

# **COOMIE NEWS**

TERM 3, WEEKS 5 & 6, 2023

#### **UPCOMING SCHOOL ACTIVITIES & KEY DATES**



Friday 25th August Wear It Purple Day

Friday 1st September Indigenous Literacy Day

Friday 1st September Year 12 Dinner at Coomealla Club followed by Formal for Years 10 - 12

**Thursday 7th September** School Social - 7.00 - 10.00 pm

Monday 18th September Year 12 Graduation Assembly

#### **YEAR 9 GEOGRAPHY**

Year 9 Geography have been looking at Sustainable Biomes. This week they had to used technology in a positive way to find where food has originated from. Each student worked together to complete their worksheets using QR codes to find which county the food they buy from the supermarket has come from. The lesson started with a brain break straight after lunch where they had to remember their own name.

Della Philp















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#### PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

#### Year 12

As we approach the end of week 6 of term 3, things are really at the business end for year 12 with their HSC trials this week, Leaver's Dinner and Formal next week and organisation in full swing for their Final Assembly on 18th September at the Coomealla Club. We've had a terrific group of young people in year 12 this year and it has been a pleasure to support them to get through their studies and fulfill their goals.



#### **Koori Big Day Out**

I enjoyed attending the Koori Big Day Out at SuniTAFE and La Trobe University last week with our year 9-11 Aboriginal students. Despite the rain, it was a great event and our students interacted positively with the stall holders presenting pathways to work and further study, and listened to a range of presentations from local Aboriginal people about pathways and wellbeing. They especially enjoyed practicing public speaking whilst talking on the microphone in the lecture theatre at the University and the fact that we won 2 of the 3 prizes on the day! We hope the event is run again next year.

#### Variations to routine

We have a few weeks of a significant amount of professional learning for our staff in strategies for teaching reading, leadership, new curriculum and syllabus implementation, training for VET courses and personal leave for staff. This has resulted in disruption of some classes with classes merged, taught by other teachers in their preparation time and classes supervised in the library. We acknowledge that these changes do impact on students and we try to balance out the needs across the school each day. It also means that we have not been able to staff some planned inter school sport events. Mr Keily does a terrific job each morning allocating class covers, and I'd like to thank him for his work to keep things running as smoothly as possible, along with our Deputy Principals, Mr Dunc Driscoll and Ms Keli Golledge, whose workload is also increased substantially by staff absences. We are fortunate that most of our students are independent and resilient and manage themselves each day, despite changes to routine. These are good skills for their lives ahead.

#### Reinforcing respect and positive behaviour

We received some positive feedback from P&C last week about the new initiative of staff issuing GOTCHA green tickets to reinforce positive behaviour focused on respect by students. These tickets generate an SMS home to inform parents of the good news and a weekly draw and leaderboard. We have tried to streamline this communication to avoid too much SMS traffic for parents, however the feedback we've had so far has been positive. Parents have liked using these as a conversation starter with their children at the end of the school day.

Ms Keli Golledge has been working with our student leadership team and staff on the values platform to support these GOTCHA tickets. The areas of focus are based on respect and the infograph is included in this newsletter. Let us know if you have thoughts or suggestions on this initiative.

Kath Steward
Executive Principal



#### **KOORI BIG DAY OUT**





#### **VALUES CHART**





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#### **ATTENDANCE**

NSW Department of Education

## Why attendance matters

When your child misses school they miss important opportunities to...







**Build friendships** 



Develop life skills



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## Minutes lost = days lost per year

A couple of minutes here and there doesn't seem like much, but...

When your child misses just...

they miss days per year

5 mins per day







30 mins per day



= **18** days



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Patterns of lateness can have a serious impact on your child's education.

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### **CROSS FIT MILDURA**



























#### YEAR 9 & 10 COOKING

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### **YEAR 8 COOKING**











#### **YEAR 7 COOKING**





























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#### **NETBALL ~ VOLLEYBALL ~ BADMINTON**

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#### **YEAR 9 TEN PIN BOWLING**









#### **BASKETBALL**









## Icanearn GOTCHATICKETS by:

#### Acting safely and responsibly:

- I arrive to class on time and find my seat promptly.
- I am prepared to learn by getting my equipment ready once I sit down.

#### **Showing Respect:**

- I use technology appropiately.
- Ifollow Teacher instruction.





#### SCHOOL SOCIAL

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Students wishing to attend the School Social must return parental permission note. A ticket cannot be purchased until this note has been received by the Front Office. Tickets are available at office for \$5.00 each.





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# CONCERT

#### WHEN

Thursday 7th September 2023 6.30pm—7:30pm

#### WHERE

**Gol Gol School Hall** 

#### **MUSICAL CONCERT**

Come along and listen to a variety of instruments being played by our amazing students and adult members of the Band!

#### EVERYONE Welcome!

ENTRY

**Gold Coin Donation** 

LUCKY DOOR PRIZE!

#### **NEW MEMBERS**

Anyone interested in joining the Band is also invited to attend.



#### **JOSS FACILITY MANAGEMENT - CLEANERS WANTED**







# WHAT DOES C.H.A.I.L.I.S. STAND FOR? Children having an illness living in sunraysia

The aim of C.H.A.I.L.I.S. is to raise funds, hope and awareness for families with children in Sunraysia living with an illness or life impacting disability.

Each family is supported on an individual needs basis. Ways we help may include the following:

Monetary

- Travel or Accommodation
- Medical Equipment
- Assistance with Expenses

Much of the fundraising has been aimed at helping families with children going through life threatening conditions including Cancer, Leukaemia, Epilepsy and other diseases and disabilities. 100% of funds donated are given to our families.

We provide financial assistance to Parents during the duration of time their child is receiving treatment and provide a caring and supportive network for families of children living with an illness. Sunraysia families with a child with a serious illness or organisations who assist families are able to apply for support.

Contact us either via our Facebook Page or our website and complete the application form so we can confirm your eligibility for assistance.

## Make a donation online or over the counter at any branch of the Bendigo Bank

Acc Name: CHAILIS

Bank: Bendigo Bank

BSB: 633000

Acc: 153833629



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#### THREE COLOURS SOCCER CLUB



#### 3C Future Champions

The 3C Future Champions program is all about kids learning the skills of football (soccer) while having fun in an inclusive, social and non-competitive environment

- Boys and girls welcome from five years old at any level of ability.
- 10 Weeks between 24th September 26 November 2023
- Sundays 9:30am—10:30am
- Cost \$50

For more information or to register please contact threecolourssc@live.com.au or Vince 0429200193

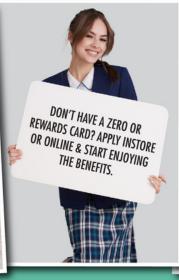




2 DAY VIP EVENT

AUGUST 24TH & 25TH







**INSTORE & ONLINE** 

\*T&C's apply, no rainchecks, savings off original prices.

