

# Cowaramup Primary School Newsletter

## About us

Cowaramup families have a strong connection and association with Cowaramup Primary School.

Throughout the years, Cowaramup Primary School has been characterised by high quality teaching and support staff who have set high literacy and numeracy standards, resulting in excellent academic achievement and progress.

Our school prides itself on developing a positive school culture through managing behaviour in an educative, supportive way.





Term 1 has certainly been busy as we have tried to fit so much in to the short term.

The recent Faction Athletics Carnival was excellent. Staff were so impressed with the competitive but supportive way in which all the students competed over the whole day. Students were respectful of each other, resilient when things didn't go so well and they were always trying to be their best in all the races they were in. It was a joy to see the enthusiasm of students and the huge turnout of their parents and extended families to create such a supportive and community orientated day. Thanks to all who contributed on the day, to make this such a magnificent event.

We are all very proud of Cowaramup PS students, Grace Cook, Jace Reynolds and Oliver Healy who recently competed in the Synergy Solar Car Challenge. Not only did they beat the best in the South West they took on the rest in Perth this week and came second overall. This is an incredible performance using science and maths as part of the Year 6 STEM program, to solve real world problems.

Mr Yorke's Year 5 class have moved their desks and equipment into their new classroom in readiness for them to use it at the commencement of next term. It always amazes me how quickly a classroom can arrive and be set up and turned into an amazing learning space. Currently a tender is out for the construction of a shelter that will cover the verandah of the 4 transportable classrooms. Both the school and the P&C will be funding this initiative. It is planned to get it constructed as soon as we can.

Term 2 is an eleven-week term with many activities planned. Swimming will commence early in the term with notes heading out on the first day back to school next term. Swimming will be over 5 consecutive days of a week.

Recently we had Alex Bailey the *Head of Learning* for Maths from Margaret River Senior High School visit our school to find out more about the maths program that is run at Cowaramup PS. From the testing they have done over the years, Cowaramup students have been found to have high standards on entry into high school. He was full of praise for the dedication of the staff and their understanding of teaching maths.

Yesterday, Julie Ryan our *Manager of Corporate Services* retired after many years of working in the front office. She has contributed a significant amount to our school over the years and we all wish her the very best as she enjoys the next phase of her life.

I am pleased to advise parents that Ms Amy Bolton will continue teaching the Year3/4 class for the remainder of 2021. Mrs Fox will continue in her Deputy Principal role at Millars Well PS in Karratha. The Easter holidays and the school holidays are almost here. Enjoy your time with family and friends and we will see you all ready for the commencement of term 2 on Tuesday 20th April.

**Peter Howse** 

Principal

## We are A Positive Behaviour Support School (PBS)

At our school we manage behaviour by focusing on the good stuff!

Children get points for doing the right thing and then they spend these points by choosing the rewards they like the best. Children do their best more often because they are encouraged to...doing the right thing is what we value the most. We all strive to be respectful, resilient and our best.

In each class, behaviour is also managed with rewards that the children work towards. This is either on their own or as a class.

We also combine our points across classes to get a bigger celebration! We earn our points by doing the right thing, and then we celebrate this positive behaviour!

Our 'Focus of the Fortnight' movie reminds us in a fun way, what behaviours are most acceptable! You can see these at our fortnightly assemblies. Teachers then follow up these lessons in their classrooms. We have raffles at our assemblies that the students use their points for.

With all of this focus on acceptable behaviours the children are taught how to be socially adept, kind, caring and supportive of one another. They are taught what it means to be respectful, resilient and their best.

If a child makes a mistake or behaves in an inappropriate way, we teach them how to behave. This is the same concept as with Maths, Reading or any other area of schooling. We teach, prompt, remind and reteach what is appropriate behaviour.

We use the 'Stop, Walk, Talk' programme to address bullying. The children are taught to say 'Stop!' in response to any mean behaviour, they walk away, and they talk to a teacher. This also works for bystanders. This is an evidence-based, clear approach designed for Primary School aged children.

If you have any questions please come and chat to the staff, about how this wrap around approach that we are immersed in every day, works.

Warm Regards

Amanda Rodda

Deputy Principal



## **Pupil Free Days**

There are two (2) Pupil Free Days next term.

The first is on Monday, April 19 so students will return to school on Tuesday, 20 April.

The other Pupil Free Day is on Friday, 28 May in Week 6 of Term 2.

1 April

Last Day of Term 1 5 April

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See "From the Office" below for

further details

20 April

First Day of Term 2

23 April

Assembly-ANZAC Ceremony

30 April

Assembly-Room 7

3-7 May

Swimming Lessons PP/Yr 1/Yr 2

10-14 May

Swimming Lessons Yr 6

14 May

Assembly-Room 5

17-21 May

Swimming Lessons Yr 3/Yr 4/Yr 5

From the School Yard

## **Faction Athletics Carnival**

What an awesomely fun day was had by all at the Faction Athletics Carnival for 2021. Great 'sportspersonship' was on display by all the students; not to mention the numerous parents who enthusiastically volunteered for the Parents Race! A big shout out to Mr Max and all the staff who put in a lot of hours to ensure the event ran smoothly and enjoyed by everyone.

**Faction Points Places** 

- 1st Marri 475
- 2nd Peppi 460
- 3rd Karri 392
- 4th Jarrah 378

Award	Name	Points	Faction
Yr 1 Girl R/Up	Sky Motzouris	15	Karri
Yr 1 Girl Champion	Eden McConnell	21	Jarrah
Yr 1 Boy R/Up	Curren Watson	13	Marri
Yr 1 Boy Champion	Jed Semini	18	Marri
Yr 2 Girl R/Up	Lucia Koerner-Crappsley	13	Реррі
Yr 2 Girl Champion	Mackenzie Sustek	21	Marri
Yr 2 Boy R/up	Blake Chapman & Billy Rogers	8	Jarrah Marri
Year 2 Boy Champion	Freddy Dargue	18	Jarrah
Yr 3 Girl R/Up	Asha Gullan	24	Реррі
Yr 3 Girl Champion	Asha Kruger	26	Karri
Yr 3 Boy R/Up	Callum Mitchell	16	Реррі
Yr 3 Boy Champion	Rylee Lange	26	Marri
Yr 4 Girl R/Up	Joslyn Newland	23	Реррі
Yr 4 Girl Champion	Pippa Jakovich	29	Marri

Yr 4 Boy R/Up	Ethan Anderson	21	Marri
Yr 4 Boy Champion	Wyatt Fulton	26	Jarrah
Yr 5 Girl R/Up	Summer Lee	31	Jarrah
Yr 5 Girl Champion	Lily Bowler	34	Marri
Yr 5 Boy R/Up	Chase Keen	24	Реррі
Yr 5 Boy Champion	Beau Schelfhout	29	Karri
Yr 6 Girl R/Up	Keoki Lane	22	Реррі
Yr 6 Girl Champion	Jessie Elliott	24	Karri
Yr 6 Boy R/Up	Oliver Healy	28	Marri
Yr 6 Boy Champion	Rocco Holt	32	Реррі
Spirt of the Sport	Roxy Stent		Jarrah



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## Australia Day at Kindy

To finish all of our terrific learning about Australia the kindy kids had a fun Australia Day! They came to school dressed in anything Australian. We had cute koalas, jumping kangaroos, squawking black cockatoos, crikey it was Steve Irwin, Eagles footy players, cricket players, Emma Wiggle and beach and surfer dudes just to name a few! The Kindy kids also made their own Australia Day lunch - vegemite sandwiches and lamingtons! It was a bonza day. Everyone was really good at doing thumbs up and saying "bewdy mate!"



## PLAY - Year 6's interaction program with younger students

Our Year 6's have been trained up to do an interactive program with other lower primary students. It is called 'PLAY'.

The Year 6 students were given the opportunity to facilitate a great program to keep younger students entertained at break time. There is a range of games for a group of four (4) up to a group of eight (8). It has been great to continue children's sport and social skills. It involves all students, and they have heaps of fun!

The student councillors are running the PLAY program weekly. Students and teachers have given positive feedback and are looking forward to each Tuesday lunchtime.



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## Waste Wise Warriors - Room 9

Room 9 have been very busy sorting bread tags that have been sent in. All the bread tags needed to be sorted according to colour. These will now be sent off to New South Wales and melted down and sold as products. The money made from these products are then used to purchase wheelchairs for people in Africa. You can send your bread tags in to Room 9 every time you have collected an amount.

As part of our Waste wise program, we have Terracycle boxes at our school. Terracycle boxes are used to collect items we use a lot, which are then recycled instead of going to landfill. We have one box that collects pencils, textas and markers and thanks to the P&C we have now been able to purchase a box to recycle our glue sticks. You can send these items in from home and drop them off to Room 9. If you can spare it, it would be great if you could donate a gold coin donation to allow us to buy additional boxes to recycle items. Happy recycling!!



## **DFES Visit**

As part of the Year 5 HASS (Humanities and Social Sciences) unit, the students in Room 11 and 12 have been making fire-ready plans and discussing with their family when is the best time to leave if there is a bush fire.

We had the DFES (Department of Fire and Emergency Services) visit to discuss the fire dangers and risks in this area and how to keep our homes safe and the importance of the Five-Minute fire chat. We were also lucky enough to have the fire trucks here to see how they operate and some students became volunteer firefighters with a 'hands on' experience of manning the fire hoses.

A great day and a huge thanks to the DFES and our parent guests!



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## **Solar Car Challenge Grand Final**

On Tuesday the 30th of March Jace Reynolds, Grace Cook and Oliver Healy went to Perth to compete in the Perth Synergy Solar Car Challenge Grand Final! After winning the South-West Bunbury competition the Cowaramup Primary School team were against schools from all over Western Australia.

The event was held at Bob Hawke College and was luckily on a bright sunny day. The year 6 team showed incredible problem solving skills, resilience and co-operation, adjusting their solar car in between races and always working as a team. After a show down round to decide on a podium place they managed to get SECOND place!!!!! Over 700 students competed in this difficult event so be sure to congratulate them when you see them next. Great job guys.





# FROM THE OFFICE



Jeff Williams wins the MR Office Products 'Back to School' competition.

## **School Photos - Specialty Photos**

On photo day specialty group images (Student Councillors, Faction Captains, Library and Flute Monitors) were taken at your school. These images can be viewed and purchased at a unique website, which is DIFFERENT to where you order the portraits and class photos online.

1. To place your Order online simply go to https://mspphotography.shootproof.com/

- 2. Locate the School's Name, then select the album titled: Cowaramup PS Specialist Groups 2021
- 3. You will then be required to enter a password to view the Album. The password for this is FNMDNE21
- 4. Please ensure that you use your child's name at the checkout

5. The images you are viewing are uncropped and will be cropped to fit to a 10x8 print (as per the first image in your gallery, a sample of layout & colour)

- The online orders will be open until midnight on Monday, 5 April 2021 for the Bulk Pricing Offer
- The Bulk Pricing Offer is \$20 per print and these will be delivered to the school BY CLASS GROUP
- After the \$20 pricing expires, the photos will remain available online, but the photos are now at a cost of \$35 per image and delivered to a preferred address.

If you have any queries please contact MSP Photography on 9240 8000 or via email on ordering.perth@msp.com.au

## **School Dental Service**

Rapids Landing Dental Therapy Centre is located at Rapids Landing Primary School, 42 Tonkin Blvd, Margaret River.

Please note that the clinic will be open from Wednesday 7th April (the first week of the school holidays) and for the second week from 8.00am until 4.00pm for any trauma or toothache over the holidays.

**Rapids Landing Dental Therapy Centre / Dental Health Services** 

42 Tonkin Blvd, Margaret River WA 6285

Tel 08 9757 8211

RapidslandingDTC@dental.health.wa.gov.au

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## **BUSSELTON SUPER STORE**

Please note our new opening times for week commencing Tuesday 20 April 2021

Tuesdays	9am – 5pm
Wednesdays	9am – 5pm
Thursdays	9am – 5pm
Saturdays	9am – 12pm

#### Easter Break

The store will be closed from 5pm Thursday 1 April Open Thursday 15 April, 9am - 5pm Open Friday 16 April, 9am – 5pm Open Saturday 17 April 9am - 12pm

Tel: 9270 4663 Email: Busselton@uc.nellgray.com.au Website: nellgray.com.au

33 Bussell Highway, West Busselton, WA 6280

(across from Trevors Carpets)

Google Maps: 88WQ+P5 West Busselton, Western Australia



## Payments made easy

Remember any payments can be made by Direct bank deposit, cash or EFTPOS. Cash or EFTPOS payments can be made in person at the Administration Office or over the phone. When making Direct Bank deposits please include the student name and year.

# COMMUNITY NOTICES

# School Holiday Fun!



## BUSSELTON & MARGARET RIVER VACATION CARE

Our April Vacation Care Timetable Is Here!

Over the school holidays we will be offering our Vacation Care Programs between 6am to 6.30pm at our Busselton and Margaret River Centres. We have lots of fun activities for the children to enjoy!

#### How to Book

**To book in for our Busselton Vacation Care Program** Please contact us on 9752 2483, 0437 751 550 or email office@bluebirdchildcare.com.au if you would like to book in for Busselton Vacation Care or have any questions or would like some more information. **To book in for our Margaret River Vacation Care Program** Please contact us on 0477 704 247 or email outofschoolhourscaremr@bluebirdchildcare.com.au if you would like to book in for Margaret River Vacation Care or have any questions or would like some more informations or would like some more information.



#### MARGARET RIVER TENNIS ACADEMY

Coaches: Pablo Gomez & Laura Roy Email: mrtennisacademy@gmail.com Contact number: 0478773520 Website: <u>www.mrtc.org.au</u>

We run the coaching program at the Margaret River Tennis Club and Cowaramup Tennis Club. Our goal is to bring tennis to people of all ages and levels. We aim to help people improve their skills and gain confidence on the court in a fun environment. For the younger children we use special modified equipment with smaller racquets and low compression balls to help them improve.

#### HOLIDAY CLINICS

1st Week : Wed 07/05 - Thur 08/05 - Frid 09/05 2nd Week : Tue 13/05 - Wed 14/05 - Thur 15/05

A fun way to enjoy the School Holidays learning how to play tennis and meeting new friends. No experience is needed to join in. We teach the basic skills of tennis and play fun games. Its for children from 6 to 14 year old and runs from 9am till 12 noon.

COST: 1 DAY - \$25 or 3 DAYS - \$70

#### AFTER SCHOOL LESSONS

MARGARET RIVER TENNIS CLUB						
Class	Days	Age	Times	Cost per Term	Casual	
Mini Tennis	Monday Wed (Cow)	3-5 year old	3.45pm-4.15pm 10.15am-10.45am	S8 per class	\$8 per class	
Red Ball	Tue & Thur	5-7 year old	3.45pm-4.30pm	\$120 per Term	\$16 per class	
Orange Ball	Tue & Thur	7-9 year old	3.45pm-4.30pm	\$120 per Term	\$16 per class	
Green Ball	Thur	9-11 year old	4.30pm-5.30pm	\$132 per Term	\$17.5 per class	
Green Squad	Thur	by Invitation	4.30pm-5.30pm	\$132 per Term	\$17.5 per class	
High School	Thurs	+12 year old	5.30pm-6.30pm	5132 per Term	\$17.5 per class	
Junior Squad	Tues	by Invitation	4.30pm-6.00pm	\$160 per Term	\$21.5 per class	
Friday Night Pizza	Frid	+7 year old	4pm-6.30pm	\$5 mem/\$10 non- mem	\$5 mem/\$10 non- mem	

#### PLEASE NOTE: Changes to Casual Payment

We offer a FREE trial lesson in a group for all new players in the After School Lessons (excluding MiniTennis)

For families we offer 10% discount for second child and 50% discount for third child, on group After School Program.

#### PAYMENT:

• We will send an involce with payment details in week 2.

To enrol or more info visit www.mrtc.org.au or send an email to mrtennisacademy@gmail.com



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Entries close 12th April 2021

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## **Busselton Festival of Triathlon - Sunday, 2 May**

Head down to Barnard Park on Sunday, 2nd May.

#### Kids Triathlon

There are two distances to choose from – a Short Distance (100m swim, 2km cycle and 500m run) which is open to children aged 7-11 years and the Long Distance (200m swim, 4km cycle and 1km run) which is open to children aged 12-15 years. This short, fun filled event is designed specifically for kids to enjoy themselves and discover what it's like to compete in a triathlon.

#### **Funman Teams Triathlon**

This is a fun filled triathlon which caps off a great weekend of racing and is perfect for friends and families who might want to participate together (or against each other). It includes a 200m swim, 4km cycle and 1km run.

To find out more or to register, please visit our website: www.busseltonfestivaloftriathlon.com.au



#### Cowaramup Childcare Centre Vacation Care Programme

#### 4-9yrs Phone: 08 9755 9801

