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Term 3, Week 3

9th August 2023

Newsletter



Principal's News

This week at school has been quite different and quiet with majority of secondary students being offsite on camps and excursions. We farewelled our Year 8, 9 and 10 students on Saturday afternoon as they left for Canberra. From conversations I have had with the staff and the photos that have been sent through it looks like they are having a wonderful time.



On Monday the Year 11/12 English students went to Port Lincoln to watch a Euphoria Stage Play as part of their English Assessment in which they will complete an analysis.

Yesterday we farewelled our Year 7 students who are trekking around the Flinders Ranges for the rest of the week. We hope the weather is favourable over the next coming days while they are camping and hiking.

We also have several students leaving today who will be attending the STEM Aboriginal Congress in Adelaide. The STEM Aboriginal Learner Congress is an exciting annual 2 day event for Aboriginal learners in Years 5 – 10, who attend a South Australian Department for Education school. The congress is a South Australian Department for Education initiative to engage and inspire the next generation of young Aboriginal Scientists, Technologists, Engineers and Mathematicians. The congress connects Aboriginal learners to STEM through a range of interactive and challenging STEM experiences designed to demonstrate that Aboriginal learners are powerful STEM learners and lead thinkers. The congress aims to increase Aboriginal learners' engagement and achievement in STEM related subjects at school and provide a broader understanding of future STEM career pathways. It is co-designed and facilitated by the Young Aboriginal STEM Thinkers of SA (YASTSA), STEM teachers, Aboriginal undergraduates, STEM/Industry experts and education leaders. Attending Aboriginal learners, teachers and guests are expected to actively engage in critical thinking and inquiry-based learning. Connections to culture and STEM are integral to the design of the congress program. Previous STEM workshops have included: Forensic Science, Biomechanics, Water Filtration, Robotics, Dance and Astronomy. These are conducted on-site and off-site at various locations along the North Terrace precinct.

This week I am away in Melbourne at a conference discussing Artificial Intelligence and how do we use it to teach and learn and what might the future be for us as educators in an AI rich world. We are also discussing and exploring the importance and relevance of digital literacy in curriculum design and delivery and maintaining equity in a digital landscape. It has been a really thought provoking and challenging experience.

We will continue with lunch orders one day a week, and this day will change depending on staffing and the delivery time of items.

Kind regards, Stephanie Herbert, PRINCIPAL

"A positive & collaborative community of resilient learners, prepared for future challenges"

DATES TO REMEMBER

TERM 3

WEEK 3

- 5-11/8 - Yr 8-10 Canberra Camp
- 8-11/8 - Yr 7 Camp

WEEK 4

SCIENCE WEEK

- 16/8 - 9 A Side Football @ Cleve
- 18/8 - Traffic Lights
- Lunch Order Day

WEEK 5

BOOK WEEK

- 24/8 - Book Week Dress Up
- 25/8 - Student Free Day

WEEK 6

PAT Testing

- 30/8 - Aqua Expo

WEEK 7

PAT Testing

- 8/9 - Sports Dress Up Day

WEEK 8

PAT Testing

- 14/9 - Yr 9-12 Defence Force Presentation



AUGUST

- 10/8—Mardi King
- 10/8—Reuben Jaeschke
- 11/8—Hudson O'Brien
- 13/8—Seth James
- 14/8—Dylan Gregory



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Year 11/12 Excursion: Euphoria Stage Play

While most of the secondary school were away in Canberra, the Year 11s and 12s visited Port Lincoln to watch an award winning performance for their SACE English assessment.

Two people portrayed an entire country town in the stage play, *Euphoria*. The performance tackled themes of tragedy, mental health, and how one can feel isolated while become the "talk of the town." Links to country town living made this performance relatable while the actor's use of voice, set design and lighting kept us captivated.

"Euphoria is a rich and heart-warming story from award-winning South Australian playwright Emily Steel, bringing regional voices to the fore and an entire town to life with authenticity and unmistakable wit."



We met at the school at the start of the day to get ready to head to Port Lincoln. We stopped at Port Neill on the way to pick up Miss Maguire and met an excited dog while waiting.



Hamish and Kane enjoyed a romantic walk on the beach before we jumped back into the car. We arrived in Port Lincoln and sat down together for lunch. Then walked to Nautilus Arts Centre for the performance.

Students found the play to be entertaining and funnier than expected!

Kane stated, "Well that was better than I thought because it was funny!"

The actors continuously swapped roles with ease and manipulated the set to symbolise the unravelling of the character's mental health.

The messages about mental health and tragic accidents within small towns resonated with many of us, especially since these situations are more common than some people think. On the way home, we talked about how, even though talking about these situations seems taboo, they don't need to be. Everyone experiences loss, tragedy and sadness. Opening up and discussing these things is how we can look after ourselves and our friends.

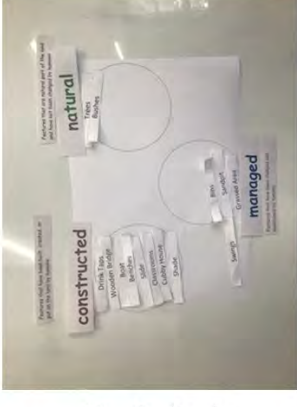
A big thanks to Mrs Robst for organising our excursion, and to Mrs Michael and Miss Maguire for taking us.

Written by Isobel, Ruby and Miss Maguire

Junior Primary HASS Lessons:

This term the R/1 and Year 1/2 classes are exploring Geography in HASS this semester, we have begun this by looking at familiar places and their features that help to describe them.

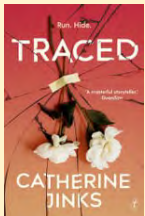
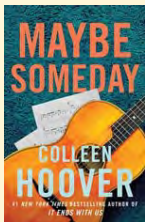
In the Year 1/2 class, students recorded different features they could see around the school yard and learnt about categorising them into constructed, managed and natural features. The R/1's were able to identify their own special places and describe what makes them special.



The Library Scoop



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New Additions

Adult Fiction

The Wind Knows my Name by Isabel Allende
Blood Runs Cold by Neil Lancaster
The Paris Agent by Kelly Rimmer
Traced by Catherine Jinks
The Next to Die by Elliot Sweeney
Maybe Someday by Colleen Hoover
The Quiet Tenant by Clemence Michallon
In a Thousand Different Ways by Celelia Ahern

Adult Non-Fiction

The Flying Vet by Dr Ameliah Scott

DATES TO REMEMBER

Storytime & Baby Bounce



Tuesday 15th August @ 9.15am
Tuesday 5th September @ 9.15am
Tuesday 19th September @ 9.15am



Conversations

Tuesday 22nd August @ 2.00pm

Book Week Dress Up Parade

Thursday 24th August @ 10.30am

Recycling Coffee Pods

Nespresso are recycling coffee capsules and transforming the coffee into compost while the aluminium is recycled into new aluminium products, such as bikes and pens.



We can only recycle Aluminium pods.

Bring in your coffee pods for recycling & let's do our bit to help reduce landfill.

Thank you

The bread bag recycling promotion has now finished. Thank you for everyone that helped fill our boxes & contribute to rewards for the school.



TEA OR COFFEE ANYONE?



Conversations in the Library

Come in, pull up a chair & enjoy a conversation with a cuppa.
Tuesday 22nd August at 2.30pm

Join us for Conversations in the Library. Each conversation session encourages chit-chat about almost anything. Each month we'll have a different topic, covering various subjects like local history, well-being, and even hobbies. One quirky question that is on the cards is, does pineapple belong on pizza?

Cowell School Community Library
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Book Week -

More than just a Dress Up Parade

Book week is only 11 days away, and for us it's a very exciting time. This year some of our students have been involved in the CBCA's Shadow Judging program. The program encourages students to read the shortlisted books in a particular category, analyse them and recommend to the CBCA who they believe should win Book of the Year.

Those involved have worked hard to look more deeply into the books and provide a creative response to each text. Book Week is the pinnacle of this work, where we see if our votes match the CBCA winners.

For those not involved in Shadow Judging, Book Week helps foster a love of reading, encourages meaningful conversations and helps build confidence through participating in Book Week activities, often with students in other classes.

While the Book Week Parade is a highlight for many children, it is just one way we celebrate children's literature. So this Book Week, please don't stress about the costume!

This year we are giving away prizes for different competitions and activities throughout the week, and to win a prize at our Parade, students will need to answer a simple question first.



Don't stress over costumes, check out these simple ideas?



Dress-up Parade:

Thurs 24th August



Have you seen the beautiful new bench near the front of the Library?

A big thank you to Parents and Friends for this kind donation, and to the Cleve Men's Shed for their clever handywork.



Postage Stamps



Ring Pulls



Batteries



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Community Library
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Dental Items



Mobile Phones



X-Rays



Glasses



School/Community News

Rowan Ramsey MP
COWELL AREA SCHOOL COMMUNITY AWARD
Nomination Form 2023

Award details:

This award is open to staff, parents or community members who have 'gone the extra mile' dedicating and volunteering their time and skills for our school.

Nomination:

I, _____ would like to nominate _____ for the Rowan Ramsey MP Cowell Area School Community Award.


Brief description how the nominee has shown dedication and service to Cowell Area School:

Signed: _____ Date: ____/____/____

Please return this nomination from to Cowell Area School, 42 Story Road Cowell SA 5602 or Fax to 86292486 or email Kylie.McFarlane536@schools.sa.edu.au

By 4pm on Monday 11th September 2023

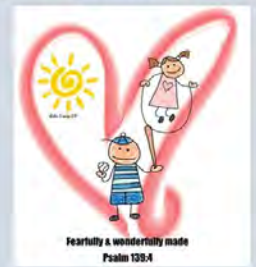
COWELL TENNIS CLUB
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
WEDNESDAY 23RD AUGUST 2023
7PM
COWELL SPORTING COMPLEX



All positions declared vacant
New members welcome!!

Kids Camp Eyre Peninsula (KCEP)

A overnight camp for Kids Grades 3—7



Saturday September 23– Sunday 24, 2023

Thuruna Campsite, Tumby Bay

SPEAKER: David Graham, teacher/principal and follower of Jesus

KCEP is an overnight Christian camp for kids in Grade 3—7. Kids come from all over Eyre Peninsula and join in games and crafts, and have faith-based conversation with live music worship.

Thanks to the support from local churches we are able to keep camp the same price as 2022, \$40

Online Registrations

<https://brushfire.com/sua/camp/554855>

or visit Facebook Kids Camp EP for the link

Cleve, Cowell, Arno Bay and Port Neill co-ordinator

Stacey Higgins

0427 020 482

kidscampep@gmail.com

If you require financial assistance to attend camp please don't hesitate to contact me.



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Keep up to date with the latest school news and upcoming events by liking us on Facebook.



Are you intending to enrol your child at

Cowell Kindy at the start of 2024?

Please fill out a Preschool Registration of Interest form. Ask any staff member at Cowell Early Childhood Centre for a form.

*If your child turns 4 before 1 May, they are eligible to start in Term 1 of that year. If your child turns 4 between May 1 and Oct 31 they are eligible to start in Term 3 of that year. If your child is born after October 31 they are eligible to start preschool in Term 1 the following year.

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