Farewell Mrs Lynch

Return Immunisation Forms to Front Office ASAP. Don’t forget or you’ll miss out on the school-based immunisation and have to organise it privately.

IMMUNISATION SAVES LIVES

Updated on our Website this fortnight:

Don’t forget the calendar is on the website.
Principal’s Report

Every year it is interesting to review what our Year 12 students from the previous year are doing now. In fact it is a very important task, as it is a reflection of just how effective the school is in relation to helping our students on their career paths. The Year 12 of 2012 has proven to be a diverse group of students who have entered a wide range of areas. The results of this year group are a credit to themselves and the outstanding work done by the school, their teachers and their families.

Coomealla High School is a fully comprehensive public school and we are justifiably proud of the outstanding achievements of our students. Of the 32 students who completed the Higher School Certificate, 14 or 44% have received offers from universities. A further 4, 12% have taken up places at TAFE to further their studies. This is an excellent statistic with 56% of the cohort taking up the opportunity to undertake tertiary studies. Of the students who have taken up university offers, seven have moved to Adelaide to study, six are at the La Trobe University Campus in Mildura and one is in Melbourne.

Primary teaching and careers in health related fields have been the popular choice for our students. While many of our students have elected to study locally this is an exciting time for those who will relocate to a major centre to continue their studies.

There are two important points to take away from these figures. Firstly, for the majority of our students school does not mark the end of their formal learning. These students recognise that school gives them the choices, skills and the capacity to extend themselves in the wider world. Completing school is not the destination for these young people. They will grow and develop, unlocking the amazing potential that they have.

Secondly, these students have attained these remarkable achievements through consistent study at their local high school. They did not need to enrol in a private school or attend a senior college. They achieved through hard work, a partnership with their teachers and with the help of their parents. NSW Government Schools do not teach ‘to a test’, they prepare students for their future. Government high schools create continuing learners, who are resourceful and resilient.

Congratulations and well done to all our Year 12 students from 2013, we are proud of you.

Mr R Scotton
Catching up with Year 12, 2012 Students who plan to continue their studies.

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Mrs Lynch’s Farewell Morning Tea
Wentworth Shire School Based Traineeships

The Wentworth Shire Council is always very supportive of Coomealla High School and has taken many students for either Work Experience or Structured Workplace Learning over the years. They are now offering a few positions for students to apply for as School Based Trainees (SBAT). The areas of work are listed below. If successful, a student would work one day per week and attend school on the other days.

The Shire is still working on what students would need to do to apply for a position. Some students have already put their names down but if any others would like to find out more information please come and see Mrs Smith.

Certificate 11 in Financial Services-FNS30111
This could involve customer service, maintaining financial records, clerical duties

Certificate 11 in Business Services (Customer Contact) -BSB30211
This would be in office administration/customer service

Certificate 11 in Transport & Logistics (Warehousing Operations) -TLI21610
This would be work in the store, ordering, distributing.

Certificate 11 in Local Government (Operational works)- LGA20204
This could involve working in the workshop on repairs/servicing/maintenance

School Holiday Basketball camp with Heat stars Calvin Henry, Terrell Bell & Crystal Whittington.
For Boys & Girls aged 5 -12 at the Toyota Hothouse.
Wednesday April 10th & Thursday April 11th
From 10am – 3pm.
For more details please call the MBA on 5023 2241

The Lower Anabranch Sporting & Landcare Group Inc. are holding their
Annual Picnic and Sports Day
On Saturday 20th April 2013 at 1pm sharp
Starting with the kids running races. Entry free, Raffle and Lolly guess held.
Afternoon tea supplied including cordial for the kids. BYO drinks, shared evening BBQ, please bring meat and a salad.
Evening entertainment provided.
Coin roll.
A great family day! All welcome
Davidson Shield Cricket

Round 2 of the Alan Davidson Shield Cricket took place on Tuesday the 12/3 against Broken Hill High School at Alma Oval Broken hill. The boys conquered the early rise and 3.5 hour bus trip to play a dominant game of cricket beating their opposition by 90 runs. Jayden Brooks won the toss and elected to bat, putting on another dominant opening stand with his partner Kobe Mutch, a 56 run partnership from 18 overs. Connor Darby was next to come in scoring 44 runs in quick succession, off half as many balls lifting the run rate from 3 to 5 runs per over. Other notable contributions included Jordan McKinnon guiding the back end of the innings with 29 runs, Nick Cottrell with 13 and Colby Wade with 11. It was a great all round batting performance, finishing with 195 runs from the 40 overs.

Tight bowling by the openers and spinner Jordan McKinnon saw the runs dry up for Broken Hill, putting pressure on their batters to start scoring quickly, which resulted in their downfall and wickets for our bowlers. The pick of the bowlers were Connor Darby taking 5-22, Jarred Brander 1-16, Kobe Mutch 1-13, Bevan Wade 1-13 and Jake Wakefield 1-3, all chipping in to dismiss broken hill for 105 after 32 overs.

Well done to everyone in the team on your fantastic achievement, into the third round!

A big thank you to Mr Gee for driving the bus and Ms Watson for her support during the day.

Mr Yager—Coach

Scorecard

Kobe Mutch 30     Bowling (O,M,W,R)
Jayden Brooks 44   C Darby 6-1-5-22
C Darby 44         J Brooks 4-0-0-15
J Brander 2        J Mckinnon 5-0-0-11
Z Symes 1          J Brander 6-1-1-16
J Mckinnon 29      Z Symes 2-0-0-6
C Wade 11          K Mutch 4-0-1-13
M Job 2            B Wade 3-0-1-13
N Cottrell 13 notout J Wakefield 1-0-1-3
I Mckinnon 0       N Cottrell 1-0-0-6
B Wade 0 not out   Broken Hill all out for 106
J Wakefield 12th man Coomealla Wins by 89 runs
Total 9/195 after 40 overs

Fall of wickets: 56,120,122,130,131,145,165,195
The Invasion of the ‘PLASTIC PEOPLE’

‘Picasso to Klippel’ was a unit of work investigated by Mrs Alexander’s Year 9 & 10 art students this year. Students examined an artist practice - how ideas are created and which mediums to use – leading to the final art piece.

To understand the sculptural form, students looked at several artists who make sculptures. ‘Minimalism’, an art style that involves the use of pure, simple, often precise forms without unnecessary detail or adornment to create art was one style explored. Students studied Mikala Dwyer a minimalist artist, who uses transparent malleable plastic and a heat gun to mould her sculptural plastic shapes.

Our students also worked with the idea of ‘minimalism’ and created their own plastic sculpture by using large rolls of clear adhesive tape and wrapped a volunteer in tape to create a plastic person. Students created plastic people and then photographed their plastic people in spaces around the school. Our students enjoyed the unusual activity especially wrapping a classmate up without constricting the model.
The first round of the Adolescent Vaccination Program 2013 will commence the last fortnight in March. Consent forms will be sent home with students. Could they please be completed and returned to school promptly. Information is in the consent packs.

The program will be as follows:

**Year 7 Girls and Boys:**
- Gardsil (HPV) x 3 doses
- Hepatitis B x 2 doses
- Boostrix (Whooping Cough, Tetanus & Diphtheria) x 1 dose
- Varicella (Chicken Pox) x 1 dose

**Year 9 Boys:**
- Gardasil (HPV) x 3 doses

Any enquiries can be directed to Dareton Primary Health on 50217200.

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**SCHOOL VACCINATIONS 2013**

**HPV vaccination for boys to commence in NSW**

Boys in NSW high schools will be offered human papillomavirus (HPV) vaccination from 2013 to provide protection against developing infections that can lead to cancer.

In 2013, the 3-dose course of vaccine will be offered to:

- Year 7 boys as part of the routine school-based vaccination program
- Year 9 boys as part of the national ‘catch up’ program in 2013 and 2014 only.

HPV vaccination has been offered to female students in Year 7 since 2007. HPV is the name given to a group of viruses that affect both females & males. Most people who are sexually active will have a genital HPV infection at some time in their lives. HPV infection usually causes no symptoms and goes away by itself. However, in rare cases infection can cause life-threatening cancers. Almost all cases of cervical cancer and genital warts are due to HPV infection. HPV also causes cancers in other parts of the body, including the vulva, vagina, penis and anus.

The vaccine is highly effective in preventing the main types of HPV infection and is most effective when it is given to people before they are exposed to the virus (before becoming sexually active). As well as protecting males from HPV infections, immunising young men will also protect women from infection. The vaccine is registered for use from 10 years of age and is only provided free for male students who commence the course in Year 7 or Year 9.

Parent Information Kits will be sent home to parents early in 2013. To consent to vaccination parents are advised to read all the information provided, complete the Consent Form and return promptly.

Students in Year 7 will also be offered vaccination against other diseases, including diphtheria-tetanus-whooping cough (dTpa), Hepatitis B and chicken pox.
Easter Holiday safe driving tips

As the Easter long weekend approaches, thousands of families are set to hit the roads for holiday trips. A concern for everyone across the country is always that of road safety over the long weekend. There are more people using our roads at this time meaning there is a higher risk for accident, injury and even death. Motorists are urged to be extra cautious especially at night and when passing through residential areas, due to the unpredictable actions of pedestrians. Here are some useful driving and passenger tips you can take in to make sure your journey is a safe one.

As a driver:
- Plan your trip before you leave and when you want to get there. Sleep well before travelling and avoid driving at night time.
- Always wear your seatbelt and ensure everyone in your car is as well.
- Take a 15 minute break outside your car every two hours.
- Check your medication. Does it warn you not to drive? Then don’t!
- Eat well balanced meals at regular times. You need the energy for brain activity and concentration.
- Keep the inside of your car cool. Use air-conditioning or wind down windows.
- Do not use your mobile phone while driving. Turn off your mobile phone or keep it on silent.
- Obey the legal blood alcohol limit of zero.
- PLEASE DON’T SPEED!!!

As a passenger:
- Know what can happen if you travel with an unsafe driver.
- Assist the driver by helping to identify hazards.
- Keep your mobile phone on silent to avoid distracting the driver.
- Keep the radio at a level so any sudden changes in traffic or emergency vehicles can be heard.
- Wear your seatbelt at all times.
- Do not speak loudly with the driver or other passengers in the car.
- Remind the driver to take a rest every two hours. Have a stretch and some water.
- If you notice the driver is getting tired, ask them to pull over. Your safety is at risk too!
- Help put money towards petrol.
- If you don’t feel safe, SAY SO!!!

Easter/ANZAC double demerit period
Double demerit points apply to all speeding and seatbelt offences from Thursday 28 March to Monday 1 April inclusive and also in the ANZAC period 24-28 April inclusive.

See you back safely in Week10 😊

And after the Holidays
## CALENDAR

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**Reminder:**

Thongs or canvas shoes are NOT to be worn at school for safety reasons.
Recipe Corner:
Irish Brown Soda Bread

Ingredients:
- 4 cups whole wheat flour
- 1 cup bread flour
- 1/3 cup rolled oats
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 2 1/2 cups buttermilk

Method:
- Preheat oven to 220 deg C.
- Lightly grease two baking sheets.
- In a large bowl, stir together whole wheat flour, bread flour, rolled oats, baking soda and salt.
- Gently mix in the buttermilk until a soft dough is formed.
- Knead very lightly.
- Divide dough into 4 pieces; form into rounded flat loaves.
- Mark each loaf with an ‘X’ and place on prepared baking sheets.
- Bake in preheated oven until browned, about 30 to 45 mins.

Three Colours SC supports Harmony Day 2013

Three Colours SC today announced its support for Harmony Day which will see children across Australia participate in the Harmony Game.

As part of the activities of Harmony Day being held in Mildura on March 17, children will form a circle at the beginning and end of the game itself as part of the breaking down of barriers and creation of a more harmonious world to live in.

Vince Dimasi from Three Colours was quoted as saying:

“Football is the world game and Sunraysia has become home to thousands of people from all over the world so Harmony Day is a wonderful way of bringing everyone even closer together.”

Three Colours SC is looking for more coaches for its Small Sided Football (J-League) program covering age groups ranging from U6 to U11.
No experience is necessary and training is provided by FFV and paid for by the Club.
For those people interested contact David Maiorana on 0410 565 631 threecolourssc@live.com.au
www.threecolours.com.au

Registrations for all age groups (Under 6 – Senior Mens) to play with Three Colours SC for the 2013 Season are now open.
Registration can be done online www.threecolours.com.au or in person on Sunday 17 March in the Club Shed.

For more details contact Vince on 0429 200 193
IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING ABSENTEE NOTES

The DET Attendance Policy PD20050259 states that:
Parents are responsible for explaining the absences of their children from school promptly and within seven days to the school.  (from Responsibilities, 2.1 point 3); and

A hard copy of the electronic record is to be generated weekly for the previous two-week period. The principal or delegated school executive must endorse this hard copy, certifying its accuracy. Once signed, this hard copy becomes the record of attendance and must not be amended.  (4.2 Electronic Attendance Registers, 4.2.2)

Please send absentee notes to school promptly and, if you are going on holidays, please inform the school in advance.

Coomealla High School—Absence Note

Student Name: ___________________________ Year: ________Roll Group: ______________
My child was absent from school: Date/s __________________________________________
Reason: ____________________________________________________________________
Signed: __________________________________Parent/Guardian

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Quotable Quote:

A good laugh and a long sleep are the two best cures.

- Irish saying