



Coutts Crossing Public School

Newsletter

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Week 7 – 26th November, 2018

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

During the last few weeks of school, we are expecting temperatures to rise as summer approaches. Please remind students to bring hats and water bottles to school as we will be reminding everyone to stay hydrated throughout the day. Staff will continue to open the library each lunchtime to provide a cooler supervised passive play area for students.

Before you pack away your 'winter woollies' for another year, don't forget to check out our lost property basket in the office. Now that the weather is warming up, we have many winter clothing items awaiting collection!

Michelle Dalglish

In the weeks ahead

This week	Week 8	Weeks 9 & 10
Mon-Fri- Swim School Thursday- P&C Meeting 9.30am	Tuesday- SGHS Yr 7 Orientation Wednesday- Awards Assembly 2.20pm 2019 Captain speeches Year 6 Farewell 6pm Friday- Swimming Carnival	14/12 Presentation Day 9.30am 17/12 P&C Christmas Carols 19/12 Last day for students

Facebook-

Don't forget to 'like' and follow our Facebook page, where we share our weekly newsletter, updates and photos of what we get up to at Coutts Crossing Public School.

P&C-

The P&C meeting scheduled for last Thursday was postponed. The P&C meeting will now be held this Thursday, 29th November, at 9.30am.

Canteen news-

It is with great pleasure that we announce Yvonne Tweedie has been successful in the Expression of Interest process and is our new school canteen manager for 2019. We are very grateful to Yvonne for volunteering her time to take on this role, supporting our students by providing healthy lunches at school.

If you would like to have a fun day out and be a special part of our school community, why not volunteer in our school canteen? Our students love to see a familiar face in the canteen.

Special Assembly-

On Wednesday 5th December we will be starting our assembly at the earlier time of 2.20pm. This is to allow time for the presentation of special awards and School Captain speeches, for Year 5 students wishing to nominate as a School Captain in 2019.

Enrolments for 2019-

We are in the process of class planning for 2019. If you know of any prospective students who might be starting at Coutts Crossing Public School (K-6) in 2019, please direct them to the school office for an enrolment pack.

Year 6 Farewell-

The 2018 Year 6 Farewell dinner will be held at the GDSC on Wednesday 5th December, commencing at 6pm. Year 5 & 6 students, along with their parents and carers, are invited to attend. Invitations were sent home with students last week. Please RSVP with payment by this Wednesday, 28th November. Parent Online Payments (POP) is available, if preferred. Please also advise us of any dietary requirements. We look forward to a lovely evening to formally farewell our Year 6 students.

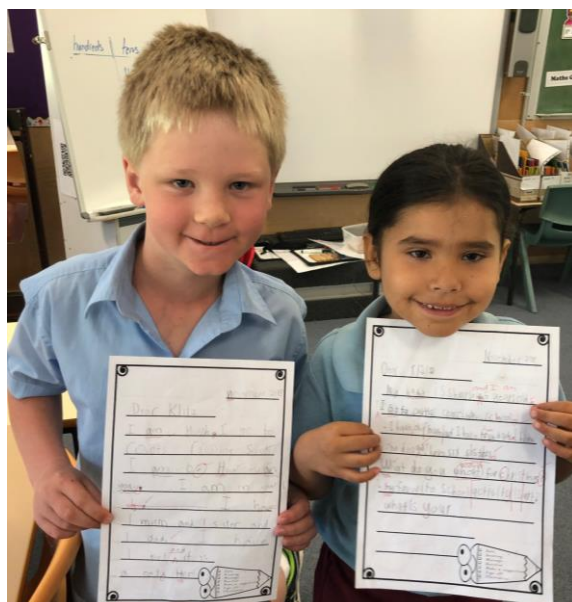
Classroom News in K/1-

For the remainder of this term K/1's writing focus will be letter writing.

Each child is currently writing a Pen Pal letter to the K/1/2 class at Cowper Primary School, telling them a little about themselves and our school.

We have our fingers and toes crossed hoping that they will receive the letters in time and can write back to us before the end of the year.

This of course is in preparation of writing our letter to Santa requesting an Elf on the Shelf. We have been very lucky in receiving an Elf in our classroom for the past two years, and we dearly hope that Santa does not run out this year, knowing how very popular his special little elves are.....We'll keep you posted.



Term 4 Cool Card focus-

Our Cool Card focus this term is 'Stay Safe'. Students have been receiving positive feedback and awarded Cool Cards for demonstrating responsibility for the safety of themselves and others at school. Xavier, Asher and Myah are leading the way by keeping our playground safe and free of rubbish.



Shining Stars of the Big River Film Festival!-

Clarence Valley Public Schools are leading the way in student film production, with eight schools premiering nine new releases last week. The 14th Annual Big River Public Schools Film Festival screened at South Grafton High School to a delighted audience of students, parents, teachers and film buffs from across the Valley.

For students from Baryulgil, Nymboida, Coutts Crossing, Gillwinga, Ulmarra, Maclean, Palmers Island and Iluka Public Schools, the annual filmmaking festival represents an opportunity to work collaboratively with peers, merging the digital world with traditional literacy objectives to create films that educate and entertain their audience. With the support of dedicated teachers, students spend months writing scripts, designing sets, acting and filming scenes and mastering the editing process in preparation for the premiere.

The festival had something for everyone as students displayed their mastery of special effects utilising green screens and 3D animation and included a range of film genres including comedy, horror, mystery, music videos and films of cultural significance.

The Big River Public Schools Film Festival is the longest running primary school film festival in Australia and it began right here in the Clarence Valley. What an achievement!

Story sent to the Daily Examiner



Swimming Carnival-

Our 2018/19 Swimming Carnival will be held at Grafton Pool on Friday 7th December, along with students from Cowper Public School. Notes with details were sent home last week. The whole school is expected to attend, in age appropriate events, so there will be no classes at school on the day. Qualifying competitive swimmers will represent the school at the Clarence Small Schools Swimming Carnival, held early in Term 1 next year. Please complete and return notes.

Backpack Christmas Appeal-

We are continuing to collect donations for the children of Coonamble this week. The backpacks will be prioritised to students in kindergarten, so donations of used (good condition) backpacks, new toys or books for that age group would be fantastic. Thank you kindly for your generosity.

Croquet-

Thank you to Peter Martin and the members of the Coutts Crossing Croquet Club for hosted a friendly, family competition at the club on Sunday. You can check out a wrap-up of the day and photos on the Facebook public group – Coutts Crossing Croquet Club.

Junior players 10ys+ are invited to sign up on Thursday afternoon for the junior competition, straight after school. Parents are asked to attend with their children for the sign up.

