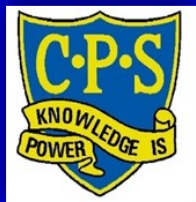


# Cowra Public School



## Newsletter

Term 4 Week 4 2020

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5th November 2020

### Principal's Message

Another week has flown by with students working hard in all key learning areas. Teachers are busy completing assessments in readiness for writing Semester Two student reports and these will be distributed to parents on Friday 11th December.

### Kindergarten Orientation

This week we welcomed our 2020 Kindergarten students for their very first Kinder Orientation session at CPS. Over 50 bright-eyed, smiling faces walked through the school gates on Tuesday and spent a wonderful morning session in our Kindergarten classrooms. Mrs White, Miss Hamer and Mrs McFarland planned a fun-filled literacy lesson based around the book "Dear Zoo". We look forward to seeing all of our new Kinder students again, next Tuesday from 9:30am-11:00am.

### World Teacher's Day

In recognition of World Teacher's Day last Friday 30th October, CPS teachers were treated to a wonderful surprise from our P&C, who organised families to make a "thank you" cake for every teacher in our school! Our teachers were so appreciative and enjoyed sharing the delicious cakes with their classes! Thank you to the P&C for this beautiful gesture, to the parents who baked such lovely cakes, and to all of our amazing teachers, for the work they do every day!

### Selective Schools Year 7 2022

Applications for Year 7 entry to selective high schools in 2022 will be accepted from **Tuesday 13 October 2020 to Monday 16 November 2020**. Parents must apply online at <https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7>. All applicants are required to sit the Selective High School Placement Test to be held on Thursday 11 March 2021.

### NAIDOC WEEK 2020

Next week is NAIDOC Week and the 2020 theme; **"Always Was, Always Will Be"**, recognises that First Nations people have occupied and cared for our continent for over 65,000 years. Our Aboriginal Education Committee, led by Mrs Olivia Galea, have planned some wonderful events including our school flag-raising ceremony which will take place on Monday morning at the front of the school. The annual Stage 3 NAIDOC Sports Challenge against Mulyan will take place on Tuesday and throughout the week, there will be a variety of cultural activities for all students K-6. It is going to be a wonderful week, acknowledging and celebrating Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture!

### New Bell and Intercom System

This week at CPS we are excited to have our new bell and intercom system up and running. This means that we now have a centralised communication



### What's Happening?

#### **Kindergarten Transition**

**Tuesday, 10th November**

9.30 - 11am

**Tuesday, 17th November**

9.30 - 11am

**Tuesday, 24th November**

9.30 - 11am

**Tuesday, 1st December**

9.30 - 3pm

#### **Friday, 6th November**

SRC Crazy Hair & Socks Day

Gold coin donation.

#### **NAIDOC Week**

9th November

To

13th November



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system connecting all of our classrooms and learning spaces with the front office and enables us to run our evacuation and lockdown procedures more efficiently and effectively. I would like to thank and acknowledge Mr Chief Vogel, for his work in getting this organised for our school and David Duke and the team from Power Tech for their work in the installation of this new system. If you are walking past the school and hear some tunes blaring out from the speakers, that is the sound of our new bell!

### **Spotlight on...Bugbug and Dhundhu!**

Each week in our Newsletter we shine the spotlight on a particular class or area in the school. This week we would like to share some of the amazing work from the Kindergarten students in Mrs White's class, Bugbug and the Stage 1 students in Miss Van Ballekom's class; Dhundhu!

Have a great week...

Jenny Lewis  
Principal

#### **P&C Annual General Meeting Notice**

The AGM for the Cowra Public P&C will be held on Thursday, 3rd December 2020.

Venue: Cowra Cadet Deport  
Cnr Vaux & Fitzroy Sts

Time: 6 pm

All positions will be declared vacant. The following positions will be elected on the night:

- ◆ President
- ◆ Vice President (aligned with the Secretary)
- ◆ Vice President (aligned with the Treasurer)
- ◆ Secretary
- ◆ Treasurer

All financial members must follow the procedure if unable to attend:

- ◆ submit apologies to the Secretary and indicate in writing if they are happy to accept nomination to a position or wish to nominate to a position
- ◆ You must be present to cast a vote

Members of the community who have any questions regarding the role of the P&C, membership and the AGM should submit their enquires via [cowrapublicschoolpandc@gmail.com](mailto:cowrapublicschoolpandc@gmail.com)

Kind regards

Nigel Hazell - P & C President

Roberta Graham - P & C Vice President

Sheridan Oborn - P & C Secretary

Andrew Morrison - P & C Treasurer

# Kindergarten Orientation

Whilst the NSW Department of Education has advised Kindergarten Orientation may resume, to ensure the safety of all students, staff and parents we must adhere to strict NSW Health COVID-19 guidelines. These include:

All students attending Orientation **must** have a completed enrolment form, which has been reviewed by the school.

Parents and carers will enter school grounds via the BACK GATE at the Coles car park and report to the Infants Building Open Space area to drop off and collect their child.

Parents and carers should not remain on site for longer than 10 minutes.

Parents and 2021 Kinder students are not to enter school grounds until 9.20am

All adults must practise physical distancing whilst waiting to collect or drop off their child.

Parents and carers may only access designated drop off and collection points inside the school and must leave promptly at the conclusion of each session.

Children who are not collected by 11.10am will be escorted to the front office and parents/carers will need to collect them via the Vaux Street entrance.

Each parent and carer must record their name and contact details at the designated drop-off and collection point each time they enter the school.

All those present at school including parents/carers, children and staff must be well and free of any flu-like symptoms. Parents/carers must notify the school on 6342 2400 if their child is unable to attend due to illness.



*You are invited to join*

**COWRA PUBLIC SCHOOL**

**2021 KINDERGARTEN FAMILIES**

**FACEBOOK GROUP**

*Follow the link below*

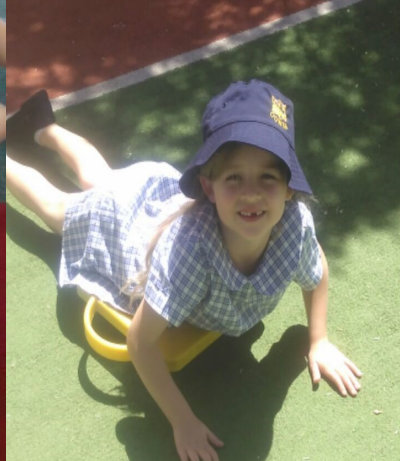
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## Spotlight on...Bugbug !



Bugbug have had an amazing time this semester. We enjoyed our farm unit where we got to experience real farm animals. We are now studying Fairytales and our reading and story writing is improving in leaps and bounds. We have played with the new sports equipment and managed to stay on the scooter boards. In mathematics we had fun using water to learn about volume and capacity and we've made all kinds of charts when studying about data. Such a busy class who always enjoy their learning.



## Spotlight on...Dhundhu !



Dhundhu have been working hard on their stories for NAIDOC week next week. Here is a photo of us sharing our stories with our classmates.



# Stage Three Melbourne Cup Hat Parade!



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### Special Notice

We are at that time of the year where staffing and classes for 2021 are being planned. Please note, there will be no parent requests taken for specific teachers for 2021. Staffing and class organisation is a complex process and it is not possible for the school to honour all parent requests.

Teachers will meet to decide 2021 classes and the needs of individual students later in the Term. Any students whom teachers feel would benefit from being placed with a specific teacher, will be discussed and decided by the Stage team, with input from Learning and Support staff, Hearing and Vision staff, the School Counselling Team and the School Executive.

Thank you for your support and understanding.

Jenny Lewis  
Principal



**Come Join us**

**For a Fantastic Season of Triathlon**

Our First Race will kick off next Friday 6<sup>th</sup> November @ 6pm next to the Cowra Pool then the following dates to mark in your Diary's:

- > 20<sup>th</sup> Nov
- > 4<sup>th</sup> Dec
- > 18<sup>th</sup> Dec
- > 2021
- > 22<sup>nd</sup> Jan
- > 5<sup>th</sup> Feb
- > 19<sup>th</sup> Feb
- > 5<sup>th</sup> March
- > 7<sup>th</sup> March – Interclub
- > 19<sup>th</sup> March

**Club Race Distances will be as follows:**

- > Kids Course Little Pool Swim, 500m Bike (off road), 400m Run (on run track)
- > Beginners – 50m Swim, 2km Bike, 800m Run
- > One Lap – 100m Swim, 4.5km Bike, 1km Run
- > Two lap – 200m Swim, 9km Bike, 2km Run

Looking forward to a Fantastic Season of Racing  
Hope we see you there...



**SRC's**

**Crazy**

**Hair & Whacky Socks**

**Day**

**Friday,**

**6th November**

**Gold coin donation**

