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Principal's Report

On Thursday we formally farewell students in their final year at Cootamundra High at our Year 12 assembly for students, parents and guests. The next few weeks will continue to be an important time where learning can be consolidated through a consistent and well planned study routine for year 12 students. I would like to take this opportunity to wish them the best in their exams and future career paths wherever that may take them.

Whilst preparing for the recent rewards assembly I was amazed at the number of students demonstrating success and embracing school activities. Many thanks to all who support us in nurturing student success at our school. Special mention to parents who help foster talent, staff who coach and cover lessons while teams are away and congratulations to students who perform so well—not just in extracurricular activities but all areas of school life. I am looking forward to the Rewards BBQ with students where we recognise students for academic and cultural achievements. This is a simple way that we recognise student achievement across a broad range of activities.

In the past two weeks Sarah Godman returned from Germany where she competed in the International Geography Olympiad held in Cologne, Germany. Thirty two countries competed in this international competition where Australia finished 7th in the world. Sarah completed three tests including written response, multimedia and a fieldwork test. At final count she missed out on a bronze medal by 0.4 of a mark. We are extremely proud of Sarah's achievements, not only as a

RELIEVING PRINCIPAL: Mrs Janine Nelson

RELIEVING DEPUTY PRINCIPAL: Mr Geoff Black

representative of Cootamundra High School, but also as an ambassador for Australia!

Term 4 sees Mr Mason return after his Long Service Leave and I will return to my position of Deputy. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Mr Black for relieving in my absence and Ms Dunn in her role as Head Teacher HSIE. It has been an enjoyable opportunity to lead our school during term 3. I wish all students a relaxing break and look forward to next term which begins for both teachers and students on

Monday 8 October.

Janine Nelson
Relieving Principal



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Gifted and Talented Program



Cootamundra High School offers a Virtual Stage 4 Enrichment class delivered via Moodle (Modular Object-Orientated Dynamic Learning Environment) an e-learning environment, to students across the region. This program will begin again in term 4 for students in Years 7 and 8.

Gifted and talented children often show greater perceptiveness and sensitivity to the needs of others and the environment. They are usually not afraid to grapple with wider global issues and solve challenging and puzzling questions. Their cognitive skills may then far outstrip their physical skills such as in writing.

Also in term 4 we will be extending invitations to students currently in Year 6 in Cootamundra and the surrounding region to take part in our Gifted and Talented Program for Stage 3. Often an open invitation is an effective method to uncover hidden talent.

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A variety of means such as evaluation of assessment results, observations and teacher/parent nominations are used to target students to be included in the program.

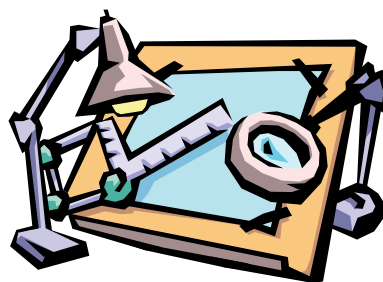
If you think your child would benefit from involvement in an innovative enrichment program and be able to adapt socially to a variety of new peers and is currently in Year 6 in a local primary school, please contact the school.



Dr Lynne Vey
English/History

From the Careers Desk

Several apprenticeships are now being made available to students who are interested in a career as a fitter, machinist, welder or draughtsperson. Three apprentices are required by an Engineering firm in Junee, whilst one is required at Junee Railway Workshop. Students in Years 10, 11 and 12 are welcome to apply. For more information, please see Mrs Alderman.



Year 9

UC for Yourself University Experience Day

The University of Canberra is conducting an Open Day next term for all Year 9 students. There will be no transport costs for students, as the bus is being provided with compliments of the University. Permission notes can be collected from Ms Gray in the Careers Office.

Cootamundra and District Country Education Fund

The *Cootamundra and District Country Education Fund* has several scholarship offers available to all Year 12 students wishing to apply. Students were issued with application forms last Friday. There are extra copies available to those who did not receive one from Mrs Alderman.

Term Four

Term four will see the return of Mr McDonnell to the Careers Desk and Mrs Alderman to her position as Transition Adviser. Year 12 students are encouraged to meet with both Mr McDonnell and/or Mrs Alderman to assist with any issues that may arise regarding post HSC plans. All other career based enquiries can be directed to Mr McDonnell.

Calendar of events

Wk 10	Fri 21 Sep	End of Term
Wk 1	Mon 8 Oct Thu 11 Oct Fri 12 Oct	Students return to school Rewards BBQ <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Farm Club showing at Cootamundra Show Excursion - Drama students Cirque De Soleil at Sydney

School Elections



Front: Kia Holmes, Karney Chester and Makayla Brinckley
Inset: Christopher Warren
Back: Jon Martin, William Barrett, Jacob Frilay and Joshua Chapman

On Tuesday 4th September a group of Year 11 students bravely stood before their peers and staff and expressed a desire to be the student leaders in 2013.

All students spoke with passion and eloquence about their hopes and dreams for our school. All candidates would have made worthy student leaders.

The election was held later that day and produced the following outcome:

Captains

Kia Holmes and William Barrett

Vice Captains

Karney Chester and Jacob Frilay

Year 12 SRC (Senior Councillors)

Makayla May Brinckley, Joshua Chapman, Jon Martin and Christopher Warren

All candidates are to be congratulated on their courage and the quality of their presentations.

Farm Club - Harden Show

Friday 7th September, was a typical cold and blustery Harden Show Day! Cootamundra High School had eight students, 2 steers and 1 heifer arriving at Harden Showground early that morning. Several of the eight students were 'uninitiated' to the show circuit and their excitement and anticipation of their first show was infectious. The cattle were also uninitiated, however, they were not as excited!!

The cattle travelled well and unloaded reasonably and then it was straight to the wash bays to remove the grime and excess dirt and muck off them to prepare them for their first time in the ring. Students set about to their tasks and learnt quickly that it was no use standing around watching and waiting for others to do the job, but rather to get the job done as a team.

Paraders was the first class with the senior students beginning in the hope that the juniors would be able to gain some valuable insight into how to parade animals.

The first senior in the ring was Hayley Mitchell who had never led in a show before either. She paraded well and placed third in the Senior section.

Chloe Waters, Abbey Gordon, Jessica Edwards and Brendan Schade led in the next group of students in different heats. All of these students have led before and were in a large age group.



Chloe placed 1st in her heat and 1st in the final of paraders for the 14-15 years. Kaede Nicka, Azelyn Collins and Louise Raleigh were the newer students to the group and paraded exceptionally well for their first time at a show setting. Kaede was place 3rd in her heat and 3rd in the final for the under 14yrs.

After paraders animals were fed and watered, as were the students, and then it was on to Junior Judging where students place four animals in order of preference and then speak on those animals.

Hayley and Chloe were both chosen to speak and Hayley was Reserve Champion in the Senior Class and Chloe placed 1st in her class but was unlucky not to get a broad ribbon in the under 16 class.

Students were outstanding and worked exceptionally well. It has been encouraging to see new faces and watch these students grow with the skills that are involved in the showing of cattle, be it steers for the dinner plate, or stud cattle.

The led steer and heifer class was next, with placings received for our three entries as they are judged as if they were to be killed on the day and our animals are not ready for that at present.

At present the students are working with six stud heifers for two different local breeders. It is great to see the support that is offered to these students. Without this, our program would not be able to run as successfully as it does. The steers and heifer that went to Harden will now go on to the Cootamundra Show and be judged on the Hoof as well as the Hook. Who knows - they might end up on your dinner plate!!

Thank you also to the parents who helped transport the students to the show.

Library Assignments

Year 7

Year 7 have been exploring Ancient Egypt and each student has written an article for the

"Ancient Egyptian Express".

These articles will be featured in the School Newsletter over the next few months.

The Proof and Source Cards at the bottom of each article show where the research information for each article has been obtained.

At Your Royal Funeral

By Melissa Kelleher

Do you know what is going to happen at our royal funeral? Well unless you have attended one before you will never know. Even if you have been to one it may not be the same. Here is a run down on how most royal funerals go.

The royal are carried in funeral boats to their funeral. Everyone waits outside for the royal dead to arrive. Then everyone forwards inside.

Everyone says their goodbyes and then the royal is buried with everything that is going to help them with the afterlife. Things like jewellery, clothes, wigs, make-up, furniture, household equipment, toys and some weapons are buried to help them. BUT one of the things they really need are slaves!

So if you are a slave of pharaohs I advise you to leave town now, and run for your life!



Source

Title: Studies in Ancient Egypt

Author: Jenifer Lawless

Publisher: Deborah Barnes

Library Assignments

A Pharaohs life, cut short!

By
Chloe Janssen

It's 1339 BC and tragedy has struck Egypt, the young boy king Tutankhamen is now dead and has died at the young age of 18. This king was the only son of the great pharaoh Amehotep IV of the 18th Dynasty.

Tutankhamen grew up in the royal palace where he learned and studied how to shoot a bow and ride a chariot, along with many other things such as his responsibilities for when he became Pharaoh.

King Tutankhamen's responsibilities were the same as any royal pharaoh; they had to protect their people! and keep the law in order, as well as being the religious head of the state.

This young king first came to the throne at the age of nine. Unfortunately he only ruled the new kingdom in the 18th Dynasty for such a short time. As many of our kings he will be buried in a tomb filled with all his goods.

Tutankhamen's tomb will be filled with many things such as furniture, couches, chariots and many other unique objects that are made of wood, gold, silver and semi-precious stones. We believe that our Pharaohs need these jewels and goods for the afterlife.

The boy king died so suddenly no one knows how he died and still there are many questions left that can't be answered but his death could remain a mystery for many years to come.



Tutankhamen's Death mask

SOURCES:

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DATE: 2007
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PUBLISHER: Paragon books
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DATE: 2008
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AUTHOR: Leonard Cottrell
PLACE: London WCI
DATE: 1965

TITLE: Tutankhamen
AUTHOR: Aude Gross de Beler
PUBLISHER: Grange Books
PLACE: Kings north
DATE: 2004

Footy Jumper Fundraiser



After the Rewards Assembly last Friday Miss Willoughby got some students together for this photograph of them wearing footy jumpers to help raise funds for Fiji Treasure House. The funds being raised are for building a new orphanage.

Recipes

The Parents and Citizen's Association (P & C) are trying to create a Cootamundra High School Recipe Book as a fundraising item for our school.

We are collecting all-time family favourite recipes
(recipes that you just love - cakes, biscuits, snacks, meals, soup etc.)
that you would like to share.

Recipes can be dropped into the front office or emailed to cootamundr-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au.

All recipes received will be greatly appreciated.



Duke of Edinburgh

Duke of Edinburgh overview

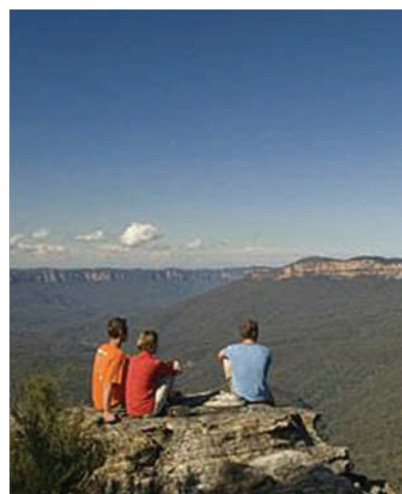
The Duke of Edinburgh award program is designed to give young people from the ages of 13 years and nine months to participate in a number of activities of their choice over a specific time period.

The program will aim to draw young people who are interested in continuing to develop and broaden skills and interests they may already have in five areas of focus. These are recreation, volunteering, skills, physical activity and adventurous journey.

The award encourages the young people participating to aim for a particular level of achievement, for which there are three levels, bronze, silver and gold. Most young people will start at the bronze level if this program is completely new to them.

Commencement will be at the beginning of term four, with the idea of it being in place permanently as a tool for the personal development of students attending Cootamundra High School.

Please see Mr Thorpe or Mr Gale for more information.



Girls Under 15s Basketball

Last Friday, the girls U/15s basketball team travelled to Temora for the final Gala Day in the Combined High Schools knockout.

The team played against Narrandera High School who proved to be extremely tough competition. Despite some great defence and attack, Narrandera were in the lead at quarter time. The girls all played extremely well and never gave up, managing to bring the scores close a few times.

However, it was Narrandera who came out winners 66-40. Well done to the girls for how well they conducted themselves on and off the court.

They have done the school proud, and it was a great effort to get this far in the competition.

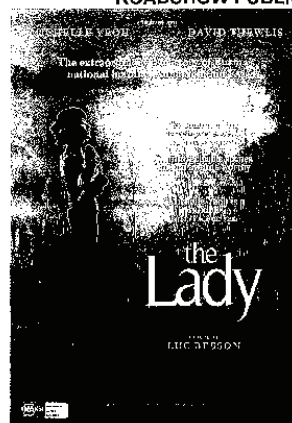


the tin shed theatre

FILM IN THE ARTS CENTRE

BY PERMISSION:

ROADSHOW PUBLIC PERFORMANCE LICENCING



The Lady

The story of Aung San Suu Kyi as she becomes the core of Burma's democracy movement, and her relationship with her husband, writer Michael Aris

SCREENINGS:

WEDNESDAY: 26th. SEPTEMBER @ 10.30am
26th SEPTEMBER @ 7pm

SUNDAY: 30th. SEPTEMBER @ 5pm.
COST: \$10 a head

PATRONS MUST BE SEATED 5 MINUTES BEFORE SCREEN BEGINS

NO BOOKINGS: Doors open half hour before screening

Masquerade Ball Social



Notices

FUTURE CHAMPIONS CLINICS

October 20-21
Gus Smith Oval, Young

Three Olympic coaches and experts on junior sport development will present six interactive hours showing how YOU CAN dramatically improve your performances over a wide range of physically active sports including:

sprinting, hurdles and distance, all football codes, basketball, netball, hockey, tennis, swimming and cricket.

The objective of these clinics is to explain how to train and prepare SMARTER, RATHER THAN HARDER to improve your individual and/or teams' performances.

Athletes, coaches, sports-masters and parents are all welcome to attend.

To enquire and reserve your place early, contact Sonya Dowling on 0427 846 384

Cootamundra Squash Courts

The association is having a COME AND TRY and/or COACHING DAY/ NIGHTS.



Have you ever thought of playing Squash?
Maybe you are looking for something different?

Squash MAY BE FOR YOU!!!

Give the Squash Courts a ring on 6942 2576 on Mondays or Thursdays after 6pm to find out more.

COMMENCING IN TERM 4 FOR 6 WEEKS COSTING \$3.00 PER SESSION

Come and try WHAT HAVE YOU GOT TO LOSE!!!!!!!

Young Skate Park Family Fun Day

Free BBQ sausage sandwich and drink

3 October 2012
10.30am until 2pm

Best decorated bike under 8
Best skills in skate part under 10
Best skills in park 11-13
Best skills in park 14 and over

Parent/guardian to enter participants on the day.



NSW BLUE LIGHT DISCO IS COMING TO COOTAMUNDRA



FREE IPAD

Date: 24th September 2012
Time: 5.30pm - 6.15pm KG Dance Workshop
6.30pm—9.00pm Blue Light Disco
Venue: Cootamundra Town Hall

Supervised by Police
No Alcohol—No Drugs—No Passouts

FREE ENTRY - FREE DANCE WORKSHOPS - FREE PERFORMANCES
A FREE IPAD TO GIVE AWAY

The Jinglists @ The Cootamundra Arts Centre

16-22 Wallendoon Street

Tuesday 25th September
at 7.30pm

Tickets:
Kevin Deep's
Clothing and Footwear

Cost:
\$30 Adults
and
\$15 for Under 18s



"IF YOU LOVE THE SILLY ANTICS OF MONTY PYTHON OR IN-YOUR-FACE HUMOUR, THIS IS A SHOW FOR YOU. DO EXPECT TO LAUGH AND BE ENTERTAINED.★★★★" ArtsHub.com.au