



Week 6, Term 4 | 15 November 2013

Cootamundra High School Newsletter

Respect, Responsibility, Excellence

PRINCIPAL: Mr Neil Reaper
DEPUTY PRINCIPAL: Ms Janine Nelson

YEAR 12 FORMAL DINNER

On Wednesday evening the Year 12, 2013 formal dinner was held at the Cootamundra Ex Services Club. This was a tremendous night of celebration with our students 'dressing to the nines' and presenting themselves in an amazing fashion.



Many parents, family, friends and staff also joined in the celebration. The evening was a culmination of many years of hard work from our students. I would again like to wish our Year 12 students the best for all their future endeavours.

Our excellent 'masters of ceremony' for the night were our School captains and vice captains for 2014—Danyelle Bailey, Tom Worthington, Aria Holmes and Sam Masters.



Many thanks must go to Paul Frilay who coordinated the event and to Manna Scott and Angela Grewal whose decorating of the venue was simply amazing. Many thanks to Mariette Hanekom who supplied the flower arrangement for the evening.

It was a wonderful evening and a fitting farewell to our Year 12 of 2013.

CALENDAR**Week 7, Term 4**

18—20 Nov	Year 7 Exams
20—22 Nov	Brick and Block

Week 8, Term 4

25—26 Nov	Taste of TAFE, Year 10
Tues, 26 Nov	P&C (7pm School Library)
Thurs, 28 Nov	Engineers without Borders, Year 9
28—29 Nov	Taste of TAFE, Year 10

Week 9, Term 4

Mon, 2 Dec	Years 9/10 Excursion, Canberra
3—5 Dec	Year 11 Geog Kosciuszko excursion
Thurs, 5 Dec	Recognition Assembly & BBQ
Fri, 6 Dec	CHS Award morning tea

REMEMBRANCE DAY

The eleventh hour, the eleventh day of the eleventh month is a solemn time in Australian and World history. As a mark of respect the school held a Remembrance Day assembly in which our school captains gave a brief outline of the significance of remembrance day. The flag was moved to half mast, a minute's silence was held and the ode was read. Congratulations must go to our students on the way in which they showed their respect during this assembly.

YEAR 7 SWIMMING AND LIFE SAVING

In afternoon sessions over the next two weeks our Year 7 students will participate in a Royal Lifesaving water safety program to be held at the Cootamundra Pool. Staff trained in the program will put the students through their paces, including training in areas such as water safety and rescue techniques. It is expected that this course will be run annually for all our Year 7 students.

BRICK AND BLOCK PROGRAM

Next week will also see a number of students participating in the 'brick and block program'. Students have designed a herb garden and prepared the footings. Next week they will build brick herb beds that will be used by the home economics depart-

ment to grow their own produce to use in student cooking activities.

YEAR 6 INTO 7 TRANSITION

On Wednesday 20 November we will start our main transition program for Year 6 into 7 students. The transition program will run over three Wednesdays with students participating in 'get to know you' activities and the school familiarisation activities. Students will also get a chance to participate in mini lessons in a range of key learning areas.

IT'S A KNOCKOUT—GIRLS UNDER 15s NETBALL

On Thursday 31 October nine students travelled to the Equex Centre in Wagga to compete in a knock-out day. Brittany Ormond from Year 8 was our referee on the day and she did a great job.

In the first game the girls came up against a tall Koorringal High side. They came out strong and were only down by a couple of goals at half time. The second half saw Koorringal run away with a number of early goals, putting them well in the lead and eventually winning the game. Kiara Wilson and Louise Raleigh played competently, interchanging for the role of centre. Other notable players included Emily Webb and Azelyn Collins.



The second game was played against Leeton High—a better height match. This game saw some great shooting from Kaede Nicka and Lauryn Angel. The girls played extremely well and won the game convincingly. Maddison Sedgwick and Cassidy Turner also played well in their positions. Thanks must go to Cootamundra Netball Association for the loan of the uniforms. Wagga High will now play Albury High for a winner in the Riverina.

Celebrate Attendance

Hints and Tips No. 4: Good Attendance



There are a number of sound reasons for you to ensure that your child attends school regularly.

Firstly, attending school every day makes learning easier. For younger students, missing the basic skills often leads to learning problems later on and for older student's absenteeism often interferes with academic progress. Friendships with other students are also easier if your child attends school regularly.

The law in NSW states that all children between the ages of 6 and 15 years are required to attend school. Sickness or injury, attendance at a special religious ceremony or a serious family situation are satisfactory reasons for non-attendance. Please let the school know why your child is not at school and provide an explanation on your child's return to school.

Birthdays, haircuts, pension days, Mondays etc are not satisfactory reasons for absence from school. Also try whenever possible to arrange your holidays in school vacation times.

Please contact your school principal if you need any help or have any questions.



Missing school leaves gaps in your education

ALL THINGS CAREERS...

The Year 10 Taste of TAFE week is on from 25–28 November 2013.

There are still some vacancies in:

First Aid (25 November)

Barista (25 and 26 November)

Metals (25 November)

Childrens Services (28 November)

Sport and Recreation (28 and 29 November)

Automotive (28 November)

Course details and permission notes have been sent out to all Year 10 students and need to be returned to Mrs Alderman ASAP.

Exciting Trainee Opportunities with Council

Council is seeking suitable candidates, eligible for Australian Apprenticeship registration, for the following Traineeship / Apprenticeship positions:

- Apprentice Mechanic (4 years)
- Apprentice Horticulturalist (4 years)
- Information Technology Trainee (2 years)
- Trainee Receptionist (12mths – 2 years)

Information Packages can be downloaded from Council's website (www.cootamundra.nsw.gov.au) or obtained by contacting the Council Office on 6940 2100. Applications close 4pm Friday 29 November 2013.

COOTAMUNDRA BASKETBALL DISCO

Cootamundra Sports Stadium

Friday 22 November 2013

6pm—8pm

Kinder to Year 8

\$5.00 for entry

Canteen facilities

Fully supervised



LOVE, JOY, PEACE

PRAYER RALLY
FOR THE SPIRIT
OF CHRISTMAS
IN OUR
COMMUNITY

Sunday 17 November 2013 : 5-6pm

Jubilee Park

All community groups are invited to join in and give thanks for all that we have been given, and that God will continue to bless Cootamundra with safety, welfare, healing and the future of our town and district.

Members of all our community—Churches, families, youth, seniors, sporting, business, services and health—are invited to come along and stand together in prayer for the Spirit of Christmas in our community.

Please bring your own chairs, and feel free to bring a basket supper to enjoy after the prayer session