



## NEWS BULLETIN

*Strong Smart Proud*

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### DATES TO REMEMBER

#### Monday 3 March

3F Formal Assembly  
1.00 pm - Hall

#### Monday 6 March

P & C AGM - School  
Library @ 7.00 pm

#### Friday 10 March

Western Swimming

#### Friday 17 March

2B Formal Assembly

#### Friday 31 March

Cross Country

5P Formal Assembly

#### Friday 7 April

Easter Hat Parade K-2

Last day of Term 1

### Allergy AAA School

this means that children, parents, carers and visitors are asked **NOT TO WEAR anything scented** as we have children with severe allergies in our school.

Please: NO nuts  
(including nutella)



School Banking  
**Mondays**

We have had an eventful past week as we inducted our Student Representative Council (SRC) and Sports House leaders. Our thanks go to the parents and family members who helped us install our 2017 school leaders. We also congratulated our school swimming champions, with Kendall named the winning sports house for the school swimming carnival.



### Dance workshop

Yesterday, twenty-one students participated in Aboriginal dance workshops with Jo Clancy. Jo has been working with our school for several years, developing a range of skills around contemporary Aboriginal dance. This year, she worked with an excited group of dancers from Year 2 to Year 5, teaching two new dances and extending the cultural knowledge of participating students. We look forward to further developing these dances prior to Jo's return next term.



## Improved attendance

We would like to acknowledge the efforts of all members of our school community in achieving an average attendance rate for Semester 1 in 2016 of 93.4%, rating higher than the average for NSW government schools of 92.2%.

Our "It's Not Okay to Be Away or Late" program has paid dividends with improved attendance leading to improved learning. This year, classes identified as having the highest rate of attendance each fortnight in both the infants and primary areas of the school will receive a certificate and a reward selected by the class.

## Assembly this week

This Friday, 3 March, the students of 3F will be leading our first formal assembly of the year. Parents and carers are invited to join us in the hall from 1.00 pm.

## Parent Meetings

Over the next couple of weeks, parents and carers are invited to participate in Personalised Learning Plan (PLP) meetings with class teachers and students. These brief meetings will allow teachers to learn more about their students and what parents and carers would like for their children in 2017. Students are encouraged to participate in these meetings.

If you have not made an appointment as yet, please contact your child's teacher to organise a suitable time to meet.

## Head Lice - recheck

It is important that children's hair is checked weekly and follow-up treatments completed. It is only through vigilance that head lice can be kept under control.

## P&C AGM

All parents and carers are invited to attend the Annual General Meeting of the P&C next Monday, 6 March in the school library. The meeting will be held from 7.00 pm.

Deborah Nay  
Principal

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## PBL NEWS

### Focus this week:

### Smart Rules



*Strong*



*Smart*



*Proud*

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## CANTEEN NEWS

### *Specials:*

Wednesday: Meatloaf, mash potato, vegies & gravy \$7.00

Thursday: Hamburger the lot (Bacon, egg & pineapple) \$6.00

Please note: Dino nuggets are not available from the supplier at the moment.

Substitute: Tempura chicken nuggets until further notice.

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**The following awards will be handed out at 3F's assembly Friday at 1.00 pm**

STUDENT OF THE MONTH					
<b>KO</b>	Mahayla Atkinson	<b>KS</b>	Taj Ogston	<b>1D</b>	Charles Patton
<b>1R</b>	Layne Muller	<b>2B</b>	Leah Byrne	<b>2P</b>	Ayden Pixton
<b>3F</b>	Caitlyn Milne	<b>3L</b>	Rex Shoemark	<b>4K</b>	Hudson Cartwright
<b>4R</b>	David White	<b>5P</b>	Yasmine Dargin	<b>5/6S</b>	Amali Haworth
<b>6B</b>	Joel Nagle	<b>K6L</b>	Lorraina O'Dell		
MERIT CERTIFICATES					
<b>KO</b>	Chloe Bennett	<b>KS</b>	Lucas Newell	<b>1D</b>	Amelia Pearson
<b>1R</b>	Cortnee Pixton	<b>2B</b>	Roy May	<b>2P</b>	Jayden White
<b>3F</b>	Silas Gallagher	<b>3L</b>	Mariah Calliss	<b>4K</b>	Nicholas Cooney
<b>4R</b>	Bonnie Merritt	<b>5P</b>	Sam Cunningham	<b>5/6S</b>	Louis Todd
<b>6B</b>	Calvin Nelson	<b>K6L</b>	Zakayla Smith		

## Three Way Meetings Parents, Student and Teacher



Effective communication is essential for building school-family partnerships

Coming up soon are our three way meetings for each class where you can come along to meet your child's teacher, visit their classroom and share information about your child to help teachers support their learning journey for 2017.

In this meeting you can ask about your child's academic and social development and discuss what you would like your child to improve in, and also share what motivates or upsets them. Does the teacher know about allergies or health concerns, your new address or phone number, going home arrangements, etc?

Parents can benefit from being involved in their children's education by getting ideas from school on how to help and support their child, and by learning more about specific programs within each classroom and how they work.

A note will be sent home soon regarding the three way meetings that will occur on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> March or Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2017. If you are unable to attend on this date please contact your child's teacher as soon as possible to make an alternative meeting.





# Strong Smart and Proud in KS!



*Children in KS have been learning how to listen with 5L's!*

- *Legs are folded*
- *Lips are closed*
- *Hands still in laps*
- *Eyes are looking*
- *Ears are listening*

*Good listening = Good learning!*



Doing their best – all the time!



**Condobolin Public School**  
**PBL Attendance Certificate Winners**  
**in Term 1-Week 5 Friday 24<sup>th</sup> February**

The primary class attendance winner is class 5/6S and Mrs Small.



5/6S celebrated their attendance reward with free time in the computer lab with Mrs Small.

The infant's class winner is class 1D and Miss Dobbie.



1D will celebrate their attendance reward with free time on the equipment supervised by Miss Dobbie.

Congratulations to both classes 5/6S and 1D.

**It's not OK to be away or late.**





# *Condobolin Public School*

## **PBL Attendance Assembly**

This year the attendance assembly will be run by Mrs Jones. Assembly will be the same as previous years with a class from the primary and infants end winning the best attendance for the fortnight.

I would like to encourage students to do their best to follow the school motto, It's not OK to be away or late by presenting each class that wins with a certificate to keep and proudly display in their classroom. The winning classes select a class reward to enjoy with their peers to celebrate this achievement.

At the end of the year the two classes with the most certificates will receive a surprise reward to acknowledge their efforts. Students are encouraged to do their best to attend school regularly and on time. If students are away please remember to get their note in within seven days of the first day of absence.

**Class 5/6S and Class 1D**





Hip Hip Hooray ... It's Fun Friends Today!

Condobolin Public School has taken on another cutting edge program, Fun Friends.

#### What is Fun Friends?

- **Fun Friends** is the **world's leading program** for fighting childhood anxiety and building resilience to help your child manage worry both now and in later life.
- It is **developed in Australia** and the only program acknowledged by the **World Health Organization** for its 8 years of evaluation and practice.
- The program is run by your child's teacher in **normal class time**.
- **Fun Friends promotes self-esteem, problem solving skills, psychological resilience, self-expression, and building positive relationships with peers and adults.**
- It is a **positive fun learning experience** for students and teachers alike.

#### Who will be involved?

- **Students in K-2 are currently engaged in the Fun Friends Program.**
- **Teachers in Stage 2 (Years 3 and 4) will be implementing the Fun Friends Program beginning in Term 2.**

#### What Happens in the Program?

- **Teachers** guide students through a series of class-based activities designed to teach them how to deal with worrying situations through **being prepared, devising self-help strategies, rewarding themselves and seeking support.**

#### How Much Time Does it take?

- **Students will be engaged in Fun Friends Activities for 15 – 20 minutes per day.**
- **The program will run for approximately 2 terms.**



# INVITATION

If you or your family would like to know more about Fun Friends and why we love it please come to our:

## Fun Friends Information Session

When: **Wednesday 15 March 2017**

Time: **2:10-3:00 pm**

Where: **Condobolin Public School Hall**



Yes, I will be attending

the Fun Friends Information Session

on

Wednesday, 15<sup>th</sup> March, 2017.



Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Your Child's Class: \_\_\_\_\_

# Going Home Arrangements



Dear Parents / Carers

Just a reminder that if your child has different arrangement for going home could you please inform their class teacher. This will ease any confusion that they may have and ensure that your child arrives home happy and safe.

You can send in a note to the teacher in your child's bag or contact the school by calling Mrs Bailey or Mrs Geeves in the office. Our school phone number is 02 6895 2134.



## CONDOBOLIN AMATEUR SWIMMING CLUB MOVIE NIGHT

***'Storks'***  
***Rated PG***

*Change of Date:* This Saturday 4 March 5.00 pm for  
5.30 pm start.

*Venue:* Western Plains Regional Development Centre

\$15.00 per person (includes movie & kids party food)

Please ring 0428 356 005 or 6895 3301 to book.

Proceeds go to Condobolin Amateur Swimming Club

# Join us for Family Bingo Night

Danielle Hoskins has been selected in the Under 16  
Australian Team to play at the  
Indigenous International Netball Festival at the Gold Coast  
14th–19th April 2017

Mystery Prizes

Easter Egg  
Raffle

Lucky Door  
Prizes

Bring  
your own  
nibbles



**Venue: Condobolin Sport Club**

**Time: 6:00pm**

**Date: Monday 20th March 2017**

**COST OF BINGO**

**\$12:00 PER BOOK**

For further information contact Sheree on 0436190623



## **“Speak Up” - Public Speaking Competition**

Students may like to start preparing for our Condobolin Public School “Speak Up” public speaking event. This will be held at school in Week 2, Term 2.

Participating students, must have prepared a 2 minute speech from one of the following topics:

Years 3/4    It Was Only An Accident.

Over The Fence.

My Favourite Shoes

Years 5/6    Pull Up Your Socks

My World

If I Were 5 Years Older



Speakers must begin with ‘Madame Chairman, my topic is.....’

Each speaker will be marked within criteria around vocabulary, voice projection, posture, eye contact, speech structure and content.

Every speaker will be awarded a participation certificate and two students from each stage will be selected to represent Condobolin Public School at the CWA Public Speaking Competition to be held on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> May.