Principals Report

I was so proud of the children who represented Cooerwull Public School at the Regional Swimming Carnival in Dubbo. The children were supportive of one another, did their very best in the pool and were great representatives of our wonderful school. Many of our children swam personal best times and congratulations to Logan McManus who qualified to attend the N.S.W. P.S.S.A. Swimming Championships at Homebush in April.

There will be two Staff Development Days at the beginning of Term 2. Students will return on Wednesday 1st May. Teachers will be joining with all of the WGEC (Western Gateway Education Community) at Wallerawang for the first Staff Development Day. The second development day will consist of learning around the National Curriculum some of which will be introduced in 2014.

School Uniform

All children require a broad brimmed hat each day as our school has a “No Hat, No Play” policy. This policy has operated at Cooerwull for a number of years in Terms 1 and 4. Through consultation with the P & C the policy will be extended across the whole year. Students will be required to wear their hat when outside all year. Due to the cooler conditions of winter a school beanie is also being introduced, the beanie will become available in the next week or two from the Infants office and will sell for $10. Beanies can be worn instead of the broad brimmed hat during terms 2 and 3.

The school is also introducing shorts and a sports track suit which have previously been unavailable for purchase. These items will form part of the school’s sports uniform. The items will also be available in the next few weeks. If you would like to pre order any items this can be done at the infant’s office. The items will sell for: Shorts $18, tracksuit pants $30 and jacket $36 (prices may change slightly after the first order). These are additions to the current uniform rather than a change.

Vision and Hearing

How long has it been since your child has had their hearing and vision checked? Healthy ears and eyes are crucial to learning and need to be checked regularly to ensure that your child continues to be successfully engaged in learning activities.

If any parent has any concerns regarding any aspect of school life, please do not hesitate to contact me. “Education is our passport to the future, for tomorrow belongs to the people who prepare for it today.” — Malcolm X

Dave Prior
Acting Principal
Public Speaking
Does your child suffer glossophobia? Fear of public speaking is common. Try creating opportunities for your child to present speeches to the family, without putting pressure on them to perform. Here are some tried and true tips to make your child’s next speech a success. Find out more: http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/english/english-tips/public-speaking-in-primary-school

Lithgow Men’s Shed
A big thank you to the Lithgow Men’s shed who have generously donated their time and skills to refurbish the Primary Department school sign. It looks amazing.

Western Region Basketball
On Wednesday 6th March, 14 students travelled to Wallerawang Indoor Sports Stadium to participate in try outs for the Western Region Basketball team. All students who attended performed superbly and did our school proud. We were lucky enough to have 6 boys and 4 girls selected to travel to Cowra in 2 weeks’ time. A big congratulations to the following students: Bryson Dukes, Luke Thompson, Cooper Egan, Austyn Lincoln, Fletcher Swift, Jack Willott, Alayah Lincoln, Geordie Goodwin, Renae Dukes and Grace Adams. I would like to thank the parents/grandparents who supported us and would like to encourage all students who participated (and those who didn’t) to participate in our school basketball teams later in the year!

Belinda Greer Basketball Co-ordinator

Boys Cricket
On the 5th March 2013 the boys’ cricket team travelled to Rylstone to play Rylstone Public School in the first round of the PSSA boys knockout cricket competition. The overcast day started with the boys losing the toss and being sent into bat. After a very watchful start they found their rhythm and amassed a very competitive score of 5/110 off 25 overs. The scorers were Pawan Gajula who retired on 40, Nicholas Brownnett 15, Bryson Dukes 7, Ben Merrick 4, Mitchell Thompson 3, Meekail Haider 2 and Jack Willott 1. In the field the team played an excellent brand of cricket bowling a consistent line and length and Kobi Egan, Joshua Grant and Ben Merrick taking some great catches to bowl Rylstone out for 43. The wicket takers were Pawan Gajula 2/11, Nicholas Brownnett 3/2, Ben Merrick 1/13, Kobi Egan, 1/6 Austyn Lincoln 1/5 Bryson Dukes 1/3 and Meekail Haider 0/1 off 3 overs. Jessie Ringin also battled well in the field saving a number of runs. I would like to thank Mr Thompson for scoring on the day and all the parents who gave up their time to help drive the boys out to Rylstone.

Congratulations to the team for their fantastic win and wonderful sportsmanship.
A number of boys tried out for the district cricket squad of 4 on Wednesday 6th March with Pawan Gajula being successful. Well done Pawan!

Ben Foster Cricket Coach
Book Club
Just a reminder that bookclub orders and money are due back Wednesday the 20th March.

Canteen News
Do you have 3 hours to spare? If you do, have you thought about helping out at the school canteen? The canteen is staffed by volunteers including parents and grandparents and help is always needed. Your help will ensure that the canteen continues to provide a valuable service to the school, children and staff. Contact Chris at the canteen for more information about how you can help.

Community News and Events
Lithgow City Rangers Soccer Club
Muster Day for junior boys and girls on Wednesday 27th March at Marjorie Jackson Soccer complex from 4pm to 6pm. For more information contact Nigal Lloyd on 6351 2697 or 0409 676 019.

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ZUMBA
ZUMBA classes for adults are held at the Lithgow Public School Hall every Tuesday at 5.30pm during school terms! ZUMBA is a great way to get fit, de-stress and most importantly have a bit of fun! All fitness levels are welcome! Classes are $12 and you don't have to book! For more information call Angela on 0411 700188

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