



COPMANHURST PUBLIC SCHOOL

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Principal's report

Kindergarten Orientation

We had our 2021 Kindergarten students visit on Monday for the first of 3 orientation days and what a smart looking bunch they are! A big thank you goes to our Kindy teacher, Ms Parnell for her organisation and patience. The children were lucky to be here on the day we had Troppo Bob the magician and on their next visits they will participate in our Sporting Schools cricket clinics! I hope they don't think school is like that every day when they arrive next year.

School Excellence Planning

A document outlining our proposed school plan for the next 4 years is coming home with students today. Our school's two 'Strategic Directions' will be 1. Student Growth and Attainment (same for all NSW Public Schools) and 2. Student Wellbeing. The way we manage our resources and staffing over the next 4 years will be aligned to these directions. Please read and complete the feedback and return to school by the end of next week. Your ideas and suggestions are welcome.

Sporting Schools Cricket Program

Our cricket program commences this coming Monday and will run for 4 weeks involving all students from Kinder to Year 6. This program has been made possible through a successful grant application to the Sporting Schools Program which in the past has funded sporting programs in tennis, basketball, swimming, gymnastics, soccer, rugby league, stand-up paddle boarding, ten-pin bowling and golf.

NAIDOC Week

National NAIDOC Week 2020 celebrations will be held from the 8th -15th November.

NAIDOC is a time to celebrate our rich indigenous heritage and further strengthen our efforts at reconciliation. At school our children are taught about Aboriginal history and the interactions between Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal people – both good and bad. We learn about the contributions being made by significant Aboriginal people now and in the past and we learn to respect the beliefs and cultures of others.

At our school we will be celebrating NAIDOC week a week later due to the availability of some special cultural teachers we have visiting. We will have a full day of activities on Wednesday, November 18th as outlined on the next page of this newsletter. We would love to have parents come along to experience this day but unfortunately we are still restricted with having 'non-essential' adults on site. 'Essential' adults include canteen helpers. We will need lots of canteen helpers on this day to help with the BBQ lunch and morning tea we intend to put on. We can't do this without the help of as many parent helpers as possible (all suitably sanitised). If everyone comes to do their little bit, the burden doesn't fall on a few. We will need lots of canteen helpers on the day. A note will come home asking for the number of children and canteen helpers attending. To help us with catering. We will need lots of canteen helpers.

Cheers, Andrew

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CANTEEN: TERM 4

Nov 9th Kerrie Vanderham & Suzy Owen

Nov 16th Racheal Moss & Jenna Wood

Nov 23rd Kate Knight & Bianca Weier

Nov 30th Tanya Amiet & Emma Farmer

Dec 7th Jess Fahey & Lucy Ellem

Please contact Rhonda 66473121, if you are unable to come on your rostered day.

COMING EVENTS – TERM 4



Student banking every Wednesday!

Nov 16th Second-Kinder Orientation 9.00am-3.00pm

Nov 19th-20th Yrs: 3, 4, 5 & 6 – Red Rock Excursion

Nov 30th Third- Kinder Orientation 9.00-3.00pm

Dec 16th Last Day Term 4 – Wooli Picnic Day



Gurrawin Indigenous Cultural Experience

Coming to our school Wednesday,
November 18th!

Welcome / Acknowledgement of Country

Smoking ceremony

Cultural talks

Traditional dance and songs in language

Artefact making workshop

Dance workshop

Art workshop with 6" boomerang



Our friends from Baryulgil Public School will join us for the day and we will have a BBQ lunch. (Did I mention we will need lots of canteen helpers for this?)