



Cootamundra High School Newsletter



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WELCOME BACK TO 2016

Welcome back to a new school year. I hope everyone had an enjoyable school and Christmas holiday. This year we have some changes in staff: Mr Alasdair Sides is the new Head Teacher of Science, Miss Charity Elford is replacing Ms Wilesmith in Art for Term 1 and Mr Lyndsay McIntyre is relieving in the HSIE department for present time.

P&C MEETING

The school's P&C play a very important role in school life at Cootamundra High. Our first P&C meeting for the year will be held in the school Library at 7pm on Tuesday 23 February. We would like to welcome all new and current parents/guardians to attend our meetings.

SCHOOL PHOTOS 2016

School Photos will be taken for all students on Monday 22 February. These will be taken by the same company that has been used in recent years. Following is a sample of the order envelope that students will receive within the next week, as well as a cost schedule.

All students are requested to be in their best school uniform for these photos.

All money is to be sealed in the Photo Envelope and presented to the photographers on Monday 22 February. Please DO NOT send money early or to the school.

For any questions or further information please contact Mrs Sandra Green at the High School on 6942 2711.

School Photographs Order Envelope

pack A 2 - 18x13cm 4 - 9x6.5cm 4 - bonus wallets class

pack B 3 - 18x13cm 4 - 13x9cm 4 - 9x6.5cm 4 - bonus wallets class

pack C 1 - 25x20cm 3 - 18x13cm 4 - 13x9cm 4 - 9x6.5cm 4 - bonus wallets class

INDIVIDUAL ONLY pack D 2 - 18x13cm 4 - 9x6.5cm 4 - bonus wallets

CLASS ONLY pack E class

Credit Card Voucher If you are using credit card facilities, please detach this slip and place inside envelope.

Please charge my credit card (please circle): ☐ Mastercard ☐ Visa (AMEX and Diners NOT ACCEPTED)

Card No

Cardholder's Name Address

Expiry Date / Amount \$ Postcode

Signature Daytime Phone No

Gift Pack 1 or Gift Pack 2 or Gift Pack 3

8 gift cards - 6x10cm each 5 x bookmarks - 20x5cm each portrait sheet - 20 portraits

Pricing is as follows:

A pack:	\$35.00
B pack:	\$45.00
C pack:	\$50.00
D pack:	\$22.00
E pack:	\$25.00
Gift pack:	\$20.00

CALENDAR**Week 3, Term 1**

Tues, 9 Feb	Year 11 Information and Update Night, 7pm
Thurs, 11 Feb	CHS Swimming Carnival

Week 4, Term 1

Fri, 19 Feb	Zone Swimming Carnival, TUMUT
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Week 5, Term 1

Mon, 22 Feb	SCHOOL PHOTOS
Tues, 23 Feb	P & C Meeting 7pm
Wed, 24 Feb—	Canberra Show
Fri, 27 Feb	

I encourage ALL Yr12 Students to use a diary to set goals each term, monitor their progress and record feedback. Remember that students can review their progress with their teachers on a regular basis. I also strongly advise that students make effective use of their study lessons and private study time. Cootamundra High School also offers after school tuition in the School

**YEAR 12 2016**

Last year, Year 12 for 2016 had an exciting and enjoyable end of year excursion to Paintball Wagga. Here of some of the students getting ready for their adventure and showing off their skills. The activity was well organised and although many of us carried mementos of the day for several days after the



event, nonetheless everyone had a lot of fun. This year the initial challenge for Year 12 will be to establish and maintain a set of goals that will help them achieve the HSC and entry standards for post-school destinations. The importance of setting goals, putting in place an effective study regime and real perseverance cannot be over emphasised.

Library, Mondays and Tuesdays afternoons.

An important event later in the year will be on Monday 8 August when all of Year 12 students will be involved in a study skills programme run by Elevate Education. The programs will be Ace Your Exams and Memory Mnemonics. There are many excellent resources to support Year 12 students through the HSC and I strongly advise you to have a look and encourage your child to use this valuable resource.

A range of online resources are available to help students and parents understand the HSC and prepare for assessment and examinations:

- HSC Online and HSC how it works are useful websites for parents and students
- Year 12 students can set up their personal profile on NSW students online and access support materials including the HSC exam timetable and answers to frequently asked questions about the HSC.
- Students can prepare for the final exams by looks at past HSC exam papers.
- Leaving school and the Rosa contains important information for students that decide to leave school before completing the HSC.
- It is important that all students are aware of the HSC rules and procedures.

This year it is more important than ever for students to balance commitments between their school, social and family life. I strongly suggest that if students have a part-time job then they seriously consider how much time they do this for and ensure that it

does not take up valuable study time.

Exam	Start	Complete
Yr12 Half yearly examinations	Term 1/ Week 10 31/3/16	Term 1/ Week 11 7/4/16
Yr12 Trial HSC examinations	Term 3/ Week 2 25/7/16	Term 3 / Week3 04/8/16
HSC examinations	Week 2 Term 4 written exams start 13 th October 2016 last examination 4 th November 2016.	

HALF YEARLY AND TRIAL EXAMINATIONS POST YEAR 12

It's a good idea for your child to start thinking about careers that suit their interests and abilities as early as possible. You may like to talk with the careers adviser (Mrs. Alderman) and research options together.

Resources such as the following sites are readily available:

- Myfuture
- Next: life after school magazine
- HSC online careers
- Careers Advisory Service

FUTURE STUDY AND TRAINING OPTIONS

On 17 Future study and training options

For students considering continuing with study, visiting the following links can help them make an informed decision:

- Leaving school
- Year 12 – what next?
- Going to Uni
- TAFE NSW
- Training and industry
- Apprenticeships and traineeships

JOB SEARCHING

On 17 October These websites list job vacancies and apprenticeship and traineeships opportunities:

- NSW government jobs
- Australian JobSearch
- MyCareer
- CareerOne
- SEEK

I look forward to helping your students in their final year of school and should have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me on 6942 2711 or feel free to email me at lynette.d.vey@det.nsw.edu.au.

Dr Lynne Vey, Year 12 Adviser.

HEAD LICE

Head lice outbreaks sometimes occur at school. If

your child has head lice please treat your child and inform us. Daily combing of dry hair with conditioner can get rid of head lice. You should continue to send your child to school.

YEAR 11 STUDENT & PARENT INFORMATION EVENING

All year 11 students and parents are invited to attend an information evening in the school library next Tuesday evening, commencing at 7:00pm. Year 11 Assessment Booklets will be distributed, along with BOSTES information/requirements.

ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER PARENT MORNING TEA

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander parents met in A2 on Tuesday to welcome parents and carers of our new Year 7 ATSI students. Over morning tea and an information session, parents and carers heard about some of the events that are planned for this year at Cootamundra High and discussed plans for their children for 2016. Mr Reaper outlined some of the opportunities available through the school, Ms Lewis explained the NSW Police-funded driving lessons for our 16/17 year olds our new Individual Learning Plans system. Ms Cossey spoke about the university camps that run towards the end of the year and how useful they are for students planning to go to university after the HSC.

For Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander parents/carers who were not able to attend on Tuesday, the session will be repeated on Monday (8th) at 6pm in A2 classroom.

SWIMMING CARNIVAL

Cootamundra Our school Swimming Carnival will be held next Thursday 11 February. Students are expected to arrive at the pool prior to 9:00am as roll will be marked at 9:00am as per normal. Students are encouraged to dress in their house colours. The Zone Swimming carnival is the following Friday (19th of February) in Tumut. Carnival Program at the back of Newsletter.

NSW GOVERNMENT HEALTH NOTICE



Late in 2015 there was a sharp increase in cryptosporidiosis in NSW. As a result, it is recommended that children who have had diarrhoea in the previ-

ous 2 weeks should avoid swimming pools. Further information regarding cryptosporidiosis can be found on the following link:

<http://www.health.nsw.gov.au/Infectious/factsheets/Pages/Cryptosporidiosis.aspx>

Further questions of concerns can be directed to the public health unit on 1300 066 055

WHAT'S ON AT THE ARTS CENTRE

A new film by NANCY MEYERS the writer and director of SOMETHING'S GOTTA GIVE and IT'S COMPLICATED



THE INTERN

FEBRUARY 2016 **Rated M**

Wednesday 3 at 10:30am & 7pm
Sunday 7 at 5pm

All tickets \$12 Duration 121 Mins

Please be seated 5 mins prior to start.

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NRL DREAM, BELIEVE, ACHIEVE

NRL representative will be at Cootamundra High School next Tuesday hosting their presentation titled DREAM, BELIEVE, ACHIEVE. Year 7 and 8 student will be privileged to receive the positive, aspirational messages delivered through this program.

CHRISTINE WISHART'S DANCE STUDIO

program. Classes have commenced but registrations are still been taken for, ballet, tap, jazz/hip hop, contemporary, boys hip hop and afro/salsa. For enrolments and enquires phone Christine on

0269 426 201 or 0427 782 954.

Learn to manage difficult behaviour in children 2-12 years old.

FREE **1-2-3 Magic® & Emotion Coaching**

3 Session Program:
Monday 8 February 2016
Monday 15 February 2016
Monday 22 February 2016

6pm to 8pm

Cootamundra Library
Wallendoon St,
Cootamundra

• An end to the arguing and yelling! • It saved our lives • Simple, sane, effective •

A program for parents and carer's of 2-12 year olds.
Learn:

- How to discipline without arguing, yelling or smacking
- How to sort behaviour
- How to handle challenging and testing behaviours
- Using emotion coaching to encourage good behaviour

Bookings are essential please contact your Case Manager or
RSVP by emailing ParentingRiverina@missionaustralia.com.au **FREE**
or contact Stacey on 6942 8001

Tea, Coffee and a light supper will be provided
(Please advise of any special dietary requirements at time of RSVP)
Please note child care is not being provided
This course is being run by a Parents' shop® licensed practitioner.
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YOUTH GROUP

Scots Presbyterian Youth Group

Term 1 2016

We are running Youth Group fortnightly this term. Any youth from years 6 through to year 12 are welcome to come along.

The dates are as follows:

- * 5th February – Presbyterian Church Cootamundra
- * 19th February – Cootamundra Sports Stadium
- * 4th March – Church
- * 18th March – Stadium
- * 1st April – Church (Talent Night)

Time: 7-9pm

Please bring a gold coin donation

Enclosed shoes are to be worn at the sports stadium



COOTAMUNDRA HIGH SCHOOL
SWIMMING CARNIVAL PROGRAM
THURSDAY 11th FEBRUARY 2016

Event No.:	1. Girls 12 – 17+	100m Butterfly (final)
	2. Boys 12 – 17+	100m Butterfly (final)
	3. Girls 12 – 17+	100m Backstroke (final)
	4. Boys 12 – 17+	100m Backstroke (final)

NB: The above events will be run before the Carnival on Friday 10th Feb.

8:55am Roll call
 9:05 am House Meeting

*NOTE: These will
be the first events
on the day of the
carnival.*

9.15 –	{	5. Girls 12 – 17+	100m Breaststroke (final)
10.55		6. Boys 12 – 17+	100m Breaststroke (final)
am		7. Girls 12 – 17+	100m Freestyle (final)
		8. Boys 12 – 17+	100m Freestyle (final)

NOVELTY EVENT 1: Swim Through

11.15 – 1.00pm	{	9. Girls 12 – 17+	50m Backstroke (final)
		10. Boys 12 – 17+	50m Backstroke (final)
		11. Girls 12 – 17+	50m Freestyle (final)
		12. Boys 12 – 17+	50m Freestyle (final)
		13. Girls 12 – 17+	50m Breaststroke (final)
		14. Boys 12 – 17+	50m Breaststroke (final)
		15. Girls 12 – 17+	50m Butterfly (final)
		16. Boys 12 – 17+	50m Butterfly (final)

NOVELTY EVENT 2: Key Find

LUNCH

NOVELTY EVENT 3: Football Jumper Relay (time permitting)














1.30 – 3.10pm	{	17. Girls 12/13 year	Relay
		18. Boys 12/13 year	Relay
		19. Girls 14/15 year	Relay
		20. Boys 14/15 year	Relay
		21. Girls 16/17 year	Relay
		22. Boys 16/17 year	Relay
		23. Staff V Student	Relay

HOUSE CHAMPION & AGE CHAMPIONS ANNOUNCEMENTS

NOTE:

- The only 50m event to be swum at both Zone and Regional levels is the 50m Freestyle
- The 200m Freestyle and IM events will not run at our carnival or Zone level – Regional entry are by time nominations.
- FINA approved swimsuits will not be a requirement for the Zone carnival, but will be required for those who progress to Regional level or beyond.

SCHOOL UNIFORM

Winter	Student Group	Summer
	<p>SENIOR BOYS</p> <p>Summer: White tailored 'BIZ' shirt with collar and School Crest, grey shorts or trousers, grey or white socks, and black leather shoes.</p> <p>Winter: White tailored 'BIZ' shirt with collar and School Crest, grey trousers, grey or white socks, black leather shoes, navy jumper, school jacket.</p>	
	<p>SENIOR GIRLS</p> <p>Summer: White tailored 'BIZ' shirt with collar and School Crest, mid-length (just above the knee) checked straight skirt, white socks with black leather shoes.</p> <p>Winter: White tailored 'BIZ' shirt with collar and School Crest, mid-length (just above the knee) checked straight skirt or navy slacks, black leather shoes, navy jumper, school jacket.</p>	
	<p>JUNIOR BOYS</p> <p>Summer: Light blue polo shirt with collar and School Crest, grey shorts or trousers, grey or white socks, and black leather shoes.</p> <p>Winter: Light blue polo shirt with collar and School Crest, grey trousers, grey or white socks, black leather shoes, navy jumper, school jacket.</p>	
	<p>JUNIOR GIRLS</p> <p>Summer: White polo shirt with collar and School Crest, navy tailored long shorts or navy mid-length skirt, black leather shoes with low heels and white socks.</p> <p>Winter: White polo shirt with collar and School Crest, navy slacks or navy mid-length skirt, black leather shoes with low heels, navy jumper school jacket.</p>	
	<p>PE/SPORTS UNIFORM</p> <p>Summer: White polo shirt (collared) with School Crest, navy blue shorts with white socks and joggers.</p> <p>Winter: White polo shirt (collared) with School Crest, navy blue tracksuit with white socks and joggers.</p>	
	<p><u>Unacceptable items</u></p> 	 <p>All Hoodies regardless of colour</p>