



Cootamundra High School Newsletter



PRINCIPAL: Mr Neil Reaper
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YEAR 12 FORMAL

What a great night! The Year 12 Formal dinner on Wednesday night was a spectacular evening—a fitting send off for our class of 2014.



The atmosphere was set superbly by the team of Angela Grewal, Mariette Hanekom, Manna Scott, and our Year 11 volunteers. Many thanks must go to Mr Frilay for his planning and organisation of this event over many years and also to the parents,

CALENDAR

Week 7, Term 4

17—21 Nov	Year 10—"All my own work"
Tues, 18 Nov	RDA Excursion (Yrs 9-10 Ag)
Thurs, 20 Nov	RDA Excursion (Yr 8 FLT)
Fri, 21 Nov	TAFE PPTW Course—Automotives (Yrs 9-10)

Week 8, Term 4

Tues 25 Nov	Engineers without borders (Yrs 9 -10) Year 7 Aqua Proficiency Test P&C Meeting (7pm in Library)
26—28 Nov	Year 11 Geography Kosciuszko Excursion
27—28 Nov	Work Experience (Police Force)
Fri, 28 Nov	TAFE PPTW Course—Automotives (Yrs 9-10)

Week 9, Term 4

Mon, 1 Dec	Work Experience (Police Force)
Thurs, 4 Dec	Year 10 end of year trip to Canberra
Fri, 5 Dec	TAFE PPTW Course—Automotives (Yrs 9-10)

CLAIM THE DATE

Mon, 15 Dec	Presentation Night
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friends and teachers of Year 12 who attended this special formal occasion. Special mention must go to Mrs Green who has been a brilliant year advisor and support person for our Year 12 over the last six years.



Congratulations to our Year 12 students who went to the time and effort to present themselves as well dressed and responsible young adults. We congratulate Year 12 on their achievements at Cootamundra High School and wish them all the best in the next phase of their life.



PEACE PAVILION

Last Friday the Cootamundra community celebrated the opening of the Peace Pavilion at Albert Park. This pavilion structure represents the seven continents of the world, with seven doves representing peace. This concept and building of the pavilion was a joint

project between the Cootamundra Council and the local Rotary Club. The pavilion is a reminder to our local community of Cootamundra's desire for all citizens to live and work in harmony.



His excellency, Governor of NSW, The Honourable David Hurley and Mrs Hurley were the guests of honour. School Captains—Kate Collingridge and Andrew Clements—conducted a reading during the ceremony. Megan Chau was a special guest, being the Cootamundra High School Rotary Youth Ambassador and scholarship holder for 2014. School Vice-Captains—Mikayla Large and Jarrod Chapman—along with our Principal, Neil Reaper, also represented Cootamundra High School at the ceremony.

COOTA TOUCH CARNIVAL

On Friday, 7 November seven teams across Year 7 to 11 participated in the Sacred Heart School Touch Carnival.



All students participated with enthusiasm and enjoyed interacting with other schools.



BLUE STAR CITIZENSHIP PROGRAM

This program is free of charge. Any student aged 16 and above who would like to participate in the Blue Star Citizenship Program may register.

It involves two school holiday camps, the opportunity to do the Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award, gain their Senior First Aid certificate and a Certificate I in Active Volunteering. For more information please see the flyer at the back of this Newsletter, or go to www.pycbluestar.org.

CHILD AND FAMILY HEALTH SERVICES

100 Years of Child & Family Health Services in NSW

(Previously Baby Health Centre's)

Please help us Celebrate

All families who have used the service are welcome to attend

When: Tuesday 18th November 10.00-11.00 am

Where: Dickson Hall, Cnr Cooper & Adam Streets, Cootamundra

RSVP: Thursday 13th November to Community Health on 69401111

NSW Government | Health Murrumbidgee Local Health District

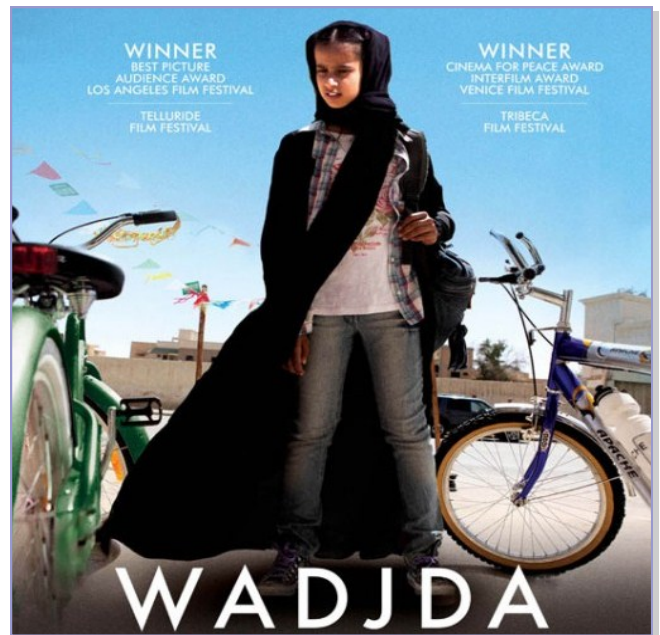
VOLUNTEER HOST FAMILIES NEEDED

Overseas students will be arriving in February, 2015 and require loving host families, just like yours! Students are arriving from countries including Germany, Switzerland, Austria, Costa Rica, and many more to stay for 5 to 11 months.

Through hosting your family will gain friendships that can last a lifetime. There is no typical "AFS family", so whether you have cattle, a poodle, six children or none, you have the perfect family!

For more information please call Lian Drinan on (02) 9215 0077 or visit www.afs.org.au/host to make an inquiry today!

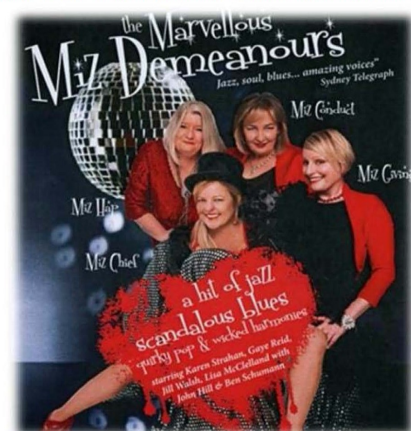
WHAT'S ON AT THE ARTS CENTRE...



Ten year-old Wadjda wants a bike. The perfect candidate is at the front of the local toy shop but this is Riyadh and the prejudices that prevent Wadjda's mother from slipping behind the wheel of a car and driving herself to work are stopping Wadjda from hopping on a bike and riding down the street.

Wednesday, 19 November @ 10.30am & 7.00pm
 Sunday, 23 November @ 5pm
 All tickets \$12

**Have a pre-Christmas party, at
 The Arts Centre, with
 "The Marvellous MizDemeanours"**



**SATURDAY 22 NOVEMBER 2014.
 7.00 for 7.30**

The ideal gathering for your Christmas get-together...before things get really crazy!!
 \$30pp or gather a table of 10 and pay only \$270.

Tickets available at The Arts Centre / Information Centre. Ph. 69424773

Cabaret Style: BYO drinks and snacks

**Alison Patterson
and
Geraldine Ryan**
present their students &
Cootamundra Concert Band members
in
**An End of Year
Celebration of
Music**

Thursday 20 November 2014 5:30pm
Friday 21 November 7:30pm

The Cootamundra Arts Centre
Wallendoon Street, Cootamundra
Adults \$20 Students \$2
Tickets available at the door
Supper included

Proceeds to The Arts Centre


the arts centre
cootamundra
"an artist's playing field"

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**CHRISTMAS FAIR &
FIREWORKS SPECTACULAR**

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 29TH

**Chocolate Wheels,
Kids Zone, Face
Painting, Jumping
Castle, Motor Cross
Display, Train Rides,
Cycle Challenge,
Vortex Challenge
and more. Food,
Drinks and Market.**

 **5pm till
9pm
Fisher Park**

SANTA arrives 6.30


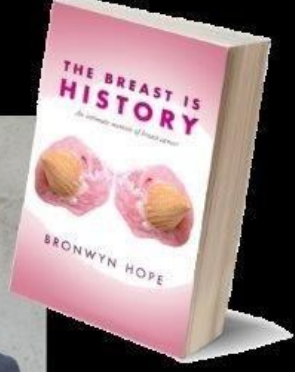
"Schools and community groups on show"

**Side show
alley for little
and big kids at
heart. Show
Bags,
Dodgems, Dag
Wood Dogs &
more**

THIS EVENT IS AN ALCOHOL-FREE ZONE.
BRING A PICNIC RUG FOR THE HILL TO ENJOY THE FIREWORKS

LIBRARY HAPPENINGS...

Bronwyn Hope presents

**The three most
important lessons from
breast cancer**

**Cootamundra Library
Tuesday November 18
10.30am**

RSVP: 02 6940 2200

ENERGY REBATE

**2014-2015
NSW Family Energy Rebate**

**\$150*
TOWARDS
ENERGY
BILLS**

 **APPLY
ONLINE
NOW!**

2 MINUTES TO FILL IN A FORM
<https://applications.fer.trade.nsw.gov.au/>
* eligibility criteria apply

 **Trade &
Investment
Resources & Energy**

 **Apply before
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16 June 2015**

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WEB - www.resourcesandenergy.nsw.gov.au
info/familyenergyrebate

Cootamundra High School

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Year 6 to Year 7 Transition to high school

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

As part of preparations for the change from primary school to high school we are running two days of transition activities and holding an information night.

Transition Days

On these days students spend the day mixing with their peers, touring the school and participating in a range of mini-lessons taught by Cootamundra High School staff.

- **Transition Day 1 – 26 November 2014**

Students will be brought to the school by their teachers in the morning where we will all meet in the hall as a year group and be informed about the morning activities. Pens and pencils will be required. Recess and lunch for the day will be supplied by the canteen - please notify me of special dietary requirements. Students will return to their schools at 1.30pm.

- **Transition Day 2 – 3 December 2014**

Students are to meet at the high school directly before 9.05am where a roll will be marked in the hall. Students will be advised about the morning activities. Again, pens and pencils will be required. Students will return to their schools at 1.30pm. Students need to bring their own food or it can be purchased from the canteen.

Information Evening

**3 December @ 6.00pm in the Hall
Cootamundra High School**

This is an opportunity to meet staff and to find out more about the workings of our high school, our expectations around the school, and important information regarding your child's enrolment at Cootamundra High School.

This evening is an excellent opportunity to ask questions and gather vital information about the Year 7 uniform and supplies for 2015.



WHAT'S INVOLVED

BLUESTAR CITIZENSHIP

Introductory program including 20 hours volunteering.

- ◆ Cert I Volunteering
- ◆ First Aid Certificate
- ◆ Bushwalking and Camping

BLUESTAR LEADERSHIP

Leadership development program including the delivery of an activity project at local PCYC.

- ◆ Certificate II Community Recreation
- ◆ 30 hours Volunteering at PCYC
- ◆ Leadership training

YOUTH REPRESENTATIVES

Individual mentoring for development opportunities.

- ◆ Youth Rep on PCYC Board
- ◆ International One Young World Summit

BLUESTAR is a Youth Development and Leadership program created by PCYC to assist in creating 'Young Leaders for Tomorrow' in our local communities. The program gives practical, real life skills that young people can apply to work, and family, helping them on their way to becoming great community leaders.

BLUESTAR CITIZENSHIP PROGRAM

The BlueStar Citizenship program is the first step in the Leadership Journey for young people at PCYC.

The program introduces them to PCYC and gives them both formal and informal training opportunities. In addition to this they get the chance to meet young people from all over NSW, and form friendships to last well into the future.

WHAT'S INCLUDED:

- ◆ Two camps at a Sport & Recreation style facility,
- ◆ Motivational workshops and experiential learning exercises.
- ◆ 20 hours of volunteering at their local PCYC
- ◆ Opportunity to complete the Duke of Edinburgh Award—Bronze level.
- ◆ Facilitated Learning sessions on Citizenship.