



Coomealla High School

Weekly

Newsletter

Week 7, Term 1

10th March 2020

What's on this week?

11/3– Yr 7 Immunisation's.

12-13/3– Yr 12 Mock Interviews.

11/3– Cambodia info night in the library @ 5.30pm

17/3– P & C Meeting @ 6pm

Coming up.....

16/3– Yr 12 Student Careers info night.

18/3– Open Night @ 6pm

19/3– Yr 11 Student careers info night.

It is my pleasure to share the following news with you all this week in Mr Harper's absence, the school term continues at a very fast pace.

Breakfast program: Last week the Learning Centre and staff commenced a Breakfast Program, this coincided very nicely with the cool change in the weather. Students have access to a toasted sandwich and a warm cup of Milo to start the day, this will be monitored over the next few weeks to assess its viability into the future for our students.

Mildura All-Schools Swimming Carnival: Last Wednesday we had a 20-plus student strong team compete at this carnival against our local secondary schools at the Mildura Waves Complex. Our students acquitted themselves well against a very talented field of competitor's. Special mention must go to Emma Strachan, named as the 13 Year Girls Age Champion at the end of the day. Congratulations Emma!



Year 7 Parent Meet and Greet: Last Tuesday 3rd March, the school hosted a Meet and Greet for Year 7 parents to come and have a look at the school and to meet face-to-face with their students' teachers. A big thank you must go to Ms Josephine Crowley for her organisation of this event, as well as to more than 20 staff who attended. It was a very pleasant event that has built momentum in the last three years. I should also thank students who were involved in activities and presentation during the evening.



Lowes carry the full CHS Uniform, including senior shirts, jumpers & jackets.



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Sentral Migration: Sentral is the administration software that we use within the school that facilitates timetables/ roll marking, attendance monitoring, Learning Support referrals and many other functions. At the end of this week, the school will move to a cloud-based version of this software. The capabilities of this software will increase to include student and parent portals for sharing information, automated SMS messaging for absences just to name a few. In the coming weeks some staff will undertake training to learn more about the additional capabilities of this software. Stay tuned for future developments and announcements.

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Careers/ Work Studies program: This program is a new initiative that is being led by Ms Cathy Hansen who is filling the role of Careers Adviser at the moment, with several other staff given time in their allocation to teach the content. Year 11 students have been learning about presentation skills, learning the skill of tying a necktie. This week will also see some Year 12 students undertake mock interviews for positions that they have had to apply for to develop their knowledge, skills and confidence to assist them in the future. This activity is also planned for Year 10 and 11 students as well.

After school homework/ study sessions: A number of staff will be available to support students on Thursdays in the time between school finishing and football/ netball training. This will commence on Thursday 19th March and will be available to all students. Students should discuss additional support with their teachers as needed.

Congratulations to Miss Koko Dove: It is my privilege to share with you the news that Miss Dove (Science and Maths teacher) has been accepted to attend the European Council for Nuclear Research (CERN) high school teachers program in the July holidays in Geneva, Switzerland. Miss Dove is one of 48 teachers from 34 countries from around the world to be selected to attend the two week intensive program. We look forward to hearing about what Miss Dove gleans from her time at the program. This is an amazing opportunity for Miss Dove and will benefit our students into the future.



Agriculture: Last weekend some of the schools' produce from the farm undertook a road trip to a small town in the Wimmera region of Victoria, Rupanyup. The pumpkin, capsicum and roses were entered in the agricultural show and competed against the finest produce from the area. Winners are grinnerers. The pumpkin, capsicum and full bloom rose all placed first and the rose bud placed a second.



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Student and Staff of the Week –

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Year 7– Ellie Vines– nominated by Mr Harrison for enthusiastic approach to Mathematics; Mr Gee for excellence & application in Music; Ms Tonkin for outstanding work in HSIE.

Year 8– Maddison Brennan: nominated by Mr Celegon for consistent effort in HSIE; Mrs Fraser for diligence in Mathematics.

Year 9– Ruby McInerney– nominated by Mrs Batchelor for completing work to a high standard in English.

Year 10– Jack Andrews– nominated by Ms Frost for effort in PDHPE.

Year 11– Drew Kuzman– nominated by Ms Graham for improvement in effort & application in Agriculture.

Year 12– Mark Taylor– nominated by Ms Hansen for diligence in Careers; Mr Celegon for diligence in VET.

Staff Member: Lisa Frost.

Community News :



Walk for the
#KidneyKarRally

**Walk 35kms from
Wentworth to Mildura**

Walk all the way or part of the way!

**Saturday
21 March 2020**

For more information
contact:
Gail Peters
0417 318 488

Small steps
make a
BIG difference



**The Lower Anabranh Sporting and
Landcare Group Inc.**

Are holding their
Annual Picnic and Sports Day
Saturday April 18th 2020.

To be held at
The Anabranh Hall

Starting at 1pm sharp, with the kids running races.

Entry Free

Raffle and Lolly guess held.

Please bring a plate of Afternoon Tea to share

Cordial for the kids supplied.

BYO drinks, shared evening BBQ meat and Salad.

Evening entertainment provided by Glen Walker.

Coin roll in the evening.

A great family day! All welcome!

Looking forward to another busy and engaging week at Coomealla HS.

Duncan Driscoll

Relieving Principal.

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