Jungle Theme Disco

Updated on our Website this fortnight:
Athletics Carnival photos

NAIDOC Day
Thursday 7 August
Welcome back to term 3.

We have many events planned for this term so please ensure that you check the calendar on our webpage so that you don't miss out. In particular I would commend to you Coomealla High Schools NAIDOC day on the 7th August.

We are at present looking at updating our webpage so if you have any suggestions please pass them on to me. Our P&C meets in the 3rd Tuesday of the month in the senior lunch room adjacent to the TAFE car park. P&C is now from 5.30 pm until 7 pm. The first meeting for this term is on Tuesday 5th August (a change in week just for this one). It would be great to see some more parents come along and hear about our school and also have some input.

The Athletics Carnival was held on the 23rd and 29th of this month and was a very well organised event. An excellent result in the triple jump was achieved by Ashton Tilley who broke the previous record. Meg Richardson despite a huge effort was not quite so fortunate as she missed out on beating her mothers' previous result by 1 cm. There is always next year Meg! Participation levels were excellent with a number of students entering multiple events. As a reward for this our PBL draw had an extra "participants draw" where 2 boys and 2 girls won canteen vouchers for entering more than 3 events. This draw will be repeated next week also. As well as this we have been boosting our PBL focus each week by reintroducing a draw for "good school uniform". We also hope to have extra draws for gift vouchers and special events starting soon. The first vouchers have been donated by Sunraysia Tenpin Bowling; a big thank you for this donation. We are always looking for donations such as this to boost our PBL system, please let the school know if you can assist in any way.

Jaco van Aardt from OPSM Mildura once again donated his time this week to do eyesight screening for all of year 7 and all Indigenous students. He was accompanied by a work placement student from Sydney; thank you to both of them for giving so freely of their time. A letter has gone out to parents who need to make a follow up appointment.

The Links to Learning Program has begun in earnest this term with a number of our students completing their Personal Learning Plans to help them decide which courses they should enrolled in. Courses include: boys group at CHAC, BMEET and outdoor activities, hairdressing, women's business, garden design and landscaping, outdoor art, rugby league coaching certificate and through TAFE a community service and barista course. Our sincere thanks to these organisations and so many others for their contribution. Our next newsletter will include more information, photos and acknowledgements as we get further into the courses.

I have been networking with our local Primary Principals re training in current changes in DEC policy, joint training opportunities and a staff development day in term 2, 2015.

The staff at Coomealla HS have recently completed a "non violent crisis intervention course". This course has equipped them with a variety of skills to assist in management of students and situations both within and outside the classroom. Seven staff, myself included, also completed the extension course to this. The course has been run in lieu of the last Thursday of the year ie 18th December and as such there will be no staff on site on the 18th nor 19th December.

Parent/Teacher night was held on Wednesday the 30th August. It was great to see so many parents talking with staff about their children. As a thank you to those parents who came we provided complimentary cappuccinos and lattes. We hope to continue to see more parents each time.

Jo Scott
Principal
P&C Meeting

5:30 - 7:00pm
Tuesday 5 August 2014
Senior Lunch Room
All Welcome

Coomealla High School NAIDOC Expo Day 2014
7th August 2014
9.10am – 2.10pm

9.10 Formal assembly

10am Non indigenous and Indigenous morning tea

10.30-2.10pm Expo presentations

12.30 BBQ Lunch  All welcome

Contact Deila Philip to be involved or for any information at the school on 0350274506

Organisation presentations
Science Morning

On June 16, our Year 7 and 8 Science students were treated to a captivating and very successful visit from education officers from the NSW Sustainable Future Program. We were fortunate to secure the services of presenters from Wambagalang (near Dubbo), Coonabarabran and Sydney field offices, to present fresh and personal science learning experiences.

Sessions were active and engaging, providing hands on activities in subjects including; natural products, recycling and worm farming, botany, solar and alternate energy and ornithology.

Once again, the students of Coomealla High conducted themselves admirably. The success of the program was obvious judging by the expressions on children’s faces and the chatter and discussions which followed. Thank you to the staff and volunteers who worked together to provide such a valuable learning opportunity. This style of education brings study alive and provides real life learning experiences for our students who sometime suffer the effects of distance.

Dennis Brown
HT Science
Rugby League At Coomealla High

What a great day.
A group of U14 boys travelled to Mildura on 18 June, to make a name for themselves as they participated in the NW Victorian Rugby League Championships.

It was obvious that we were giving away quite a deal of size on a man to man basis. After a team talk we decided this wasn’t a concern, and showed everyone exactly that. Our squad quickly became two very competitive equal strength teams, for the 8-a-side competition. We chose to go with equal strength teams as NSW teams couldn’t qualify in Victoria.

The first game each team played were complete contrasts.
One team were able to convincingly defeat Chaffey 2’s. “Chaffey”, had placed their best in a single team. Lead by Tyreece and Ziggy we gained valuable experience and practice.

The other team faced up to the eventual winners in what was for many of the boys, their first game of Rugby League ever. The very first run in the game saw a 100kg lad run at our team, frightening if you’re only a little bloke. As any self-respecting Coomie boy would, and unsure of another option, Cameron very effectively put him on the ground. This surprised the big boy and their team. Having set the standard for the day, we eventually had a narrow loss, but had produced a huge shock and fixed a permanent smile on everyone’s faces.

Both teams continued to improve remarkably as the day progress. The skills learned and experience gained, allowed our athletes to show their worth. Our teams finished a very creditable third and fourth on the day.

The highlights:
Huge smiles on every Coomie boys’ face.
The extraordinary athleticism of our boys.
The commitment and improvement throughout the day.
Drawing with the winners, when, with the agreement of the organisers, we played our best squad as one team just for curiosity.
AND of course THE COURTESY, COURAGE AND COMMITMENT OF OUR MEN

Thank you to everyone involved in this thoroughly enjoyable day, including the parents who came to add their support.

Dennis Brown
Coach
Year 7

Imaginary Cities

It begins with an undulating line and like most cities, grows outwards and upwards at an amazing rate. Students pushed using only black pen to create these awesome drawings based on tone and texture techniques.

and practicing new skills

their artistic comfort

zones and barriers, developing
Interschool Netball

On Friday 13th June, three teams from years 7-10 travelled into Mildura to complete in the inter-school netball competition.

The Intermediate year 9/10 girls team included Claire O'Connor, Mikaela Fraser, Jade Pohlner, Megan Clothier, Lottie Sapuppo, Monique Mitchell, Beth Darby, Abbey Henderson and Shae McDonnell.

The year 7/8 girls (Junior) were split into two teams, Bri-anna King, Chloe Henderson, Chloe Thompson, Amber Thompson, Lucy Christensen, Jade Andrews, Jessica Alderton, Emily Bertalli, Chloe Hyde, Chelsea Manger, Belah Ussher, Abby Taylor, Jasmin Pohlner, Shyann Wellard, Meg Richardson, Sydney Wilson, Ashley Strachan, Tarissa Mitchell and Zoe Kelly.

All teams played extremely well, with the Year 9/10 and one of the year 7/8 teams winning all but one of their games, which was lost by one goal. Some of the girls had not played netball before so it was a great opportunity to experience a new sport. All of the girls impressed in the sportsmanship displayed and enthusiastic effort in which they played each game, and were never late for a scoring duty.

A big thank you to Korreigh Wade, Kasey Pohlner, Jasmine Pohlner, Jade Pohlner and Steph Wescombe, who all umpired on the day and also a big thankyou to the organiser of the day and to Mrs Fraser & Ms Frost for taking us.
2014 West Darling Cross Country

On Thursday the 19 June a small group of dedicated runners headed back to Lions Park Dareton to compete against Broken Hill High School and Willyama High School. For many of our runners it was their third run this term. Although the conditions were near next to freezing Coomealla enjoyed success on the day taking out first place.

Congratulations to all competitors and a big thank you to students who assisted.

Results:
- Coomealla - 187
- Willyama - 133
- Broken Hill - 107

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Students at work in Science

- Year 7
- Year 10
- Year 11
- Year 9/10
Coomealla High School Social was organised and run by the Coomealla High School Junior AECG. The Theme was Jungle Fever.

On the Night everyone enjoyed themselves dancing the night away.
Coomealla Junior AECG would like to thank every one who helped to make the night a success.
FINDING JAMIE RYAN

It’s time for the biennial school play – Finding Jamie Ryan, by Marlene F Magee, who also wrote the script for our last production - Four Funerals and a Wedding.

Finding Jamie Ryan follows the adventures of two Year 8 students at the fictitious Springfield High School undertaking a task which is part of the routine for junior students in many high schools. The annoying Quinton and the capable Angela have reported to Mrs Chatterley in the school office to be introduced to the myriad responsibilities of school runners.

Their efforts to come to grips with the intricacies of the filing system are interrupted by the School Principal, Mr Ulysses Upman, who has an important but mundane job for them – to collect a Year 10 student, Jamie Ryan, from his class and bring him to the Principal.

This simple task takes Quinton and Angela all day. Their search takes them through Wood Technology and English classes, school musical rehearsals and Music lessons. They also take the newly arrived French exchange student Pierre under their wing, before he falls victim to the dubious charms of the femme fatales of Year 10 – Mary, Kate and Ashley – and bests the school bully Rocky Del Coomi in a playground showdown. And Quinton undergoes a particularly traumatic experience when he comes across members of staff secretly rehearsing their performance for the forthcoming Teachers Got Talent! auditions.

In the end, Jamie Ryan is found, though Quinton and Angela really can’t take any credit. Surely this result should see the end of their school day…

Some 30 students from Years 7 to 11 will be directly involved in Finding Jamie Ryan, either in the cast or as members of the crew, under the stage management of Mr Celegon. The cast started rehearsals early in Term Two and many are already “books down” and coming to grips with blocking.

Work is also well underway in the set painting and prop making departments with students in art and drawing classes wielding paintbrushes and scissors under the watchful eyes of Ms Nixon. Mr McNamara is working his recycling magic on sets and furniture from previous productions with the assistance of selected wood technology students while Mrs Alderton is outfitting the staff and students of the Springfield High School. Once again Electric Light Theatre (ELT) has generously flung open the doors of its wardrobe to support our production.

Finding Jamie Ryan will be staged in the auditorium at the Coomealla Club on Friday 29th and Saturday 30th August at 7.30pm. There will also be a matinee for Year 7 and 8 students as well as students from local primary schools on 29th August.

Tickets for the evening performances will be available at the door.

Ticket costs are: $5 – adults, $2 – students and pensioners, $10 – family ticket.
Vegetation Corridor
Yr. 11 Senior Science
For the practical component of our senior science course, we planted native shrubs and trees in a vegetation corridor. We will be measuring the plant growth and observing adaptation and reproduction strategies of the plants.

In the future we plan go on an excursion to the Botanical Gardens to observe the adaptations and growth patterns of native bush tucker and medicinal species that will grow in our area.

We will then use that information to grow our own bush tucker and medicinal species garden.

Katelin Kemp
Year 11

After 5 weeks, the plants have grown really well.
Athletics Carnival 2014
Athletics Carnival
ANAPHYLACTIC SHOCK

We felt that all parents would like to be aware that there is several children in school with a severe life-threatening food allergy to peanuts and nuts (anaphylaxis). This is a medical condition that causes a severe reaction to specific foods and can result in death with minutes. Although this may or may not affect your child directly, please send foods with your child to school that are free from peanuts or nut products.

Thank you for understanding and cooperation.

STUDENT PRIVACY, PHOTOGRAPHS, MEDIA and OUR NEWSLETTER / WEBSITE

There are strict rules regarding “disclosure of personal information” under the Freedom of information and Privacy Act. “Personal Information” is defined broadly and includes photographic images where an individual is identified or his or her identify is reasonably apparent from the photograph. Thus taking photographs can constitute a collection of personal information.

The position of this school, in complying with the Act is as follows:

INFORMATION/IMAGES IN SCHOOL NEWSLETTER and WEBSITE

All parents/carers are advised that this school will continue to highlight the achievements and activities of students of this school in the newsletter/website, both in photographic and written form. If a parent/carer DOES NOT want a student’s name or image to appear in the newsletters, written advice of this should be sent to the principal.

INFORMATION/IMAGES IN LOCAL MEDIA – Newspapers, Radio, TV

As a general rule consent of a student’s parent/carers will be sought when an individual student or small group of students will be identified by name, interviewed or otherwise featured in local media.

VIDEOTAPING OR PHOTOGRAPHING SCHOOL EVENTS

Where school events (eg concerts, sports carnivals, etc) are to be video taped by the school, parents and carers will be advised in advance and given the opportunity to not have their child included in the video.

PHOTOGRAPHY AT SCHOOL BY TEACHERS/SUPPORT STAFF

The school has implemented guidelines for students being photographed at school events such as socials, excursions, sport carnivals and the like. Generally, a student must agree to have their photo taken. Agreeing to pose individually or in a group will be taken as consent. Action photos of sport activity will be taken eg races.
Football Sunraysia - Summer-5-A-Side

Register your team by sending an email to summer5aside@outlook.com to get the information package

There are 6 Divisions that a Team can enter into. Minimum player age is 7 (i.e. Not born post 2007)

- U9 (Girls and Boys): Players who are 9 and Under in 2014 Born 2005 or later
- U12 (Girls and Boys): Players who are 12 and Under in 2014 Born 2002 or later
- U14 (Girls and Boys): Players who are 14 and Under in 2014 Born 2000 or later
- U16 (Girls and Boys): Players who are 16 and Under in 2014 Born 1998 or later
- Social Mixed (Men and Women): Players born 1997 or earlier
- Senior Mens: Players born 1997 or earlier

Please note, that if sufficient teams/players do not register in a particular division then that division shall not proceed with a competition. A full refund will be issued to affected players.

The Season (subject to sufficient numbers in a division)

- Wednesday 8th October to Wednesday 17th December 2014
- Wednesday 14th January to Wednesday 18th February 2015

Times/Dates subject to change ahead of season commencing based upon teams/players that register in a particular division.

Costs

All team entry fees must be paid ahead of competition commencing to guarantee security of fixture.

Team Entry fee $100 plus

Mildura Junior Heat Tryouts

Will commence from Saturday August 23rd at
The Toyota Hothouse for the 2014/15 representative season.
Age groups Under 12 to Under 18 Boys & Girls
For more details please call the MBA on 5023 2241

Thanks,

Adam Tarr
General Manager
Mildura Basketball Association
Phone (03) 50232241
manager@mildurabasketball.com.au

www.mildurabasketball.com.au
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Reminder:
Thongs or canvas shoes are NOT to be worn at school for safety reasons.
Recipe Corner:

**Waffles**

**Ingredients:**
- 2 cups all-purpose flour
- 3/4 cup sugar
- 3-1/2 teaspoons baking powder
- 2 eggs - separated
- 1 1/2 cups milk
- 1 cup butter, melted
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- Sliced fresh strawberries or syrup

**Method:**
- In a bowl, combine flour, sugar and baking powder.
- In another bowl, lightly beat egg yolks.
- Add milk, butter and vanilla; mix well.
- Stir into dry ingredients just until combined.
- Beat egg whites until stiff peaks form; fold into batter.
- Bake in a preheated waffle iron according to manufacturer's directions until golden brown.
- Serve with strawberries or syrup.
- **Yield:** 10 waffles
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.

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**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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Signed: __________________________________ Parent/Guardian

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**Quotable Quote:**

“There are only two ways to live your life. One is as though nothing is a miracle. The other is as though everything is a miracle.”

*Albert Einstein*

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**Change of Address/Personal information**

Please obtain an official ‘Change of Student Details’ form from the front office. This will allow details to be updated on our system.