

Cambewarra Public School



Strive for the Highest

Newsletter Term Four, Week Nine

1 December 2014

Principal's Report

Lucas, our Star Piano Player

Have you noticed how well our students sing the school song at the end of each Monday's assembly? This is because we have the brilliant pianist Lucas, whom has practiced, practiced, practiced and now plays the school song confidently and without even a single mistake. Because of his fine piano skills the students now sing loudly and proudly together. Thank you Lucas for your time and effort, fantastic work.



Premier's Reading Challenge

Congratulations Lauren for achieving the Platinum Award in the Premier's Reading Challenge. Only 4200 of these awards were given out across all of NSW and we congratulate Lauren for achieving this High Standard. Congratulations to all our other students who also received their awards. Keep up the reading everybody!



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Principal's Report (continued)

UNSW ICAS Competition

Students were awarded their University of New South Wales competition results at last Monday's assembly. Congratulations to our students for their participation in these competitions, particularly as these examinations can be very challenging, requiring students to be persistent and creative thinkers.



P&C Meeting Tonight

A quick reminder that tonight's P&C meeting is on at 6:30pm in the staffroom. An update of anticipated class structures and staffing for 2015 will be reported on. All are welcome.

Tennis Team

Congratulations to our newly announced tennis team, selected to play in the PSSA knockout tennis competition, kicking off in the first few weeks of 2015. Thanks go to Ros Phillips for taking the time to coach the students. Well done Ella, Imogen, Nikki, Connor, James and Sam, and best of luck.

Have a great week everyone,
Mrs Hilliar



Sports News

Dragon Tag Gala Day for Stages 2 and 3

On Wednesday, 26 November, students from Stages 2 and 3 went to Rugby Park, South Nowra to participate in the 2014 Dragon Tag Gala Day. It was a fun and active day, with many students commenting positively about the experience.



Yesterday we went to Rugby Park and we had lots of fun but it was hot and exhausting. ~Makayla, Gabi and Caleb~

On the way to Dragon Tag I was a little bit nervous but after the first game I got used to it. I also really wanted to have my friends in my team. When I found out that they were not in my team I was sad

but I had a lot of fun with the people in my team! ~Charly~



A group picture of Team 7 at Rugby Park, South Nowra on 26th November. After running all day, we were very hot and bothered. We were very happy with our high results. ~Sam and Isabella~

Team 7, after we played Bomaderry Public School. I do not know if we won but it was fun learning a new sport and playing with my friends. ~Yasmin~

On Wednesday 26 November 2014 we went to the rugby park in South Nowra to play Dragon Tag. We were in Team 7. All the teams worked well together. ~Brayden and Lachie~

Dragon Tag was very exciting! Some of the teams were hard and some of them were easy but we had fun. ~Charlie and Ava~

At Dragon Tag, we had lots of fun competing against other schools. Some games were tough but we were all supplied with sunscreen. ~Elliot and Maddison~



On the 26th November everyone went to Dragon Tag and everyone had heaps of fun. What made it a good day was that everyone participated and, even though it was a hot day, everyone had fun. ~Allira and Reilly~

After the trip we had a surprise. It was a popper and a zooper dooper. Everyone got one and they were yummy! It was a hot and fun day. ~Kiera~





Sports News (continued)

NSW Premier's Primary School Sport Challenge 2014

Cambewarra was again a participant in the NSW Premier's Primary School Sport Challenge. The Challenge includes a range of initiatives with one common purpose - to have more students, more active, more of the time! The Premier's Primary School Sport Challenge aims to engage young people in sport and physical activity and encourages them to lead healthy, active lifestyles.



Sport plays an important role in developing regular physical activity, provides positive health outcomes and is a fun and healthy way to connect with the local community.

Each class, over a 10 week period, was able to accumulate time spent in a broad range of sports and recreational pursuits during lunchtime, in school sport programs, class time, after school or in weekend physical activity.

At the recent assembly all classes received their certificates as acknowledgement of their participation in the program. Congratulations to every student at Cambe as all our students successfully completed the program!

Congratulations also go to the following school staff who participated in the Premier's Staff Challenge this year. They also received their certificates last week. They were: Mrs Bryant, Ms Collin, Mrs Ferguson, Mrs Hilliar, Mr Haigh, Mr Hosler, Ms Reitz, Ms Sherritt, Mrs Turner, Mrs Urquhart, Ms Wallis, Mrs Wellington and Ms Wright.

Well done everyone! Remember to keep hydrated during the hot summer days! Drink lots of water!

Martina Reitz - Sports Coordinator

Library News

I regularly remind students of the importance of honouring their borrowing responsibility whether it is for school library books or items from friends and family. Congratulations to 3/4B who was the first class to return all of their library books and by doing so have earned themselves a special treat. Mrs Bryant and I are really looking forward to sharing smoothies with 3/4B.

In recent months so many new books have come onto the library shelves. Next year please keep your eye out for great new titles including Big Nate series, Tom Gates series, 52 Storey Treehouse, Canterwood Crest series, Alice-Miranda series, Fancy Nancy, The Last Thirteen series, Violet Mackerel series, Graeme Base's new book "The Last King of Angkor Wat", many non-fiction titles including Convicts A-Z, Maps, Horrible Science series and lots of other interesting topics including the human body, natural disasters, the environment, etc. Check these and others out next year...

I would publicly like to acknowledge the volunteering efforts of our Library Assistant, Dianne Halliday. During the year, Dianne has taken home hundreds of books to cover and return for the students to enjoy. Almost every week Dianne leaves school with a box of books, a roll of plastic and sticky tape only to return the following week with the books beautifully covered and ready for student and teacher use. I have sincerely appreciated Dianne's generous giving of her own time for Cambewarra Public School.

Library News (continued)

During the summer holidays perhaps you might like to take you child/ren visit the Shoalhaven City Libraries and join their Summer Reading Club (SRC) which runs throughout December and January. Head into the library and pick up a pack to register. The club starts December 1, 2014 and there is a launch party on December 3 at 4:00pm. The SRC is open to all primary aged library members. If your child is not a member then just ask the library staff how to sign up.

Angela Urquhart – Relieving Teacher Librarian

Reports

Student reports will be sent home with your child in the next few weeks. If your family needs an additional copy of a report to go to a parent that is not residing with you, please let us know at the office. We send additional reports home via the student unless a postal or email copy is requested. In this case please also supply a current postal/email address for the additional parent.

Thank you.

What's On

Monday, 1/12

P&C Meeting;
6:30pm in staffroom

Tuesday, 2/12

Kinder Excursion to Kiama
BHS Orientation Day

Wednesday, 3/12

Thursday, 4/12

Friday, 5/12

Monday, 8/12

Presentation Evening

2015 Dates

28/1: Term One begins

2/2: Kinders begin

21/5: School photos

The Cambe Calf Award

Name: Amelia

Year: K

Type of Calf: Caring and Kind

Why: John Ruskin said "a little thought and a little kindness are often worth more than a great deal of money," and by that thinking Amelia is certainly a very rich girl already. At just six, Amelia has already proven herself to be a kind, caring and compassionate individual. She is recognised by her peers as a good friend, someone to be depended upon and someone they can turn to in times of need. For example, Amelia explains, "when someone gets hurt I try to help them, by taking them to a teacher... it's caring." What is truly remarkable is the simplicity and selflessness that Amelia elicits in her want to help others; "I just like helping my classmates, I always want to make other people feel happy." Amelia says she needs no reward or incentive to help, all she needs is to know she has tried her best and done the right thing, "I feel happy too, when I know that I've helped." Congratulations Amelia on being such a wonderful student! You truly are a very valued part of our school. Thank you for striving every day to make your friends and our school a happier place. Fantastic effort Amelia!



COOSH NEWS



SUMMER 2015 VACATION CARE PROGRAM

Our summer vacation care program is available now and bookings are being taken. If you would like a program please email us at cooshcambewarra@email.com or visit us in centre. Bookings can be made by email or phone 0419487660.

COOSH EDUCATORS

FAREWELL SUE This month we say a fond farewell to Sue, our current COOSH coordinator. On behalf of the COOSH subcommittee, parents and children we wish her and her family all the best in their move to Jervis Bay.

Sue has been instrumental in moving COOSH through the new National Quality Framework for Childhood Education and Care. She has worked tirelessly to improve the quality of care provided by the centre immensely according to the centre's regulated Quality Improvement Plan. Without Sue's incredible knowledge, experience and enthusiasm COOSH could not have made such a successful transition into the new National Quality Framework.

We thank you Sue for all your hard work, dedication and friendship and wish you the very best in your future endeavours. Please keep in touch and come back to visit us often!

INTRODUCING OUR NEW COORDINATOR Our new coordinator, Michelle McBain, has been enjoying getting to know the educators, children and parents at COOSH.

Michelle is a primary school teacher who has more than 20 years experience working with children and families in childcare and education. She also has three children and is a former parent of Cambewarra Public School and COOSH. Michelle lives in our community and has a great deal of knowledge and enthusiasm for her new role at COOSH. We are looking forward to seeing the many new ideas and exciting activities that Michelle has in store for the kids at COOSH.

FAMILY BREAKFAST and FAREWELL TO SUE 7:30am WEDNESDAY 10TH DECEMBER

All parents and children are invited to our next family breakfast on Wednesday 10th December. It will be a great opportunity to say goodbye to Sue. Come along and enjoy some bacon and eggs, a chat to our educators and spend a little time with us at COOSH. Hope to see you there.



WISH LIST FOR NEW RESOURCES AT COOSH

We are currently investing a substantial amount of money in upgrading and improving our resources at COOSH including buying a wide range of new toys for all age groups, new outdoor toys and equipment, indoor and outdoor furniture and technological items. We would welcome any suggestions by the children and parents that use our centre, please add your items to our wish list board. Items already approved for purchase include: 2 ipads, an ipad dock for music, a DVD player, a massive Lego kit, scooters and helmets and remote control cars. We look forward to all the fun that the children will have with the new resources and how good the centre will look with new furniture.



COOSH

Summer Vacation Care Program

Thursday 18th December - Tuesday 27th January

Including Pupil free days 18th, 19th December and 27th January

(Centre closed for Christmas break from Monday 22nd December - Friday 2nd January)

Dear Parents and Carers,

Please find attached our COOSH Vacation Care Program. COOSH offers Vacation Care & pupil free days from 7.00am to 6.00pm Monday to Friday.

We provide breakfast, fruit, water. **Your child will need to bring with them daily: Morning tea, Lunch, Afternoon tea, Sun hat, drinks bottle & spare/change of clothes.** COOSH does not provide spare clothes.

In accordance with our new COOSH enrolment form, the total cost of each week's vacation care must be paid in advance on the first day of your child's weekly attendance. The child will not be able to attend vacation care until the fees are paid or a payment arrangement has been agreed to by the parent/guardian and COOSH Co-ordinator. .

Payment for the day and for each excursion, once made, is **NON REFUNDABLE** but a booked day may be changed for another day if staffing and organisation allows. Excursion costs are not transferable.

EXCURSIONS require advance booking and organisation. Please **book early** so that we can plan transport, tickets and staffing accordingly.

Consent must be given in writing for each excursion. Please **check approximate departure and arrival times** for excursion days. Children **MUST** be signed in and out each day

PLEASE DO NOT GIVE CHILDREN MONEY TO SPEND ON EXCURSIONS, UNLESS SPECIFICALLY REQUESTED ON THE PROGRAM

Bookings can be made by phone on: 0419487660 or by e-mail: cooshcambewarra@hotmail.com

Vacation Care Fees:

- In centre days \$45 Casual \$43 Permanent
- Incurtion days \$47 Casual \$45 Permanent (OCCUR IN CENTRE WITH VISITING ATTRACTION)
- Excursion days \$60 (FOR EXCURSION DETAILS PLEASE SEE EXCURSION PERMISSION FORM)

Please note that bookings made after Vacation Care has started will be charged at our casual rate.



Thursday 18th December

CHRISTMAS COOKING AND CRAFT

COOKING: Donkey Drops and chocolate brownie Christmas trees for our party tomorrow

CRAFT: make, bake and decorate Christmas tree decorations

SMELL: English pomanders to decorate your house

CREATE: Ginger bread houses

MOVIE: Elf



Friday 19th December

END OF YEAR CHRISTMAS PARTY

Party games party food and gifts for everyone

CREATE: pet treats for Christmas. Make your dog a tasty treat, your bird an edible bell or your cat a toy.

CRAFT: 3D Christmas cards



Monday 5th January

PICNIC DAY

Kite making in the morning



Walk to Cambewarra village park for a picnic lunch, group games and kite flying

MOVIE: new release

DRAWING: Mandalas

Tuesday 6th January

EXCURSION

10-2:30

Mums dads and little ones



Laser tag

Climb, slide and play

Beading crafts: make a dream catcher, bracelet or sun charm

Wednesday 7th January

WACKY WEDNESDAY

DRESS UP as your favourite wacky character

Wacky cooking

GROUP GAMES:
balloon ping pong
Marble bowling alleys
Air hockey

MOVIE: Little Rascals

Thursday 8th January

CONSTRUCTION DAY

Build it! Make it! Let your imagination run wild!

Cubbies forts and castles
Creatures and monsters

MOVIE: Wreck it Ralph

COOKING: bake and decorate your own cupcakes

Friday 9th January

WHEELS @ COOSH



Bring your skates, boards, scooters and HELMETS

Have a blast on our COOSH wheels course

ART WORKSHOP

Design and draw your own skateboard or sneaker brand

Monday 12th January

TENNIS WORKSHOP

Walk to our local tennis court for a lesson with a certified tennis coach

CULTURAL WORKSHOP

Belly Dancing with Carys and Turkish Delight making

GROUP GAMES

Tuesday 13th January

IDAY CHILLOUT

BYO device: iPad, tablet, DS

Minecraft

What's your favourite app? sharing session

Afternoon yoga session

CREATE: tie dying
BRING A PLAIN WHITE T-SHIRT

Wednesday 14th January

BOY STUFF GIRL STUFF...

Pipe cleaner ninjas
Woodworking

Make your own scented bath fizzies
Beauty salon



DRAMA WORKSHOP

Thursday 15th January

EXCURSION 10-3

Bay and Basin Leisure Centre

Unlimited water sliding

Café lunch: chicken nuggets and chips or fish and chips and a drink

ART: draw and paint activities
MOVIE: kids choice

Friday 16th January

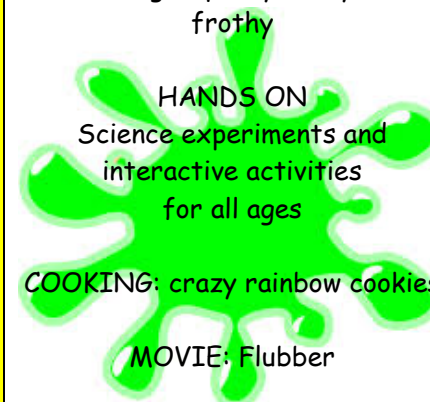
CRAZY SCIENCE

All things squishy, slimy and frothy

HANDS ON
Science experiments and interactive activities for all ages

COOKING: crazy rainbow cookies

MOVIE: Flubber



<p>Monday 19th January SUMMER GAMES</p>  <p>Scavenger hunt</p> <p>MINUTE TO WIN IT</p> <p>CREATE: design your own board game to share with your friends</p> <p>WORKSHOP Make your own outside games using recycled materials</p>	<p>Tuesday 20th January BEACH CAFÉ @ COOSH</p> <p>Cooking ordering and serving: fruit kebabs and milkshakes</p>  <p>MAKING: Giant bubble blowers Biggest bubble blower competition</p> <p>Movie: Surf's Up</p>	<p>Wednesday 21st January EXCURSION 10:30-2:30 Combined OOSH services DISCO</p> <p>Come and mix with new friends at the coolest dance venue out</p> <p>Kids DJ, music, games and dance</p> <p>AFTERNOON WIND DOWN: Kids choice of Crafts, drawing and beads</p>	<p>Thursday 22nd January WET AND WILD @ COOSH</p> <p>BRING YOUR: swimmers, rashy water guns and towel</p> <p>BUILD: Water bomb grenade launchers. How far can yours go?</p> <p>SLIP AND SLIDE</p>  <p>WORKSHOP Puppet making and show</p>	<p>Friday 23rd January PIZZA AND MOVIE DAY</p> <p>Incursion New release movies</p> <p>Pizza lunch supplied by dominos</p>  <p>MAKING: bouncy balls</p> <p>KIDS DECIDE: What have you enjoyed at COOSH this MONTH and what would you like to do again?</p>
<p>Monday 26th January</p>  <p>Closed for Australia Day long weekend</p>		<p>Tuesday 27th January</p> <p>END OF HOLIDAYS CELEBRATION</p> <p>Incursion Australia Day sausage sizzle lunch</p> <p>GIANT JUMPING CASTLE CULTURAL WORKSHOP: Aboriginal arts and crafts</p> 		

PARENTS AND CARERS

Please ensure that on IDAY CHILLOUT your child's device is FULLY CHARGED and clearly LABELLED with child's first & last name.
Please give all TECHNOLOGY equipment to COOSH staff on arrival to be locked away safely until the programmed times for usage.
Please provide your child with a safety helmet and/or padding if required for WHEELS DAY on Thursday 25th September.
LUNCH WILL BE PROVIDED on 15th January and 27th January