



Cootamundra High School Newsletter

Respect, Responsibility, Excellence

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VINTAGE CAR CLUB VISIT

On Friday 23 August the Cootamundra Vintage Car Club visited the school at lunch time to display their cars to students. Cars on display included a T Model Ford, a WW11 Ford jeep, a 1952 Austin, and 1970s SS Torana. Students remarked on the change over time in the design, shape and size of the cars, the changes in technology and the move away from 'muscle' cars.



The NSW Police also brought along a highway patrol car for the staff and students to check out. Many thanks to the Vintage Car Club for their time and effort—a great lunchtime activity for all.

PARLIAMENT HOUSE VISIT

Cootamundra High School students Will Barrett, Kia Holmes, Jacob Frilay and Karney Chester were invited to attend a state leadership day at NSW Parliament House on Thursday 22 August. During the day's proceedings students got to meet and ask questions of Deputy Premier, Andrew Stoner; Minister for Education, Adrian Piccoli; Deputy Speaker, Thomas George; and Member for Burrinjuck and Minister for Primary Industry and Small Business, Katrina Hodgkinson.

Ms Hodgkinson (who was required on the floor of the house) took time from her busy schedule to

CALENDAR

Week 8, Term 3

Thurs, 5 Sept	State Athletics, Homebush
Fri, 6 Sept	State Athletics, Homebush

Week 9, Term 3

Mon-Fri 9—13 Sept	Year 11 Exams
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Week 10, Term 3

Tues, 17 Sept	7pm—P&C in the school library
Thurs, 19 Sept	Year 12 Formal assembly



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show the Cootamundra High students the inner sanctum of the parliament and the students found this informative and appreciated the time they were allocated.



The highlight of the day occurred while watching the debate of the egg labelling bill in the Legislative Assembly. Deputy Speaker, Thomas George, paused proceedings to welcome the Cootamundra High students by name which means their visit will be recorded for perpetuity in Hansard. The students also watched a debate in the Legislative Council where the Rev Fred Nile was presenting a bill on the National Day Against Bullying.

During the afternoon session the students travelled to Government House where they were addressed by her Excellency Professor Marie Bashir, the NSW Governor. Her address gave insights into her role in government and some historical perspectives into her predecessors.



The students found the day enjoyable and enlightening and appreciated the time they were given by our busy government officials.

WILL BARRETT

Year 12 student Will Barrett was recently nominated for a regional 'traineeship' award with the Group Training and Employment Services.

This nomination acknowledges Will's excellence in his traineeship that he completes every Wednesday with the Cootamundra Branch of the Commonwealth Bank. Last Friday evening Will attended the GTES dinner for the finalist presentations.



GIRLS UNDER 15s BASKETBALL

The girls under 15s basketball team travelled to Temora for the first round of the combined high schools knockout. The girls played well and were only just down after the first quarter thanks to some accurate shooting from Caitlin Slavin. The team fought hard for the remainder of the game with some good all round work by Elisha Large. Unfortun-



nately Temora proved too strong winning 66/38. The team: Claire Sellars, Kaede Nicka, Caitlin Slavin, Elisha Large, Louise Raleigh, Mikayla Johnston,

Lauryn Angel. The girls should be proud of their efforts and the positive way in which they represented the school.

YEAR 12 GEOGRAPHY FARM VISIT

Last week Year 12 Geography visited the “Hillside” property of Mr Andy Roberts as a part of their study of World Wheat Production. We had the opportunity to observe a crop first hand, have a wander around the farm and spend some time chatting with Mr Roberts about wheat growing on “Hillside” and about how they fit into the world wheat market.



Mr Roberts has been a great supporter of Cootamundra High School for many years and we would like to again thank him for providing his time and knowledge to our senior students.



Sue and Nicola even had the chance to get up close to some cute Hampshire lambs!

FUNDRAISING FOR ELOUERA

On Friday 23 August the SRC had a fundraising day to raise money for Elouera Special School to buy a

good quality keyboard. The students at Elouera have been learning to play the keyboard, but the instrument they have is quite old (and battery powered!), so the SRC had a mufti day and a music concert in the school hall at lunch. The day was a big success.



We raised \$546.60—that’s enough to buy Elouera two good quality keyboards, which is perfect for teaching purposes! A big thankyou to all the musicians who performed in the concert and to Mr Pepper for all the lighting and sound—you made the day that much better.



All the students and teachers at Elouera are very grateful and are excited about getting their new keyboard!

WATTLE TIME STREET PARADE

This Saturday Cootamundra High School will be participating in the Wattle Time Street Parade with Cootamundra Public School and EA Southee School, representing the Cootamundra Public School’s group. Students are invited to march with staff at this event.

Students are required to wear full school uniform and are to meet at the corner of Bourke and Murray Streets (on Fisher Park side). This is a significant day on our community’s calendar and a great opportunity to represent our school.

SRC POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING SCHOOL LOGO AND MOTTO COMPETITION

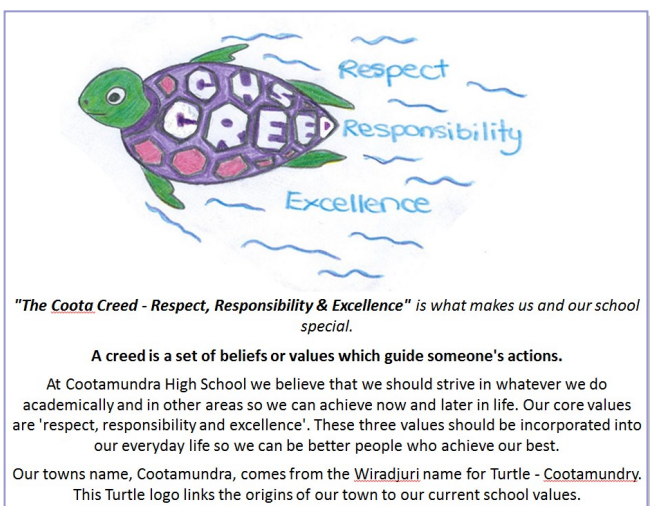
Throughout Term 3 the SRC have been running a competition where students have had the opportunity to develop and submit entries for the SRC PBL Logo and Motto Competition. The purpose of this competition is to link our school's values—**Respect, Responsibility and Excellence**—with the history of our school. (It does not replace our current school emblem or disregard our history in any way.)

This competition has closed and entries have gone through a short-listing process. It is now time to vote and the best efforts are being made to give everyone in our school community an opportunity to vote. **Parents can submit their vote during Week 8 by phoning the school's office on 6942 2711.**

Entry 1

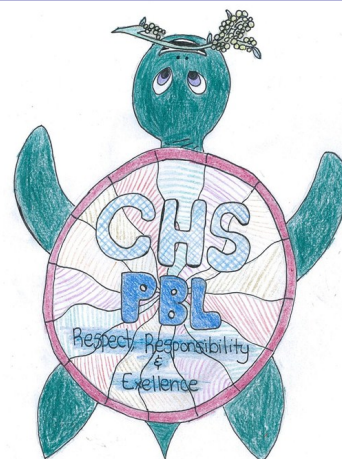


Entry 2



Entry 3

In Coota creek where the water flows,
A little Turtle grows and grows,
It has a really pretty shell,
That somehow says PBL,
Here is where the Wattle grows,
The turtle carries some under its nose,
Near the creek sits Coota High,
With a spirit that will not die,
The day starts with a ring of the bell,
Then we all abide PBL.



Entry 4



SCHOOL-BASED IMMUNISATION PROGRAM

Nurses from the local HealthOne- Community Health Centre will visit the school on Wednesday 4 September and provide the following immunisations:

Year 7 students—2nd Dose Hepatitis B

Year 7 girls—3rd Dose HPV

Year 9 boys—3rd Dose HPV

The consents for these were completed prior to the first dose and are held at HealthOne. If you have any queries, please contact Fiona Grogan on 6940 1111 at HealthOne- Community Health Centre.

CAUTION!

All parents and students are urged to take care when dropping off or picking up passengers at the school. **Do not** pull over in the bus zones or disabled parking areas and **do not** park in the no parking zones.

ALL THINGS CAREERS

Build a Bridge

A big congratulations to Mathew Angel, Ben Jackson, Adam Martin and Andrew Clements who were selected to take part in REROCs annual 'Build a Bridge' program held at Borambola Sport and Recreation Centre. The boys were divided into separate teams and began the three days with some mentally and physically challenging activities that focused on teamwork and problem solving. Students learned about surveying, equilibriums, the physics involved in determining structures and safe working loads.



Teams then got to work to build their models using a set of explicit criteria which had to be tendered and presented to the rest of the teams for voting. The winning team became the project managers and their bridge was built on the final day. The final product was around 15 metres long and spanned across the river at around 1.5 metres above the water. The boys had a fantastic time and the bridge held the team's combined weight of over 300 kilograms—and no one got wet (except someone who 'fell in').

Air Force Technical Camp for Girls

Are you aged 16 to 18 and interested in experiencing the Air Force? Are you interested in Maths and Science? The Air Force is conducting a four day camp at the RAAF Base in Wagga for those who may be interested. The Camp is from 1—4 October (second week of the school holidays). See Mrs Alderman if you wish to apply.

AIR FORCE TECHNICAL CAMP FOR GIRLS

Air Force is excited to offer girls the opportunity to experience Air Force technical and engineering careers.

Dates: **01 – 04 Oct 13**
Location: **RAAF Base Wagga**

What you will get to do:

- Enjoy some hands on experience working on sophisticated Air Force Equipment.
- An opportunity to engage and ask questions of Air Force women technicians.
- Experience Air Force life including living quarters, meals, training and a some leadership activities.
- A chance to speak with Defence Force recruiting regarding all opportunities for Air Force employment.
- There may be an opportunity to fly in an Air Force aircraft to another base for an overnight visit.

What you need:

- Parental permission if you are under 18 years old.
- An interest in Maths and Science related subjects.
- A willingness to extend yourself and experience things that some people will never get to do.
- An ability to commit to the full program.

How to apply:

At www.defence.gov.au/workexperience via the 'Current Work Experience Placements'

Further contacts:
Defence Work Experience Coordinator
Wing Commander
Llani Kennealy
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UAC Scholarship information for Year 12

Mailed home this week was a letter detailing the UAC and scholarship process and how best to access them. Some scholarships are Commonwealth funded and well worth applying for.

Presently, there are scholarships for teaching, nursing and agriculture in addition to the scholarships that are associated with each university. The Australian College of Nursing has a number of excellent scholarships for which applications close on 13 September. Students going to TAFE are also eligible. Please see Mrs Alderman for details.

Early Entry—Year 12 HSC Lectures

A number of organisations are offering HSC lectures in a variety of HSC subjects. TSFX (The School for Excellence) is offering lectures from Sunday 22 September – Saturday 28 September 2013 at the University of Sydney. Application forms are available

from Mrs Alderman and students can enrol online at www.tsfx.com.au.

Enrolled Nursing

Students considering enrolling in the Enrolled Nurse course at Cootamundra TAFE are invited to attend an information session at Cootamundra TAFE on Thursday 12 September. Times are from 11am—1.30pm **OR** 6.00pm—8.30pm. The information session will be held in Room CG 3-4.

Generation 2050 Project Feed the World

Students interested in studying science and/or pursuing a career in agriculture are invited to attend this inaugural conference being held at the University of New England in December. Please see Mrs Alderman or Ms Klepper if you are interested in applying.



Are you in Year 10, 11 or 12 in 2013? Are you studying and enjoying agriculture and/or science at school? Are you passionate about agriculture and want to undertake tertiary study in this area? Would you like to experience UNE life and see the opportunities that the UNE School of Environmental and Rural Science can provide you with?

Then the University of New England's **GENERATION 2050** is for you!

100 passionate agriculture students from around Australia will be chosen to take part in UNE's inaugural Generation2050: Project Feed the World conference.

When? Sunday 1 December to Wednesday 4 December 2013

Where? University of New England, Armidale, NSW

Cost? Free! All accommodation in a UNE residential college, meals and activities will be provided free of charge.

Travel to will also be subsidised at the following rates. UNE will assist in organising your travel to and from the conference. Buses will leave from major cities to transport students who travel by plane to UNE. These cities include but are not limited to Newcastle and Brisbane.

KM from UNE	AMOUNT
200km or less	\$100
200km - 500km	\$200
500km - 1000km	\$300
1000km - 1500km	\$350
1500km - 2000km	\$400
2000km or more	\$500

How? Visit www.generation2050.com.au and complete the online application form. As part of the application you will need to complete a short photo essay and provide the contact details of a teacher who is willing to provide you with a reference. You will also find a draft program online.

Applications close **Monday 23 September** and students will be notified of the outcome of their application on **Monday 28 October**.

If you have any questions please contact Amy Cosby on (02) 6773 2196 or acosby2@une.edu.au





FOR SALE

1950s Douglas Shaper (three phase motor - not wired)

The Industrial Arts Department has the above machine available for sale. Written offers should be forwarded to the school before 13 September 2013.

JUNIOR REBOUND SOCCER

Junior rebound soccer will once again be held at the Stadium on Wednesday afternoons in Term 4—commencing 9 October and ending on 12 December. The cost will be \$16 nomination fee (payable week 1) and then \$5 per week game fees.

Nominations close 25 September. NO late nominations accepted. Call 6940 2230 today to nominate.

AECG MEETING

The next AECG meeting will be held at 4.00pm on Thursday 5 September in the Stephen Ward Room at the Cootamundra Library.

THE LAND SYDNEY ROYAL SHOWGIRL COMPETITION 2014

The Showgirl Competition aims to find a young woman to act as an ambassador for rural NSW with her role involving many official and informal duties both at the Sydney Royal Easter Show and during her travels interstate and overseas. The winner of The Land Sydney Royal Showgirl Competition will be announced in April 2014 at the Sydney Royal Easter Show. If you would like an entry form, please collect one from the school's front office.

www.riverage.com.au



Winter Lexia

APOCALYPTO

DJ Hr-x

DJ WillHerring

ANDY MURPHY

Light My Fire

Gundagai Race Course

No Alcohol 13 to 25 yrs

7th September 4.00-10.00pm

Tickets from \$23.50 (earlybird) to \$40.00 at Meshtix.com

GUNDAGAI Riverfest



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We offer a supportive learning environment where your child can enjoy quality education from kindergarten through to high school, and beyond. We create a continuous pathway of learning and training with placements into higher vocational education such as university and TAFE, with proactive links to local career opportunities.

We encourage our students to pursue their individual talents and interests through a range of specialist programs. These programs are innovative, responsive and flexible to allow your child to realise their full potential.

Our professional, passionate and highly qualified teachers work together, with our very supportive parents and school communities, to ensure your child is given the skills and knowledge they need for the future.

Call, visit, or email us to find out more about the excellent education offered in our schools:



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