

### Condobolin Public School Newsletter



### Term 3 2023

#### **Important Dates**

15 Sept Western Athletics 18 Sept Sports House Captains 2024 Nominations close 21 Sept Sports Captains 2024 Speeches 22 Sept Last Day of Term 3

#### TERM 4

9 Oct Students return
19 Oct Kinder Information
Session
20 Oct K/1C Assembly
27 Oct 1/2H Assembly
3 Nov KB Assembly
10 Nov Remembrance Day
Commemoration
17 Nov 2M Assembly
22 Nov Schools Spectacular
11 Dec Presentation Day
13 Dec Yr 6 Graduation



Early Stage 1:
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KSP/K6S:

Have a Go

### Relieving Principal's Message

Welcome to Week 9!

Greetings, everyone!

At CPS, we place great significance on the act of reading and celebrating books during Book week. Our aim is not merely to squeeze it into our schedule, but rather to give it the recognition it truly deserves. As a result, we have decided to reschedule the Bookweek celebration from the final day of this term to Thursday, Week 2, on 19th of October at 10 am. We extend a warm welcome to parents and carers to join us for this event. The parade will take place under the primary cola area. We enthusiastically encourage all our students to dress up as their favorite book character and bring along their cherished books.

We regret to inform you that Mr. Cikos will be departing from CPS as he has accepted a position at another school. His departure is scheduled for the end of term 3. We extend our best wishes to him in all his future endeavors. Mrs. Fyfe will continue on 3/4FC, she will now be working four days a week, and Mrs. Small will also be contributing to 3/4FC.

In recent weeks, we have embarked on the task of enhancing the beauty of our CPS grounds, which is indeed a substantial undertaking. We cordially invite our families and friends to join us in a collaborative effort during a working bee on Saturday, 7th of October from 10am to 1pm. Tasks will include tending to our gardens, raking leaves, general tidying, lopping branches....

I wish you all a wonderful break and look forward to seeing you at the working bee or in Term 4.

Lorraine Farrugia Relieving Principal FIA Funds can be used for school Related expenses, where activities are centrally organised by

the school or for goods that are generally procured by the school on behalf of students.

The following activities are centrally organised by CPS:

- Excursions, camps, incursions
- Competitions fee (ICAS)
- Uniforms ( Provider: The HALL Condobolin
- Year 6 year School Shirts
- School Photos
- In School theatre or Music performances
- School organised book fairs and book club
- Buy your own Chromebook (own at the end of Year 6)

Any further questions or enquirers please don't hesitate to contact the Condoboiln Public School Office.

Please note: Funds must be used by the end of the School 2023 calendar year: Tuesday 19th December. Unused funds at this point will be returned to the Department.



### VOLUNTARY SCHOOL CONTRIBUTIONS Reminder

Voluntary school contributions remain at \$50.00 per student as per NSW Government policy. These contributions are used to enhance educational programs in the school including online learning programs. Statements will be forwarded to Parents/Carers next week.

> The FIA Funds can not be used for voluntary contributions. Any queries please call the School Office.

### 'Let Your Light Shine Award' Year K - 2



Elias is a respectful and kind student who consistently puts his best effort into all that he does. He approaches his learning with a positive attitude and always works hard to complete independent activities. Elias demonstrates how Strong, Smart and Proud he can be by making good choices both inside and outside of the classroom. He is a thoughtful and caring friend and is always willing to help those around him. Elias is to be commended on the fantastic improvement in his attendance. Miss Cusack, K/1C and all of CPS are very proud of you. Well done, Elias!

### 'Let Your Light Shine Award' Year 3 - 6



Georgina Stewart is an entertaining member of 5/6 B who consistently lets her light shine. She has an infectious personality and keeps her classmates entertained on a daily basis. Georgina has many interests, horses and physical culture are just a couple. Her drive to improve in this area is clear and that passion transfers to all learning areas. She travels a large distance to school each day however Georgina overcomes this obstacle with resilience and determination. I am so proud of the work that she has put in this year and hope she continues to let her light shine.



### Sports News



The Sucessful students from Lachlan Athletics receiving their Awards at Assembly.



This Friday students competing at Western Athletics will be travelling to Dubbo. Good luck to you all.



## Learning Support



CPS have been fortunate to have Eliza and Ryan from Marathon Health return to school to conduct hearing assessments with some of our students. During this week many students from Kindergarten to Year 6 have had their ears checked and their hearing assessed. Results will be sent home with students in Week 10 with any recommendations that are needed to be followed up on.





















# Attendance Goals 🔀

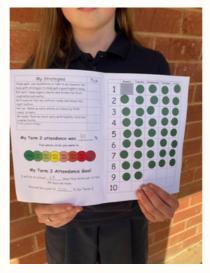






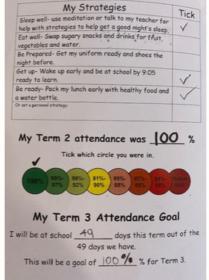
















### Attendance Matters



At CPS we understand how important it is for children to attend school regularly and on time.

Please support your child to be at school every day and if they are sick or need to be away then please provide a reason as to why. For the reason to be justified it needs to be detailed as to why they are absent and for each day of absence e.g.

- sick with vomiting
- out of town for medical appointment
- or family funeral.

You can explain an absence in a number of ways:

- Call the school office- Ph: 6895 2134
- Send a note in with your child
- Send a message via the school app
- Reply to the SMS that you should receive if your child is absent .



Lets all work together to improve attendance so your child can learn, succeed and thrive at school.

### **EVERYDAY COUNTS....**

A day here or there doesn't seem like much, but...

When your child misses just	that equals	which is	and therefore, from Kindy to Year 12, that is	This means that the best your child can achieve is
1 day each fortnight	20 days per year	4 weeks per year	Nearly 1 ½ a <u>years of school</u>	Equal to finishing Year 11
1 day a week	40 days per year	8 weeks per year	Over 2 ½ years of school	Equal to finishing Year 10
2 days a week	80 days per year	16 weeks per year	Over 5 years of learning	Equal to finishing Year 7
3 days a week	120 days per year	24 weeks per year	Nearly 8 years of learning	Equal to finishing Year 4



# Kindergarten News

#### **Teddy Bear Picnic**

KB and Kinder students in K/1C had a lovely time on our excursion! We came into our classrooms on Tuesday morning and saw that our class toys had been busy at Chamens buying some picnic food for us. After lunch, we walked to the town park, ate our yummy food and had a play with our friends. We then came back to school just in time to have our pizza party!













### Stage One News



### **Zoo Excursion**

This week students in Stage One travelled to Dubbo to visit Taronga Western Plains Zoo, with an early start to make the most of a massive day. Whilst there, students were able to see, discover and learn about amazing animals from continents across the world. Students also visited the Educational Centre to learn some interesting facts about 'backyard' creatures. The zoo adventure finished with a stop at the Wildlife Hospital to see how injured and sick animals are cared for. Stage One staff are very proud of the STRONG, SMART and PROUD behaviour displayed by students as they represented Condobolin Public School.





### Stage Two News



### Stage 2 Dance

Stage 2 have been learning about a variety of different dances around the world. These students have been learning about Greek, Indonesian, Bollywood and Wiradjuri dances. We have also been looking at the differences between the dances including costumes, movements and the type of music that different cultures and nationalities dance to. What an exciting time to be in Stage 2!





# Stage Three News 'Z'Z



### Stage 3 Excursion to Lake Burrendong





### Library News



### A message from Mrs King...

Library Timetable.

Below is the timetable showing what day each class visits the library to borrow books for classroom reading and to take home.

If you would like your child to borrow books for reading at home, please remind them to take a library bag or plastic bag to school on the set day for their class.

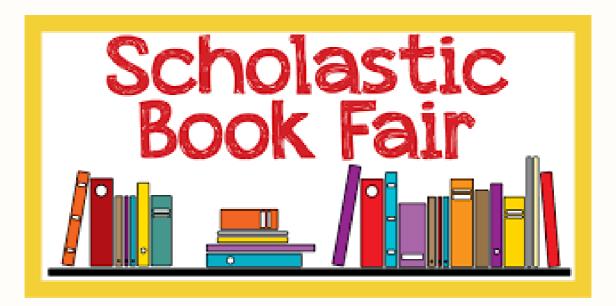
Students are allowed to borrow 2 books each week to take home.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	K/1C	КВ	2/3R	1/2H
		1G		5/6B
		3/4FC		5/6C
		3/40		5/6H
		4E		

If your child has any overdue library books at home, please make sure they return them to school ASAP. Students will receive 5 Good Ones for each overdue book they return no matter how long they've had it.

#### **Book Fair**

Term 4 will again see the book Fair return
Stay tuned for more information









### Backflips Against Bullying



#### **BACKFLIPS AGAINST BULLYING**

Last week all students K-6 enjoyed a presentation by Backflips Against Bullying. Students learnt what bullying is, what it looks like, what they can do to prevent it and how to seek help if they need it. Much of the discussion was around cyber bullying.

The presentation was fun and interactive with lots of students and staff involved.













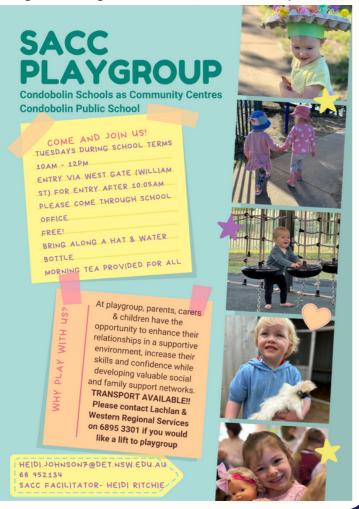
### **SACC News!**



SaCC & Catholic Care Playgroup show display 2023



TRANSPORT CAN NOW BE OFFERED FOR FAMILIES ATTENDING PLAYGROUP OF A TUESDAY - SEE UPDATED FLYER BELOW



### COMING UP!

**Tuesday-** SaCC playgroup 10am **Wednesday-** Bibs n Burps 10:30am 13th September - Healthy Bubs & Kids session with NSW Health

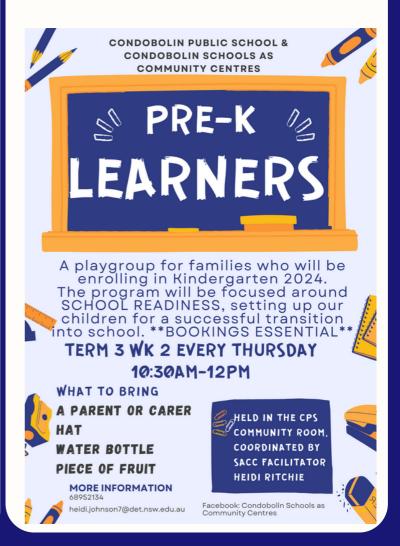
### THURSDAY 14TH SEPTEMBER BORN TO READ SPECTACULAR

**Thursday-** Pre-K Learners Transition to School 10:30am

**Friday-** Mini Movers returning weeks 1 -4 term 4

weeks 6-10 Preschool Transition to School

14th September Born to Read Spring Story Spectacular!





### **School News!**



### Kindergarten Paint and Snack 'Angry Emu'









### PBL News





### **PBL Update Week 9**

Students at Condobolin Public School have been completing their PBL lessons on a Monday afternoon between 1-1:30. The PBL Focuses for each Stage this fortnight are:

Early Stage 1: Hands and Feet to Yourself.

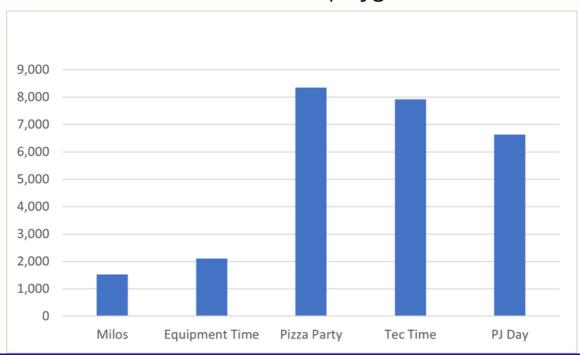
Stage 1: Show Self-Control.

Stage 2: Help Others by Doing Your Best.

Stage 3: Think before You Act.

K6P and K6S: Have a Go.

The graph below shows what students are putting their hard earned good ones towards for demonstrating positive behaviours during lessons and on the playground.





**Condobolin Public School** 

# KINDERGARTEN ONLINE ENROLMENTS NOW OPEN 2024

Do you, or someone you know have a child starting school in 2024?

Enrolments are open now via our School website.

To ensure you're up to date with all communication regarding kindy 2024 and orientation days ENROL NOW.

website:

https://condobolin-p.school.nsw.gov.au





# CONDOBOLIN PUBLIC SCHOOL KINDERGARTEN INFORMATION SESSION

When: Thursday 19th
October 2023
Time: 5:00pm
Where: Condobolin Public
School Library



All parents and carers of children starting Kindergarten in 2024 are welcome to attend. This is an opportunity to hear all about the wonderful learning experiences Condobolin Public School has to offer!

Children who are turning 5 years of age on or before July 31st 2024 are eligible for enrolment.

Enrolment packs can be collected via the school office or completed online: https://condobolin-p.school.nsw.gov.au.

The NSW State Aboriginal Education Consultative
Group committee has provided Condobolin local
AECG with resources from their Covid-19 funding.
This funding is to support local AECG's and students
with resources in the form of a gift card.
On behalf of the Condobolin AECG committee, we are
pleased to present one gift card along with a
certificate to a student who attends Condobolin
Public School.

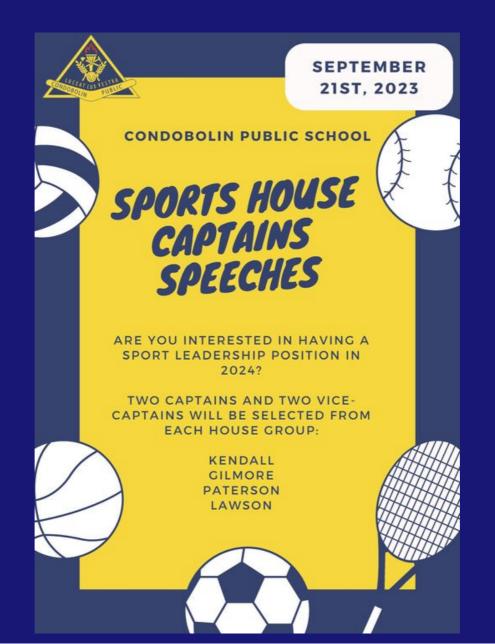
The award is for a student who participates in the classroom and achieves to the best of their ability. They show respect to others while maintaining their cultural commitments.

I am excited to announce this deadly student is...

**Sharnay Hines** 

Congratulations Sharnay and keep up the great work!





## CPS Road Safety



#### NO STOPPING signs

You must not stop in a No Stopping zone at any time.

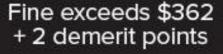
If times of operation are shown on the sign, the restriction applies only at these times.



#### **BUS ZONE signs**

You must not stop within a Bus Zone at any time. If times of operation are shown on the sign, the restriction applies only at that time.

Fine exceeds \$362 + 2 demerit points





KISS & RIDE

AREA

#### NO PARKING signs

You can stop in this zone for a maximum of **2 minutes** to drop off or pick up passengers or goods.

You must stay within 3 metres of your vehicle at all times.

These signs may be supplementary signposted with a 'Kiss & Ride' sign.



#### Double parking

Double parking causes a real safety risk to children and other road users.

Do not double park to pick up, drop off or for any reason.

Fine exceeds \$201 + 2 demerit points

Fine exceeds \$362 + 2 demerit points

#### Other behaviours to avoid:

- · Parking in an intersection;
- Parking across driveways;
- · Parking too close to corners; and
- Stopping on crossings.





# Keeping your children safe when dropping off and picking up at school

Here are a few things you can do to help keep your children and others safer during drop-off and pick-up times during the school week:

- Make sure your children are fastened in the correct child car seat for their age and size and that it is fitted correctly.
- Stick to the 40km/h speed limit in a school zone and look out for children who may be about.
- Watch for flashing lights on buses. They let you know that there may be children crossing or about to cross the road. A 40km/h limit applies when school bus lights flash.
- Always give way to pedestrians particularly when entering and leaving driveways.

- Always park and turn legally around schools.
   Manoeuvres such as U-turns and three-point turns are dangerous during busy school drop-off and pick-up times.
- Drop your children off and pick them up on the school side of the road in your school's designated drop-off and pick-up area. Never call out to them from across the road – they may run to you without checking for traffic.
- It's safest for children to get out of the car through the Safety Door, away from passing traffic. This is the rear footpath side door of the car.

For more information on keeping our kids safe around schools visit the families section on safetytown.com.au









#### Expression of Interest School Learning Support Officer 2023

Condobolin Public School is seeking an enthusiastic School Learning and Support Officer (SLSO) for 2023. As part of your application, please indicate the specific hours you are willing to work. Please also include how many days and which days you would be available.

- Position information

  Assisting teachers in providing learning opportunities for children with disabilities to develop personal, social and life skills.
- Attend to the personal care needs of children including toileting plans
- Conducting Intervention programs with small groups of students.

  Physical fitness to assure the safety and wellbeing of students.
- Duties may also include the use of visual aids, issuing of learning materials and the use of technology
- for assisted learning.

  Expectation to attend professional development.
- Completion of mandatory training to comply with the Department of Education requirements and a willingness to undertake first aid training relevant to the School Learning Support Officer role.

#### Position Criteria

- Demonstrated ability to maintain confidentiality and uphold the ethics of the NSW Department of
- Education Code of Conduct.

  Ability to work with students with emotional, physical and learning disabilities
- Demonstrated ability to work effectively as part of a team and be flexible with changes to the daily timetable
- Ability to conduct intervention programs in the classroom and support activities in the playground.

Please include a current CV, your working with children check number and two referees including contact details.

Please address your application to the Relieving Principal via school email or you can drop your application into the front office. Applications in writing of no more than two A4 pages and must explicitly address the position criteria. Applications are to be submitted by 3:00pm on Friday 15th September 2023.

Mrs Lorraine Farrugia

Relieving Principal Condobolin Public School



#### COVID smart measures for schools

#### Information for families

We know that being together in the classroom is the best thing for our students' learning, growth and welfare. This term we will continue to implement several measures to allow us to prioritise both the wellbeing of our students and a consistent and productive learning environment.

#### Stay home if unwell

- If your child is unwell, you must keep them at home. If they are displaying COVID-19 symptoms, they
  should take a COVID-19 test (PCR or RAT) and follow the advice from the NSW Government on
  managing COVID-19 safely at home.
- · Your child should only return to school when they are symptom free.

#### **Vaccinations**

- Vaccinations for COVID-19 and other viral illnesses are one of the best ways of protecting yourself, your family and the community. Vaccination is a safe and effective way to give your immune system a helping hand against many illnesses.
- All eligible students and staff are strongly encouraged to keep up to date with their vaccinations to protect their health.
- All staff working in schools for specific purposes (SSPs) are required to be double vaccinated against COVID-19 or hold a valid medical contraindication.

#### Rapid antigen testing

- Rapid antigen tests (RATs) should be used if your child is displaying COVID-19 symptoms.
- Students who test positive to COVID-19 are encouraged to notify their school and register their
  positive test results with <u>Service NSW</u> to have access to timely advice and support from NSW Health.
- Schools will maintain a reserve stock of rapid antigen tests onsite for surveillance testing purposes in the event of an outbreak.

#### Hygiene and cleaning

- Students are encouraged to regularly wash their hands with soap and water and to use personal
  protective equipment as required.
- Boosted day cleaning of schools will focus on high-touch areas and other hard surfaces, door handles, lockers, light switches and handrails in stairways and movement areas.

#### Ventilation

- Fresh air is the most effective form of ventilation to minimise the risk of transmission.
- During the warmer months, cooling will be used in conjunction with ventilation methods to balance thermal comfort.
- All learning spaces in public schools have been checked to ensure appropriate levels of ventilation and air purifiers have been provided where needed.

#### Masks

- Mask-wearing is strongly encouraged where possible for all students, staff and visitors, particularly
  indoors and/or when physical distancing is not possible, and if they have been exposed to COVID-19.
- Mask-wearing continues to be required at all times for staff, volunteers and other workers who support
  our students who are at greater risk of serious illness should they contract COVID-19, whether they be
  in schools for specific purposes, support units or mainstream classrooms.

#### **Visitors**

- · Visitors can attend school sites regardless of their vaccination status.
- Visitors who are engaging directly with students in certain higher-risk settings for school operations
  and curriculum delivery and allied health partners for the wellbeing of students, may be required to
  wear masks.

#### **Activities**

- Health and safety risk assessments will be integrated into planning activities, including excursions and overnight camps.
- Parents and carers will be made aware of the risk of exposure and will need to give permission for certain activities.

#### Responding to local situations

- Schools will work with the department's Health, Safety and Staff Wellbeing case management team to respond appropriately to local situations, including outbreaks of viral illness.
- In some cases, schools may temporarily introduce additional measures for a limited time to help stop
  the chain of infection, including requiring mask-wearing, postponing or limiting non-essential activities
  and directing certain groups to learn remotely.