



# COPMANHURST PUBLIC SCHOOL

## Newsletter,

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### Principal's report

#### A busy second half of term

Over the next 5 weeks we have a whole school excursion to Yarrowarra, a Year 6 excursion to South Grafton High School, an overnight excursion for students in Years 3-6 to Red Rock, a seniors and community concert, a school cross country race, a small schools cross country race and an Old School Day ! On top of this we have 3 golf sessions to go, one of which will involve an excursion in to the Grafton Golf Course. Busy times! It's important to keep dates handy and visible and make sure that any permission notes are returned promptly so that the kids don't miss anything. Don't forget to check the Facebook page for news and updates.

#### ANZAC Day

As from last year the Copmanhurst community now holds our local ANZAC service on April 25<sup>th</sup> – ANZAC Day. In the past the school has organised a service after ANZAC Day as it always falls in the school holidays. This will no longer be the case. Our students play an important role in commemorating ANZAC Day and our school captains will have a role to play on April 25<sup>th</sup>. More information will come home closer to the date but I just wanted people to know that if they were around on ANZAC Day, to please attend the local service and for children to attend in school uniform.

#### Year 6 transition day

Next Friday students in Year 6 will travel to South Grafton High School to take part in a Sports Transition Day along with students from other small schools. This is a day designed to start the children thinking about high school and making connections with new people. It doesn't matter if they won't be attending South High next year – the day is for all Year 6 students. Later in the year, Year 5 and year 4 students will also be given an opportunity to join up with students from other schools at South Grafton.

#### A little reminder about language

We pride ourselves as a school community on having well mannered, polite and respectful students. There have been a few, not many, instances of students swearing at other students at school so I think it's timely that we worked together to ensure this doesn't become 'the norm' at our school. **Swearing at school will not be tolerated.** I know that in many homes swearing occurs to differing degrees and I'm not going to tell parents what they should and shouldn't say at home. But... most kids are able to understand the difference between home and school in terms of acceptable language and the swearing never comes through the school gate. Some however can not. Please remind your children that even though they may hear swearing at home, **swearing at school will not be tolerated.** It really confuses some children that the language they hear at home is not allowed at school and unfortunately there are consequences at school for this behaviour. A few children have lost privileges at school and been cautioned for their language and all children have been reminded that **swearing at school will not be tolerated** so there is no misunderstanding about what is acceptable. Students who choose to continue to swear at school may be excluded from excursions or fun activities and may be suspended for up to 4 days. Please reinforce this message at home, and maybe if your child is hearing a little too much swearing at home, have a think about the example being set for them.

Remember: **Children will follow your example more often than they will follow your advice.**

**Cheers, Andrew**

# SCHOOL NEWS

## CANTEEN – TERM ONE

Mar 11th: Lyn Caldwell & Lyn Mackeen

Mar 18th: Emma Farmer & Kate Knight

Mar 25th: Tanya Amiet & Kate Knight

Apr 1st: Terri Quiring & Helen

Apr 8th: Lyn Caldwell & Kate Moss

Hi, don't forget to use the new menu when ordering your child's lunch.

A copy of new menu attached!!

## COMING EVENTS – TERM 1.

Mar 14th: P&C Meeting 1.30pm AGM

Mar 20th Whole school excursion to Yarrowarra Aboriginal Culture Centre-Corindi Beach. This excursion is being funded out of our Aboriginal Educational Program.

Mar 20th Book Club due back. Parents if you order online (LOOP) can you please let Rhonda know so she can sign off on your order?

Mar 28th School Cross-country  
Apr 3rd Seniors and community concert

Apr 4-5th Yrs3-6 Red Rock Excursion

Apr 11th Old School Day  
Apr 12th Last day of term 1



Our Swimming  
Champions

