



# COPMANHURST PUBLIC SCHOOL

## Newsletter, February 8th, 2019



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### Principal's report

#### Small Schools Swimming

Eleven students will be representing our school at the Clarence Small Schools swimming carnival next Friday at the Grafton Pool. We wish the following students all the best for a great day: Lacey, Rocky, Tara, Jeffery, Kobi, Stan, Jack, Georgia E, Emily F, Matthew and Reagan.

#### Student wellbeing and discipline

Attached to this week's newsletter is a copy of our 'Student Discipline Policy'. Please take the time to read it and discuss with your children. At school, staff and students have developed simple rules that enable everyone to learn and be safe and happy. We explicitly teach, and model, appropriate social skills to our children and encourage and reward them for 'doing the right thing'. We also help those students who need a little extra support in following simple rules. All of our children have a right to a safe school environment where they can learn without having to endure the disruptions caused by others who choose not to behave appropriately. We have lovely kids who are kind and thoughtful of others at our school. They respect their teachers and each other and thrive in their classrooms and the playground. Occasionally students will bring behaviours to school that are not acceptable and there needs to be consequences for this.

#### School Fees

Our school fees are only \$40 per year, per child! Thank you to all the families who have, or will, pay their fees this year. School fees go toward purchasing text books, class books, stationery and art supplies, computer program licences etc that all children use at school. Last year we had just over half of our families pay their school fees. Why didn't the rest pay, you ask? Because a few years ago state governments made the paying of school fees voluntary in public schools. I don't think \$40 is too much to pay for the year and if it helps, families can pay \$10 per term. I find it particularly unfair when families are prepared to pay private school fees without question once they leave, which are significantly higher than \$40, having never paid their school fees whilst their children attended our school. So, once again; thank you to all who support our students by paying their school fees and if you haven't paid in previous years, maybe consider paying this year.

#### Sports assembly

Next Thursday, February 14<sup>th</sup>, we will be presenting our Sports House captains and vice-captains with their badges and our swimming champions with their trophies at our weekly assembly. The assembly will start at 2:15pm in our Kindergarten classroom and parents are welcome to attend. Parents of badge recipients will be able to pin their child's badge on them.

#### P&C meeting

The first P&C meeting for the year is on next Thursday in the library commencing at 1:30pm. Everyone welcome.

Cheers,  
Andrew



# SCHOOL NEWS

## CANTEEN – TERM

**Canteen will start Monday, Feb 11th**

Feb 11 Terri Quiring & Emma Farmer

Feb 18 Jessica Fahey & Lucy Ellem

Feb 25 Lyn Caldwell & Rachael Moss

Mar 4 Kate Knight & Jessica Fahey

**We are down to these parent helpers. Thanks Jessica for volunteering to double up. If you can help one day per term can you please contact Rhonda?**

## COMING EVENTS – TERM 1.

**Student banking every Thursday.**

**Application included with Newsletter**

Feb 15 Small Schools Swimming Carnival

Feb 19 Parents' Meeting & Greet – 6.00pm

Mar 1 Golf Sporting Program starts



## 2019 Season is fast approaching

It's that time of year to Register to play Soccer with the Gunners.

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