

# Coutts Crossing Public School

# Newsletter



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Week 9 – 14th September 2020

Dear parents and caregivers,

Last week we welcomed a new staff member to our Coutts Crossing PS team, Miss Amanda Piper. Miss Piper has joined our SAS team as relieving School Administration Officer and she is an excellent asset to our school community. Miss Piper will be working in the school office each Wednesday.

This Thursday all teachers will be conducting learning conferences with students to discuss their learning progress and set individual learning goals. This valuable one on one time provides teachers with opportunities to better plan for each of their student's personal learning needs and empowers students to be more involved in their own learning. This is also an excellent time for families to talk to their children about how they feel they are progressing at school.

Michelle Dalgliesh

Friday  
dress in rainbow colours  
no donations required



## RUOK? Day

Last Thursday was R U Ok? Day. This year has certainly been relentless. It's affected all of us in so many different ways and for some people, they've got very little left in their tank and the simple act of daily routines can be a tough ask. We all need to remember to take care of ourselves, and each other. At school we are focusing on listening with kindness to everyone and offering support if needed.

This Week	Next Week	Coming Up
Wednesday - Rainbow day orders due	Mon - Thurs Kindy 2021 private tours with Mrs Conyard	Monday 12/10 - Students return for Term 4
Friday- Rainbow Day SRC Jelly bean guessing comp- winner announced	Thursday 24/9- SRC Dress Like a Pirate Day	Friday 23/10 - 3-6 excursion to Coffs Coast Adventure Centre (TBC)
Canteen open Wed	Friday 25/9 - Final day of Term 3	

## Classroom news - 1/2

In Geography, Year 1/2 have been using geographical tools such as atlases, maps and Google Earth to locate important locations around the world with a focus on Australia. Students have been learning to find continents, oceans, the North and South Pole, the Equator and the Northern and Southern Hemisphere. Everyone was excited to learn where different places were located in the world. The children asked many questions and had fun finding the answers!



## Kindergarten transition

We are inviting our new kindergarten students to book an individual tour of the school and classroom with their 2021 kindergarten teacher, Mrs Conyard. If you have a child ready to start kindergarten next year, please contact the school as soon as possible so we can arrange an enrolment meeting and visit.

### Kindergarten 2021

#### New Enrolment Tour

Please call our school office on  
66493225 to book a time.

Time allotments will be 15 minutes.

A more comprehensive parent evening meeting will be  
scheduled in Term 4.

Times available are as follows:

Monday 21<sup>st</sup> September 3.15pm - 4pm

Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> September 9.15am - 3.30pm

Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> September 3.15pm - 4pm

Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> September 3.15pm - 4pm

## Rainbow Day – this Friday

Students and staff are all getting very excited about the upcoming Rainbow Day this Friday. Come to school dressed in the colours of the rainbow. Special rainbow themed treats and lunch order packs will be available to order from the canteen. The normal canteen menu WILL NOT be available on this day.

Recess and Lunch order forms have been sent home. Orders and payment are due back to the school office no later than this Wednesday 16th September.

## Jelly Bean Guessing Competition

In the lead up to Rainbow Day the SRC will be running a jelly bean guessing competition. Each guess will cost 20c. The winner will be announced on Rainbow Day and will get to take the whole jar of jelly beans home. Money raised will be included with the Pirate Day fundraising.

## Dress Like a Pirate Day

Next Thursday our school is participating in Dress like a Pirate Day and students may wear pirate themed clothing instead of their school uniform. To assist families, the **school is supplying eye patches for every student** if they would like to wear them. All students have been asked NOT to bring any props including swords or weapons of any kind, and please wear enclosed shoes.

The day will raise money with a **gold coin donation** to fund vital childhood brain cancer research!

## Book Bank

On Friday, all our students were given new books donated through the Book Bank program. Students selected books earlier in the year and were very excited to receive their books and start reading. Thank you to Koppers, a sponsor of the Book Bank program, for their continued support of this wonderful initiative. It was great to see our students happy faces as they received their special new gifts.

## Senior excursion

We were all very disappointed when the planned senior excursion to Lake Ainsworth had to be cancelled. At this stage, an alternative excursion is being arranged for our primary students for Term 4. Depending on COVID restrictions, students will participate in a day trip to the Coffs Coast Adventure Centre. More details will be shared when available and when updated COVID guidelines for Term 4 are released.

## 100 Nights Reading

Congratulations to Kindergarten student Max on achieving 100 nights reading. Great work, Max!







## HOLIDAY CLINICS

**DATE:** 1/10/2020  
**TIME:** 10.00am - 12.00pm  
**AGE:** 5-12 years  
**COST:** \$40  
**WHERE:** Frank McGuren Field, Grafton (PCYC)



The NRL Game Development team will be holding a League Stars School Holiday Clinic in Grafton at Frank McGuren Field (PCYC) on the 1st of October, starting at 10am and finishing at 12 noon. We would like to invite all local Junior Rugby League players and any interested school students, aged 5 -12 years, to the NRL League Stars clinic.

# Play Touch Football

**GRAFTON SUMMER  
COMPETITIONS**

**MIXED OPENS  
13'S  
U10'S  
U8'S**

**Where:** Jabour Park  
**When:** Wednesday  
**Registrations:** Online  
**Begins:** 14<sup>th</sup> October

[grafton.nswtouch.com.au](http://grafton.nswtouch.com.au)



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**Canteen**

**Recess & lunch  
BY ORDER ONLY**

### Canteen Roster

Wednesday	Friday
16/9 Fran & Jenny	18/9 Sue, Georgina & Ryanda (Rainbow Day)
23/9 Megan & Fran	25/9 Ryanda & Kirsty