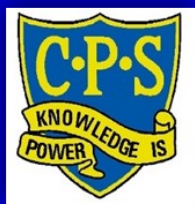


# Cowra Public School Newsletter



Term 3 Week 9 2020

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17th September 2020

## Principal's Message

### Welcome to Week 9!

With just under two weeks of school to go until the holidays, students are buckling down and working hard as teachers finalise units of work before the spring holidays. With the weather warming up, it is a timely reminder to please ensure your child brings their hat to school every day, and all clothing items, particularly jumpers, are labelled clearly with your child's name.

### Kindergarten Transition and Orientation

CPS staff have been making frequent visits over the past few weeks to our partner pre-schools as part of our Kindergarten Transition program and Kinder teachers have been working hard on a "Plan B" in case Kinder Orientation is not able to proceed next term. We have dropped off a special "Welcome to Kindergarten" book to each of the pre-schools and will be mailing one out to all our 2021 students early next term. We have also shared our YouTube video "A Day in the Life of a CPS Kindergartener" to help the 2021 Kinder students visualise what 'big school' looks like and all of the exciting things they will get to do when they start school. This week Mrs White, Mrs Eaton, Mrs Casey and Billy the Platypus visited the pre-school children at Yalbilinga and ran a mini lesson. These visits help our 2021 Kinders and CPS Kinder teachers to get to know one another.



### Book Week Dress Up Day and Book Fair!

Next Thursday is the CPS Book Week Dress Up Day! Mrs Oborn and Mrs Hopson have been hard at work organising this annual event Covid-style. Instead of our usual parade down Kendal Street, this year we hope to share images of our wonderful students and their amazing costumes, virtually. Thank you to the teachers who continue to work hard to ensure as many of our traditions can continue, albeit in a slightly different way to how they normally would. A big thank you to all the students who have planned to purchase books next week in our Book Fair. All sales result in the school receiving a commission, which is used to purchase more books which go directly back into our library. Your support is appreciated!

### What's Happening?

#### Aussie of the Month



Emily Mitchell



Danny Quinn

Friday, 18th  
September

Stage 2 Assembly for  
Public Speaking

Thursday, 24th  
September

Book Week Parade



#### **Our Week 9**

**PBL**

**Social Skills:**

**Infants:**

Interrupting

**Primary:**

Joining In

## Term 4 Staffing Update

As we head into Term 4 there are a number of changes to staff. Mr Craig Jeffries has made the decision to take leave for Term 4. Replacing Mr Jeffries as the Stage 3 Gugaa class teacher, will be Mrs Megan Cassidy. Mrs Cassidy has relocated to the Cowra area, from the Mid-North Coast and is very excited to be working with the students in Gugaa and the Stage 3 teaching team. Families of students in Gugaa were notified of this change yesterday, via a letter home. Mrs Jennifer Rowston will be reducing her full-time administration role at CPS from next term, and will work in the front office on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays, with Mrs Jo Densmore replacing Mrs Rowston on Mondays and Tuesdays. Mrs Densmore has worked casually at CPS over the past few years and we are thrilled to have her with us, on a more regular basis. Mrs Sophie Duke will commence maternity leave at the beginning of next term and her two days professional learning/executive release will be covered by Miss Romy Bennett. Miss Bennett has been working casually at CPS over the past two terms and is familiar with all the students in Mrs Duke's classes. We look forward to welcoming her to CPS on Thursdays and Fridays. Aunty Esther Cutmore will be retiring at the end of this Term to spend more time with her family. We will miss Aunty Esther's wealth of cultural knowledge and story sharing during our Wiradjuri language lessons and have loved her being part of our school for the past four years.

On behalf of the staff and students I wish Craig, Jennifer, Sophie and Aunty Esther all the best as they embark on new adventures, and warmly welcome our new staff members, commencing in Term 4.

## Stage 3 Walkathon

Today all Stage 3 students participated in their annual Walkathon around the POW Camp. Mrs Johnson and the Stage 3 team organised a terrific day and the weather was spectacular! The walkathon is one of the fundraising ventures Stage 3 participate in each year to raise money for their excursion in Term 4, as well as additional resources for the Stage 3 classrooms. We hope all students and staff enjoyed the day!

Have a wonderful week!

Jenny Lewis  
Principal

## 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.

Any questions please ring the school on Thursdays or Fridays to speak with Mrs Taylor.



### **Book Week & Book Fair 2020** **Book Week is coming....Week 10, Term 3** **Theme: Curious Creatures, Wild Minds** **Book Week Parade - Thursday, 24th September**

**Dress Up Parade:** As part of our Book Week celebrations we will be having a dress up parade on Thursday, 24th September, where children are invited to come dressed as their favourite character from a book or dressed as something related to the Book Week theme which this year is Curious Creatures, Wild Minds. The children will all be briefed on this during library lessons and warned not to

ask for a costume the night before the parade! Curious creatures is a wonderful theme which enables students to be creative and create any kind of costume they like! Unfortunately due to current Departmental Covid restrictions we will not be able to conduct our traditional book week parade down the main street but we are working on a virtual alternative. The actual date will be advised as soon as possible.

**Book Fair:** We are also holding our tradition Scholastic Book Fair in Week 9&10. Books are provided for sale by Scholastic and the library earns a commission for each book purchased which we use to purchase items that directly benefit students. This year, parents will not be able to attend the library for purchases so all purchases must be made by students.

Books will be for sale on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of next week.

You did it!  
*Congratulations Assembly Awardees*

Bugbug	Dinawan	Garru	Muraany	Gilaa	Gulambali	Dhundhu
Lamarra Elbourne	Alexis Alberry	Grace Moore	Emily Mitchell	Oliva Cameron	Eliza Beck	
Xander Waqavesi	Caiden Hussell	Zahkyrus Simpson	Hamish Coster	Hugo Williams	Selena McCulloch	
Amos Hood	Mason Ruttley	Lachlan Ingram	Natasha Miller	Ashleigh Weller	Jeremiah De Roo	
Guguburra	Dyirridyirri	Guya	Ganyi	Gadi	Bilbi	Barrandhang
Aleannah Doolan	Nicholas Forbes	Tayah Buckley	Alli-Rose Cranney	Harry Kilby		Anabelle Buckley
Oliver Beard	Willa Seears	Amee-Leigh Cox Coffee	Jack Billing	Trinity Workman		Jakayla Pollard
Jacob Slattery	Benjamin Miller	Ruby Smith	Sienna Ingram	Jax Quinn		Indiana Pound McGuiness
Gugaa	Wilay	Bandha	Mirri	Budyabudya	Yarraman	Guguburra
	Charlotte Cleary	Haylie Ingram	Maxx McLean	Lucas Bolton	Lynk Cheng	Chloe Haughton
	Luke Britten	Kane Godwin			Scarlett Berry	Leslie Drage
	Jaxon Simms	Amelia McCulluch			Brodi Bright	Evie Johnston



## PBL Awards

20 Billys	40 Billys	75 Billys	140 Billys	160 Billys	160 Billys
Dayne Grant Chad Wiegold Jakyrn Fernando Caiden Hussell Laylah-Lee McDonald Kylana Doolan Mason Ruttley	Cooper McDonald Isabel Prideaux Ellora Ryan Emerson Molloy Edward Roberts	Elijah Hardy Kaiden Hill Alex Moriarty	Mikayla Baxter Oliver Burns Milton Cole Alexis Grant Kirolos Hana Chloe Haughton Christopher Oliver Adria Ryan Bella Lee Thorn	Isaac Cornwell Douglas Chase Joy Uwase Alec Horton Cheyenne Parkinson Kyla Ragca Michael Zhang	Robyn Doolan Connors Calliope Samuel Aaliyah Niass Oliva Cameron Jaxson Dillon Easton Miller William Ryan Hugo Williams
200 Billys	300 Billys	450 Billys			
Trinity Workman Harry Kilby Darcy Eaton Allana O'Grady Ruby Halling Coby Williams	Sophie Scammell Emily Mitchell Hamish Coster	Katelyn Anslow Imogen Williams			



## 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

## Art Club

### Happenings





# PCYC | POLICE CITIZENS YOUTH CLUBS NSW

## 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
<b>Hot Wheels Raceway</b> — Bring your scooter to the club.	<b>Remote Control Speed Way</b> — Bring your remote control device to the club	<b>Junior Garden Club</b>	<b>Mega Paint Day</b>	<b>PCYC biggest day of records and personal best.</b>
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.  <b>Participants must have helmet, enclosed footwear + appropriate clothing to participate</b>	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
<b>PUBLIC HOLIDAY</b>	<b>Belated National Get Funky Day</b>	<b>National Coffee With A Cop Day</b>	<b>Parkour</b>	<b>Gymnastics</b>
PCYC CLOSED  <b>National Get Funky Day</b>	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

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## SIGN UP NOW FOR JUNIOR CRICKET!!

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

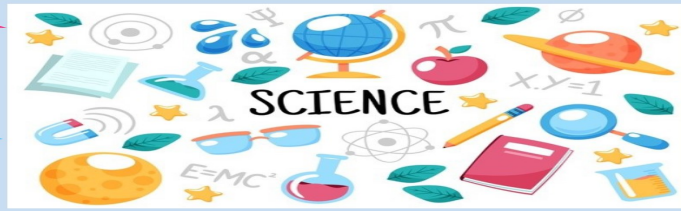
Visit our Facebook page **Cowra District Junior Cricket** or [mycricket.cricket.com.au](http://mycricket.cricket.com.au) for details.



Cowra - Take Home  
School Holiday Activity Packs

CHROMOTOGRAPHY

POTATO  
BATTERIES



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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

STRESS BALL

MINDFULNESS  
COLOURING



Mindful Kids = Happy Kids

GLITTER  
MIND JAR

AFFIRMATION  
CARDS

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!**