

Coutts Crossing Public School

Newsletter



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Week 7 – 9th June 2020

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

I hope all our families enjoyed a relaxing long weekend and were able to spend some quality time with loved ones. Week 7 has come around very quickly this term and our teachers are working hard to re-establish learning routines and meet the individual needs of students as we settle back in to face to face teaching. In order to assist our teachers and support our students as we work to catch up on missed classroom teaching time due to COVID-19, additional teaching staff have been employed until the end of term. All teachers are focusing on consolidating key literacy and numeracy skills for each stage and working to minimise the impact remote learning has had on student learning outcomes.

Together, our staff are all dedicated to making sure every student at our school is known, valued and cared for.

Michelle Dalgliesh

Reminders-

We still have restrictions in place regarding visitors on site. Only essential staff are permitted on school grounds. Parents should continue to follow the drop and go policy when getting their students to and from school. Please phone or email if you need to contact the school.

COVID-19 testing - We ask that you notify the school if a student has been tested for COVID-19. The latest health advice also states that while you wait for test results you should remain at home.

This Week	Next Week	Coming Up
Monday 8th June Public Holiday Fri- Netball for 1/2		Friday 3rd July - last day of Term 2

Orara House Captain

After a closely contested student vote at school last Friday, congratulations go to our new House Captain for Orara, Avalon. Captains play an important role as leaders and role models within the school. They uphold our core values, demonstrate sportsmanship and encourage everyone to have fun participating in sporting activities at school. Well done Avalon!



Award Winners

The following students have been working hard in classrooms and were awarded Merit Awards at last week's assembly. From kindergarten Harper and Chelsie-Lee; from 1/2 Shyanna & Tobias; from 2/3/4 Caleb & Myah; and from 4/5/6 Kayden and Georgia. Congratulations to all our Merit Award winners!

We also have a number a fantastic students who have managed to achieve their Bronze Award. These students have worked hard across a range of areas and were presented with their awards at last Friday's virtual assembly. Congratulations to Jack, Noah, Tayla, Oliver, Archie, Alice, Heath and Max. Keep up the fantastic effort!

Book Club

To encourage our students to develop a love of books and reading for pleasure, Mr Woolridge has started a school book club. Currently, they are enjoying Charlotte's Web by E.B. White, which Mr Woolridge has downloaded electronically onto participating student's iPads. Each Friday at lunchtime students join Mr Woolridge in the library to read together and discuss their favourite elements of the book they are enjoying. Thank you to Mr Woolridge for organising this fantastic initiative at our school. We love books!



Classroom News - K/1 Numeracy Time

It was so lovely to see K/1 students working hard on numeration skills during maths groups last week. Students were engaged in activities around working with friends of five, friends of ten, object ordering one to ten and making numbers one to ten. You can't beat 'hands on' learning.



Cool Cards

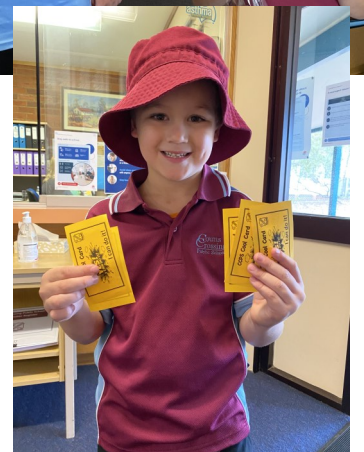
Our students have been working hard demonstrating our school core values of Show Respect, Stay Safe, Take Responsibility and Personal Best. Many students have been awarded with Cool Cards for their outstanding efforts.

Congratulations to Callum and Mikey who were successful in the Cool Card draw at Friday's virtual assembly and enjoyed choosing an item from our prize box.



Writing

Year 1/2 have been working hard with Mrs Moran and Mr Woolridge to improve their writing. They enjoyed listening to the story *Elvira the Dragon Princess* by Margaret Shannon, then completed a writing task retelling the beginning, the middle and the end of the story. Mrs Dalglish had the pleasure of visiting their classroom to hear students read their stories aloud. We certainly have some very clever writers in the 1/2 class!



Netball 2/3/4



Long Jump

COVID-19 may have interrupted our cross country and athletics carnivals this year but students still enjoy practising their sporting skills. Our wonderful GA, Mr Bebbington, tidied up the long jump pit ready for us to use during lunchtime play. Students have been having fun, enjoying some friendly competition as they perfect their jumping techniques.



Sandpit fun

Students from Kindergarten to Year 6 have been enjoying playing in the sandpit each lunchtime. It has been great to see students of all ages coming together to have fun building, creating and exploring in the sandpit. One of the many great things about attending a small school is the opportunity for all students to connect with each other, build relationships and develop teamwork skills as they learn to play together.



Head Lice

Please be aware we have had a case of head lice reported in the school. Please regularly check your child's hair for head lice and treat accordingly.