PRINCIPALS REPORT

Reflecting on a Great Year
Dear Cooerwull Community,
As the school year comes to a close I would like to take this opportunity to reflect on 2015. This year has been an extraordinary time at Cooerwull Public School. The “journey” at this excellent school continues to bring immense joy on a daily basis. The commitment of the executive, teachers, support staff and volunteers has been commendable and this has resulted with students’ receiving a very high standard of education.

The goal of all teachers has been to provide a learning environment where students can connect, engage and thrive through quality teaching with a focus on student well-being. It has been a delight to visit classrooms and see happy, motivated and focussed students.

The school, once again, shone in Creative Arts, Academia and Sport. Many students represented the school across the region in a variety of pursuits building experience and confidence. I am most grateful to the staff and parents for making the commitment to support these important occasions.

The P&C continued to work extremely hard to raise funds for the students and the executive team is to be congratulated for their efforts. Maintaining effective partnerships with the Western Gateway Education Community, the AECG and local early childhood providers has also benefited the school.

Year 6 have worked very hard this year and I have been very proud of the way they have carried themselves as leaders, dedicated students and representatives of Cooerwull. I would like to take this opportunity to wish them well at High School and thank their families for supporting the school over many years.

I would like to wish everyone a happy and safe holiday and please take the time to enjoy the company of family and friends over the festive season. Congratulations to everyone for a very successful 2015.

School Security
Please contact school security on 1300 880 021 if you seen anything suspicious on the school grounds over the holidays. Your support with this would be greatly appreciated by the school community.

Return to School 2016
- Students in grades 1-6 will return to school on Thursday 28 January 2016
- Year 2 students are to arrive at the K-2 site and the students will then go to the primary site.
- Kindergarten students will complete the Best Start assessments in Week 1 and start in class at the beginning of Week 2.

Have a good week

Mark Snow
Principal

SRC News

Benefits of an SRC Leadership Program for the Community
- provides future leaders for the community
- supports charities and awareness of causes/situations of others
- SRC can be a voice at P & C or other parent meetings
- develops links with community businesses
- broadens the presence and raises the profile of the school
School Spectacular Reports

On Friday 27th November, a few students from Cooerwull travelled by train to Sydney in order to watch the School Spectacular.

The School Spectacular was held at the Sydney Entertainment Centre for the last time before it gets bulldozed. Students from right across New South Wales attended the School Spectacular to watch and to perform. There was magnificent dancing and amazing singing.

Students from just 12 years of age were singing in front of 10 000 people!

After the train trip we ate lunch in the park, and then split into 3 groups (Mrs Auld’s, Mrs Manhood’s and Miss Roberts). Then we walked to the entertainment Centre. Outside there was the Millennium Marching Band so the school watched them play.

After the Band we went to find our seats. Not long after the show began. There were many superb performances. There were acrobats, Pepper Pig and Bob the Builder.

At the end of the performances everyone came on stage dressed as Bob the Builder, Inspector Gadget, Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles, Sponge Bob, Pepper Pig, Mike the Knight and minions. Everyone sang the theme song to the show.

It was majestic. Sadly after approximately 3 hours, the show came to an end.

Well done to everyone who attended. Your manners were amazing. Congratulations to Sam Garland for winning an iPad from Telstra.

Bella Nunan and Jenna Sheather

On the 27th November, 20 students and 3 teachers travelled to Sydney by train to see School Spectacular.

We stopped on our way to have lunch in the park before the show. When we got to the Entertainment Centre we were greeted by a spectacular Millennium Marching Band.

We walked into the huge Entertainment Centre which was lit up with colourful lights. The show was absolutely breathtaking. There were over 3600 students performing and they were all fabulous.

There were dancers, gymnasts, musicians and singers. One of our students, Samuel Garland won a silver iPad Air in seat 2 of our row.

We travelled back by train and got to Lithgow at 7.20 pm. Everyone had a great time.

Meg Carter and Claire Tilley