

Cootamundra High School Newsletter

PRINCIPAL: Mrs Leesa Daly ACTING DEPUTY PRINCIPAL: Mr Christopher Payne

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT



Another superb term is fast coming to a close. I would like to acknowledge all the amazing work of the staff at CHS. They consistently go above and beyond to provide extraordinary opportunities for our students. Your efforts are

greatly appreciated. I would also like to thank the many outside agencies, local businesses and organisations who have supported our students this term in a multitude of ways. As the saying goes 'It takes a community to raise our children' and all your efforts and support are gratefully recognised.

Our students have participated in the following activities that have reinforced their learning and engagement at school this term: Year 9 Young Careers Expo, WHS White Card training, Wiradjuri Language camp, Premier's Sporting Challenge, Sorry Day, Year 9 Field Study Trip, Work Readiness VET Day, SafeWork NSW Presentation, Year 9/10 Discover Engineering Workshop, Film-making workshop, Peer Tutoring training, Year 10 Careers Expo in Wagga, Debating, Q&A Forum at the Arts Centre, Regional Council 2050 Strategic Planning for Cootamundra forums, local and regional sport and the Year 12 ANSTO excursion to Sydney.

During the last two weeks of term students have had the opportunity to participate in and enjoy the Bight Star Café run by our Year 12 students, Defence Force Hospitality а presentation, the Positive Behaviour for Semester 1 Acknowledgement Learning Assembly, Year 10 into 11 Subject Information Day and term 2 will finish with our NAIDOC Astronomy Night and celebrations.

I would like to congratulate Year 11 student, Sarah Edwards, who has been selected to participate in the Secretary for a Day Leadership program in Sydney. Over 200 applicants applied with only 35 students being selected. We look forward to hearing about her experience next term. I extend a warm thank you to Ms Clarke, SRC Coordinator, who assisted and supported Sarah with her application. I would also like to acknowledge Ashton Alchin and Olivia Hamilton who also applied. A future opportunity may be offered to these young leaders later in the year due to the high quality of their applications.

Congratulations are also extended to Trinity Slade, Year 12, for the way she conducted and presented herself as a finalist at the SBAT of the Year awards held recently in Wagga. Although not taking out the top award we are mighty proud of her achievements and the positive way she represented CHS. Thanks to Ms Alderman, Acting Head Teacher Teaching & Learning, for supporting Trinity in this process.



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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT cont.

Congratulations are extended to Mrs Sam O'Loughlin on her permanent appointment as a Student Learning Support Officer (SLSO) in the MultiCat class.

I have enjoyed participating in classrooms this term and getting to know our students better. Students have made prosthetic hands, completed lateral thinking tasks and designed edible cars and had great fun watching them race. Our new laptops have arrived and are being utilised each and every lesson by our students. By now all students in year's 7 to 10 will have logged into and engaged with the Wordflyers and MathsOnline programs as part of their timetabled lessons.

Initial feedback from the students has been positive. I would like to acknowledge the optimistic way in which our students embraced our new timetable and programs that were introduced this term. They have done this with a minimum of fuss and in good spirit. We are delighted with the number of students who are engaging with our Homework Hub and those who are taking up the opportunity to participate in some extra physical activity on Wednesday afternoons.

As winter starts to really kick in can I request that we all work together to ensure that students adhere to the wearing of the schools winter uniform. *Hoodies are not part of the uniform and are not to be worn at school.*

I hope you have all ordered your sweet and savoury pies to support our P&C fundraiser. All students were given an order form last week. Pies can be collected on Thursday 4th July between 2:30-5:00pm from the school foyer.

Students in Years 7 -11 will be given their Semester 1 reports on the last day of term 2. Enjoy the upcoming school holidays.

Regards,

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CHS CALENDAR

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Jul 1	+ Yr. 10 into Yr. 11 Information Day		
	♦ Yr. 9 & 10 Debating in Ardlethan		
Jul 4	◆ PBL Assembly		
Jul 5	♦ NAIDOC Day		
Term 3, Week 1			
Jul 25	 ♦ Yr. 10 into Yr. 11 Information Evening 		
Term 3, Week 2			
Jul 29-Aug 2	 Work Placement (Construction and Information Technology 		
Jul 30	◆ Parent Teacher Night		
Term 3, Week 3			
Aug 5	 Pioneer Park Excursion—Yr 11 Biology 		
Term 3, Week 4			
Aug 12 - 16	 ◆ HSC Trial Exams 		
Term 3, Week 5			
Aug 19-23	 Work Placement—Primary Industries 		

REMINDER:

- 1. <u>No</u> aerosol or perfume sprays are permitted on the school premises.
- 2. Please ensure all student details are up to date. This includes address, phone numbers, emergency contact details, copies of court orders etc.

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YEAR 8 LINKS TO LEARNING

The Year 8 Links to Learning Group were recently involved in a tree planting day at the Elouera Special School

YEAR GROUP MEETINGS

One of the new initiatives at CHS has been the introduction of fortnightly year group meetings for students in years 7 - 10. During one of the recent meetings HSC Music students Justin Sheedy and Mathew Friend performed for all the groups.

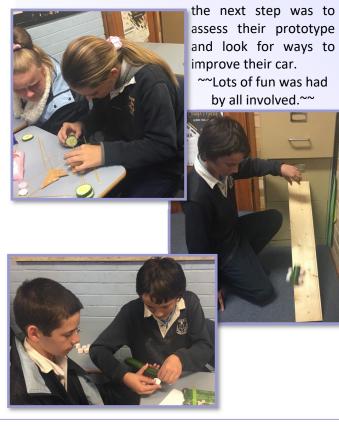
The meetings are proving to be a fantastic opportunity to discuss issues and receive information about upcoming events as well as engaging and showcasing student achievements.



STEAM

Year 8 have been using their design skills in STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, the Arts and Mathematics). Their challenge was to design and build an edible car which will travel down a ramp. 8G built their cars and experienced some successes along with some challenges in the process.

Students came up with some innovative designs and



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NETBALL SCHOOLS CUP COMPETITION

On Wednesday 22nd May students from Yr. 9 travelled to Young to participate in the Schools Cup Competition. The day hosted students from years 7 to 10. Our pool included teams from Temora, Henry Lawson High School Grenfell, St Annes, Boorowa and Young.

Our girls were able to come away with a win against Boorowa, The Henry Lawson High School 1 and 2, and Young. Unfortunately we were unable to overcome the strength of Temora, and St Annes.

Overall we came 4th which was a fantastic effort from the girls. There was some great attacking down the court and support demonstrated across all games. Well done to the girls who demonstrated fantastic sportsmanship on the day.



AG PLOT WORKS

Works have begun on the replacement of the green house that was destroyed in a storm. Initial works have included upgrading of electrical work. We will continue to see work in this area over the coming year.



PRIMARY INDUSTRIES



This semester students in the Primary Industries course have been working through the units Feed and Water Livestock, Participate in WHS processes and Tractors. As part of this they have been weighing livestock, calculating feed requirements, identifying health issues and recognising safety issues.





In the Tractor cluster students have had the

opportunity to plough up and fertilise a couple of our paddocks as well as practicing attaching equipment with a 3 point linkage. Students have also demonstrated their ability to drive and reverse



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SCIENCE - 7W

Mrs Drum's 7W science class had a wonderful time making 'jelly cells' using different lollies to represent organelles.









Year 12 PDHPE recently took part in a practical sports strapping workshop, focussing on how to strap thumbs and ankles to relieve pain and prevent injury. The workshop was conducted as a part of the sports medicine unit of the HSC PDHPE course.

Thank you to Mrs Robyn Holder for her time and expertise.





STUDENT SUCCESS

SECRETARY FOR A DAY

Earlier this term, three applicants put their best foot forward and applied for the opportunity of participating in the NSW Department of Education's program, Secretary for a Day. Olivia Hamilton, Ashton Alchin and Sarah Edwards sent away their applications for processing with hope in their hearts. Competing with 200 other applicants only 35 were successful across New South Wales.

Sarah Edwards received the news that her application had been 1 of the 35 to be accepted for

this fantastic opportunity. Sarah will spend two days in Sydney learning about the workings of the NSW Department of Education and workshop key ideas with other successful applicants and the senior executive of the department. This is a fantastic opportunity for Sarah to extend her leadership skills and expand her career opportunities. A huge congratulations to Sarah Edwards on her success.

DISCOVERING ENGINEERING WORKSHOP

Year 9 and 10 Science students attended a Discover Engineering workshop at Kooringal High School in Week 8 this term. As part of this workshop, students used their creativity and practical skills to create solutions to design problems, applying their knowledge and understanding of science to practical, real-world scenarios. The students were able to hear from experienced engineers and engineering students from various universities on the different types of engineering and how they might go about starting a career in engineering.

ENGINEERING WORKSHOP

Year 12 Physics and Biology students attended an excursion to Sydney to explore ANSTO and the Museum of Human Disease. The students learned about how the nuclear science facility is leading the world in scientific research and medical production, and explored UNSW's collection of donated infectious and non-infectious disease samples. After a long night catching the train to Sydney, the students powered through the perils of public transport to visit the two facilities. The visits were designed to open the eyes of students to the real world applications of science in Australia.

NAIDOC DAY 2020 PAINTING COMPETITION



The Riverina Local Lands Services (LLS) invited Cootamundra High School students to participate in this year's NAIDOC project. Riverina LLS proposed and sponsored the development of 12 paintings from high schools within the Riverina catchment area. The project incorporated designing an artwork focused around this year's NAIDOC theme VOICE, HEART, TRUTH.

Two artworks will be chosen for special presentation, one to the General Manager of the Riverina Local Lands Service – Mr Rob Kelly for display in the LLS Head Office and the second artwork to The Minister for Agriculture Western NSW – the Hon. Adam Marshall MP for display at Parliament House in Sydney. The remaining ten artworks will be on permanent display within the Riverina LLS District Offices. Congratulations to Cootamundra High School student Luke Dowell. Luke's artwork was one of the 12 chosen for display. The 12 artworks will also feature in a calendar for the year 2020. Once again congratulations to Luke!

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FROM THE CAREERS DESK

EARLY ENTRY UPDATES FOR YEAR 12

A reminder to Year 12 students that the SRS Scheme is now open and applications can be made at any time. Students will need to pay their UAC registration fee before they can apply for the scheme.

WHS WHITE CARD

A second White Card Course will be scheduled for next term. Details will be advertised once a suitable date is arranged.

WAGGA WAGGA CAREERS EXPO

This annual event took take place in Week 8 and was a fantastic opportunity for students to expand their horizons and gather valuable information.

CSU EXPLORE DAY

This was another excellent opportunity for students to get a taste of CSU Wagga and some of the excellent courses they have available. The day was free of charge and concluded with a campus tour.

TRINITY SLADE—RIVERINA FINALALIST SBAT of the YEAR

Congratulations must go to Trinity as a competitive finalist at this years SBAT of the Year Awards! Trinity has been a great ambassador for School Based Traineeships and а highly respected employee of local retail business Jak and Jill.



YEAR 10 INFORMATION SESSIONS—SUBJECT CHOICES FOR 2020

There will be a number of sessions coming up to assist Year 10 to make their subject choices for next year. The process has begun in Careers lessons and will continue with some targeted information sessions and an evening for parents and students early next term. Please contact Mrs Alderman at school should you wish to make an appointment regarding subjects for Year 11. The ATAR release date for 2019 has been finalised – Tuesday 17th December 2019 at 1:00pm

YEAR 11 WORK READINESS DAY

Year 11 students attended a mandatory orientation and work readiness session last Wednesday in preparation for their Work Placement which commences in Term 3. Conducted by COMPACT, the group heard from keynote speakers Tony Good (Farmer and Agronomist), GTES Representatives, Peter Beath from TAFE and Courtney O'Keefe from



COMPACT. It was an informative day for students as they prepare for their workplaces in the coming months.







Please contact Mrs Alderman on 6942 2711 for further details.

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WORK EXPERIENCE

Work experience for students took place during Week 8. There are a range of interesting workplaces that have been chosen this term, reaching as far as Victoria.



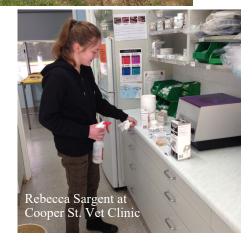




Bailey Synfield at Miller and James Real Estate Gundagai



Breanna Logue at Creekside Kids



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3 DAY ENGINEERING CAMP

BUILD A BRIDGE CAMP 2019

Build A Bridge...and get over it! is a 3 day Camp run by REROC in partnership with Compact. The Camp aims to encourage students in years 9 to 12 to consider a career in civil engineering. Students participate in practical, hands-on activities over the three days that allow them to experience the work that a civil engineer does.

Engineers from the REROC region mentor the students with help from Engineers from the <u>NSW IPWEA</u> and <u>Roads and Maritime Services</u>. The Camp is held at Borambola Sport and Recreation Centre on the outskirts of Wagga Wagga. The Camp is funded by REROC and Compact and sponsored by the NSW IPWEA.

Students who attend the Camp are drawn from across the REROC region. Numbers attending the Camp are restricted to 24 to ensure that the participating students have the best possible experience.

Students are divided into four groups on arrival, they work in these groups for the duration of the Camp. The first activities undertaken are team building exercises run by Borambola Sport and Recreation staff to help the students get to know each other.

On the first day of the Camp students participate in training sessions on topics that include soil testing, compaction testing, spatial co-ordinates and laser levelling. Then each group begins the work of a designing a bridge which has to span a small creek.

Students build a model of their design and prepare a budget as well. Once the bridge designs are completed, they are judged by the students and the facilitator against a standard criteria, the design that scores the highest marks against the criteria is the winner.

A full scale version of the winning design is built by the students on the third and final day. The students who designed the winning bridge act as project managers, the rest of the students are the builders.

Typically, the extra challenge of building the bridge over water means that students have to work from kayaks to construct the full-sized bridge.

Students walk across the finished bridge at the end of the final day to collect their certificates of participation for the Camp and "graduate". Parents, friends and members of REROC and the Compact attend the ceremony which is followed by afternoon tea.

The 2019 Camp will be held from Monday 12 to Wednesday 14 August.







P & C News

P & C Fundraising

Cootamundra High School P & C Association Fundraising Activities in April and May



Mother's Day Raffle SRC members Chelsie Manwaring and Rhys Derrick



Federal Election Cake Stall School Captain Mathew Friend along with his mother, Debbie Friend

The CHS P &C has continued our fundraising activities following the success of the March NSW State Election cake stall. In April and May we sold Mother's Day raffle tickets over four Saturday morning's at Woolworths combining with a BBQ on the Saturday prior to Mother's Day.

The winners of the Mother's Day raffle were:

1 st Richard O'Sullivan	– Trailer load of wood	 donated by the Holt Family
2 nd Jo McClintock	– Painting	 donated by Christine Chafey
3 rd Chris Goodwin	 Parklane Jewellery 	 donated by Tina Wales

We would like to thank the donors of the prizes and the students, P&C committee members and School Representative Committee (SRC) members for the organisation and time given to sell tickets and run the BBQ.

We also held a cake stall and raffle for the Federal Election at Cootamundra High School on Saturday 18th May 2019. We had an excellent collection of goods for sale. We would like to thank all those who contributed to the success of the stall with donations of cakes, slices, eggs, magazines, books and plants.

We would also like to thank 'The Rusty Table' who donated a 'Dinner for Two Gift Voucher' for the Federal Election Day Raffle. Congratulations to Angela Grewal who was the lucky winner. We extend our thanks also to the parents, P & C committee members and SRC student members who volunteered to man the stall throughout the day.

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We greatly appreciate the community support and wish to thank everyone who brought raffle tickets or enjoyed our BBQ or cake stall goods. Thank you to everyone who helped us achieve a successful April and May of fundraising. Congratulations. We raised just under \$2000. A great achievement!

Many thanks. Cootamundra High School P & C Association



BBQ and Mother's Day Raffle Julian Jones, Greg and William Holt



BBQ and Mother's Day Raffle Laura and Kate Holt and Cootamundra High School Principal Mrs Daly



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CADAS Inc. is having a 71st birthday party!

WHEN: FRIDAY 23rd August 2019 -

WHERE: Wattle Room Cootamundra Ex-Services Club at 6pm.

Come along and join in the fun and become part of CADAS history.

Ever wanted to get on stage, meet like-minded people, sing your heart out, create a laugh and explore the inner performer in you? Here's your chance!

New members are extremely welcome.

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HSC Programs - July Holidays

HSC July Trial Preparation Lectures

• Lectures (4-6 hours per subject) held at either UTS, Macquarie, UON (Newcastle & Central Coast) and UOW campuses.

• Each lecture will address key components of the syllabus, vital exam skills and a chance to access and practice a range of sample questions.

Includes a free 2 hour "<u>ACE the HSC</u>" session.
School group price: **\$20 per 2 hour**lecture (\$40 for individuals).

Please refer to the relevant university to access the school group booking form: <u>UTS</u>, <u>Macquarie</u> <u>University</u>, <u>UON Newcastle</u>, <u>UON Central</u> <u>Coast</u>, <u>UOW</u>



Improve your HSC results in Maths & English these school holidays

Diamond Education School Holiday HSC Workshops provide additional preparation for the Trial & HSC Examinations in Standard English, Advanced English, Standard Maths, 2 Unit Maths & Extension Maths



Monday 15th July, 2019 & Tuesday 16th July, 2019 The Riverina Anglican College Wagga Wagga

Students receive -4 hour intensive tutorial Comprehensive Workbook HSC Practice Papers

All 4hr workshops are presented by experienced & practising senior HSC markers/teachers with valuable knowledge of the HSC syllabus.

Students get invaluable insights, tips & assistance within a small classroom style environment.

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COMMUNITY EVENTS / NOTICES

CONFIRMATION IN THE ANGLICAN CHURCH

If you would like your child to be confirmed in 2019, please phone Rev. Yvonne Gunning on 0416 061 812 for further information



COOTAMUNDRA STRINGS

A String Orchestra Program for the Youth of Cootamundra and surrounds.

START A STRING PLAYER PROGRAM.

We have an opportunity to offer some funded places in a beginner strings program for the remainder of 2019.

This program is for ages 8 to 14.

Instruments are available for a nominal hire fee, no cost for tuition.

Class will meet on Thursday afternoons after school at the Arts Centre.

There are a limited number of places available.

To apply, please email <u>cootamundra.strings@gmail.com</u>

Enquiries ph 0423177015

Music activates every known part of the brain - and worldwide research has proven that learning to play music significantly impacts a child's psychological wellbeing, including his or her academic and social abilities.

Musical training can help develop language and reasoning: Students who have musical training can develop the areas of the brain related to language and reasoning.

Increased coordination: Students who practice with musical instruments can improve their hand-eye coordination. Just like playing sports, children can develop motor skills when playing music.

A sense of achievement: Learning to play pieces of music on a new instrument can be a challenging, but achievable goal.

Kids stay engaged in life: An enjoying music can keep kids interested and engaged in their education. Student musicians are likely to achieve in other subjects.

Success in society: Music is the fabric of our society, and music can shape abilities and character. Musical education can greatly contribute to children's intellectual development.

Emotional development: Music education can enhance emotional development, and increase empathy towards other cultures. Music education also tends to increase self esteem and helps students cope with anxiety.

Being part of an orchestra builds teamwork: In these groups, students learn how to work together and build camaraderie.

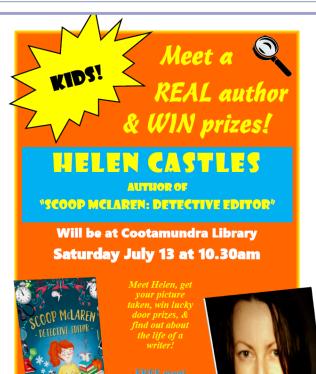
A music education can help students learn pattern recognition: Children can develop their math and pattern-recognition skills. Playing music offers repetition in a fun format.

Music can development creative thinking: Kids who study the arts can learn to think creatively. This kind of education can help prepare them for a creative 21st century economy.

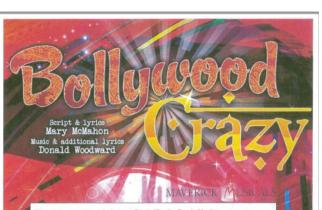
Why Strings?

~All children are capable of learning a stringed instrument, regardless of "talent", "giftedness", or musical background.

~Stringed instruments come in a variety of sizes.



Morning tea provided For more information, phone 6940 2200



Presented by CADAS Kids At The Cootamundra Town Hall Thurs 11th July, Fri 12th July and Sat 13th July 2019 Showtime: 7pm Tickets available at 'Jak and Jill' Parker St Adults: \$20 Kids: \$10 Tickets go on sale 20th June 2019

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256 ARMY CADET UNIT – COOTAMUNDRA (OUR VALUES ARE: COURAGE, TEAMWORK, INITIATIVE, RESPECT)

The Australian Army Cadets (AAC) is a youth development organisation sponsored by the Australian Defence Force, dedicated to providing opportunities for all young Australians to obtain comprehensive personal challenges, experiences and growth, enhanced self-esteem and selfdiscipline and adventurous enjoyment in a military setting.



LEARN SKILLS SUCH AS: Navigation, Fieldcraft and Camping Communications & First Aid Safe Weapon Handling Leadership & Personnel Management Adventure Training & Military History A military experience

MAKE NEW FRIENDS, LEARN ABOUT THE AUSTRALIAN ARMY AND HAVE FUN

Age:Must be 13 on enrolmentDay:Monday EveningsTime:6:00 pm to 9:00 pmWhere:Cootamundra Army Drill Hall

Submit your expression of interest on <u>www.armycadets.gov.au</u> For more information please phone Major (AAC) Jacqui Vincent on 0429 693 095



CLOTHING POOL DONATIONS REQUIRED

Cootamundra High School would greatly appreciate donations of boys and girls summer and winter school uniforms that are no longer required at home.

Uniform donations can be left at the Front Office during school hours.

Thankyou for your support.