



**Happy Easter to all CPS
families.**

**Students return to school on
Tuesday 3rd April**

Easter Long Weekend



Easter Hat Parade

THURSDAY

2.20pm

**All parents and carers welcome to attend.
Easter raffle will be drawn at the parade.**



This week's PBL Value is ...

SAFE



At CPS we:

- * Are in the right place at the right time.
- * Keep hands, feet and objects to ourselves.
- * Are sun safe, wear a hat.
- * Use equipment safely.
- * Move safely around the school.

Meier's Magic Minute

We had a very successful P&C meeting last Tuesday night and I would like to thank all of the new faces who came along. It was wonderful to hear input from everyone and the discussions about new ideas. If you are interested in joining the P&C please look out in the newsletter for the next meeting, we would love to see you there.

It is with much regret that I need to inform you that Mrs Walden will be leaving us at the end of the term. Mrs Walden was the successful applicant for a permanent teaching position at Mudgee Public School and will commence work there next term. Mrs Walden has been a valuable member of our staff for many years now and she will certainly be missed. We would like to wish her all the best in her teaching career and in the move to Mudgee.

I would like to wish everyone a Happy Easter and hope you all have a wonderful long weekend. School will resume on Tuesday.

What's on at CPS?

Tues 27th March: Sth NW Soccer Trials - Gunnedah
Thurs 29th March: Easter Hat Parade 2pm
Fri 30th March: Good Friday
Mon 2nd April: Easter Monday
Thurs 5th April: Stage Assemblies
Thurs 12th April: Grandparents Day
 Whole School Assembly
Fri 13th April: Anzac Day ceremony
 Last Day of Term 1
Tues 1 May: Students return for Term 2.

Canteen Thursday Specials

FISH AND CHIPS

(please order prior to Thursday)

OR

BUTTER CHICKEN AND RICE

\$4.50ea

Parent Online Payments

You can now make payments on the school website for all activities within the school.

A hand out has gone home today to show you how to access this feature.

This is a secure payment system hosted by Westpac to ensure that your credit/debit card details are captured in a secure manner. These details are not passed back to the school.

You have the ability to check and change any details of the payment before the payment is processed. You can print your own receipts or have the receipt emailed to your email account. This gives you immediate proof that you have paid for the item.

The next morning, details of the payment are passed to the school where they will be matched against your child's account.

We hope this method will streamline payments and save parents time. Please ensure you record your receipt number on your child's permission note.

If you have any questions please call the office on 6842 1771.

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Coonabarabran Public School EASTER HAT PARADE

Thursday the 29th of March 2:20pm

(Please note there will be no K-6 assembly on this day)

Primary Courtyard

All parents and friends are welcome to come and watch, please wear your Easter hat as well!

Students will make an Easter Hat at school with buddy classes – if parents wish to donate supplies such as cardboard, sequins, feathers or any Easter themed items please send them in prior to Thursday the 29th of March.



P & C EASTER RAFFLE

The P & C are requesting donations for Easter Eggs and baskets for the Easter Raffle. The raffle will be drawn at the Easter Hat Parade.



Mary Moss' Music Lessons

Piano, Guitar or Theory of Music will start next week on Thursday in the Early Birds Room in the school grounds.

There are some vacancies available for new students of all ages during or outside of school hours. Please phone 0428254344 or 0268254344; or email: mary.moss@bigpond.com



School Banking will commence on Wednesday

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Peachy Cup

On Wednesday 21st of March a group of students from Coona Public went to Dunedoo to play football with our coach Patty Cain. The first game the team didn't show up so we got our first win! The second game we lost, we all played hard, we just couldn't beat them. The last game we won, we all played hard and defended with our lives. We all nearly got a try. A big thank you to Patty from all the boys for taking us.

Keizer Wood and Cooper McGlashan



Early Stage 1, Stage 1, Stage 2 & Stage 3 Assembly Awards

EARLY STAGE 1

Adelaide Evans	PBL Award – Safe and Respectful learner.
Lucy Hayman	PBL Award – Safe and Respectful learner.
Luke Rutland-Davey	Great guided reading.
Lilly Oakes	Beautiful handwriting.
Kelly Jamieson	Beautiful handwriting.
Zaara Brown	Being a reading rockstar.

STAGE 1

Jasper Peck	For always trying his best in class.
Sophie Lummis	For being a great and caring friend in class.
Dan Meyers	For great reading at the 'L'.
Reedan Vallette	For great writing about 'Phoebe the bird.'
Toby Bibb	PBL Award - For always following the PBL values.
Elara Jenner	Always putting in 100% effort.
Sophie White	Her amazing efforts in learning the spelling list.
Albie Wark	PBL Award – Always being kind, respectful and caring.

STAGE 2

Randall Rumbel	PBL Award - Being safe and respectful at all times.
Eli Riley	Working class in a settled manner.
Chelsea Rossler	Always trying her best.
Archie Rutter	PBL Award
Torr Howgate	Settling back into CPS beautifully.
Taylor Percival	Trying her best to display lovely manners.
Logan Bishop-Murnane	His enthusiasm for learning.
Reegan Watters	PBL Award - For always keeping her hands, feet and objects to herself.
Shakiah Harper	Being a respectful and responsible member of 3/4G.
Jayson Ruttley-Higgins	Being a respectful student and always ready to learn.
Izzi Evans	PBL Award - Always being respectful and keeping hands and feet to herself.

STAGE 3

Alex Turner	PBL Award – Being a special friend.
Kayeisha Thompson	Being creative during science and creating an amazing erupting volcano.
Sonny-Bill Walker	Being a kind and caring friend.
Brooklyn Stewart	PBL Award – Always upholding our school values and always keeping her hands, feet and objects to herself.
Jack Clarke	For always persisting at tasks to achieve his best.
Brianna Jackson	For an outstanding bar graph on the effects of natural disasters.
Rhianna Romans	For always being a respectful student by keeping her hands, feet and objects to herself.
Sharmyra Gall	For increased confidence in reading groups.
Kayla Smith	Applying consistent effort to all tasks.
Piper Walker	For great ideas on Harmony Day.
Ava Nguyen	PBL Award – for always being a respectful member of our school and keeping her hands, feet and objects to herself.
Shae Boyd	Being organised with 'My Place' writing task.
Joshua Cummins	Settling well into 5/6L.
Jake Deshon	Being organised and submitting work in on time.
Nathanael Hartberg	PBL Award – Following school values of being safe, respectful and aiming for excellence.

5 / 6 L & WEEC Water Quality excursion

On the 15th of March, 5/6L walked to Nandi Reserve. We met up with 3 Scientists from Sydney, their names were Peter, Pat and Hugh. Ang and Wes from the Warrumbungle Environmental Education Centre (WEEC) were there also.

The Scientists briefed us what they do and what we were going to do with them. Then we split into groups of 9. Lucy, Sophia, Elsie, Nate, Jacob, Ella, Keizer, Mr Lowe and I were in a group. Then we got going.

Our first activity was with Hugh and we were testing the water quality, we measured Do, temperature and the Ph. We measured the Ph with a piece of equipment and strips. The strips had 3 different colours and the colours were yellow, orange and grey.

We were then with Peter, we got to use a net and we got to wear overalls and gumboots. We were looking for insects and what live in the water. We went back up the rope and looked through the samples. We found a lot of different bugs and insects. We found yabbies, water beetles, leaches, dead and live fish, but mostly dead.

Our final activity was bird watching with Pat. We saw all different birds like 52 Cockatoos, Willy Wag Tails, Ducks and Rainbow Lorikeet. We got to use binoculars.

Then we got a de-brief from Hugh, Peter and Pat. Peter tricked us and told us that they were insects but actually they were lollies. We walked back to school past Woolworths and Mr Lowe brought us all ice creams. Thank you Mr Lowe.

Written by Ella Atkinson



Moorambilla

Students in stages 2 and 3 had the opportunity to participate in the Moorambilla Workshop on Monday the 19th March. Students learnt about the history of music; learnt different movements and sayings to be able to recall the notes on a sheet of music and how to project your natural sound as you sing. One of the popular sayings we sung was "My mother makes me mash my mini mms on a Monday morning."

After the workshop, the students had the opportunity to express their singing voices, with several students identified as being successful to the Moorambilla program. We had two female students excel and be offered a place in singing in this years Moorambilla recording. We are currently awaiting further information from Moorambilla in accordance to both of these activities.

Well done to all students who participated and to Mrs Marsh and Miss Peterson, who also participated in the Moorambilla training.



Threatened Species Garden development in our playground

Last week we had a visit from Peter and Brenden from the Royal Botanical Gardens in Sydney. The Student Representative Council (SRC) spent the morning with Peter & Brenden to identify an area in our school to be developed as a garden habitat for the Stripe-faced Dunnart. The Stripe-faced Dunnart is identified as a vulnerable species and they are known to our area. To the right is a picture of the cute little marsupial.



The SRC and Mrs. Evans will spend the next few weeks researching the Stripe-faced Dunnart and will assist Wes from the Warrumbungle Environmental Education Centre (WNPEEC) in preparing the garden to be built. Coonabarabran Public School is also hoping to include parents and community members in the establishment of this garden on Tuesday the 8th May at 9.00 am.

The schools is looking for:

- A small trailer load of pebbles for the dry creek bed
- Some natural logs/ hollows for habitat
- A trailer load of larger rocks for garden edging and features within the garden

If you think you can help us please get in touch. We really want to make this a fantastic garden!



Year 1

Year 1 have been working hard in class this term trying to improve our reading, writing and numeracy skills. We have been learning about adjectives over the last few weeks and have been using them in our writing to make it more interesting.

In maths we have been completing activities on number sense and looking at different ways we can make numbers. We have been loving coming up with new ideas for making numbers.

We are looking forward to seeing what the rest of the year brings.



Coonabarabran Pony Club

Next Rally

8th April
9am start

Lucy Evans
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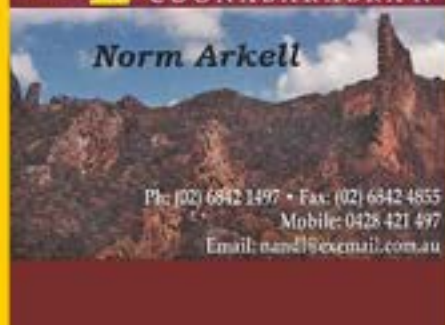
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