

Cowell Area School

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Term 3, Week 8

13th September 2023

Newsletter



Principal's News

Well, the weather is certainly heating up!

Congratulations to the Junior Colts who won the premiership at Arno Bay on Saturday. This is the first time that the Junior Colts have won since 2017. The team played a tremendously determined game with it being closely fought over for the first half with neither team being able to score a goal. The Colts came out after halftime, gained momentum with several goals, and continued playing a great style of footy until the final siren.



With the weather warming up, it gives a friendly reminder about the importance of sun safety. The school has a policy of a bucket or broad brimmed hat to be worn outside every day but I would also encourage the wearing of sunscreen. Every class has also got a bottle of sunscreen for students to re-apply throughout the day.

Staffing and Classes for 2024

The school is currently looking at staffing and structure of classes for next year, as we have a number of vacancies.

I am pleased to announce that all leadership positions at the school have been finalised.

Assistant Principal – Primary Mrs Leah Kelly

Assistant Principal – Secondary Ms Seonie Robst

Inclusion/Wellbeing Co-ordinator Mrs Emma Wykamp

We have begun looking at numbers and classes for next year. In order to do this and make plans around staffing, we need parents to let us know their intentions for 2024. The number of students at school directly affects the number/configuration of classes and staffing. We hope to have each and every one of our students with us next year; however, if you know that your child will not be returning, can you please let us know asap, so that we can continue our planning.

PAT Testing

Over the last couple of weeks, our students commenced their PAT Reading and Maths assessments. These are online assessments aligned to the Australian Curriculum and it is mandatory these tests are administered once a year for students in years 3-10. Cowell Area School's R-2 students also participate in PAT reading and maths assessments. All assessments provide another set of information about individual student learning strengths and areas for further development.

R U OK Day/Not Quite Gala Day

We celebrated R U OK Day today, with a Not Quite Gala Day. This involved all classes putting on a free activity during the middle session of the day for all students to enjoy and have some fun. From giant outdoor board games, sponge throwing, and bubble soccer to name a few. The session concluded with a sausage sizzle.

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

DATES TO REMEMBER

TERM 3

WEEK 8

PAT Testing

13/9 - Not Quite Gala Day

14/9 - Yr 9-12 Defence Force Presentation

WEEK 9

PAT Testing

18/9 - SAPSASA Athletics

19-22/9—Yr 4/5 Camp

WEEK 10

PAT Testing

28/9 - Red Ball Tennis @ Tumby Bay

- SAPSASA Tennis Trials @ Lock

- Last School Day for Term 3.

29/9 - School Closure

TERM 4

WEEK 1

16/10 - Term 4 commences

SCHOOL CLOSURE

Friday, 29th September

The last day of school for Term 3 will be Thursday 28th September, with school finishing at 3:20pm.



SEPTEMBER

15/9—Lila Biacsi

17/9—Kane Fiegert

17/9—Haden Frost

17/9—Maxwell Williams



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Department for Education

School News

R U OK Day 2023 is Thursday, 14th September and is the national day of action when we remind Australians that every day is the day to ask, 'are you OK?' and start a meaningful conversation whenever they spot the signs that someone they care about might be struggling with life.



Kind regards, Stephenie Herbert, PRINCIPAL

PASTORAL CARE NEWS

Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes!

All donations -new or unused - gratefully received at the front office of the school.

Normal sized shoe boxes are welcome. Shoeboxes will be packed in Week 1 of next term, so we can receive donations until October 19th.

Inter-church Council are holding an ice-cream stall at 'Not Quite Gala Day' today. Thank you to our volunteers and helpers who organised.

Breakfast Club is still looking for volunteers. If you're free to help serve toast and fruit on a Tuesday morning between now and the end of the year, you'd be welcome to come on board! Only 11 Tuesdays left of school for the year so if you can spare an hour of your time please let the front office know. WWCC is required.

I will be away in the last week of school this term.

Once again. Just a reminder that I work on Tuesdays and Thursdays if you would like to catch up with me.

Jess



OUTDOOR CINEMA

The outdoor cinema was a great success! The 6x6m blow up screen transformed our school yard into an outdoor cinema to screen *The Lorax* (2012) and *Spiderman: Across the Spideverse* (2023). Thank you to our neighbours who put up with this cinematic experience echoing through their yards.

The year 9 boys organised the event as a part of their Business and Innovation class and decided to donate 100% profits/proceeds to the Men's Mental Health Organisation 'Are You Bugged Mate'. Being a class of boys, they felt it appropriate to help men in country towns speak up about their mental health. Noah said, "We want to normalise men speaking out about their feelings and problems."

Maguire adds, "the boys even opted to eat 2min noodles for dinner instead of pizza to save and donate more funds toward the cause."

Families flooded into school grounds with their bean bags and matching oodles. The clientele were rugged up and warm, and patiently waited for the year 9s to prepare their treats.

The automatic sprinklers coming on added to the entertainment for the night.

Big thanks to the staff who supervised and supported the evening - Ms Furst, Mr Rogers, Mrs Herbert, Ms Robst, Ms Claire and Ms Maguire.

The real hero's of the event were Brooke Ramsey, Anabelle Ramsey and Prue Dunn from the Arno Bay New Years Day Committee. Their popcorn and fairy floss making abilities were admirable and really made the event a success.

We appreciate everyone who attended the event and are proud to donate a total of \$673.15 to "Are You Bugged Mate."



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Success

Learning

Responsibility

The Library Scoop

P: 8629 2320 [Web:www.libraries.sa.gov.au/cowell](http://www.libraries.sa.gov.au/cowell) E: cowell.library@libraries.sa.gov.au



Nitro Nat Science Show

Thanks to Inspiring SA, we are excited to host

Nitro Nat who will be performing her Physics Science Show in the library on **Wednesday 20th September**. Members of the community are welcome to attend our 2pm session. Please RSVP to the library. **This event is free.**

DATES TO REMEMBER

Storytime & Baby Bounce

Tues 19th September @ 9.15am



Book Club

Tues 12th September @ 2pm



Nitro Nat - Science Show

Wed 20th September @ 2pm

Conversations

Tuesday 26th September @ 2pm



New Additions

Adult Fiction

Southern Aurora by Mark Brandi

Those People Next Door by Kia Abdullah

Weekends with the Sunshine Gardening Society by Sophie Green

Pure Evil by Lynda La Plante

The Last Lifeboat by Hazel Gaynor

The Woman Inside By M T Edvardsson

Adult Non-Fiction

Sisters in Captivity by Colin Burgess

Finding Hildasay by Christian Lewis

Stay in the know & follow us on Facebook to stay up to date with events & opening hours.



Storytime & Baby Bounce

Join us for stories and songs from 9.15 am on the following Tuesday mornings:

Tuesday 19th September

Tuesday 10th October

Tuesday 24th October

Parent's Group

We are looking at providing a space for a Parent's Group to meet regularly in the library, and working to bring presenters to some of those meetings. We are only in the planning stages, but if you're keen to know more contact the library on 8629 2320.

Community News



COMMUNITY GARDEN WORKING BEE

Sunday 17th September from 9:30am

between Ag Museum & Men's Shed

Bring your garden gloves



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Cowell Inter-Church Council Annual General Meeting

Notice of the Cowell Inter-Church Council A.G.M

TUESDAY 19 SEPTEMBER 2023

3.30 pm in the School Meeting Room.



All welcome to support the work of our lovely P.C.W. Jess Jeschke or learn more about the work C.I.C do at our school.

VACSWIM 2023

The 2023 Vacswim Program will be held at the Cowell Pool will be from Monday 18th December to Friday 22nd December. Enrolments are open NOW. For further details, or to enrol, visit the Vacswim website at <https://www.vacswimsa.com.au/>



Kids Camp Eyre Peninsula (KCEP)

A overnight camp for Kids Grades 3—7



Saturday September 23– Sunday 24, 2023

Thuruna Campsite, Tumbly 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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Lost Property Box

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OVERFLOWING



Please come have a look through for any items belonging to your child/children. This box will be emptied at the end of term and items will be taken to the Op Shop.

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Are you missing the Mt Pleasant Butcher Mettwurst that was sold at the Cowell Butcher? Then this is the fundraiser for you. We are raising money for new playground equipment.

Please return order forms along with payment by Wednesday, 20th September. Delivery is expected to be Thursday 28th September.

Product	Unit Price	Quantity	Total Price
Garlic Mettwurst (Full stick - 800g)	\$19.00		
Plain Woodsmoked Mettwurst (Full stick - 800g)	\$19.00		
Red Wine & Cracked Pepper Woodsmoked Mettwurst (Full stick - 800g)	\$20.00		
Chilli Woodsmoked Garlic Mettwurst (Full stick - 800g)	\$20.00		
Bundaberg Rum & Herb Woodsmoked Garlic Mettwurst (Full stick - 800g)	\$20.00		
Lamb and Rosemary Garlic Mettwurst (Full stick - 800g)	\$20.00		
Pork & Fennel Aniseed Mettwurst (Full stick - 800g)	\$20.00		
Bung Fritz (500g)	\$8.00		
Woodsmoked Biersticks			
Twin Packs	\$5.00		
Triple Packs	\$7.00		
Single Vac Packed	\$3.50		
Woodsmoked Pepperoni			
Twin Packs	\$5.00		
Triple Packs	\$7.00		
Single Vac Packed	\$3.50		
Beef Jerky (40 gm packs)	\$6.00		
Chilli Jerky (40 gm packs)	\$6.00		
Total Order			

Name: _____

Contact Number: _____

Payment method:

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Credit Card (at school)

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 BSB: 105 106 ACC: 390 001 940
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34 Main Street Cowell
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Vice Commodore: Malcolm Brine
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Whyalla Dental Care

Whyalla Dental Care is working in Cowell from The Doctors Surgery located at South Terrace every Tuesday and Thursday.

- Whyalla Dental Care is a family practice offering all aspects of dentistry.
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