

## Coutts Crossing Public School

# Newsletter

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Week  $4 - 18^{th}$  February, 2019

#### Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Our school photo day is this Wednesday, 20th February. Please ensure all students are in correct school uniform and orders with full payment are returned to school on this day. Class photos will be taken throughout the morning session while the students are 'fresh' and looking their best. If you are experiencing difficulties organising school uniforms for Wednesday, please contact the office to see if we can provide any assistance.

Thank you to all the parents and carers who joined us for the P&C AGM last week. New members are always welcome and it is wonderful to have fresh ideas and additional support for 2019. It is great to have a community focused on assisting the school to improve outcomes for our students. When we all collaborate and work together great things can happen. I'm really looking forward to working with our passionate P&C members throughout the year.

## Michelle Dalgliesh

#### In the weeks ahead

This week	Week 5	Coming up
Wednesday- School Photos	Monday & Thursday- Student conferences	12/3 P&C Meeting 9.30am
Assembly @ 2.30pm	Friday- Schools Clean up Day	15/3 SGHS Year 6 Sport Day
Thursday- Clarence District Swimming Carnival	,	22/3 Cross Country
		10/4 Circus Challenge

## Assembly-

This Wednesday's whole school assembly will feature 4/5/6 Writers of the Fortnight, a dance group performance, and the newly elected SRC Leaders will be receiving their badges. All parents and community members are welcome. We look forward to seeing you there.

#### P&C AGM-

The 2019 executive committee was elected at the AGM held last week. Thank you to the committee and members for volunteering your time to assist our students and school this year.

President - Suzie Gendle (Ph: 0400132707)

Vice President – vacant

Secretary – Cory Fallon (Ph: 0407016175)

Treasurer – Hayley Sacco

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> March at 9.30am.

#### SRC-

Positions for the 2019 Student Representative Council (SRC) were voted on in each class last week. Congratulations to the following students who will receive their badges at the school assembly this Wednesday:

K/1 Jake

1/2 Skye & Lucas

2/3/4 Charlotte & Josh

4/5/6 Megan & Georgia

### Small Schools Swimming Carnival-

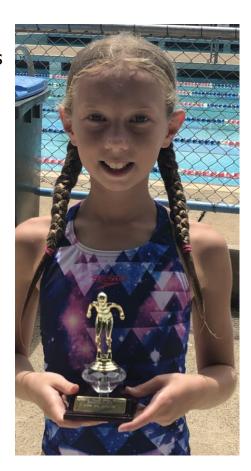
Students and staff had a great day at the Small Schools Swimming Carnival in Grafton last Friday. A huge congratulations to all our competing students who represented Coutts Crossing Public School with pride. All students had fun participating in events and connecting with friends from other Small Schools across the Clarence Valley. Their behaviour, sportsmanship and determination is to be commended. Megan had an outstanding day in the pool and was awarded 11 years girls champion. Both Traice and Angas swam qualifying times in their events and will join Megan at the Clarence District Swimming Carnival on Thursday this week. We wish them all the best.

Megan 1<sup>st</sup> – 11 years girls 50m freestyle, breaststroke, backstroke & butterfly

3<sup>rd</sup> – senior girls 200m individual medley

Traice 3<sup>rd</sup> – 11 years boys 50m backstroke

Angas 3<sup>rd</sup> – 11 years boys 50m breaststroke



### School Photos-

2019 school photos will be taken this Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> February. Individual and sibling envelopes can be returned on the day, or held in the office before the day. Envelopes for sibling photos are available at the school office.

Please follow the order and payment instructions on the envelopes and contact the school office if you have any questions.

#### Bus zone safety-

We have had parents stopping in the bus zone to drop off and collect students before and after school which is very concerning. While the safety and wellbeing of our students is our paramount concern, it is also an offence to stop or park in a school bus zone at these times.

Hours of operation apply to school zones between 8.00-9.30am and 2.30-4pm. This means restrictions apply for those times only.

According to the RMS website these offences carry the following penalties: Stop in bus zone (school zone) - \$337 and 2 demerit points
Stop at or near bus stop (school zone)- \$337 and 2 demerit points

Parking is welcome in our school carpark or along the grassed curb south of the bus zone. Teachers are on duty every afternoon to accompany student walkers and riders safely across the school car park and across Armidale Road in front of the school. We also ask that parents accompany their young children to/from the car to the school gate.

Accidents occur very quickly, especially with young children. Please be careful and follow road rules in our bus zones so we can work together to keep our children safe from harm.

Due to an accident during the recent school holidays, the bus zone at the front of the school currently only has temporary bollards and guide posts in place until permanent repairs can be undertaken. Please be especially vigilant during this time.

#### School Fees-

A statement of account has been issued to each family. Fees can be paid online via our website or by cash or cheque at the school office, due for payment by the end of Term 1.

#### MAKE A PAYMENT

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Our K/1 class was very excited to enter their cool cards into the draw for respectful behaviour, lining up and being considerate to others while getting ready for class. The first draw will take place at the assembly on Wednesday.



#### Classroom News-

Year One and Two have been carrying out mathematical investigations. We discovered the importance of counting large collections by grouping using the base 10 system. We are now learning to rearrange collections in hundreds, tens and ones (partition) to make counting more efficient.











## Piano for sale by tender-

The school has an old piano which is not being used. We would love to see this lovely piano go to a family where it will be loved and used to make beautiful music again so we have decided to put it up for tender with a zero reserve. It has not been tuned or maintained for many years and will undoubtedly need some work in order to restore it to it's former glory. The new owner will need to arrange removal. If you are interested, please contact the office to make a bid or organise a viewing. Tenders close Friday, 1st March.

