

# Cowell Area School

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Term 2, Week 2

15th May 2019

## Newsletter



## Principal's News

I hope everyone had a lovely Mother's Day on the weekend and had the opportunity to spend some time with the special women in their lives. I bet there were quite a few Grandmas and Mums who were lucky to have received some of the terrific gifts that were sold by the Year 5/6 class at their stall. I even had to buy myself a Mother's Day present as a treat.

### National Volunteers Week

As mentioned in last week's newsletter, next week is National Volunteers Week – an important time when we officially recognise our volunteers and the fantastic work that they do. We will be holding a Morning Tea in the library on Friday 26th, commencing at 10:30 to thank all of our hard-working volunteers. If you volunteer in any way, whether it be listening to reading, mentoring, helping at working bees or being on a committee, please come along and join us.

### Walk Safely to School

We are all geared up to Walk Safely to School this Friday. Maria Papillo on behalf of the Parents and Friends group has organised volunteers to meet at designated stations around town, and then walk with students to school.

A timetable is included in this newsletter. Parents are also welcome to join us. Meeting time is 8:20am, so get your walking shoes on and 'walk to school'.

### Brightpath

Last week, Ricky Paveltish and I attended training in Adelaide around the assessment and moderation of the narrative pieces that our secondary students produced last term. The pieces were assessed by teachers, uploaded to the Brightpath site, and have now been through a moderation process by the Brightpath team. The grades assigned by our teachers were confirmed, indicating that we have a good understanding of our students' writing abilities in comparison to the exemplars provided. In a few weeks we will receive the moderation results for our Primary students. This term, teachers will collect and assess another writing sample from all students. These will be used to look at progress made by students over the last term, after teachers have spent time explicitly teaching language conventions and authorial features of writing.

### SAPSASA Trials

Last Friday, 7 of our Year 6/7 students trialled at Lock for the SAPSASA Netball and Football carnivals. Well done to Lily Gregory, Zara Grund, Sid McFarlane, Lachie Harding, Willow Cook, Aiden Turner and Kane Fiegert for having a go and trialling. Congratulations to Kane Fiegert who was selected in the team and Aiden Turner, who is an emergency. Thank you to Tanya Williams for transporting the students and taking part in the selection process.

### NAPLAN

This week and next week our Year 3, 5, 7 and 9 students are participating for the first time in the NAPLAN Online tests. Whilst there have been some glitches along the way with the new platform, the students are showing great levels of resilience and positive attitudes in completing the tests. Schools and parents will be informed later in the year about the progress the students have made in their Literacy and Numeracy learning.

## DATES TO REMEMBER

### TERM 2, 2019

WEEK 3

14-22/5 - NAPLAN Online

17/5 - Walk Safely to School Day

WEEK 5

31/5 - SRC Grip Leadership at Whyalla

WEEK 7

10/6 - Public Holiday

11-12/6 - Yr 4/5 Errappa Camp

WEEK 8

17-21/6 - SAPSASA Football/Netball in Adelaide

WEEK 9

26/6 - School Photo Day

WEEK 10

1-5/7 - Yr 10 Career Camp



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# School News

## Catch up with a Cowell Kid

Last week I caught up with 4 of our Year 8 students – Ky, Isobel, Charlotte and Tahlia.

We started by talking about what they have enjoyed the most about school so far this year. Ky has enjoyed doing Digi Tech, especially doing the 'Break out boxes' because it was challenging but they got there. Isobel has just enjoyed school in general – it's easier to learn in a school environment than at home, because sometimes home school doesn't feel like school. At school you can do more things, like experiments in Science, that you can't do at home. Charlotte has enjoyed doing Ultimate Frisbee in PE because it's really active and fun to play. Tahlia has also enjoyed PE, especially sports day practices, doing javelin and discus.

Next, we discussed what the students might see as a future career path. Tahlia and Ky aren't really sure what they would like to do. Tahlia thinks possibly a VET and Ky is thinking about taking his mother's advice and going into an area that involves Maths (because it is a strength for him). Charlotte would like to be a pharmacist because she wants to do something medical but not a nurse or doctor (she doesn't want to deal with the gross stuff!). Isobel enjoys writing all kinds of stories because they are a way to escape, and she enjoys making people laugh, so she thinks that being an author would be a good pathway.

Something that they would like to learn about, was the next thing we talked about. Isobel is keen to learn more about mental health because she believes it is such an important thing to understand and Tahlia is interested in Drama (it seems like fun and she hasn't done it) and Home Ec (she would like to have Ms B as a teacher). Both Ky and Charlotte are interested in learning more about the World Wars. Ky would love to have a greater understanding of our involvement in the World Wars when he goes to Canberra next term. Charlotte would also like to learn how to play some different games in PE.

We concluded our catch up with a discussion about things that they might change / improve at the school. Charlotte would like to get some more help when they don't understand something and build up to harder work; Tahlia thinks that more PE (a trampoline) and splitting up swimming carnival and sports day would be good; Isobel thinks there are some things everyone should know but they don't yet, like taxes, different rules for places and systems of government. She also would like to see less disruptions to class and people not wasting time at the beginning and end of lessons. Ky would like better / more efficient laptops and for some teachers to not talk so much, so students could get more done.

We had a very thoughtful discussion and the students raised some interesting points about their learning. I look forward to catching up with the Year 9s later this week.



## Deputy Principal's News

Yesterday was the first day of NAPLAN testing for 2019. Our Year 3 students completed the test on paper while Years 5,7 and 9 were tested online. Despite a few technological glitches the Year 5s and 7s completed their tests; I overheard some of the Year 7s telling Mrs McFarlane they enjoyed doing the tests online and thought it made the process faster and easier. In the afternoon the Year 9s were faced with ongoing technological issues to the point where we decided to postpone their tests. Our students displayed a sense of calm and resilience, they simply tried to continue despite the interruptions. We are working with the NAPLAN team to try to provide the best situations for those being tested and we are ever aware of the different possibilities that arise when working with technology.

Reminding myself there is a world beyond NAPLAN, I visited the Year 10, 11 and 12 class during pastoral care and found the students and teachers feverishly decorating the class for a surprise 18th birthday lunch for Declan Crabb. Mrs Michael baked and decorated Declan's cake, as you can see from the photo below she has many talents! While a school our size and location is disadvantaged in some ways, I think a strength is how we know about and care deeply for individual students. Happy 18th birthday Declan, it has been a pleasure to watch you grow over the last 13 years.

Today is International Family Day. Although families all over the world have transformed greatly over the past decades in terms of their structure and as a result of global trends and demographic changes, the United Nations still recognises the family as the basic unit of society. The International Day of Families provides an opportunity to promote awareness of issues relating to families and to increase knowledge of the social, economic and demographic processes affecting them. Families are the keystones to our community and I hope you can enjoy some time in the next week with your family.

Regards,  
Colleen Peters



**MAY**

17/5 – Ezra Siviour

23/5 – Sophia Lewis-Couzner

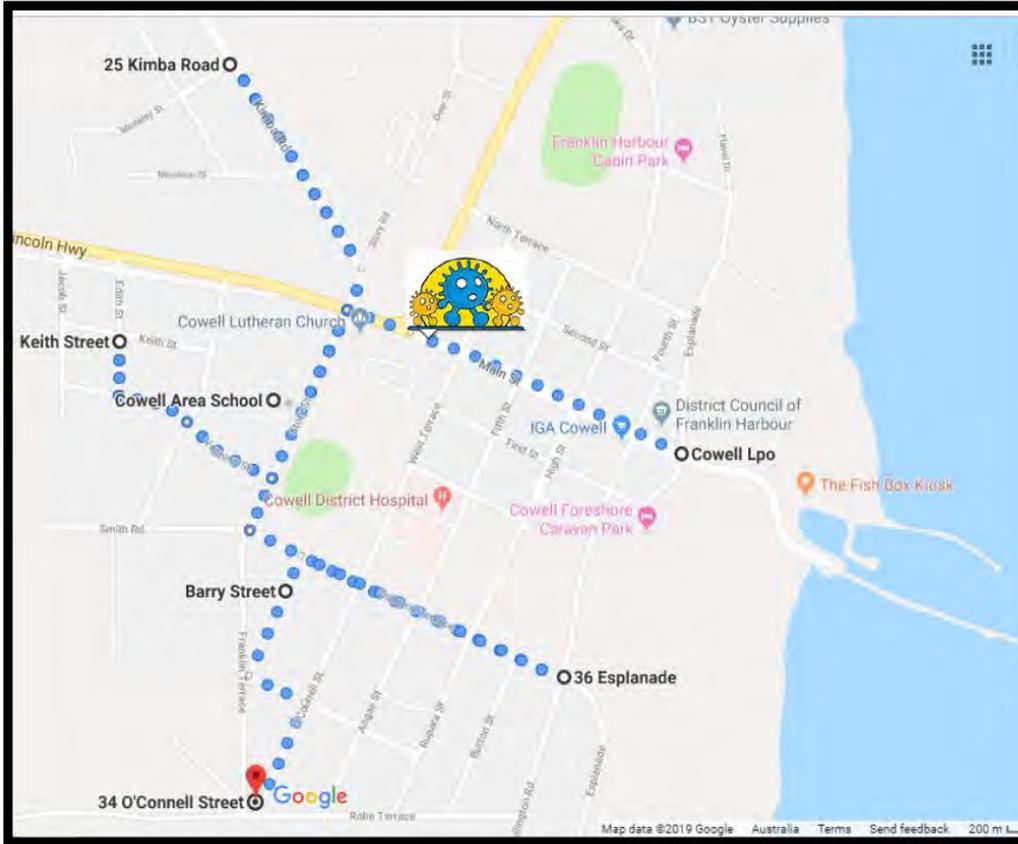
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# School News



**Walk Safely  
to School Day**  
**Friday 17<sup>th</sup> May 2019**  
**8.20am**  
**5 Check points as  
marked.**  
**Please Join us**

**Check Point 1**  
**Cowell Post Office**  
**Julie-Anne Byrnes**

**Check Point 1B**  
**Black Stump**  
**Amanda Salter**

**Walking route is marked as  
above; you're welcome to  
join us at any point  
along the way.**

**Check Point 2**  
**Corner of  
Mosley &  
Kimba road -**  
  
**Via the  
school  
crossing**  
  
**Tom Darling**

**Check Point 3**  
  
**Corner of  
Keith street  
& Edith  
street**  
  
**Kyla Franklin**

**Check Point 4**  
  
**Corner of  
Wellington  
road &  
Osborne  
Terrace**  
  
**Mackenzie  
Klingberg**

**Check Point 5**  
  
**Corner of  
Robe  
Terrace &  
O'Connell  
street  
via Fisher  
street**  
  
**Maria Papillo**

For more information about Walk Safely to School Day and the benefits go to  
<http://www.walk.com.au/wstsd/>

Every person will receive a sticker to show they participated in the event.

See you Friday

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# The Library Scoop

## Dates to Flag

Every Monday - Homework club  
 Wed 5th June - 10.30am Book Club  
 Wed 5th June - 5.30pm Writers' Group



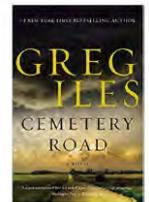
## Cowell Community Library - 8629 2320

## New Books



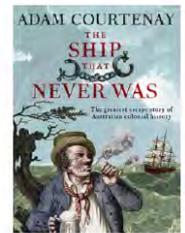
### Adult Fiction

Beautiful Death by Fiona McIntosh  
 The Garden of Lost and Found by Harriet Evans  
 Redemption by David Baldacci  
 The Island of Sea Women by Lisa See  
 The Girl for Munich by Tania Blanchard  
 Cemetery Road by Greg Iles  
 Under the midnight sky by Anna Romer  
 The Place on Dalhousie by Melina Marchetta



### Adult Non Fiction

Death by Black Hole by Neil DeGrasse Tyson  
 The ship that never was by Adam Courtnay  
 The last Sanctuary in Aleppo by Alaa Aljaleel



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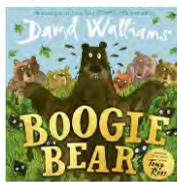
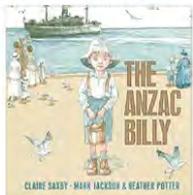
### Teen Fiction

The final six by Alexandra by Monir  
 The secret runners of New York by Matthew Reilly  
 The Haven by Simon Lelic



### Children's Fiction

A boat of stars by Margaret Connolly  
 The Haunted Library— by Dori Hillestad Butler  
 \* The Ghost in the Attic  
 \* The Ghost backstage  
 How to eat Fried Worms by Thomas Rockwell  
 The Bad Guys—Episode 9 by Aaron Blabey  
Children's Fiction  
 Fancy Nancy—Stella Stargazer! by Jane O'Connor  
 The ANZAC Billy by Claire Saxby  
 Boogie Bear by David Walliams  
 We're going on an Egg Hunt by Laura Hughes



# Premier's Reading Challenge eBooks

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To access on your iPad, iPhone or Android phone/tablet:

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- 2 Install the "Libby" app on your device, open it & then log in with your "X0" or "D0" barcode number & PIN. The Libby app can be accessed from the [App Store](#) or [GooglePlay](#)
- 3 When in the Libby app, choose **Explore**  
 Then select *Guide:Kids* to access:
  - Reception to Year 2 titles
  - Year 3 to Year 5 titles
 ...or select *Guide:Teens* to access:
  - Year 6 to Year 9 titles
  - Year 10 to Year 12 titles



Tip: Keep scrolling down the page until you see these collections

## Overdues

Pink forms have been sent home with those students who have outstanding overdues. To encourage items to be returned, we will be rewarding the class with the least amount over-dues, with a yummy morning tea hosted in library.

Books need to be returned by 22nd May to be in the running.



Contact the library for your library card log in details.

# Community News

## AUSTRALIA'S BIGGEST MORNING TEA

20th Event, being held at Cowell IGA Fresh on Thursday 30th May and Friday 31st May. Trading table and raffle all day or until sold out. Community donations of food gratefully accepted (please list ingredients). *This event has been held since 2000 and has raised in excess of \$25,000-*



**Walk Safely to School Day**  
Friday 17 May 2019

### Walk to School Day

Parents & Friends along with a few Cowell Area School staff will be encouraging students to Walk to School on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> May, for national walk to school day.

## AUSTRALIA'S BIGGEST MORNING TEA

Wednesday 22nd May 10am to 12noon at 4 Lincoln Highway, Cowell. All welcome, phone 0427292153 for takeaway. Marg Winen, Hostess.



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**COWELL WELL BEING GROUP**

# AGM

**Monday 1st July 2019**

**6:30pm**

Old Dining Room, Cowell Commercial Hotel

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