

Coutts Crossing Public School

Newsletter



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Week 10 - 23rd September 2019

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

As we come to the end of term three, I would like to wish on behalf of our Coutts Crossing staff, a safe and relaxed break to all our families.

To reflect on this term our students have had the opportunity to participate in our school Musical, Writers Festival, Clarence District Athletics, Education Week activities including our Book Character Parade, Responsible Pet Program, senior CAPA Day, Kid's Party Confidential Show, Paper Plane Challenge, Ten- Pin Bowling, K-2 Excursion, Small Schools Big Impact Concert, Teddy Bear's Picnic, Transition to School Program and Dudley Jones - just to name a few. Students return to school on Monday 14th October.

Jo-Ann Conyard
Relieving Principal

Transition-

Mrs Conyard and K/1 had a wonderful day last Tuesday welcoming fourteen new students who will begin Kindergarten at our school in 2020. If you are aware of any children who will be starting school next year, please let them know that they are very welcome to join us each Tuesday.

Important dates

This Week	Week 1 Term 4	Coming Up in Term 4
Tuesday- Kindy Transition 1/2 day 9.10am-12.10pm	Monday 14 Oct- Term 3 starts	22 Oct- P&C Meeting 9.30am
Thursday- Smoothie Bike fundraiser	Tuesday 15 Oct- Transition 1/2 day	24 Oct- Swim & Gym starts K-2
Friday 27 Sept- K-2 Tenpin & Park Excursion Last day of Term 3	Friday 18 Oct- Dental checks K & 2	25 Oct- Grandparents Day
		30 Oct- P&C Jaca Disco
		31 Oct- Jacaranda Thursday
		2 Nov- Jacaranda Float Parade
		4-7 Nov- Brisbane Excursion

Grandparents Day-

Next term we will be holding a special day to celebrate and acknowledge the amazing jobs that our Grandparents do in the lives of their grandchildren. We would love all grandparents to join us at 10.30am on Friday 25th October. We will begin our time together with grandparents visiting classrooms. Teachers would like to encourage grandparents to bring in a story or memorabilia to share with the students. If you are a little shy, then of course you need not worry, just come in and join us. We will then share recess together, serving a cup of tea with scones, jam and cream to our visitors. During recess olden day games will be set up for everyone to enjoy. After recess we will have a showing of our school musical 'Birds of a Feather' for you to enjoy. At this time, approximately 11.30am, we would like to extend an invitation to our wider school community who may like to view our musical. More information will follow early next term.

Year Six Smoothie Fundraiser-

This Thursday, as a fundraiser, Year 6 will be making smoothies for our students that have already placed an order. Some of the smoothies will be made using a push bike, that has been designed for someone to ride which in turn powers a blender device. Year 6 students... get ready to ride and use your pedal power!

Dental Checks for Kindergarten & Year 2 -

Dental clinicians from Northern NSW Local Health District will visit the school on Friday 18th October to provide a presentation and free dental health assessments for students in Kindergarten and Year 2. A consent form has been sent home with each eligible student. If you would like your child to participate, it would be appreciated if consent forms are completed and returned to school before the end of the term.

Swim & Gym-

Notes have been given to all students in K/1/2 for the swimming and gymnastics program taking place through Term 4. Please return permission notes and payment by Friday 18th October.

K-2 Tenpin Excursion-

K/1/2 students will be travelling by bus to See Park and Ten Pin Bowling this Friday 27th September. There will be no canteen lunch orders, please bring a packed lunch. Recess will be at school as normal. Please ensure that your child's permission note has been returned to school ASAP.

Senior Brisbane Excursion-

A statement has been given to each student attending the Brisbane excursion, 4th-7th November, to advise amounts outstanding. Final payment is due by Friday 18th October. Further notes including transport, medical and what to pack information will be sent home early next term.

You Can Do It-

This week in YCDI lessons kindergarten are reflecting on their feelings as learners and how their efforts affect skills and achievement.

Students in years 1-6 are learning how we recognise our emotions – describing the influence that people, situations and events have on their emotions.

Waste Free Warrior Day-

Thank you to our families who have participated in and supported your child with our Waste Free Warrior Day. It has been very pleasing seeing the changes that students and families are making to help look after our environment, by cutting back on the amount of rubbish that is going into landfill. Next term our Waste Free Warrior Day will be on a Thursday. We do, however, encourage our students to be Waste Free Warriors each and every day. Thank you again for your support.

Magpie-

At the moment we have a magpie that is causing us a few problems. The situation has been reported and I ask families and students to be vigilant during this time. Precautions have been put in place during school times to ensure the safety of all students.

Dudley Jones-

Congratulations to our students Traice, Angas, Christian, Beau, Jesse, Leigh, Megan, Georgia, Claire, Charlotte, Zara and Shay-lee who participated in the Dudley Jones Tennis Competition last Friday. All students displayed wonderful sportsmanship. Well done boys and girls, we are very proud of you and your efforts. Grafton Public School were the winners of the Dudley Jones Shield and St Mary's Primary School won the Sharon Edwards Shield competition. Thank you to Yvonne Cameron for her assistance in organising the day.



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Art After School



Clay Lanterns

Have some after school fun with Cassandra-Lyn Palmer & learn how to create clay lanterns with simple techniques & surface designs in time for the Christmas.

- Tuesdays 4pm - 5:30pm
- 8 sessions 15th Oct - 3rd Dec
- Cost \$130, or \$30 with Creative Kids Voucher
- Includes all materials, firing and glazing
- Bookings essential via Eventbrite



Draw and Design...

Design and draw your dream room by learning basic drawing skills and perspective. Cass will take you through fundamental design and drawing concepts to draw your own special space and create your own portfolio to take home. Perfect for kids who like to draw.

- Wednesday 4:00pm - 5:30pm
- 8 sessions 16th Oct - 4th Dec
- Cost: \$130 or \$30 with Creative Kids Voucher. All materials included.
- Booking essential via Eventbrite



Clay Angels

Have great fun making little angels and medallions for Christmas. Learn how to use slab rolling & decorating techniques to make little clay decorations for Christmas. Cass will guide you through painting with glazes to make your own special work of art to take home after the last lesson.

- Thursdays 4pm - 5:30pm
- Kindy-Yr2
- 4 sessions - 7 - 28 November
- Cost: \$80 for 4 sessions, materials provided.
- Bookings essential via Eventbrite



More information on the Grafton Regional Gallery website, Facebook page or Eventbrite. Creative Kids Vouchers accepted.

Coutts Crossing Transition Program Dates 2019

Dear Parents/Carers

Below are the dates for Transition and times for transition 2019.

Term 3 Week 9 (17th September) - 1/2 Day Transition 9.10 - 12.10

Term 3 Week 10 (24th September) - 1/2 Day Transition 9.10 - 12.10

Term 4 Week 1 (15th October) - 1/2 Day Transition 9.10 - 12.10

Term 4 Week 2 (22nd October) - 1/2 Day Transition 9.10 - 12.10

Term 4 Week 3 (29th October) - 1/2 Day Transition 9.10 - 12.10

Term 4 Week 4 (5th November) - 1/2 Day Transition 9.10 - 12.10

Term 4 Week 5 (12th November) - Full Day Transition 9.10 - 3.10

Children bring recess, lunch, water and something for Crunch and Sip

Term 4 Week 6 (19th November) - Full Day Transition 9.10 - 3.10

Term 4 Week 7 (26th November) - Full Day Transition 9.10 - 3.10

We will also have our Orientation Meeting for parents and Carers at 9.30 - 11.00 in our school hall on this day.

Kind Regards

Jo Conyard

