Welcome back to school for Term 4. I hope that everyone enjoyed the holidays. Term 4 is always a busy time at Cooerwull Public School and the students seem very keen to get started on the many and various classroom and extra-curricula activities including in the next few weeks: Stage 3 excursion to Canberra, Crazy Hair day and our School Fete.

It will be terrific to see so many new families around the school with our Kindergarten orientation program Ready Set Go beginning on 28th October. The pre-schoolers who attended will get to know a bit about the school before they join us in kindergarten next year. The 2014 kindergarten students will also be taking part in the Ready Set Go program in the final week with a combined activities morning. The Ready Set Go program will run on Tuesdays until 18th November.

If you are yet to enrol a student for kindergarten in 2015 or yet to return your forms, please contact the school office as soon as possible.

Tracy began in the Primary Library in 1995 while expecting her son Michael. She leaves us now as Michael is sitting his HSC some 18 years later. Tracy has worked in many positions in the Junior and Senior Campus’ and is well regarded and loved by staff and students alike. Tracy worked with a high level of care, professionalism and consistency. We congratulate and wish Tracy well in her new role and would like to thank her for her loyalty and many contributions to Cooerwull Public School.

All the best Mrs Dewar!!

Getting organised for Term 4
Keep track of the week numbers of each Term and help your family stay on top of the million and one things happening this time of year. Take a look at School A to Z’s monthly planners. They’re easy to print out and pop up on the fridge for all to see. You might even want to print a spare for each child’s bedroom so there are no excuses for them to forget homework, chores and other weekly activities. http://bit.ly/UbMqz8

If any parent has a concern about their child’s education or would like to discuss any aspect of school life, please contact me at the school.

Finally a thought for the week...
“An investment in knowledge pays the best interest.” – Benjamin Franklin

Have a great week!
Dave Prior
Relieving Principal
JUNIOR CHOIR PERFORMS AT SYDNEY TOWN HALL

Thumbs up for Town Hall Primary Proms!!

Cooerwull was once again excited to be a part of the NSW DEC Arts Unit Primary Proms last Term. The Arts Unit’s festival series allows public school students from around the state to join together and perform a range of challenging musical items. Cooerwull’s Junior Choir was selected by audition, and the students have been working toward the Proms series from the beginning of this year.

SOME OF OUR DEDICATED SUPPORTERS AT TOWN HALL……………….

Twenty-four students travelled to Sydney for the performance and practised all afternoon so they could perform at their best for the evening concert. They performed 11 songs with the combined choir and enjoyed watching a range of performances from other students as well. Our students are to be especially congratulated on their manners and work ethic during the performance and practices - Cooerwull was complimented regularly by backstage and Arts Unit staff, and they conducted themselves very professionally! Congratulations on an excellent concert and great work, Junior Choir, we’re proud of you! Thanks to Mrs Foster and Mrs Manhood and the many parents who travelled to watch the students perform.

ELLIE CAPTURES THE JUDGE’S ATTENTION!!!

Ellie Spillane from class 4/5/6/M won $1000 for the school canteen when she entered a short story competition. The Australia wide competition was run by AUSTRALIAN FOODSERVICE DISTRIBUTION, with one of Cooerwull’s local canteen providers being Colless’. In 250 words or less Ellie gave her version of what a difference $1000 would make to our school canteen. Highlighting some of the adversities our split site faces daily, Ellie came out a winner!!! Thanks to Kel for her great initiative in involving Cooerwull in this competition! Congratulations Ellie, Chris and Kel in the canteen are most excited!

P & C MEETING TODAY AT 5PM COME ALONG

PRIMARY LIBRARY 5PM

• Executive positions for 2015:
  President:            Alison Preston
  Vice President:      Elizabeth Wilson
  Treasurer:           Michael Officen
  Canteen:             Cindy Buerckner
  Secretary:           Amanda Lane

Thank you to those who came to the A.G.M. and took on a role in the P & C.

• Please note the change of date for the Fete. The Fete will be held on Friday 14th November.
• Don’t forget to make your donations of cans of drink/poppers, handmade goods and white elephant products.
• There will be a Crazy Hair/Hat Day this Friday to collect blocks of chocolate or bags of lollies for the Coin Toss game.
• Your wrist band note will also come home shortly, so be sure to get in early to take advantage of the early bird price.
• Anyone able to help on a stall for any amount of time would be greatly appreciated. Please leave
your name, number and availability at the office and the P & C will be in touch.

- End of year Disco is being planned for Thursday 30th October.

K4 MASTERPIECE ‘ROY – TALE OF A SINGING ZEBRA’

Students in K4 under the guidance of Mrs Willison have written their very own books!! Last Term the class watched an interactive story on the whiteboard titled ‘Roy – Tale of a Singing Zebra’ and from this then reproduced their own version. The book has taken the students many weeks to compile and contains 9 chapters!! As well as the fantastic stories the kids have also illustrated and published their work. Great stuff from K4 and Mrs Willison!!

A PREHISTORIC ADVENTURE

What a great way to top off Week 1 of Term 4!! Students from the Junior Campus travelled to Bathurst to explore the Australian Fossil and Mineral Museum and Adventure Playground! Year 2 were thrilled to see dinosaurs come to life and students were able to experience a full T-Rex skeleton, fossilised dinosaur eggs, preserved ancient insects captured in tree sap and ancient rocks and minerals. Lunchtime was a great deal of fun at the Dinosaur Adventure Playground with slippery dips, giant dinosaur footprints, hatching Dino eggs, sculptures of dinosaurs and even bones to uncover in the sandpit! Thanks Mrs Ruhan and Mrs Price for a great day!

LITHGOW COMMUNITY ORCHESTRA EXTRAVAGANZA

On Sunday 9th November Cooerwull will be hosting a community concert in the school hall. The Lithgow Orchestra in conjunction with Cooerwull’s P & C will hold a spring concert showcasing the talent of our local musicians. There will be a mix of music from popular movie themes to Mozart and Beethoven. Afternoon tea will be provided and the concert kicks off at 3pm with tickets just $15, kids are free. Peter Avery has remarked on the amazing acoustics in our hall, well worth a listen!!

V8 SUPERCAR EXCITEMENT

Harry Unsworth with the Valvoline Team who lead the race much of Sunday. Special thanks to the boys, they spent time signing over 60 posters for our kids!!

Last week 60 Cooerwull students were lucky enough to be part of ‘Students on Track’ a new initiative by V8 Supercars at the Bathurst Races. Only two schools in the...
Lithgow area were invited to participate and Cooerwull was fortunate to be one of them. The day included a close up of many aspects of the races. Students were able to view many parts of the track, watch the V8’s in practice, have a trip down pit lane, meet some famous drivers, tour a garage and a Navy helicopter. A great day was had by all!!! A huge thank you goes to Mrs Bell and Mr Foster for putting Cooerwull’s name forward and organising a once in a lifetime opportunity for some students.

JOHN WELLINGS ARTWORK AWARD WINNERS
Local Historian John Wellings has again held his Local Historic competition in conjunction with Lithgow City Council where Cooerwull has once again been successful. Stage 3 students from local schools were invited to create a poster themed on Lithgow and The Great War. Congratulations to Heather Sy (Highly Commended), Jessica-Rose Lutschini (2nd Prize) and Keira Gray (Equal 3rd).

### TERM 4 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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