Principals Report

I am happy to announce that Mr Mark Snow has accepted the position of Principal at Cooerwull Public School, subject to appeal. Mr Snow is currently the Principal at Bathurst West Public School. He will be welcomed to Cooerwull at the beginning of Term 2 when he will commence as Principal. Until that time I will be continuing as Relieving Principal and Mrs Price will continue as teacher of 2-10.

It was wonderful to see so many new faces at this month’s P&C meeting, please feel free to come along and join in having your input to our school. The P&C meetings are held on the first Tuesday of each month in the infants Staffroom at 5:00 and usually last about 1 hour. The next meeting is on 5th March.

Could I ask all parents please make sure to close the gates when entering or exiting the infant’s site. With new kindergarten students starting and many younger siblings at school in the morning for drop off safety is our first concern.

Eight ways to get your kids organised. Are you ready for morning madness, late assignments, yesterday’s half-eaten lunch sweating in the schoolbag? Just like adults, children cope much better if they can manage their time and their environment wisely. Find out more: http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/homework-tips/eight-great-ways-to-get-your-kidsorganised-for-school

Nothing is ever achieved without enthusiasm.
-- Ralph Waldo Emerson

Dave Prior
Acting Principal

NRL Tackles Bullying

On Thursday the primary site was visited by Tom Eisenhuth and David Simmons from the Penrith Panthers along with Alex and Dylan from Country Rugby League. The players spoke about the theme “NRL tackles bullying”. They showing a DVD’s during and speaking to the students about bullying in the community, school and on the sports field. Tom and David spoke about their club and the ‘Team Mates not Best Mates’ moto that the panthers use, that they must all work together as a team even if they weren’t best mates, applying the same ideal to school we are all ‘School Mates not Best Mates’ and need to work as a school. Students will also be given the opportunity to ask questions about role models, training, and why they like NRL. The players left posters and prizes for the students.

Jargon buster

Wondering why your kids talk about playing under the school COLA? Baffled at parent-teacher discussions about KLA’s? This list of common abbreviations or terms will help you to become familiar with the world inside school. Find out more: http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/homework-tips/school-jargon-busters

Book Club

Just a reminder that Issue 1 Book Club orders and money are due back to school no later than 21st February.
District Swimming

On Friday 15th, February, 18 children from Cooerwull Public School attended the district Swimming Carnival at Portland Pool. All swimmers swam their best with many receiving ribbons. Logan McManus was announced overall Junior Age Champion, with both Carly Bulkeley and Austyn Lincoln receiving runner-up Age Champions in their division.

Congratulations to all the swimmers and a special thanks to all parents who attended, your support is greatly appreciated. The children who have been selected for Western Area Swimming will be announced this week.

Belinda Greer and Karen Bailey

Maths questions

Are you in search of an educational game to sharpen your child's maths skills and recall? Maths Monkey's Quest features maths questions on topics ranging from addition and subtraction to ratios and percentages. It's aimed at children from Years 3 to 8.


Library News 2013

Welcome to a new and exciting year in the library. Mrs Manhood is now taking some of the library classes along with Mrs Howell on a Friday.

Class library days for this year are:
Tuesday - K3, K4, 2-10
Wednesday - S2B, S3S, 1-9, 1-8, S3B
Thursday - 2-11
Friday - S2F, S3M, S2G

Please ensure your child has a library bag on those days to keep library books protected. Books are allowed to be borrowed for one week and need to be brought back in to be returned or re-borrowed. Kindergarten and Year One can borrow one book each week. Year Two, Three and Four can borrow two books each week. Year Five and Six can borrow three books each week. We now have an interactive whiteboard in the Primary Library which is a great addition to our Library Information Technology Program.

We have recently purchased two new series of books being 'Beast Quest' and 'Skulduggery Pleasant'. We also have many new books coming in throughout the year for all reading interests and abilities. Please let us know if there are any new books that you would like to read and we will try to purchase them.

Throughout this term students will be learning about library skills, how to find resources in the library and will enjoy stories from a variety of well known authors.

We are looking forward to a productive and enjoyable year in the library.

Mrs Howell and Mrs Manhood
Canteen News

Primary Roster
Wed 27/02/13 W Dukes
Infants Roster
Wed 20/02/13 E Wilson
Fri 22/02/13 L Williams
Wed 27/02/13 E Wilson
Fri 01/03/13 L Williams

Community News and Events

The Portland Family Resource Centre provide playgroup sessions here at the school stadium for all families with children 0-5 years in the local community. It’s free of charge and a great place to spend some time with your children interacting in the fun activities provided. Playgroup provides pasting, playdough, drawing, puzzles, block building, train sets, painting in all shapes and forms (yes the messy finger painting too!), there are songs and books and much, much more. It’s also a great place to meet other parents and gain some parenting support. Feel free to pop in and see what the groups are like or phone Leeanne on 6355 4268 or 0427 074 066

Bring along your hat in the spring and summer months for outdoor play, a piece of fruit to share and a drink.

Cooerwull Public School Hall Every Thursday in school terms – 9:30am to 11:30am

The focus of these groups is to develop children’s learning through fun and challenging play experiences with their parents or carers.

COME ALONG AND JOIN THE FUN!!

If you live outside the Lithgow area there are also playgroups at Portland Central School Mondays 9:30am to 11:30am Wallerawang Stadium (next to school) Tuesdays 9:30am to 11:30am

Free Rugby League Clinic- 21st Feb

A free rugby league clinic will be held at the Lithgow Showground this Thursday the 21st of February. Under 10’s, 11’s and 12’s start at 4pm and runs until 5pm. U13’s, 14’s, 15’s and 16’s starts at 4:30pm and runs until about 6pm. Everybody is welcome to come and try. If they wish to sign up it is $80 for the season and they will receive their socks and shorts that day. Jumpers are given out at the end of the year.

Steve Brooks
Lithgow Storm JRLFC

EVANS CROWN COMBINED SCHOOLS HORSE SPORTS DAY
Monday 11th March 2013
All enquiries please phone
Trish - 63375725
FOR RIDERS: 7 YRS - 18YRS
VENUE: Lithgow Pony Club
ENTRIES CLOSE Friday 1st March 2013

Lithgow Flash® Gift
Major Sponsor Centennial Coal
Feature Races include:
Centennial Coal Lithgow Flash® Gift
Coal Services 5 km Valley Challenge
Zig Zag Mile • Junior Events
Saturday 23 February 2013
Tony Luchetti Showground, Lithgow
From 10.30am
www.lithgow.com/flashgift

Lithgow District Netball Association

Muster Days 16th & 23rd February 10am-12pm. Wallerawang Indoor Sports Centre, Barton Street, Wallerawang (next to Primary school). Juniors, seniors, beginners and experienced players wanting to play in the 2013 netball competition need to register by the 16th March starting date. Individuals and/or teams are welcome to register. For information contact Graeme: 0429 231 647.
LITHGOW THISTLE SFC
2013 MUSTER DAY
Saturday, 23rd February, 11pm-2pm
Marjorie Jackson Oval Clubroom.

Players required in all age groups from Under 6 through to Senior Ladies & Men for the Lithgow Competition.

All new & past players will be made most welcome.

For more information, please phone Lorraine Keay 0419 621 426

Lithgow City Rangers
Soccer Club
The Lithgow City Rangers Soccer club will be holding their 2013 muster days on the following dates: 19th & 21st February, 1st March
Time:4pm to 6pm at the Marjorie Jackson Sporting Complex. For further information contact Nigal Lloyd on 6351 2697.

Workies Redbacks FC
Muster Days
New players
Fri 22nd Feb 3.30 – 5.30
Fri 1st March 3.30 – 5.30
Marjorie Jackson Sporting Complex
Enquiries: Lia Jennings 0407 897 890
Fiona Slater: 0429 070 471

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