

Coutts Crossing Public School

Newsletter



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Week 7 – 23 November 2020

Dear parents and caregivers,

As the end of term draws closer and we begin planning for 2021, I have been reflecting on the many challenges and changes our students have faced during this year, particularly for our school captains. Traice and Megan have done an outstanding job in the role of School Captain, and Zara as Vice Captain, throughout one of the most challenging school years we have experienced. I am very proud of their efforts and know they will continue to be outstanding role models for their peers in high school next year.

We are encouraging all our current year 5 students to think about representing the school in a leadership role next year. Interested students will be presenting speeches at next week's assembly and the student body will vote on who they think will best demonstrate the values of a School Captain at Coutts Crossing Public School. As with previous years, the captains positions will be elected on merit, rather than based on gender. The announcement of our School Captains for 2021 will be made at our Primary Presentation Day on Friday 11 December.

Michelle Dalgliesh

This Week	Next Week	Coming Up
Tuesday Kindy & Year 1 - Swim & Gym	Monday 30/11 SGHS Yr 7 2021 Orientation Day	Mon 7/12 Big Banana excursion K-2
Thursday Year 6 fundraiser Muffi & hot dog day	Tuesday 1/12 Kindy & Year 1 - Swim & Gym (final Swim & Gym)	Tues 8/12 - Year 6 Farewell Thurs 10/12 K-2 Presentation Day
Canteen open - Wed & Friday	Wed 2/12 - 5.30pm Kinder 2021 Parent Info Session Wed 2/12 Assembly - Year 5 leadership speeches	Fri 11/12 3-6 Presentation Day Tues 15/12 Swimming Carnival K-6

Year 6 fundraiser

This Thursday, Year 6 have organised a special fundraiser to go towards their end of year function and farewell gift. The day will be a mufti day and a hotdog lunch pack will be available. Orders have been sent home and are due back tomorrow morning, Tuesday 24/11/20.

Please support our Year 6 students- lunch pack includes either a hotdog and Milo for \$4, or two hotdogs and Milo for \$6.

Classroom disco

This year, due to COVID restrictions, we have not been able to hold a whole school disco for our students. In order to provide our students with an opportunity to hone their dance moves, we have organised an online classroom disco for students through DanceFever Multisport. Students will follow instructors online to learn a range of new dance routines as each class participates in a virtual whole school simultaneous disco from their individual classrooms. Our school virtual disco will be held on Thursday afternoon.

K/1

Mrs Conyard will be taking leave throughout this week and Mrs Baker will be relieving in the K/1 classroom. Mrs Baker has worked many times in the K/1 class this year and is very familiar with both the students and classroom routines.

Welcome Mrs Baker, we hope you have a fabulous week with our K/1 students.

Swim/Gym

Our K-1 students swimming skills and water confidence have been improving every week at swimming lessons. Please remember families can use their Active Kids vouchers for their children to access ongoing swimming lessons after our school program finishes. This will assist students to continue with their skill development, consolidate what students have learnt in our swimming program and improve their overall water confidence. The Active Kids program provides two \$100 vouchers for parents, guardians and carers of school-enrolled children to use for sport and active recreation costs each year. Families can apply for Active Kids vouchers here-

<https://www.service.nsw.gov.au/transaction/apply-active-kids-voucher>

Kindergarten 2021 - Parent Information Session

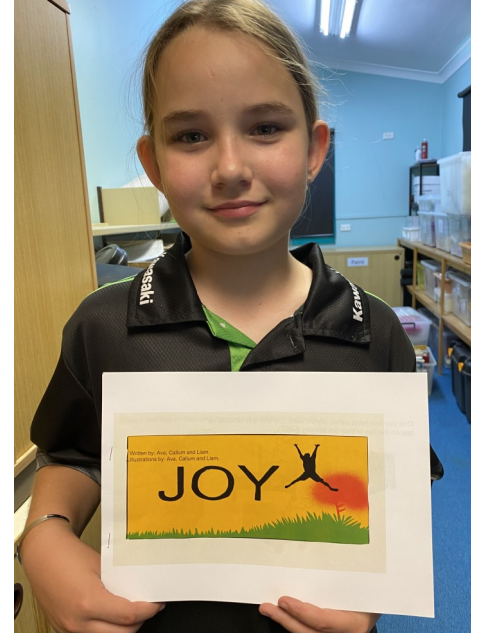
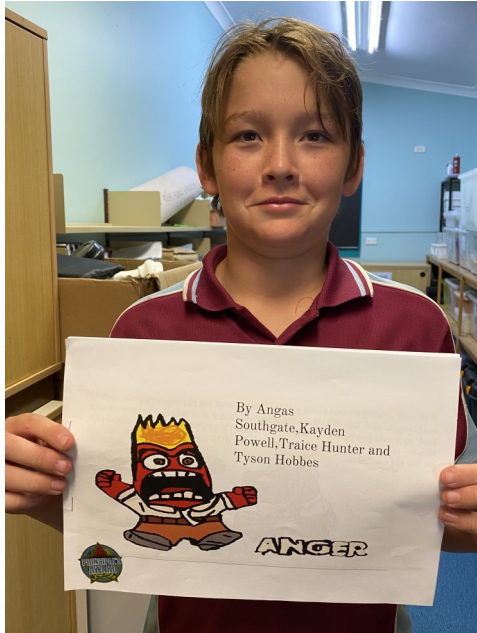
Parents and carers of our Kindergarten 2021 students are invited to attend an information session on Wednesday evening, 2 December, commencing at 5.30pm in the school hall.

K-2 Big Banana Excursion

On Monday 7 December our K-2 students will enjoy an excursion to the Big Banana Water Park. A permission note with all the details has been sent home. Online payments can be made through the school website, or cash payment returned with permission notes.

Classroom news - 4/5/6

Over the last few weeks, 4/5/6 have been looking at different emotions and ways that we can describe and portray them. In groups, the students created picture books targeted for younger students to help them recognise the different emotions they may be feeling and the struggles they may face, along with ways they can overcome these obstacles. The students did such a fantastic job. We can't wait to share them with the other classes.



Assembly

Well done to all our award winners from last week's whole school assembly. Congratulations to Hayley D, Rose, Lincoln, Jesse and Eli who received their Bronze Award, Silvia and James C who received their Silver Award, and Rose and Saxon who were selected to receive the Curriculum Award for outstanding writing in the 1/2 classroom. We were also thrilled to have 50 students complete the Premier's Reading Challenge this year. It is fantastic to see so many of our students enjoying reading and proudly receiving their PRC certificates. Keep up the great effort everyone.



NAIDOC Day

Last Friday we celebrated NAIDOC Day at school with a range of fun, cultural activities. A special thank you to Dean Loadsman, our Gumbaynggirr language tutor, who assisted with organisation and preparations for the day. Students came to school dressed in red, black and yellow and participated in craft activities, traditional Aboriginal games and learnt about Aboriginal tools and instruments. Dean performed a beautiful Welcome to Country to begin our celebrations with some amazing didgeridoo playing and a traditional smoking ceremony. A great day was had by all.



P & C - Canteen

Recess & lunch — BY ORDER ONLY
Please ensure order bags are marked with as much information as possible, also indicating if an order is for recess or lunch. The current canteen menu will continue through this term.
Next P&C Meeting — tomorrow, Tuesday 24 November 3.30pm

Canteen Roster	
Wednesday	Friday
25/11 Georgina & Yvonne	27/11 Ryanda & Kirsty
2/12 Sue	4/12 Fran & Talei
9/12 Krystal & Ashleigh	11/12 Ryanda
16/12 Canteen closed	