonabarabran Little Athletics**  
will commence on  
**Wednesday 16th October 2013**  
at the Coonabarabran High School oval  
at 4:45pm.

**Registrations close Thursday 31st October 2013.**  
**To register, contact Simone Amiet, 0429 421 438,**  
**or online at [www.littleathletics.com.au](http://www.littleathletics.com.au)**

### Coonabarabran Public School Kindergarten Enrolments

Coonabarabran Public School is now accepting enrolments for 2014. Children are eligible to enrol if they turn five before 31st July, 2014. Enrolment forms are available from the school office or at our Spring into Early Bird's Fair on the 9th October.

You are reminded we must see a Birth certificate for date of birth and immunisation certificate when you return the enrolment form. The school will also need proof of current address (i.e. rates etc). These forms need to be returned before 13th December 2013.

The Early Birds program will be running again this year and details are in our advertisement.  
Please feel free to contact either Mr Noel Willoughby (Principal) or Mrs Melissa Newton (Assistant Principal K-2) on 6842 1771.



## Personal Best Award

### Sophie Bunting

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

Sophie is an enthusiastic member of 2N who consistently tries hard in all areas of learning.

Sophie is well-mannered and gets along with her peers at all times. She is a helpful student who is keen to offer her assistance to staff and students.

Sophie showed wonderful confidence and enthusiasm throughout the PAN rehearsals and performance. Sophie is well behaved with all her teachers and tries hard to follow the five keys.

Congratulations on receiving your Personal Best Sophie as you deserve this award.



## Personal Best Award

### Erin Devenish

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

Erin is an excellent role model for other students. She is a quiet, hard worker who always applies herself in her work.

Erin has excellent qualities that make her a wonderful friend for others and is always kind and caring towards others.

Erin is a fantastic actress! She performed very well in the School Performing Arts Night, and is always keen to perform in class plays during reading groups.

It is wonderful having Erin in the school.



## Personal Best Award

### Antoinella Park

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

Antoinella is a quiet and sensible student who always tries hard to follow the five keys. She is very kind to others and cares about her peers.

Antoinella takes great pride in the presentation of her work and always writes beautifully.

Antoinella has matured this year and enjoys participating in school activities. She is a pleasure to teach and we love having her in our class.

Congratulations on receiving your Personal Best Nellie!



## Strive to Achieve

### Chloe Smith

has received the Strive to Achieve Award for the following reasons ...

Chloe is a delightful student in 5/6C who always achieves great results.

She has worked extremely hard since starting in the OC and has shown huge improvements in all key learning areas.

Chloe is a friendly and cooperative student who consistently follows the school rules, showing utmost respect to her peers and teachers.

You're a pleasure to teach, Chloe! Keep up the great work.

The Early Bird program is open to ALL children who are considering starting Kindergarten in 2014.

The Early Bird program will be held in the Kindergarten classrooms with qualified and experienced Kindergarten teachers each Wednesday in Term 4, beginning on Wednesday 16th October from 1:40pm to 3:00pm.

Please ring the school before Wednesday 16th October on 6842 1771 to register your child.

For further information, contact Melissa Newton, Assistant Principal.



### Early Birds

- Provide a successful transition to school.
- Create familiarity with the school staff and routines.
- Learn early Kindergarten skills.
- Have a positive, happy and smooth start to school.



# Class Focus: 3/6D

In Term 3, the 3/6D class have studied the text 'My Place', by Nadia Wheatley. The video clips from the ABC television series bring to life the characters and settings from before time to 2008. It has been an interesting way to learn about the history of Australia and so many themes are covered.

Students were amazed by the lack of technology and the resourcefulness of the people as well as the amount of work that children had to do.

Tristan has settled well to our school and bring lots of performing talent and Courtney and Asha continue to sing beautifully. Rohan, Shane, Gloria and Jye have done some outstanding drawings and paintings inspired by Hundertwasser (an Austrian artist).

Bradley, Kade and Nathan have progressed well with their reading and Phillip and Zac work well independently on their creations.

We look forward to an equally productive Term 4.

Catherine Drysdale



## School of Tennis in Term 4 2013

is now taking enrolments in the following towns

Tuesday - Dunedoo  
Wednesday - Coolah  
Thursday - Gulgong  
Friday - Coonabarabran



Tennis will commence the second week of term 4 and run for 6 weeks.  
If you would like to enrol please email [schooloftennis@bigpond.com](mailto:schooloftennis@bigpond.com)  
or call Andrew 0428751757 or Kylie 0427637266



# Life Education NSW

will be visiting our school from 15th to 24th October.

Students will participate in a range of programs designed around the components and objectives of the NSW PDHPE curriculum. The cost is \$4.00 per child.

Early Stage 1:	Clued Up	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* healthy lifestyle</li> <li>* personal safety</li> <li>* safety with medicines</li> <li>* body knowledge</li> <li>* self-assertion skills</li> </ul>	
	Harold's Surprise	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* healthy food choices</li> <li>* importance of physical activity</li> <li>* safety</li> </ul>	
Stage 1:	Harold's Mystery Tour	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* body workings</li> <li>* safe use and storage of medicines</li> <li>* peer pressure and coping strategies</li> <li>* safety</li> <li>* decision making</li> </ul>	
	Harold's Heroes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* environmental health issues</li> <li>* emergency procedures</li> <li>* individual needs for medicines and safe use and storage</li> </ul>	
Stages 1 & 2:	All Systems Go	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* function of body systems</li> <li>* peer pressure</li> <li>* second hand smoking</li> <li>* safety with medicines</li> </ul>	
Stage 2:	Harold's Diary	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* friendship</li> <li>* resilience</li> <li>* expressing emotions</li> <li>* coping strategies</li> <li>* healthy food choices</li> <li>* active lifestyles</li> </ul>	
	bCyberwise	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* explores cybersafety through animation</li> <li>* vox pops of children</li> <li>* relevant scenarios</li> <li>* discussion and problem solving</li> </ul>	
	Mind Your Medicine	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* safe and unsafe situations</li> <li>* medicines and consequence of misuse</li> <li>* peer influence and friendship</li> <li>* positive communication</li> </ul>	
	The Burning Issue	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* short and long term effects of smoking</li> <li>* effects of passive smoking</li> <li>* laws</li> <li>* peer influence</li> <li>* refusal skills</li> </ul>	
Stage 3:	Think Twice	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* consequences of alcohol use and misuse</li> <li>* stay safe situations and refusal skills</li> <li>* laws controlling purchase and use</li> </ul>	
	It's Your Call	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* definition of legal drugs</li> <li>* decision making</li> <li>* emotions</li> <li>* peer pressure</li> <li>* risk taking</li> <li>* problem solving</li> <li>* safe and appropriate use of communication technology</li> </ul>	



**Life Education NSW** is a not for profit community-based organisation that relies heavily on fundraising within the community to assist with expenses.

The sale of Harold merchandise to children whilst the program is visiting each school supports the fundraising. The Life Education NSW educator will provide an opportunity for children to purchase merchandise during the school visit. Please provide the **correct money** in an envelope with the purchase item written on the face of the envelope along with your child's name and class. Items available include:

- \* Tattoo - 0.50c
- \* Harold Sticky Note Pad - \$2.00
- \* Harold Activity Bag - \$3.00
- \* Harold Key Ring - \$3.00
- \* Harold Hand Ball - \$3.00
- \* Harold Stationery Set - \$3.00

NB. Harold Products are subject to availability.

You can also make a donation to Life Education NSW. Gifts of over \$2.00 are tax deductible and Life Education NSW thanks you for your support.





## CPS Uniform Shop

Girls & Boys  
Summer & Winter  
Hats, Jumpers & Coats

Email your purchase request to:  
[coonapsuniform@gmail.com](mailto:coonapsuniform@gmail.com)  
including your child's name and  
class. An invoice will be sent by  
return email and items sent  
home with your child.



Sally Turner  
0422 981 199

## Coonabarabran Town Bus Service

Free for  
Kindergarten,  
Year 1 & Year 2

Available to all students  
in the town limits.



Primary students have conditions applied  
depending on distance travelled.

Cost \$1 per day if ineligible for free travel.

More info: 6842 2783

## Coonabarabran After School Care

3.15 - 5.30pm Monday - Friday  
at St Lawrence's School

Coonabarabran Public School students  
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Matthew Rouse  
Physiotherapist B.App.Sc

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## Coonabarabran Physical Culture Club

Every Thursday afternoon  
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Classes from tots to adults.

Contact: Leanne McWhirter  
Phone: 0439 833 832

## Coonabarabran Amateur Swimming Club

Join in the fun and fitness  
at the Coonabarabran  
Town Pool!

Contact: Wendy

Ph: 6842 4901

Mob: 0407 312 549

This space could be yours.

Contact the school office to  
advertise your business,  
sporting club or organisation.

Ph: 6842 1771

## Coonabarabran Pony Club



Don't forget to nominate for  
Warrumbungle Eventing ODE  
on 26 & 27 October  
Entries via:

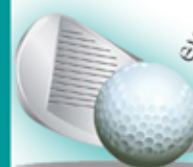
[www.nominate.com.au](http://www.nominate.com.au)

Entries close: 10 October

Contact Rebecca Moxham  
ph: 6844 1609

## Coonabarabran Junior Golf

Coonabarabran  
Golf Club  
River Road  
Ph: 6842 1292



every Friday afternoon  
3.30 - 5.00pm