



COPMANHURST PUBLIC SCHOOL

Newsletter

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Principal's message

School planning 2018 – 2020.

Public schools in NSW are commencing planning for the next 3 year planning cycle from 2018 – 2020. The school plan outlines the priorities of each school and where resources are to be allocated. This is a time where we as a school community look at where we are and where we want to be headed over the next three years. When developing our current plan (2015 – 2017) our staff and P&C members agreed on a vision for our school. In developing our new school plan we identified that although the vision summarised our school and what we are all about, it was rather long and wordy! We decided that a simpler, shorter statement was needed to express our vision for our school. This is what we came up with:

Our school community is working in unity to support and strengthen student success.

It incorporates elements of our traditional school motto; "Strength in Unity" and we also acknowledge that success for one child may be something completely different for another.

In our current school plan we have two 'Strategic Directions'. These are:

1. To deliver improved outcomes in Literacy and Numeracy for all students.
2. To support the positive emotional and mental health and well being of all our students.

We will keep these two Strategic Directions in our next plan and add a third which will be centred around Science and Technology and futures learning for our children. This will include children learning to code. As such we will be allocating funds to purchase hardware and software to support programs around Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths (STEM).

Our Literacy and Numeracy Strategy will continue to support students with additional learning needs, reduce class sizes for younger students for Literacy and Numeracy sessions, update resources in all classes, help improve student speech and support teacher professional learning. Our Well Being Strategy will build upon the professional learning staff have received in teaching students with Autism Spectrum Disorder, identifying and supporting students who may be experiencing poor mental health and the positive impact that the implementation of the 'You Can Do It' program has had on our students' confidence, resilience, persistence, organisation and ability to get along with others. In planning for next year we need your feedback and input. This year we are asking 2 questions: What do we do well? and What can we improve? Please have a look at the survey coming home with today's newsletter. It include a list of some of the things we have been doing or will do at school this year. When you start to list them you can see there are quite a few! I may have missed a couple so please add them in if you think of any. The second page has two spaces to answer the two questions. In the past, parent and student feedback has led to us changing our uniform, setting up the chook pen and vege garden, having regular Old School Days, continuing boys and girls reading and making first aid training for our senior students an annual activity. When you have completed your survey, send it back in to the front office at school. Each survey received will earn that family a ticket in the draw for one of two \$100 wish cards! Surveys need to be returned by Friday 10th November.

Cheers,

Andrew

p.s. sorry about giving you a big block of text to read this week and not shorter items.

SCHOOL NEWS

COMING EVENTS

Nov 1 st	Kinder Orientation 9-11.00am
Nov 2 nd	Jacaranda Thursday
Nov 14 th	P&C Meeting
Nov 15 th	2 nd Kinder Orientation - half day
Nov 29 th	3 rd Kinder Orientation - whole day Jocelyn, Speech Therapist will test new kinder students
Dec 7 th	Presentation Night
Dec 11 th	Year 6 Farewell – Rest Point Hotel
Dec 11 th	Reports go home
Dec 13/14 th	Activities
Dec 15 th	End of Year Activity -Grafton Pool

CANTEEN ROSTER – TERM FOUR

Oct 23 nd	Terri Quiring & Michelle Roberts
Oct 30 th	Christine Roberts & Lynne Caldwell
Nov 6 th	Kate Knight & Renee Vanderham
Nov 13 th	Kylie Nohra & Paula Clausen
Nov 20 th	Amber Biggs & Trudy Clydesdale
Nov 27 th	Donna Perich & Emma Mulligan
Dec 4 th	Callie Bowman & Terri Quiring
Dec 11 th	Paula Clausen & Amber Biggs

SCHOOL UNIFORMS – there are a number of families, who still have outstanding uniform accounts, from the beginning of 2017. These accounts must be finalised by the end of November. If you unsure about how much you owe, please contact the office. A new batch of uniforms have just arrived, even the price has gone up slightly, we will continue to sell our T-shirts for \$22.00



Students listen to instruction from Mrs McGarvie, before commencing their day in class.
A special welcome to Stan, Alan & Eric Davies their new classmates.

Kindergarten Orientation

Day One: Wednesday 1st November 2017
9:00am – 11:30am



If you know of a child who is ready to start school in 2018 can you please ask them to contact the school?