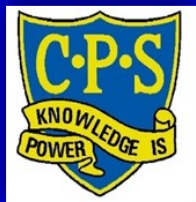


Cowra Public School Newsletter



Term 3 Week 10 2020



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24th September 2020

Principal's Message

End of Term 3!

It's hard to believe, but here we are at the end of another busy term! The last 10 weeks have been filled with a huge variety of learning activities and experiences. I'm sure everyone is looking forward to a well-deserved break and the opportunity to relax and recharge over the holiday period.

Book Week Parade!

Despite being unable to take part in our traditional Book Week parade down Kendal St, CPS students and staff put in another amazing effort to dress up as their favourite book characters at today's Virtual Book Week Parade! The 2020 theme "Curious Creatures, Wild Minds" left plenty to the imagination and once again, the range of book characters was incredible - from Harry Potter favourites to superheroes; unicorns to fairies; princesses to pirates; the effort that students, staff and parents put in to their costume creations was brilliant! Thank you to our amazing librarian Mrs Sheridan Oborn for her organisation of this year's event. Be sure to check out our school Facebook page later today, for lots of Book Week photos!

Book Fair

Thank you to all families who supported our annual Scholastic Book Fair. The Fair finished up yesterday and as always, many students took advantage of the opportunity to purchase from a huge range of quality books! Thank you to Mrs Taylor and Mrs Oborn for their work in putting the Fair together...we hope everyone enjoys reading their brand new books!

CPS Cross Country

Well done to all students who participated in our school Cross Country event last Friday. Thank you to Mr Garlick, and all the primary staff who assisted on the day. Stage 2 and Stage 3 events were run separately due to Covid-19 guidelines, and there were some outstanding performances. Special congratulations to the top three place-getters in each age group. These students will be acknowledged with a special presentation at our next Primary assembly.

Spotlight on...Gilaa !

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 Stage 1 students in Mrs Berry and Mrs Montgomery's class, Gilaa.

Term 4 begins

As we wrap up the final week of Term 3, I would like to acknowledge the fantastic efforts of the staff at Cowra PS and the wonderful progress the students have made so far this year. I hope all CPS families have a relaxing

What's Happening?



Mrs Hilton with Skye Fagan & Oscar Munday, our Stage 2 Public Speaking winners

Last day of Term

Friday, 25th
September

First day of Term 4

Monday, 12th
October

Thursday, 15th
October

Yr 6 Transition to
Cowra High

To all our families:
Have a wonderful
holiday.

Stay safe, well and
we'll see you next
term!

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holiday and enjoy spending time with friends and family. We look forward to seeing all students return to school on **Monday 12th October**.

Have a wonderful holiday!
Jenny Lewis
Principal

Our Cross Country Winners



SCHOOL BANKING

School banking will not continue during Term 4 at Cowra Public School. This decision will be reviewed Term 1 2021.

The students that have been banking will receive a banking reward for their continuous support. Students may continue to bank at our local Commonwealth Bank branch using their same deposit books.

Spotlight on...Gilaa!

Students from Gilaa displayed a keen interest in dinosaurs so during our literacy sessions at the beginning of Term 3 we learnt all about dinosaurs.

The second half of the term has been spent learning about sustainability. So far we have explored various energy sources, water conservation, reducing, reusing and recycling.



Our main focus in maths this term has been on multiplication and division. One of the many fun learning experiences we had included making arrays with M & M's and then we ate them of course. We have also been learning all about fractions. This has included developing students' knowledge of a whole, halves, thirds, quarters, fifths and even eighths.



Wind energy can be used as a power source. By Kaiulani

Some dinosaurs are carnivores and some are herbivores. By Jaxson

Wind energy last forever and oil will eventually run out. By Destinee

Plastic is bad for the environment and animals.

By Emily

I can save water by turning the tap off when washing my hands. By Nataliya

If you burn plastic it pollutes the air and it affects the climate. By Eve

I learnt that a palaeontologist mines dinosaur fossils. By Josie

I now know more dinosaur facts eg. A Velociraptor can jump high and they are really fast. By Jackson



Technology Check-In

Online Gaming

Online games can be great fun for your child, but make sure you can help them manage the risks. Many games can improve your child's coordination, problem-solving and multi-tasking skills, as well as help build social skills through online interactivity with other players. But it is also important to understand what might go wrong and have a negative impact on your child.



How common is it?

81% of children aged 8 to 17 have played an online game

64% have played a multiplayer online game with others

52% have played with people they did not know

17% have experienced bullying or abuse while playing a network game with others

34% have made an in-game purchase and this rose to 45% when they played a network game with others

In next Term's newsletter, we will look at how you can create a safer gaming environment for your child.

Find out more at <https://www.esafety.gov.au/parents>

Information sourced from <https://www.esafety.gov.au/>

Tell Them From Me Student & Parent Survey

In the first week of Term 4, students in Year 4-6 will be taking part in the *Tell Them From Me* student survey during their library lesson. The survey is completed on-line and is run by an independent research company, **The Learning Bar**, which specialises in school-based surveys. Cowra Public School has participated in this survey over many years and it provides us with valuable feedback on what our students think about school life, how engaged they are with school and the different ways that teachers interact with them.

Student responses are completely confidential. Staff in schools will **not** be able to identify individual students from their responses. To ensure confidentiality, participating students will receive a unique username and password.

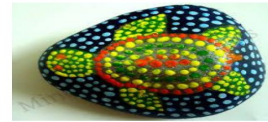
Participating in the survey is voluntary. Your child will not take part if you or your child do not wish. If you **do not want your child to take part** in the survey, please contact the school by the end of this term for a non-consent form.

More information about the survey and the research is available in English on the CESE website: <http://surveys.cese.nsw.gov.au/information-for-parents>

Parents will also have the option to participate in the Tell Them From Me Parent survey. A link to the survey will be sent directly to mobile phones of parents listed as contacts of students.

Mrs Sheridan Oborn

Tell Them From Me Coordinator



School Holiday **ACTIVITY DAY**

at Erambie Outreach Centre

Come and join in the fun!

Tuesday, 6th October 10 am -12

- All children welcome to come and engage in craft and games
- Pre-School aged children must be accompanied by a parent
- Due to Covid restrictions you must book in prior to the event as numbers are restricted

Enquiries and Bookings:

Jan at Centacare 0418 366 855
Kirstin at Homestart 0428 450 399
Lauren at liveBetter 0428 610 747



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*** DRUG & ALCOHOL FREE EVENTS ***
PARENTS ARE ENCOURAGED TO PARTICIPATE

COMMUNITY FOOTY FOR FUN DAY

Come along and enjoy some



**Footy For Fun
Laser Tag
Fast 4 Tag**



Where: Edgell Park, COWRA

28th September 2020 Time: 11.00 am—12.30pm

IMPORTANT

CCC will ensure all measures are taken to make this event as safe as possible during Covid-19. However, if you feel unwell please do not attend. Water bottles will not be supplied. Participants are encouraged to bring their own and there will be no sharing of water bottles.

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OUT OF SCHOOL HOURS

COWRA PCYC OOSH
Ph: 0491 053 180

Week One

Monday 28th September 2020	Tuesday 29th September 2020	Wednesday 30th September 2020	Thursday 1st October 2020 Additional cost \$4	Friday 2nd October 2020
Hot Wheels Raceway — Bring your scooter to the club.	Remote Control Speed Way — Bring your remote control device to the club	Junior Garden Club	Mega Paint Day	PCYC biggest day of records and personal best.
Hot Wheels Race Way is no obstacle for speed and instead focuses on an individuals gross motor skills. Children will be learn how to navigate through the agility course under instruction of rules and following visual signage. Participants must have helmet, enclosed footwear + appropriate clothing to participate	PCYC has the perfect space to race and utilise remote control devices. Bring your remote control device to the club and engage in the courses or evolve your own. Few remote control devices will be on offer to utilise at the club.	These October holidays PCYC OOSH will deliver a condensed version of our after school Junior Gardening Club program, offering opportunity to learn basic garden skills, engage in interesting gardening activities and exploring creative gardening	Come and get creative by contributing to a new PCYC room display. Kids will have the choice of working in a group or doing their own individual creations. Variety of materials will be provided to paint, exposing the true artist within every child.	PCYC will challenge individual strengths bringing out the best of their ability hosting our own records day Just to name a few - - Most jumps in skipping rope - Running laps in gym - Fastest sack racer - Furthest football kick - Most crafts made - Longest handstand - Most books read, puzzles completed and anything else we put our minds too



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Week Two

Monday 5th October 2020	Tuesday 6th October 2020 Additional \$2	Wednesday 7th October 2020 Additional cost \$4	Thursday 8th October 2020	Friday 9th October 2020
PUBLIC HOLIDAY	Belated National Get Funky Day	National Coffee With A Cop Day	Parkour	Gymnastics
PCYC CLOSED National Get Funky Day	National Get Funky Day falls on 5th October – Celebrate by dressing bright and funky, ready for a jam packed day of fun. - Dancing - Team building games - Face painting	PCYC Police Officer Kylie is invited to join us at the club for morning tea. Children will assist prepare scones and fruit platters in a Covid safe environment. We will then get the opportunity to sit around each other engaging in small chatter enhancing their social skills.	Parkour is a sport of moving rapidly through an area and avoiding obstacles by running, jumping, and climbing. Children will be given the opportunity to engage in this unique sport under the supervision of qualified coach Caitlin.	Gymnastics is a physical activity focusing on enhancing gross motor development, balance, coordination, strength. Children will be given the opportunity to engage in this unique sport under the supervision of qualified coach Caitlin



SIGN UP NOW FOR JUNIOR CRICKET!!

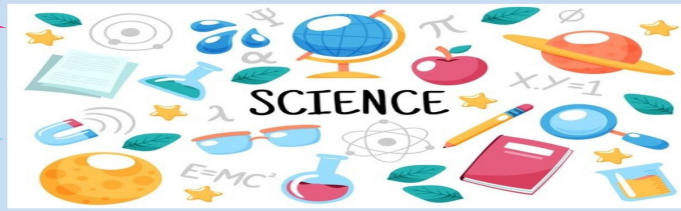
Registrations for the 2020/21 season of Cowra and District junior cricket are open now.

Visit our Facebook page **Cowra District Junior Cricket** or mycricket.cricket.com.au for details.

Cowra - Take Home
School Holiday Activity Packs

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ORDERS ARE ESSENTIAL!!

- Order your SCIENCE or MINDFULNESS pack by Friday 18th September 2020
- Pick up packs from the LiveBetter office between 9am and 3pm on Monday 28th or Tuesday 29th of September 2020
Shop 6/119 Kendal Street, COWRA

FREE

1 ACTIVITY PACK PER CHILD

Please fill out a rego form when collecting your child's pack.

RSVP: Text or call Lauren with your order on 0428 610 747

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Mindful Kids = Happy Kids

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Coming to Cowra in Term 4...

Groovy Moovers

What happens at Groovy Moovers?

Come and join in with singing, dancing and trying out some musical instruments. We will look at songs and activities based around themes such as the weather, animals and moving our bodies, followed by storytime and free play.



Who: A music and movement group for under school aged children and their carers

When: Every TUESDAY during school terms

Time: 9:30am - 11am

Where: LiveBetter office at Shop 6/119 Kendal Street (in the arches)

RSVP: Lauren on 0428 610 747

Come and join the fun!