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Principal’s Award: Year 6 students who participated in the Kirra Haven Sing our program.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Term 3 week 6

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Every Tuesday
Breakfast 8:00 – 9:00

19/8/14
P-2 Free after school sport
Soccer, 3:15 – 4:15

20/8/14
Yr 4 – 7 free after school
sport –cricket 3:15 – 4:15

18th-22nd August
BOOK FAIR

20/8/14
Science Fair
Assembly 2:00pm

26/8/14
Choir at Woolies opening

27/8/14
Speechmakers Assembly
2:00pm

28/8/14
DISCO
5:30 – 7:30

29/8/14
Show Holiday

Gala Sports Day
1/9/14

Busy week for Coolie this week. With Yr 6 Sing Out
Concert at Kirrahaven and our bands preforming at
the Eisteddfod. Novice Band taking out 1st Place
CONGRATULATIONS ALL!

Value of the Week – DOING & BEING OUR BEST.
When we give things a go and put in our best efforts, we can achieve great things.

School Wide Positive Behaviour Learning Focus: SAFETY RULE – KEEP FEET, HANDS, BODY
and OBJECTS to SELF. School must be a safe place for all. We need to take care that we don’t hurt
anyone by our actions. When we do things accidently we need to sop, apologise and look after the person.
When we are angry or frustrated we must stay in control. It is never OK to deliberately hurt someone.

Social & Emotional Learning: The social skill focus is POSITIVE SELF TALK. Our inner self is
always talking to us. Often we put ourselves down saying we can’t do something or giving up on
something. Instead, ask your self how you can do it better, see yourself doing it and be positive.
Dear Parents / Caregivers,

Congratulations School Concert Bands at Gold Coast Eisteddfod: Our beginner’s band of some 25 students, who have only been playing since February this year, have come away WINNERS of the novice band division up against 9 other GC schools, public and independent. A testimony to their talent, hard work and commitment and an outstanding instrumental music teacher in Ms Deb Body.

Some students from the novice band joined students who have now been in the band for 2 years, to compete in the C Grade band section this morning. They did not receive any awards but they also made us very proud.

Thanks also go to the parents of instrumental music students whose support for the program is vital to students attending before and after school rehearsals, practicing their instrument at home – often loud and squawky! And for providing transport as required.

Recruitment for 2015 band: For the first time in 2015 Year 4 students are eligible with funding provided to extend the program as Year 7 moves to high school.

NAPLAN: National Assessment Program Literacy and Numeracy results are out. The test is a point in time test in reading, writing, spelling, punctuation and grammar and numeracy. Data from the test provides information for government, education systems and individual schools to reflect on progress over time. As stated in the press, Year 3 students found some of the test challenging which is also reflected in our school’s results with year 3 being similar to the national mean in 2 out of 5 areas. Year 5 was at the national average level in all areas. Year 7 at national level in 3 / 5 areas.

We are very pleased to note that in 10 / 15 areas across year 3, 5, 7 a 100% of our students are above the National Minimum Standard. Many of our students excelled, being in the top 2 bands (top 20% of the nation). We specially congratulate them on their achievement. In year 3 they were similar to national average in the top 2 bands in 4 / 5 areas; in year 5, 5 out of 5 areas and in year 7, 3 out of 5 areas. A number of our students are in the top 5% of the nation. Most of our students are within the average range. Students who sit below the national average, all did their best working independently on the NAPLAN tests. Like all our students, they work hard each day to improve their learning as it is through every day learning in the classroom and homework that students grow and develop as learners which is reported on more consistently in their end of semester reports.

I specially thank our teachers and aides for all their hard work in preparing students for the NAPLAN tests but more importantly for their hard work each day in leading students to move from where they are in their learning to a higher standard which is achieved through student engagement, positive attitude and commitment to learning with parent support and encouragement. Individual Student NAPLAN reports for Yr, 3, 5 7 go home this week. Please see your child’s teacher if you wish to discuss their progress.

ATTENDANCE: All absence must be explained. Thank you parents for informing the school by phone when your child is sick. Students who go on extended holiday may be given approval for exemption for a period on application to the Principal. Forms are available from the office.

Science Fair & Book Week: This week is another amazing week of learning at CSS. Warm regards and best wishes,
Sharyn Mahony

P&C NEWS: P&C President Sue Elliot

We now have the disco coming up on Thursday night, 28th August. We will have pizza for sale and other snacks. A price list and menu will go home with the newsletter prior to the disco. The day after the disco is the Gold Coast show day holiday so everyone can sleep in!

Banking every Friday please leave books at tuckshop.

Have you been to Grill’d at Coolangatta! They have voting jars on the counter to nominate out school for a 1st, 2nd or 3rd monetary prize. The more votes for our school, the more chance we have. Spread the word amongst your family and friends. We thank them for their community support.

Gold Coast Science & Technology Fair, this Sunday 24th August, 10am – 3pm at Southport Parklands.

Chappy Chat – Chappy Lisa

Palm Beach Neighbourhood Centre (16 Third Ave, Pam Beach Ph:07 5598 1505) has a host of services available for families. I know in my time as chaplain at Coolie that one thing that is challenging when people are doing it tough financially or emotionally is not knowing where to access help and support. These guys can provide Financial Counsellors to support with advocacy which may include negotiations with creditors in cases of extreme hardship. These financial counsellors also can assist with budgeting, debt management options, and bankruptcy and provide information on your rights and responsibilities relating to credit. Remember if you need support, call in to see me in the Enrichment Room, leave a message at the office or call by the breakfast program on Tuesday mornings.

All students who have not returned Gala Day uniforms will be invoiced $20 if not bought back to class teacher washed & clean to have mark off.

Little Lifesavers @ Tallebudgera Creek,
Holiday Programs

Program 1: Mon 29th Sept to Fri 3rd Oct 2014
(Everyday 8:00am to 10:00am)
Program 2: Mon 12th Jan 2015 to Fri 16th Jan 2015
(Everyday 8:00am to 10:00am)
Program 3: Mon 13th April 2015 to Fri 17th April 2015
(Everyday 8:00am to 10:00am)
$95.00 per participant which includes a Long Sleeved Rash Shirt. Enquire at: littlifesavers@lifesaving.com.au

In October, Soccer X will be running an 8 week Summer Soccer league at Carrarra Soccer Fields for U6’s – U11’s. For more information and online registrations please visit WWW.SOCCER-X.COM. If you have any questions please call Justyn on 0451 162346.”

Paul Shacklock Tennis Coaching

LESSONS AFTER SCHOOL
at
COOLANGATTA STATE SCHOOL
Ph: (07) 5524 5680
FIRST LESSON FREE
**AROUND THE CLASSROOMS**

**Senior Green : Mrs Ireland**
Senior Green students had a very busy week 5! We embarked on an excursion to our local library at Coolangatta, where we viewed shortlisted books for the 2014 Book of the Year awards. Students also presented their Speechmakers speech, their Science Fair items and handed in their English assessment item (A letter to a future student). Students have been asked to participate in our Science Fair day and Bookfair week by wearing anything “science” related tomorrow (20th August). They may also bring 20c or more to vote on their favourite artwork that will be on display in the LOTE room at 2nd break! Senior Green students will be racing their BPC’s at 1st break on the tennis courts against Senior Purple and Middle Purple students. Any students wishing to purchase books at book fair are encouraged to bring in money so they can do so.

**Senior Purple : Mr Lang**
Last week was our last Thursday afternoon singing songs with our friends over at Kirra Haven. The concert was fantastic with both students and residents enjoying one another’s company. The song Pearly Shells was my highlight with everyone wearing Hawaiian flowers around their necks and singing along. Also, big congratulations to the majority of our students who displayed fantastic behaviour whilst on the plane with the family. Talk to your children about the College’s ‘SCIENCE’ day on Thursday 20th August.  Please don’t forget to dress up in your best ‘scientific outfit’ this Wednesday!??! Or come dressed as something ‘scientific’ for Book Week and Science Day. We are attempting to win the class prize (ice block) for the whole class. All children (including teachers) must be dressed up and I have an idea up my sleeve. Shhhhh!!! Plain black t-shirt and track pants/shorts or (blue school shorts and navy t-shirt or closest to the ‘night sky’ colours as possible please). Please do not purchase anything. We will improvise the best we can!! Thanks.

**Middle Gold : Ms Cronin**
We have had a huge week of Science. Well done Middle Gold for a fantastic array of Science Fair Presentations. The majority of our presentations were Science Investigations with Lava Lamps very popular this year; as well as crystals, potato obstacle course, seed growing, translucent eggs, static electricity, paper air planes, quick sand, defying gravity, water density and many more. We also had a Communicating Science presentation on a human skull model. Presenters had an array of written material from Powerpoints to charts and books. We look forward to the Science Fair this week when we can display our presentations and view those of other classes. Last week we also enjoyed visiting the Coolangatta Library in connection with Book Week. We hope to view many shortlisted books this week, as well as visit the Book Fair in the Library.

**Middle Blue: Ms Levenson**
Congratulations to Middle Blue for their brilliant ideas and informative Science presentations, the challenge has certainly been lifted for presenting my own Science Fair project in rotations tomorrow. We’re also focused on the collection and presentation of data relating to significant places in Geography. In Maths we’re investigating different forms of measurement and use in everyday life.

**Middle Purple : Mr Stringer and Mrs Duffy**
We welcome Ms Indiana Scales as teacher replacing Mr Stringer. An exciting couple of weeks ahead with Science Fair Day this Wednesday and looking forward to hearing some exciting speeches in the ‘Speechmakers Assembly’ next week. Please don’t forget to dress up in your best ‘Scientific outfit’ this Wednesday! The day will be packed full of fun activities with a prize for the best dressed class! A huge congratulations to all the students who worked hard and presented some excellent speeches in class over the last few weeks. It has been a very difficult task to select our class winner for assembly. Study in class continues this week with benchmark angles that include 90, 45 and 30 degrees as well as our Poetry focus where we continue to look at devices such as assonance, rhyme and alliteration.

Wow! Who is SO good at reading grid positions on maps? Junior Blue! This week we are listening to our speeches. Some interesting topics have been forwarded. The mark from these goes towards the students’ overall English mark on their report.

**Junior Orange: Ms Schmida**
Could I please ask that all children wear dark blue, navy or black this Wednesday!!! Or come dressed as something ‘scientific’ for Book Week and Science Day. We are attempting to win the class prize (ice block) for the whole class. All children (including teachers) must be dressed up and I have an idea up my sleeve. Shhhhh!!! Plain black t-shirt and track pants/shorts or (blue school shorts and navy t-shirt or closest to the ‘night sky’ colours as possible please). Please do not purchase anything. We will improvise the best we can!! Thanks.

**Junior Purple: Mrs Waldon and Mrs Winder**
Last week was a very busy week indeed!! On Monday we enjoyed participating in the sports rotations organised by the Education Students from Southern Cross University. On Tuesday we walked to the Coolangatta Library with Junior Orange and enjoyed listening to some picture books shortlisted for Book Week awards. We were very proud of all the students. They walked responsibly together and demonstrated excellent audience skills while listening to the stories. Then on Thursday the students enjoyed a visit from the fire brigade. Featured in the information sent home were suggested web sites to help reinforce the important message of fire safety. Every child must know how to call the emergency services giving their full name, address and which emergency service they need. This week we have Science Fair & Book Fair to look forward to.

**HPE News**
We welcome Ms Ella Kirk as PE teacher until end of Term in Mr Stringer’s absence. Health teacher over this time will be Ms Julie Blom.

**Library/ICT News : Mrs Marshall**
It is BOOK WEEK!!!. This year’s theme is ‘Connect to Reading’. I challenge families to select their favourite books and share them with the family. Talk to your children about ‘why this book is your favourite’. Last week our students had stories shared with them by the staff of the Coolangatta Public Library. We would like to say a big thankyou to all the children who displayed fantastic behaviour whilst on the excursion. We are asking classes to DRESS UP this Wednesday 20th August. There will be a number of book vouchers to be won as well as a prize for the best dressed class. This year’s dress up theme is ‘SCIENCE’.

We are holding a BOOKFAIR in the library this week. All are welcome; please invite your family and friends to come purchase books from our fair. Open Monday – Friday 8am – 3:30pm. Children will also complete wish lists with their classes and may purchase books during the week.

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Premier Readers Challenge closes in 2 weeks. Keep up the great reading and continue to fill in our PRC log. We are aiming for 100% school participation.

**Website Recommendations**
www.curiousgeorge.com Young fans of this popular book character, Curious George, will love this intriguing website filled with games, stories, puzzles, videos and creative activities.

**Junior Green: Ms O’Callaghan**
This week Junior Green will begin a new English unit where students will explore a variety of picture books to explore how stories use plot and characterisation to entertain and engage an audience. In History, students will identify some sites in the local community that have a history and are significant.

Junior Blue: Mrs Calder
Freckles are now taking enrolments for 2015. Positions are available from 6 weeks to Preschool. Contact Jennifer Tranby-Hunter or visit 205 Kennedy Drive West Tweed Heads. After hours appointments available by arrangement.

TWEED HEADS & COOLANGATTA
SURF LIFE SAVING CLUB - GREENMOUNT BEACH NIPPERS SIGN-ON DAY FOR NEW & RENEWING MEMBERS SUNDAY 14TH OF SEPTEMBER 9AM - 11AM OASIS POOLS, BANORA POINT
* Must be 5 years of age as at the 30th of September 2014 *
* Please remember to bring togs and goggles *
Entry of $3.50 applies for swimmers only at the pool *