



# Cootamundra High School Newsletter



**PRINCIPAL:** Mr Neil Reaper  
**DEPUTY PRINCIPAL:** Mr Dale Rands

## WELCOME BACK TO 2016

Welcome back to a new school year. I hope everyone had an enjoyable school and Christmas holiday. Due to circumstances out of our control there was no newsletter for Week 2. Our apologies.

## 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 27 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 26 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 27 February. Please DO NOT send money early or to the school.

For any questions or further information please contact Mr Christopher Payne at the High School on 6942 2711.

**Academy Photography & Production**  
www.academyphoto.com.au

**School Photographs**

**pack A**  
2 - 13 cm x 18 cm  
4 - 6.5 cm x 9 cm  
1 - traditional group

**pack B**  
1 - 20 cm x 25 cm  
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1 - traditional group

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4 - wallets

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4 - 10 cm x 13 cm  
4 - 10 cm x 13 cm  
14 - Portraits

5 - Bookmarks  
6 - Gift Cards  
8 - Happy Birthday  
8 - Merry Christmas  
8 - Happy Easter

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Pricing is as follows:

A pack:	\$38.00
B pack:	\$38.00
C pack:	\$55.00
D pack:	\$22.00
E pack:	\$25.00

## CALENDAR

### Week 5, Term 1

Mon, 26 Feb	Year 7 Archaeological Dig
Tue, 27 Feb	Year 7 Immunisations
	P & C AGM, 7pm Library
Wed, 28 Feb	Year 7 Archaeological Dig
Thurs, 1 March	School Photos
	Australian Defence Force Visit, Year 7—12 Girls

### Week 6, Term 1

Tues, 6 March	Science & Engineering Challenge
Wed, 7 March	Bright Star Café
Fri, 9 March	Be Brave & Shave

### Week 7, Term 1

Mon, 12 March—	Scholastic Book Week
Fri, 16 March	
Tues, 13 March	CSU Talk—Year 12
Wed, 14 March	Open Girls Cricket, Young

## HONEYWELL ENGINEERING

On the 10th-15th of December I was invited to explore different pathways of engineering. There were many universities we visited such as UTS, university of Wollongong and Macquarie University. We also got a tour through Port Kembla steelworks, cochlear and RAAF base.

All of the locations we visited provided me with an insight to what sort of path ways I may go with to get into engineering. At each location the university students and other mentors provided us with practical activities and lectures on their area and workplace.

Cochlear is one of the locations that we visited. Some of the workers gave us a tour of the workplace and explained how each part of the work shop ran and how they constructed the cochlear implant.

The workers of cochlear first explained how it worked in three stations. The workers showed us how the 22 electrodes picked up a different pitch of sound. The noise that it projects into the ear is a bit robotic because it only projects 22 pitches where a normal person can hear hundreds of pitches.



The workers showed us the labs that the workers worked in and created the implant. It was broken down into sections of the production of the implant. Some people had the job as I had in the picture below which was to stand up tiny rings in a small tem-

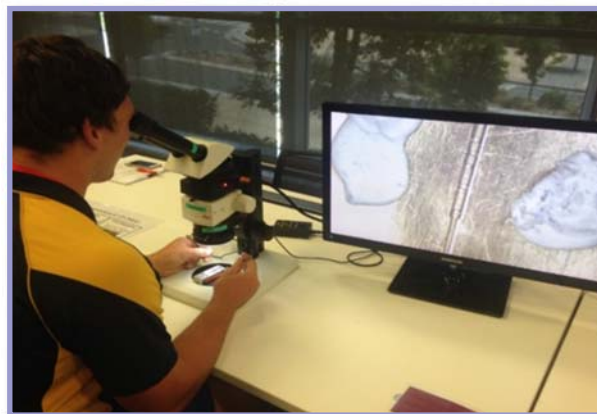


plate. The rings were so small that you had to use a microscope and tweezers to stand them up because otherwise you couldn't do it. The purpose of doing this task is that the wires are meant to go through the rings and connect to the other half of the implant.

Another place we went to was Port Kembla Steel-



works. We got a tour on how the steel and explained from start to finish on how the steel was made. The whole plant covers 8 square kilometres and has 90





kilometres of railway tracks throughout the plant this is because it's the only way of transport. Our tour started where the metal was melted in a massive ladle that holds 275 tonnes of molten metal. It is then poured into 12m slabs. Then they slowly thin it out by roller and goes back and until the metal from 230mm to down to 3mm. The length of the slab is 90m once it is flattened out. Once it reached 90m it travelled along a conveyor belt and would reach the end and coil up be marked and ready to be transported on trains.

By Wayne Parker.

## LIBRARY NEWS

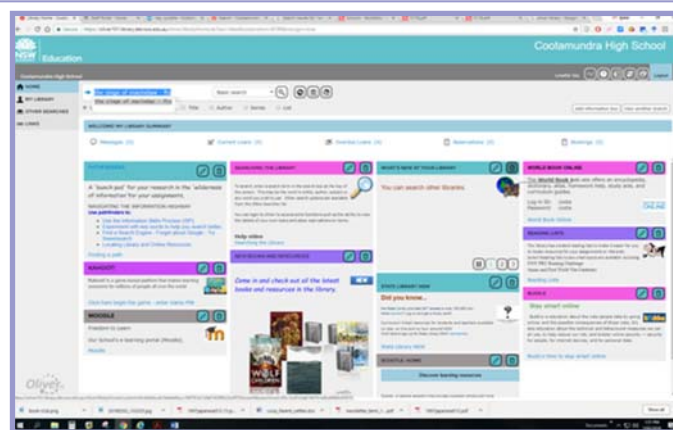
Welcome back!

"Wow. Awesome. Amazing. So cool." These are just some of the phrases our incoming Year 7s have uttered on their way into our library.



The Library is welcoming and well resourced. It is open from 8:30am to 3.45 pm. Students are able to access the library every recess and lunch times, where they can browse through books, borrow & play board games, draw or have a place to chill out. A new activity that is very popular is the drawing table, which operates like a whiteboard, as well as Mandalas mood colouring.

We encourage all students to borrow from our School Library every week. Students can access our full catalogue via their Portal by clicking on the School Library link [Go to OLIVER](#).



## SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR IN LIBRARY

This year our Library is participating in Scholastic Book Fair during the week 12 – 16 March. This is a great opportunity to expose children to hundreds of texts while promoting, facilitating and inspiring a love of books. Teaching the love of reading not only takes place at school, but begins and is nurtured at home. Scholastic is a wonderful resource for expanding your home libraries at reasonable prices



and supporting your school library. Details on Book Fair times and titles will be detailed in a separate newsletter, but set aside the date and start thinking about how you can support Book Fair this year.

**AFTER-SCHOOL TUTORING** opportunities to further enhance student academic performance in subject areas of Mathematics, Science, English, Legal Studies, PDHPE. Other subject areas are available depending on individual student needs.

**Available in the School Library** - Monday and Tues-

day afternoons - 3.30 - 4.30 p.m.



Look forward to a great school year!  
Dr Lynne Vey (Teacher/Librarian)  
Ange Grewal (Library Assistant)

### SWIMMING CARNIVAL

On Thursday the 15th February the swimming carnival took place. It was a great day with high levels of participation in each event and plenty of spirit being shown by staff and students. The winning house on the day was Baldry, followed in equal second by Pinkstone and McConnaghy, they were closely followed by Anderson.

#### AGE CHAMPIONS:

BOYS	GIRLS
OPENS	
Ky White	Michaela Webb
16 YEARS	
Taiyo Rees	Eliza Cooper
15 YEARS	
Lachlan Webb	Olivia Hamilton
14 YEARS	
Reg Charleston	Anisa Rees
13 YEARS	
Chase Richmond	Madilyn Robinson
12 YEARS	
	Alana Lewis



### FROM THE CAREERS DESK

#### UOW DISCOVERY DAY

Year 12 students have returned from an excellent trip to the University of Wollongong. Along with 1500 others from around the state, students attended a great keynote address in the morning, followed by a series of breakout lectures that they had pre-nominated. Needless to say, everyone slept well on the way home after a very hectic but informative 48 hours.



#### YEAR 11 AND 12 SUBJECTS

There are a number of students wanting to drop subjects, particularly if they are doing a TAFE course.



The school does not encourage the dropping of subjects unless there is a very good reason. Statistically, for the vast majority of students there is no improvement in HSC results when a subject is dropped. If you have any concerns as a parent, please call the school and make an appointment with Mrs Alderman. A reminder that students dropping or changing subjects will require a note from home that goes to our Deputy Mr Rands for initial discussion.

### DEFENCE FORCE RECRUITING

The ADF will be here next Thursday to speak with interested girls about the careers on offer in the Defence Forces. Girls from Years 7 to 12 are welcome to register. Parents are most welcome too. Talks will be held in the school Library from 2.35 p.m. after school photos have been completed.

### CSU VISIT

Some preliminary notice for Year 12 students, with CSU coming to speak with those interested in attending university. They will be here on the 13th March. Once again, these sessions are open to parents. More details will be given to Year 12 closer to the date.



**WAGGA WAGGA JOBS**

JOB TITLE	LOCATION
<b>APPRENTICESHIPS</b>	
1st Year Overhead Line Worker	Wagga Wagga
1st Year Spray Painter	Wagga Wagga
1st Year Welder	Wagga Wagga
1st Year Fitter Turner	June
1st, 2nd, 3rd or 4th Year Chef	Wagga Wagga
1st, 2nd, 3rd or 4th Year Shopfitter	Wagga Wagga
1st or 2nd Year Heavy Vehicle Mechanic	Tumbarumba
1st, 2nd, 3rd or 4th Year Panel Beater	Wagga Wagga
2nd or 3rd Year Heavy Vehicle Mechanic	Wagga Wagga
2nd or 3rd Year Welder	Wagga Wagga
2nd, 3rd or 4th Light Vehicle Mechanic	Wagga Wagga
<b>GENERAL EMPLOYMENT</b>	
Qualified Welder	Wagga Wagga
Qualified Agricultural Machinery Mechanic	Wagga Wagga
Assistant in Nursing	Griffith, Leeton & Narrandera
Enrolled Endorsed Nurse	Griffith, Leeton & Narrandera
Qualified Fitter Turner	June

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### YEAR 7 IMMUNISATIONS

Year 7 immunisations will be given on Tuesday, 27 February. Please see flyer at the back of the newsletter for further information.

### CLOTHING POOL DONATIONS REQUIRED

Cootamundra High School would greatly appreciate donations of school uniforms that are no longer require at home. Donations can be left at the Front Office.

### CHRISTINE WISHART'S DANCE STUDIO

Classes have commenced but registrations are still been taken for, ballet, pointe, tap, jazz/hip hop, contemporary, acro/gymnastics and pilates. For enrolments and enquires phone Christine on 0269 426 201 or 0427 782 954.

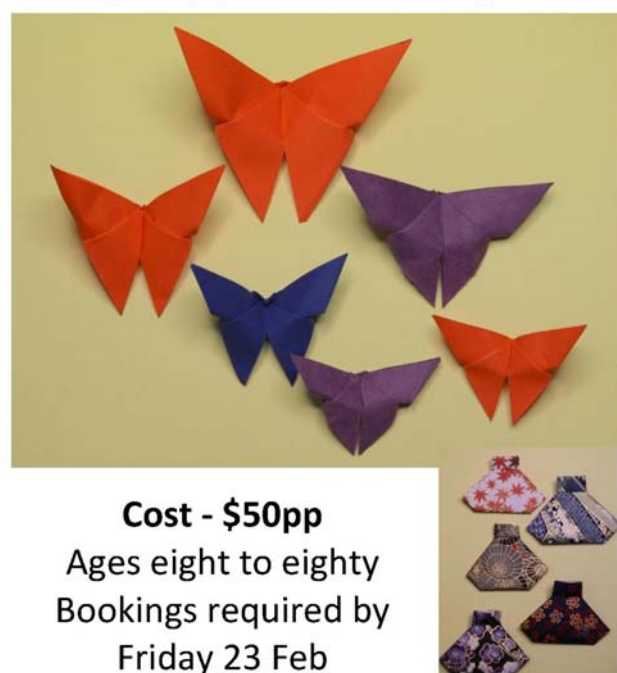
### WHAT'S ON AT THE ARTS CENTRE

#### ORIGAMI

## Origami in Cootamundra

Sunday 4 March 2018

9am-3pm all papers and a bone folder provided.



**Cost - \$50pp**  
Ages eight to eighty  
Bookings required by  
Friday 23 Feb

## SAFE DRIVERS COURSE



## Safer Drivers Course for young learner drivers

### Preparing you for your **P**s

Become a safer driver and earn 20 hours of bonus log book credit by enrolling in a Safer Drivers Course.

The Safer Drivers Course is available to learner drivers under the age of 25 who have completed at least 50 log book driving hours.

To book a Safer Drivers Course contact:

**National Driver Education Pty Ltd**

**02 9853 3243**

[www.ndeaustralia.com.au](http://www.ndeaustralia.com.au)

[programs@ndeaustralia.com.au](mailto:programs@ndeaustralia.com.au)



Transport  
for NSW

## YARRA



## YARRA

The Yarra hub is a community organisation that aims to provide an avenue for the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community of Cootamundra to meet, yarn, learn and grow as a community.

**When:** Mondays during school terms from 3.30 - 5.30 pm

**Where:** Near the KEIS Building at Cootamundra Public School- look for the signs. Entry via the gate in Bourke Street.

**What:** From 26 February: Art using Wiradjuri symbology

*Learning opportunities in 2018 will include  
weaving, language, art and music.*

## COOTAMUNDRA STRIKERS



We are currently looking for Men's  
First Grade Players 15 years and up  
Please contact Manager Ian Wilson  
0435 426 851

AND

Men's Reserve Grade Players 15 years  
and up.

Please contact Manager Doug Phillips 0407 424 564  
Season starts Sunday 8th April 2018

### COOTAMUNDRA BEARS JUNIOR RUGBY UNION CLUB



2018 Cootamundra Bears Junior  
Rugby Union Club is having a family  
BBQ and registration day on Satur-  
day, 3rd March 2018, 10am—1pm at  
the Country Club Oval, Cootamun-  
dra. Registration and information for teams for both  
boys and girls aged U7 to U16. Contact Paul Clancy  
on 0402192377 or Alice Crawford on 0418286757  
for more information.



SWIMMING CARNIVAL PHOTOS



## Seven new school zone traffic offences

To help schools keep the school zone safer for all pedestrians and drivers there are seven new traffic infringements with new fines.

None of the seven offences attract demerit points when committed elsewhere on the road but in a school zone they each come with two points.

The changes are:

1. Stopping in intersection - Under the changes if a driver commits this offence in a school zone they will receive a penalty of \$439 and 2 demerit points.
2. Stop within 20m of intersection (traffic lights) - Under the changes if a driver commits this offence in a school zone they will receive a penalty of \$439 and 2 demerit points.
3. Stop within 10m of intersection (no traffic lights) - Under the changes if a driver commits this offence in a school zone they will receive a penalty of \$439 and 2 demerit points.
4. Stop near bicycle crossing lights - Under the changes if a driver commits this offence in a school zone they will receive a penalty of \$439 and 2 demerit points.
5. Obstruct access to ramp/path/passageway - Under the changes if a driver commits this offence in a school zone they will receive a penalty of \$330 and 2 demerit points.
6. Not parallel park in the direction of travel - Under the changes if a driver commits this offence in a school zone they will receive a \$330 fine and 2 demerit points.
7. Parallel park close to dividing line - Under the changes if a driver commits this offence in a school zone they will receive a \$330 fine and 2 demerit points.

All updated school zone offences can be located through Roads and Maritime:  
<http://www.rms.nsw.gov.au/documents/roads/safety-rules/demerits-school.pdf>

February 2018



## NSW SCHOOL VACCINATION PROGRAM

Dear Parents,

Each year NSW Health works in partnership with schools to offer the vaccines recommended by the National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC) for adolescents as part of the school vaccination program.

In 2018 the following vaccines will be offered:

YEARS	VACCINE	NUMBER OF DOSES
Year 7	Human papillomavirus (HPV) vaccine	2-doses at least 6 months apart
	Diphtheria-Tetanus-Pertussis (whooping cough) vaccine	Single dose
Years 10-11	Meningococcal ACWY vaccine	Single dose

Dates for vaccinations:

Students	Year 7 Students - 1st visit	Year 7 Students - 2nd visit	Year 10 Students	Year 11 Students
Date	27/02/2018	03/09/2018	07/06/2018	07/06/2018

*Parent Information Kits* that include an information sheet, consent form and privacy statement will be sent home to parents/guardians. To consent to the vaccination of their child, parents/guardians are advised to:

- **read** all the information provided
- **complete** the consent form, including **signing** their name next to the vaccine/s they would like their child to receive
- **return the completed consent form** to the front office at school **by TUESDAY 13<sup>th</sup> February 2018**
- **ensure** that your **child eats breakfast** on the day of the school vaccination clinic.

Please note that students who commence HPV vaccination in school clinics in Year 7 but do not complete the course during the school year may be offered catch-up doses at school in Year 8. Students who have any HPV doses at their GP will be advised to complete the course with their GP.

Parents/guardians who wish to withdraw their consent for any reason may do so by writing to the school Principal or letting Mrs Hanekom know. The Procedure for Withdrawal of Consent is available on the NSW Health website at [www.health.nsw.gov.au/immunisation](http://www.health.nsw.gov.au/immunisation).

To improve vaccination completion, students will be opportunistically offered any missed doses throughout the year where possible.

**A Record of Vaccination will be provided to each student vaccinated at each clinic. Parents/guardians should ensure that this record is kept for future reference and should not assume that their child has been vaccinated if they do not receive this Record of Vaccination.**

**If you have any questions please contact Mariette Hanekom at Cootamundra High School**