PRINCIPALS REPORT

SASS Recognition Week

This week all DEC schools will acknowledge the immense contribution that the support staff provides each and every day. Whether it is managing the office areas, providing support in the classrooms, promoting the school, maintaining the grounds and many other roles these positions are essential in ensuring that the school can operate effectively every day. I would like to take this opportunity to say thanks to the amazing, capable and hardworking SASS team at Cooerwull Public School.

Preschool Visit

It was an absolute pleasure to visit Jack and Jill Preschool last Friday to meet some families and students who will be enrolling at Cooerwull in 2015. Mr Prior, Mrs McKinney and a group of students attended the meeting. The Ready, Set, Go program was discussed and the importance of making the transition to school successful for all students. Many thanks to the students for spending quality time with the pre-schoolers. We are looking forward to welcoming them next term.

Parent/Carer Survey

The school values the opinions, suggestion and ideas expressed by parents and carers. The school will be entering a new planning phase in 2015 and the survey attached to this newsletter will provide important information to enable the community to make decisions together about the future of the school. Please complete the attached survey and return to the K-2 or 3-6 Office.

Have a great week!

Mr Mark Snow
Principal
Cooerwull Public School

BOOK WEEK PARADES A HUGE SUCCESS !!!!!

Cooerwull celebrated Book Week with a fantastic character parade. Celebrating a love of Literacy, this year’s theme was ‘Connect To Reading’. The school hall and playground were brimming as visitors were
welcomed for the parades and morning tea. In the afternoon three local identities captivated students with their storytelling tales. Mr Rob Morrow, Mrs Kathy Compton and our very own Mr Ben Foster mesmerised classrooms with their stories which topped off a great day!!

Happy witches from the Infants!!

VIRTUE OF THE WEEK
CO-OPERATION

Cooperation is working and playing well with others.
You show cooperation when you respect others. You show cooperation when you follow our school rules which keep everyone safe and happy.

Cooperation is doing your part to keep our school a safe and happy one.
Cooperation is solving disagreements in positive ways e.g. be the boss of anger, listen, negotiate, sort out smart solutions and use peer mediation.

WESTERN CHALLENGE DEBATING ROUND 2
Should primary school children have a facebook page?

On Monday 11th August, our Cooerwull Public School debating team, consisting of Jai Morgan (first speaker), Ellie Spillane (second speaker), Wei Qi Yin(third speaker) and Mitchell Bradford (Team Advisor) participated in Round 2 of the Western Debating Challenge against Coolah Public School via a video conference. The team was required to argue that primary school children should not have a Facebook page. All speakers presented engaging speeches with quality arguments. The team worked well together to develop quality rebuttal and to attack flaws in Coolah’s arguments, and as such a lively debate followed. Presenting quality rebuttal was an area the team has worked on since our first debate. Unfortunately, Cooerwull was defeated. The team would like to thank Mr Prior for his technology expertise in setting up the video conference for us. Miss Snow would also like to thank all parents and caregivers that assisted with speech development.

DISTRICT ATHLETICS REPS.......... A big congratulations to all our students who travelled to Dubbo last Friday to compete in the Western Athletics Carnival. Several students came away with personal best times, giving their all!! The Dubbo carnival competition is fierce being such a large area and some students missed out by seconds or just a few centimetres!! Thanks to the many families who made the journey to support our students and to Rob and Naomi Morrow for coordinating our school group on the day.

MORE WESTERN REPRESENTATIVE ACOLESIDE!!!
These brothers in arms are no strangers when it comes to representing their school and District. Luke and Lachlan have taken it a step further being selected to represent Western Area at the NSW PSSA Athletics Carnival to be held at Homebush on the 15th-16th October. Luke will be running in the 200m and Lachlan will compete in the Long Jump. Congratulations and good luck!!!
A NEW LOOK ON THE WAY FOR COOERWULL PUBLIC
Here is a picture of our students sampling a proposed new school shirt! Looks great! We look forward to your feedback from the survey which is attached to today’s newsletter!!

SPELLERS OF THE WEEK >>>>>>>>>>>>
These little Infants champions have been selected as the Infants ‘Spellers of the Week’. Learning to spell helps to cement the connection between the letter and their sounds. Learning high-frequency ‘sight words’ to mastery level improves both reading and writing!!

MUSIC TO YOUR EARS !!!!!!!
Class 2.11 were playing up a storm last Thursday and it was literally music to your ears! This once a week music class taught by Mrs Auld have their tunes ‘down pat’, learning basic notes and simple pieces.....Primary Opera House stars of the future!!!!!!

COOERWULL PHOTOGRAPHIC EXHIBITION!!!!
Eskbank House is holding a photographic exhibition featuring Cooerwull Public School.
This year from the 3-21 September, “Through my Eyes” a photographic exhibition by 4/5/6M will be in the Courtyard Gallery at Eskbank House with an official opening by Cooerwull Patron Olwyn King at 12pm on Friday 5 September 2014. All parents/carers are welcome to attend the opening, or to come and see the exhibition at another time that suits them.

THE EXHIBITION BY 4/5/6M will be held at Eskbank House and Museum in the Courtyard Gallery.
The exhibition will run from 3 to 21 September 2014 with an official opening at 12pm on Friday 5 September.

For further information contact Sherryn McConnell at Cooerwull Public School on 63513106 or EskBank House and Museum on 63513557.

The exhibition was an enrichment activity designed to engage the 21st Century Learner. Its aim was to stimulate the students to open their eyes to the world of photography. We would like to acknowledge the Moran Trust Foundation and Lithgow Cultural Officer for their support.

PLEASE DON’T FORGET THE P & C ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING TODAY AT 5PM IN THE PRIMARY LIBRARY.

A SPACE CONVERSATION BY 3/4K’S SHANNON HODGES
On a cold and frosty morning, a laser eyed Alien from Planet Mambo was heading towards his space rocket when a small Martian from The Galactic Police Force appeared from a bomb of smoke.
“I am worker Mimo from the Galactic Police Force. Take me to your leader or die!” screamed Mimo loudly as he loaded his gun quickly.
"I would never let you know my leader's identity! I could squish you like a bug" shouted the laser eyed Alien anxiously as he stepped back slowly. Mimo shot his gun, the Alien ducked. The Alien jumped up and grabbed Mimo's gun and threw it away. Mimo tried to fight back but he was too weak and small. The laser eyed Alien threw Mimo so close to the sun he melted. That was the end of Mimo!!

ANNOUNCEMENT OF COATES HOUSE CAPTAIN.
Congratulations to Caleb Melnyk who today was announced as the new Coates House Captain. Caleb will now join Heather Sy at the helm of Coates House which is a great honour. Congratulations Cub!!

MORE SUPPORT FOR THE GELDENHUY'S TRUST!!
LITHGOW GOLF CLUB is hoasting a Trivia Night on Friday 12th September @ 6.30pm. Only $20.00 per person, light finger food supplied and HEAPS OF GREAT PRIZES TO BE WON!! Limited Tickets, call Henriette on 6351 3164 or 0456 454 940.

COOERWULL PLAYGROUP STILL IN ACTION
Playgroup runs at Cooerwull Public School each Thursday and is FREE!!! Come and join us in the school hall from 9.30am – 11.30am. Supported by LINC and Communities and Kids, the FREE playgroup aslo runs at
PORTLAND
WALLERAWANG
FATIMA HALL, LITHGOW

LITHGOW ABORIGINAL COMMUNITY SHARING AND LEARNING CIRCLE
Would like to invite local Aboriginal residents and organisations that provide services to the Aboriginal Community to attend this important event.

When: Tuesday 3 June 2014
Where: LINC Hall Padley Street Lithgow
Time: 10am – 2pm Registration @9.30
Lunch Provided
For more information contact Clarke Scott- Facilitator on 0432031921

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