

Coutts Crossing Public School

Newsletter



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Week 6– 2nd March 2020

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Our school photo day is this Thursday, 5th March. Thank you to those families who have already returned their school photo envelopes in preparation for this day. Please ensure all orders with full payment are returned to school on or before photo day. This is our first school photo day since beginning the transition to our new uniform. For consistency across both the whole school and classroom photos, please ensure all students are wearing their new school uniform on Thursday. Class photos will be taken throughout the morning session while the students are 'fresh' and looking their best.

Michelle Dalgliesh

Mid North Coast Swimming

Last Thursday, Megan represented our school at the Mid North Coast Swimming Carnival in Coffs Harbour. Megan competed in the open 100m freestyle and 50m senior backstroke and achieved a personal best time in both events. Well done on your swimming efforts Megan, we are very proud of you!

Important dates

This Week	Next Week	Coming Up
Tue– P&C meeting 9.30am	Tues 10 Mar - Year 6 Sports Day at SGHS SGHS Yr 7 2021 Information Session	Fri 20 Mar– Harmony Day Coutts Café Action Against Bullying Day
Thur– School Photos The Big Vegie Crunch	Wed 11 Mar– Assembly 2.30pm	Thur 26 Mar—Cross Country
Fri– UNE Discovery Voyager		Tue 7 Apr- Easter Disco Small Schools Cross Country
Waste Free Warrior Day is each Thursday!		Thur 9 Apr- Easter Hat Parade

P&C Meeting

There will be a P&C meeting tomorrow at 9.30am in the school hall. All welcome.

Cool Cards

Congratulations to all students who have received an 'I can do it' cool card during the last week. These are a few examples of our Cool Card superstars and their achievements!

Tobias - being a great friend to others

Hamish - displaying resilience

Danae- always using exceptional manners

Jett- helping out a friend

Freya- helping others

Angas- responsibility

Traice- leadership skills

Zara- responsibility

Rush- trying his best

Welfare system-awards

We encourage and motivate our students to work hard and make good choices through a structured positive awards system.

Our students receive Star Awards for outstanding effort and achievement across a range of areas that align to our school values, including academic performance, citizenship, values and effort. Star Awards are tallied throughout the year and students can earn a Bronze Award (6 Star Awards), Silver Award (10 Star Awards), Gold Award (15 Star Awards) and Diamond Award (23 Star Awards).

Additionally, students are awarded Cool Cards for demonstrating behaviour that aligns to the current Cool Card focus. These Cool Cards are collected in a box and drawn at each fortnightly assembly prize draw. For classroom achievement, students are also awarded classroom Merit Certificates which are presented to students at fortnightly assemblies. Both Cool Cards and Merit Certificates can contribute to each student's Star Award total.

Amazing artworks

Congratulations to Jesse and Lincoln who received the Curriculum Awards for their amazing artworks at last week's assembly. These artworks will be displayed in the Principal's office during term 1 for all visitors to admire. Keep up the great work boys!



School Photo Day

The 2020 official school photos, for individuals and class groups, will be taken this Thursday 5th March. Each student has been given an order envelope to return on the day. Envelopes can also be held at the office if returned prior. Please follow the instructions on the envelope for ordering and payment.

Spare envelopes are available at the office if required. Sibling/family envelopes (only for children attending the school) can be collected from the school office.

Please ensure all students are wearing their new school uniform on Thursday.



The Big Vegie Crunch

Only around 5% of NSW children eat enough vegetables. To help our community do better, our school will be taking part in The Big Vegie Crunch (part of Vegetable Week) on Thursday 5th March. Each class will have the opportunity to taste a variety of vegetables to further encourage our students to eat more vegetables in their daily diet.

Primary schools across NSW will be joining together to break the record for most student crunching vegetables simultaneously. Last year 56,729 students crunched together.

Classroom News - 2/3/4

Thanks to Mr Woolridge we were able to investigate conductive and non-conductive materials as part of our Science and Technology lesson. We were excited to test our theories using laptops and Makey Makey technology. We discovered that various fruit and vegetables were conductive, which completed the circuit and registered on the laptop. We also discovered that the current could pass through not only two people holding hands, but the whole class holding hands. This completed the circuit and also registered on the laptop in the form of sounds.



Violin lessons

Students enjoyed their first violin lesson last week. Thank you Krystal and Virginia for sharing your expertise in violin.

I liked the music Krystal played for us - Milla

It was fun - Silvia

I liked it when Virginia played her special little violin - Freya

I loved it when Krystal played the violin laying down - Emily

UNE Discovery Voyager

This Friday, the UNE Discovery Voyager team will be visiting our school. Scientists and science researchers will be delivering hands-on, interactive and play-based experiences, which encourage students to have fun whilst learning and developing a love of science. All activities align with the NSW Science and Technology Syllabus and inspire students to draw on their natural curiosity and existing knowledge of the world we live in. All costs associated with this incursion will be covered by the school.

Year 6 Sports Day

Transition activities are beginning for those students preparing for high school in 2021. The first transition activity is a Sports Day for year 6 students next Tuesday, 10th March at SGHS. Thank you to those families who have returned permission notes. All notes must be returned to the office before Friday 6th March.

An information evening session will be held on the same day - see below.



SOUTH GRAFTON HIGH SCHOOL

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Year 7 2021 Transition Evening



South Grafton High School invites families of Year 6 students to our information evening.

Tuesday 10th March, 2020

5:30pm - 7:00pm

@ South Grafton High School Hall

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