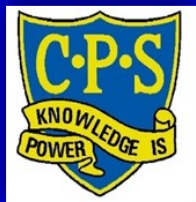


# Cowra Public School Newsletter



Term 2 Week 7 2020



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## Principal's Message

I hope all families enjoyed the long weekend! There's certainly been a chill in the air as we move into the winter months. Just a reminder that on the days your child has PE or Sport, they are permitted to wear navy trackpants and many students opt to wear shorts underneath as they are very active during these lessons. On all other days, **full winter uniform** is expected, and it is wonderful to see so many of our students wearing their school uniform with pride.

### Wellbeing Week

This week at Cowra Public we have celebrated a week focusing on our wellbeing! Wellbeing Week encourages our hard-working staff to take a step back and ensure they are looking after their physical, mental and emotional health. Thank you to Mr Murray, Mrs White, Mrs Dunlop and Mr Garlick for organising some lovely activities for staff throughout the week. Staff have thoroughly enjoyed the slower-pace and the chance to recharge and refresh themselves, ready for the final three weeks of Term.

### Salvation Army Red Shield Appeal 2020

Thank you to all students, staff and families who contributed to the Salvation Army Red Shield Appeal last Friday. Our school had a fantastic day and dressed up in red in order to contribute a gold coin donation. In total, \$488.55 was raised. What a remarkable effort from Cowra Public School!

### Cancer Council's Biggest Morning Tea!

On Tuesday Cowra Public School staff held their "Biggest Morning Tea" with all proceeds going towards the Cancer Council. Mrs Angie Dunlop has organised this event at CPS for many years and it is one which all staff look forward to! Thank you to Angie for her hard work in ensuring this event continues to raise money for such a worthy cause close to our hearts.

### Kindergarten 2021!

If you know of any families with a child looking to start Kinder in 2021, please encourage them to call the school to discuss our enrolment procedures. It is important to note that a new enrolment policy has been put in place this year in all NSW Public Schools, and school enrolment zones are now in place. We are happy to answer any questions parents may have about their child starting school in 2021. If you have any questions about enrolling at our school, please call the office on 63422400.

### Spotlight on...Mirri!

Each week in our Newsletter we shine the spotlight on a particular class in the school. This week we would like to share some of the amazing work from the students in Mrs Haskew's class, Mirri!

Have a great week...  
Jenny Lewis Principal

## What's Happening?

**Tuesday 9th June-Friday  
12th June**

Wellbeing Week!

### Canteen News

**The Canteen will be  
open tomorrow.**

### Friday Menu:

Pasta Bolognaise

Curry Sausage & Rice

Chicken Cabonara

Soup of the Day

All meals are \$5.00

Vegemite or Cheese  
rolls available

\$2.50ea



### Our Week 7 PBL

**Focus is:**

All Settings

# You did it! *Congratulations Assembly Awardees*

Bugbug	Dinawan	Garru	Muraany	Gilaa	Gulambali	Dhundhu
Jade-Lily Moriarty	Samarah Afseen	Ellora Ryan	Joel Carter	Josephine Troy	Trinity Terrell	Mason Kirwan
Dakota Newton	Alexis Alberry	Cooper McDonald	Braxton Williams	Emily Pelling	Jeremiah De Roo	Willem Mansley
Angus Munday	Chad Wiegold	Oskar Larsen	Zoe Morrison	Michael Zhang	Alec Horton	Florence Moseley
Guguburra	Dyirridyirri	Guya	Ganyi	Gadi	Bilbi	Barrandhang
Mikayla Baxter	Elijah Daley	Amee-Leigh Cox-Coffee	Nayte Ruttley	Aeamon Gaffney		Seamus Horton
Ruby Young	Calliope Samuel	Paige Muddle	Beau Godwin	Lily Wallace		Thomas Dening
Hunter Robins-Sirol	Robyn Doolan-Connors	Leuwinn McGill	Dennika Petty	Lilah Roffey		Jorja Reid
Gugaa	Wilay	Bandha	Mirri	Budyabudya	Yarraman	Breakfast Club
Eloise Newell	Charlie Sturgiss	Abbigail Curtis	Maxx McLean		Alannah Wright-Ford	Hunter Reid
Ebony Davis	Mundaway Back	Abbie Moriarity	Seth Friend		Rowan Pattingale	Olive Moseley
Kash Godwin	Charlie Coombes	Evah Heidke			Jarell Kerr	

RED SHIELD DAY  
and  
PBL CHALK DRAWING AFTERNOON.

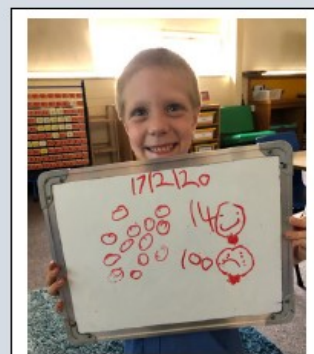
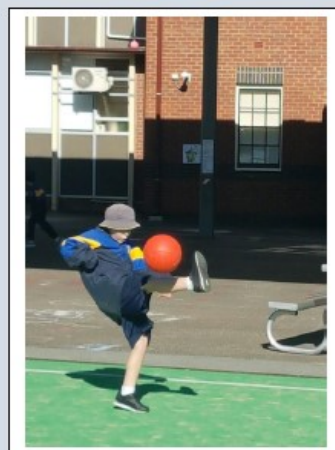


The students had a lovely time dressing in red for our Red Shield Appeal Day and enjoying an afternoon of chalk drawing for our PBL Day.



# Spotlight on...Mirri!

2020 has been a time of friendship and learning for the Mirri boys.



### **AURORA College Opportunity Class : Yr 4's of 2020 applying for Yr 5 2021.**

Parents and students might be aware that we currently have two Year 6 students that have been part of the Aurora Opportunity Class Pilot (AOCP) which started for them in term 4 last year.

That pilot project was approved by the Department of Education earlier this year and the result is that Aurora College is now approved as a school offering an Opportunity Class (OC) starting with their first Year 5 class in 2021. The information below is therefore for current Year 4 students who would like to apply to be part of **Aurora Year 5 OC class in 2021**. If you are interested please read and follow the information and instructions below.

(Unfortunately this means that current Year 5 students will only have an opportunity to apply for Aurora for study in Year 7 2022.)

If you would like any further information please send me an email or leave a message at the school office for me to call you back when I am off class.

Regards

Chief Vogel

Aurora College Co-ordinator

Cowra Public School

### **Aurora College information**

Do you know a young person in your community who would benefit from a selective school education? The application processes for Year 5 for entry in 2021 commence soon.

### **Why an opportunity class?**

Opportunity classes cater for academically gifted students with high potential who may otherwise be without sufficient classmates of their own academic standard. These educational provisions help students to learn by grouping them with students of similar ability, using specialised teaching methods and educational materials at the appropriate level.

### **Why Aurora College?**

For over five years, Aurora College has been providing great teaching and inspired learning in a whole new context, by allowing students in rural and remote communities to connect locally and to learn globally. Aurora is committed to building relationships which foster in its students, a strong sense of belonging to Aurora and to their home school. Remaining in their local community, Aurora students benefit from the enhanced opportunities that come from belonging to two education communities.

Join the bright lights of Aurora College. Applications for entry into Year 5,8,10 will open soon.

Aurora College is dedicated to creating opportunities that will build each student's capacity to become an autonomous, life-long learner. Aurora College embraces the philosophy of 'personal best', acknowledging that each student's drive towards self-improvement in a curriculum rich in higher-order thinking provides a strong foundation for success in life beyond the school years. Aurora's vision is to develop students who are not only at ease in the digital world, but who are empowered through their knowledge, skills and creativity to become influential contributors to the knowledge economies of this century.

### **When and how do I apply for entry in Year 5?**

Due to the COVID-19 restrictions, the Opportunity Class Placement Test has been rescheduled to **Wednesday 16 September 2020**. Parents must apply between **Tuesday 9 June 2020 and Friday 26 June 2020**. This process is conducted by the Department's High Performing Students Unit and late applications cannot be accepted. The link is <https://hpsuplacement.org.au/register>

For this year only, changes have been made to the placement process to ensure students are placed in Year 5 opportunity classes across the state as early in 2021 as possible. Placement in an opportunity class in 2021 will be based solely on the results of the test. This year, principals will not be required to provide school assessment scores, but they will be requested to verify the information entered by parents. Offers will be made to successful students overnight on 1 December 2020.

The Aurora College virtual opportunity class will be based on the highly successful pilot program. Students will study mathematics, science and technology with Aurora College and they will study the balance of the curriculum with their home school peers. Aurora College lessons for our Stage 3 students will have a focus on STEM and will use an inquiry-based learning approach.

To be eligible for enrolment in the virtual opportunity class, students must also be enrolled in a NSW Government school which is classified as rural and remote. Students at schools with opportunity class provisions, or at schools within the drawing areas of existing opportunity class provisions, will not be eligible to apply.

The first intake of Year 5 Aurora students will be in 2021. These students will comprise Aurora's first Year 6 cohort in 2022 and there will be a new intake of Year 5 students in this, and in each subsequent year. For further information on the Opportunity Class Placement Process, please [visit the Department's Opportunity Class website](#).



# Community News

## Cowra Early Childhood Services OOSH (out of school hours care)



### Vacation Care Program for July 2020

Bookings for the upcoming school holidays are now open.

Limited positions are available each day.

Call Admin on 63422338 to book your child's position.

Book in early to avoid disappointment.

A variety of craft and physical play experiences will be on offer to the children throughout each day with the following highlights-



#### Week 1

Monday 6/7/20  
Tuesday 7/7/20  
Wednesday 8/7/20  
Thursday 9/7/20  
Friday 10/7/20

**Fabric Dying with natural dyes – different colour each day**

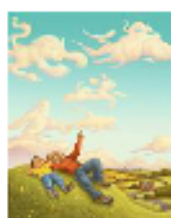
**Shrinky dinks key rings – Rope climbing**

**Spiral sun catchers – tic tac toe rocks**

**Naidoc celebrations**

**Mini Catapults – Hockey**

**Large Catapult – Catapult painting**



#### Week 2

Monday 13/7/20  
Tuesday 14/7/20  
Wednesday 15/7/20  
Thursday 16/7/20  
Friday 17/7/20

**Drawing 3D objects different implements & surfaces**

**Experimenting with colours – Cloud watching**

**Walking water – Wheelbarrow & hopping ball races**

**Scavenger hunt – exploring colour mixing through light**

**Muffin baking – Lilly Smith dance class**

**OOSH Canteen for Carinya children and educators**

