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Environmental Captains- Junior Red for a nice clean eating area.

**PRINCIPAL’S AWARD –**

**Value of the Week: DETERMINATION**

Determination is focusing your energy and efforts on a task and then sticking with it until it is finished. It is using your will power to do or achieve something even when it is hard. You finish what you start. If obstacles come up you deal with them and get back on track. If you get discouraged or distracted you remember your goal then start again. You take on tasks and problems as challenges that you intend to conquer. You stay on purpose. You achieve what you set out to do.

**THE WIZARD OF OZ**

- **One performance only**
- **This Friday, 8 Nov**
- **6:30 pm – 8:30 pm**
- **Tickets $5 each**
- **on sale before school 8:15 – 8:45 and at door. Don’t miss out!**

You can now download the QSchools app (free) and subscribe to receive the latest news from our school on your smart phone or tablet.
Dear Parents / Carers,

Warm regards and best wishes for a great week,
Sharyn Mahony

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**P&C News**

**Tuckshop** open this Thursday & Friday.

**School Banking:** This Friday, please drop your books off at the tuckshop before 9am.

**Library News: Mrs Marshall**

Internet safety presentation helps children stay safe online

Young people today are immersed in digital technologies. They use the internet and mobile phones to socialise, study, exchange ideas and play. While online activity has many benefits, there are also risks.

To help your children stay safe online, Coolangatta State School is hosting a Cybersmart Outreach—Internet Safety Awareness presentation. Designed for parents, teachers and students, this presentation is provided by the Australian Communications and Media Authority (the ACMA) as part of a national program of cybersmart initiatives.

The Cybersmart Outreach—Internet Safety Awareness presentation is thorough and non-technical. It covers a range of issues including:

- the ways children use the internet and emerging technologies
- potential risks for children online, such as cyberbullying, identity theft, inappropriate contact and exposure to inappropriate content
- tips to help children stay safe online.

The presentation is conducted by an ACMA Cybersmart trainer and is free of charge.

Coolangatta State School is committed to helping students develop appropriate behaviours when using digital technologies, both at school and home.

The Cybersmart Outreach—Internet Safety Awareness presentation will be held on:  **Thursday 7 November 2013 at 5:30pm.** Tea, coffee and biscuits provided. All welcome, bring a friend, neighbour or family member.

Please register your attendance; contact Coolangatta State School as soon as possible. Enrolments will also be accepted on the night.


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**Chaplain’s Chat: Chappy Lisa**

**Kirra Kite Festival Free Kite Art Workshop Program**

**Saturday 16/11/13**

Kirra Hill Community Centre, 1 Garrick St, Coolangatta.

Tony Rice “Turtle Kite” Workshop: 9am, 10am, 11am – Arts Activity Room. Sunshine Art “Kinetic Wind Sock” Workshop: 9am, 10am, and 11am – External Arts Space.

**Sunday 17/11/13**

Roughton Park, Musgrave Avenue Kirra (Family Fun Day).

Tony Rice “Turtle Kite” Workshop: 10am, 11am, & 12pm Workshop Station in Market Area. Sunshine Art “Kinetic Wind Sock” Workshop: 1pm, 2pm, 3pm – Workshop Station in Market area
**AROUND THE CLASSROOMS**

**Senior Green & Senior Purple : Mrs Ireland & Mr Failes**

We are officially half way through the last schooling term for 2013! Our classes have been working on improving their writing with daily sessions around the “Seven Steps to Writing” program. We have investigated and worked through “SIZZLING STARTS” and also “TIGHTENING TENSION”. We have seen so many wonderful writing pieces emerge throughout these sessions and are delighted by the creativity our cohort is producing. Here is a sneak peak of some writing that a year 7 student produced in week 4.

*Here I am. I can’t cogitate that this is really happening to me. I’m looking at my slight possessions, the noise of the waves raging. The moment of utter isolation and the terror of what lurks below in the dark depths of the unknown.....*  

Kaizen Year 7  

As the year 7 graduation approaches we are asking that if you are interested in helping with the event (organising, planning) or if you have any resources available that you think may assist us with this night can you please see Mr Failes or Mrs Ireland.

**Senior Blue: Mrs Keil**

We still have a full 10 weeks of term including assessment and reports cards. Senior Blue is very busy this week, completing assessment items for C2C unit 7 in English, Drama and Technology. Reminders: * Staff will be on the lookout for 2014 School Leaders this term. Students need to be aware of their behaviour at all times to be in with a chance. It would be helpful if you spoke to your child about leadership and how it will benefit them in the future. * School hats must be brought to wear every day and drink bottles are necessary every day in the hot weather. * Please ensure your child has pencils, glue, a ruler, eraser and if possible a sharpener. * Our Musical and Gala Sports Day at Kirra beach are fast approaching. As you can see Senior Blue is very busy, so keep up the great work with the completion of homework and excellent attendance for the remainder of the term.

**Middle Blue: Mrs McEwan**

Middle Blue are continuing with their History assessment brochures in the Computer Lab this week. We are learning all about money this week in Maths-calculating the change to the nearest 5c, sharing out the cost of the bill at a restaurant, adding up what we need to pay for what we ordered at a restaurant, adding up the bills to pay, budgeting, etc. Please get your children involved at home with any real life money activities. Not only this week, but whenever the chance arises. Play games at the grocery store by pretending to give them a $5, $10, $20, $50 or a $100 note to pay for some items and then get them to calculate the total cost and what change is needed.

**Junior Gold: Ms Cronin**

Junior Gold had great fun presenting “The Circus” on Assembly last Wednesday. Thank you to all the family members who came to support our presentation. Also, Junior Gold, and Miss Cronin, has a big thank you to Mr Craig who completes his internship with the class today. Mr Craig has worked very hard over the past few weeks leading the class, particularly with Poetry and Science, also the Assembly presentation. We wish him great success in his career as a teacher. During Mr Craig’s time we have now completed our Science unit on Solids and Liquids, including the assessment. This involved watching ice and chocolate change from a solid to a liquid….many students found that they had sticky, chocolaty hands!!! This week students are writing their own poem using the language devices of alliteration, onomatopoeia, rhyme, rhythm and adjectives.

**Junior Red: Mr Vogel**

Junior Red has been co-constructing poems and then students have writing their own verses to mathc the style, rhythm and rhyme of the poem. Well done to all, the poetry is fantastic. In Maths students have mastered the language of chance and are working well on calculating the odds and percentages of chance events. Our Technology challenge was finalised with a class wide sail boat race. Well done to Liam and Lenismaria, whose boats both beat 4 other competitors on the way to the final. Lenismaria’s boat was the overall winner, sailing quickly and straight across the pool.

**Junior Blue: Mrs Calder**

By the end of this week, we will be half way through the term and well into assessment in the various curriculum areas. Today at swimming, it was pleasing to see the amazing progress of all participating students. Well done Junior Blue. A reminder that the class day for exchanging library books is Friday, although students are able to change books during the lunch hour each day.

**Junior Green: Miss Alycia O’Callaghan**

Representing addition and subtraction situations will be our focus in Mathematics this week. Students will identify addition and subtraction situations, make concrete representations, and record the situation as a number sentence. In Science we will continue exploring sound. Students will understand that sounds can vary in pitch and loudness, and can be changed.

**Junior Purple: Mrs Winder & Mrs Waldon**

The focus for English this week has shifted to letter writing. The children have received letters and have begun writing letters to a varied audience. We have unpacked the format of the letter genre and been learning about address, salutations, commas, body, closing, post script and friendly letters versus business letters. If you have any interesting letters of arriving in the post that you are willing to share, please send them in with your child. Thanks.

**Middle Purple : Mrs Cecil & Mr Stringer**

In English, students have been describing the characters in the Film Storm Boy and reading the exemplar of a written comparison of a film/novel (The Lorax). Students have been referring to their written comparison editing checklist to ensure they have the correct sections and necessary information. During Maths, students have completed an assessment task called Fantastic Factors and Magnificent Multiples. In addition to this students have been working cooperatively with Middle Blue for mixed maths groups. In History students have been discovering the histories of the Saibai peoples and Macassan traders. Students have been completing their learning logs within each of their History lessons. During Art, students had to illustrate their given silly sentences and the outcomes were fantastic. Good luck to Tabitha from Middle Purple who will take part in this week’s Wizard of Oz in the school hall Friday evening.

**HPE News: Mr Stringer**

Skateboarding started as an after school activity last Wednesday. I was lucky enough to watch Jay (our skateboarding professional coach) and Sue ran a fantastic first lesson of skateboarding here at Cooly SS! Keep ripping it up and always be safe ☺️ Friday Sport has been going for a few weeks now and we have some very exciting sports on offer this year including Touch football, Surfing, Volleyball and T-ball. All sports except surfing are on a rotation system and Beach Gala day will be the culminating activity. Thanks to all the teachers/staff involved and also parent helpers too. Swimming Carnival is on in the last week of term so keep up the swimming stroke improvement if you have access to pools with adult supervision at all times of course! The goal is to get every CSS student swimming to the best level they can achieve.