Principals Report

It has been a busy few weeks at Cooerwull with 300 plus in attendance at the Senior Citizens concert. A special mention must be made of one Grandparent who travelled from Victoria to attend the performance.

We have seen our Futsal team make it through to the State finals in September, Logan McManus swam in the State championships in Homebush, Seven students make the Western Region Basketball team. We also had some wonderful creations at the annual Easter hat parade.

A reminder that 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 school hat when outside all year. Due to the cooler conditions of winter a school beanie is also being introduced. The beanie is now available from the Infants office and will sell for $10.

Beanies can be worn instead of the broad brimmed hat during terms 2 and 3.

On the 12th April, 2013 we will hold the school’s ANZAC Day Remembrance Service in the school hall at 10.30 am.

The Lithgow city ANZAC Day march will be held on Thursday 25th April 2013. The school will be represented by the School Captains and Prefects and any other child who is interested in participating.

The School Captains will lay a wreath for the school. Arrangements should be made with your child/children to be collected after the service by yourself or a responsible adult.

Full School Uniform is to be worn. As the weather can be cold school jumpers can also be worn.

If any parent has any concerns regarding any aspect of school life, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Dave Prior  Acting Principal

Science Starters

Did humans live with dinosaurs? Does the moon disappear in the day? Kids love to know the answers to life’s mysteries but there are a few facts they often get wrong in the name of science.

Senior Citizen Concert

On Wednesday the 27th March we held our annual Senior Citizens Concert. Students had been rehearsing selected items all term and put on a fantastic performance. We would like to thank all of the grandparents and family members who attended the concert and morning tea afterwards.

Boy’s Cricket

On the 19th March 2013 the boy’s cricket team walked down to Watford Oval to play Kandos Public School in the second round of the PSSA boys knockout cricket competition. After losing the toss the boys were sent into the field. They bowled and fielded very well in the first 13 overs to have the visitors 2 for 38 at drinks. The next 13 overs saw a Kandos fight back to finish at 104. Jessie Ringing finished with 1/7 and Jack Willott 1/9. It was then our turn to bat with Nick (retired 40), Pawan (31 not out), Austyn (1) and Ben guiding the team to 2/109 after 25 overs.

It was a great match and the sportsmanship displayed by both teams was outstanding. I would like to congratulate the team for their fantastic win taking us into Round 3.

A special thank you to all the parents and especially to Mr Mitchell and Mr Ringin for all their efforts scoring and being willing to umpire and help on the day.

Our next match will be played against either Bathurst Public or Mudgee Public depending on results.

Ben Foster
Cricket Coach

Western PSSA Basketball

Congratulations to Fletcher Swift, Austyn Lincoln, Bryson Dukes, Luke Thompson, Jack Willott, Georgie Goodwin and Alayah Lincoln who travelled to Cowra last week and were selected in the Western PSSA Basketball Team. They will compete in the State carnival at Bankstown in May. Students were selected following a district trial at Wallerawang and the area trial in Cowra. Fletcher, Austyn, Geordie and Alayah also represented Western PSSA basketball in 2012. With 5 boys being selected from Cooerwull our boys make up half of the Western Team. Well done to all students who tried out.
P&C Fund Raising
Please remember to return the chocolate fundraising money to the office before the end of term, thanks.

School Contribution
School Contributions are now due. School contributions remain at $30 per child with the third child in a family $10 and fourth or subsequent children free. Invoices for outstanding accounts will be sent home in early Term 2.

Cooerwull Dancing with the Stars
On Tuesday 9th April 2013, the annual “Cooerwull’s Dancing with the Stars” will be held at the Lithgow High School Auditorium, from 6.30pm till 8pm. Children in Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2 have been practising folk dances to perform for their families on this evening. The children will also ask family members to join in some of the dances.

The children may come dressed in fancy dress or party clothes and are asked to assemble at the Lithgow High School Auditorium from 6.15pm. Tickets are available from the Infants Office and the prices are as follows: Family $8.00, Adults, $5.00 and Child, $2.50. Infants children do not require a ticket.

Athletics Carnival
The School Athletics Carnival will be held at the Jim Monaghan Oval commencing at 9.30am on Monday 8th April 2013. Children are to come to school as usual in the morning and will walk to the oval. They will return to the school at the end of the carnival in time to catch their bus. All parents are most welcome to attend the carnival to support the children, but the children must remain seated in their House Groups. Parent helpers are required for both the canteen area and with the Athletics Carnival, if you can help please contact the school.

Purple Day
Purple Day is an international grassroots effort dedicated to increasing awareness about epilepsy worldwide. People in countries around the world are invited to wear purple and host events in support of epilepsy awareness. At Cooerwull on 11th April we will hold a Purple Day and are asking for a gold coin donation which will be sent to Epilepsy Australia. Epilepsy is the world's most common serious brain disorder. It is currently impacting the lives of over 225,000 Australians.

Easter Raffle
Congratulations to all the lucky Winners for our Easter raffle.

Infants Winners
Conall O’Sullivan, Lilly Rich, Grace Collins, Riley Scanlan, Molly Bright, Noah Preston, Kai Fuller, Chloe Murray, Tayah Crook, Cameron Turnell, Blake Fittler.

Primary Winners

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.

Thank you to everyone who donated items for the Senior Citizens morning tea. The morning tea would not have been possible without Chris and her wonderful team of helpers including Kelly Morcom, Wendy Dukes, Elizabeth Wilson, Kelly Benjamin, Kym Cama, Sharon Hill, Nikki Barrett, Lesley Simmonds and Amanda Lane.

Futsal State Finals
On Tuesday 26th March Cooerwull entered their first Futsal competition. The team travelled to Bathurst to play in a round robin competition. They played team from Mudgee, Dubbo and Parkes. In the first game against Dubbo Christian School unfortunately
Cooerwull was defeated 1-0 in a very close match. The second game was just as close against Middleton with Cooerwull winning 3-2. The third game was against undefeated St Matthews where we went down 4-2 their closest margin of the competition. The final pool game was against Cudgegong Valley where we were beaten 5-1.

After the pool matches Cooerwull was 3rd on the ladder and again had to play Cudgegong Valley. In a hard fought semi we were victorious with a turnaround winning 4-1 and going through to the final.

Although we did not win in the final Cooerwull going down 7-3 the team qualified for the state championship to be held in Penrith on Tuesday, 6th August.

Well done Kyle Cummings, Jack Willot, Kobi Egan, Luke Thompson, Lachlan Thompson, Jessie Ringin, Caleb Melnyk, Jack Mantle. Thankyou also to Mr Cummings and to the parents who assisted with transport on the day.

**Community News and Events**

**Pilates**

Accredited exercise Physiologist Kristen Cummins will be running Pilates classes at St Patrick’s School Hall on Monday and Wednesday evenings at 6pm and cost of $16.50pp

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**Lithgow City Rangers Soccer Club**

Lithgow City Rangers are looking for both Boys and Girls in U/8’s and U/9’s who would like to play soccer and can fit into a team immediately. For more details contact Nigal on 6351 2697 or 0409 676 019.

**INTRODUCTION TO EQUESTRIAN VAULTING**

Equestrian vaulting is a combination of gymnastics and dance on horseback. You don’t need to own a horse to enjoy this sport...

all you need is a love of horses and a desire to try something different!

**LOCATION:** Arundel Equestrian
890 Jenolan Caves Road, Good Forest

**DATES:** April 18
April 20

**DETAILS:** The half-day introduction will cover the basic movements using the vaulting barrel as well as the horse.

**COST:** $40 per person, refreshments included

**INSTRUCTOR:** Kerri Pitts, Equestrian Australia NCA Coach

For More Information contact Kerri Pitts on 6359 3022 for full details and bookings.
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