



NEWS BULLETIN

Strong Smart Proud

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DATES TO REMEMBER

Thursday 9 March

AECG Meeting
SaCC room 3.45 pm

Friday 10 March

Western Swimming

Wednesday 15 March

Fun Friends program
2.10 pm

Friday 17 March

2B Formal Assembly

Friday 31 March

Cross Country

5P Formal Assembly

Monday 3 April

P & C Meeting 7.00 pm

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 a number of students representing our school and the Lachlan Zone at the Western Area Swimming Carnival in Dubbo this Friday, 10 March. Mrs King will be in attendance as one of the Lachlan Managers.

Mr Michael O'Loughlin will be visiting our school on Friday, 10 March from 12.30 pm, brought to Condobolin as a guest speaker by the Lion's Sports Award committee. Michael played his entire professional AFL career for the Sydney Swans, and was also named a member of the Indigenous Team of the Century. Our students will have the opportunity to listen to Michael speak about his experiences and achievements. Michael will be guest speaker at the Condobolin Lion's Sports Awards Annual Presentation Evening later that night.

P&C Executive

Congratulations to the following people on election as members of the P&C executive for 2017:

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| President: | Joe Kiss |
| Vice President: | Jeff Ward |
| Treasurer: | Deb Manwaring |
| Secretary: | Jo Skinner |
| Assistant Treasurer: | Lucy Leighton |

The next P&C meeting will be on Monday, 3 April at 7.00 pm in the library.



Merit Certificates

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Parent Meetings

The last evening of Personalised Learning Plan (PLP) meetings with class teachers and students will be held this Wednesday afternoon. 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 meeting.

Fun Friends for Parents

Parents who are interested in learning more about the Fun Friends program being implemented from Kindergarten to Year 4 are invited to attend an information session on Wednesday, 15 March from 2.10 pm.

AECG Meeting

The next Aboriginal Education Consultative Group (AECG) meeting will be held Thursday, 9 March at our school SACC room from 3.45pm. We would love to see any interested parents, carers and community come along to this meeting.

Bus Behaviour

To ensure the safety of all students travelling by bus, we have printed information provided by the Department of Transport in this newsletter. Please take the time to read through the information and discuss expectations with your children about safe bus travel.

Pedestrian Safety

It is difficult for drivers to see children and adults about to cross at a pedestrian crossing when other drivers park illegally near a crossing. To ensure that all of our students and visitors are safe, we ask that all parents and community members abide by the signage of where it is appropriate to park.



Student of the Month – February 2017

Deborah Nay
Principal

PBL NEWS

Focus this week:

Smart Rules



Strong



Smart



Proud

CANTEEN NEWS *Specials:*

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| Wednesday: | Beef & Gravy Roll | \$6.00 |
| Thursday: | Hot Spud | \$7.00 |

Please note: Fruitzzy pop iceblock are not available from the supplier at the moment.

SRC News

Guess the Jelly Beans in the JAR competition:

50c = 1 guess

\$1 = 3 guesses

All money is to be donated to Danielle Hoskins, member of Under 16's Australian Netball Team.

MUFTI DAY this Friday 10th March

Dress as your favourite 'Sports Star'.

\$1.00 donation to Danielle Hoskins under 16's Australian Netball Team.

ICAS - 2017

UNSW ICAS International Competitions and Assessment for Schools.

Students (Yr 3 – Yr 6) who enter the NSW ICAS performance competitions will receive a UNSW Global certificate recognising their achievement – Participation, Merit, Credit, Distinction and High Distinction.

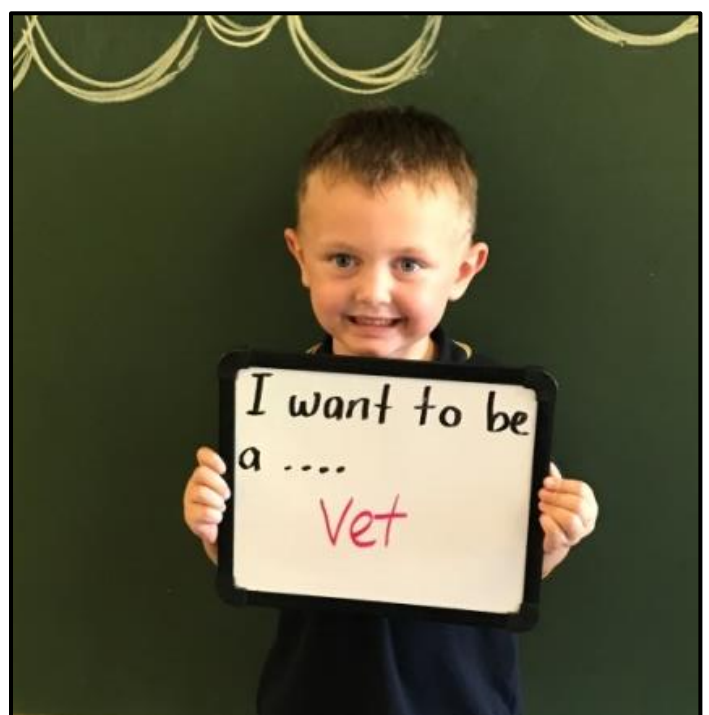
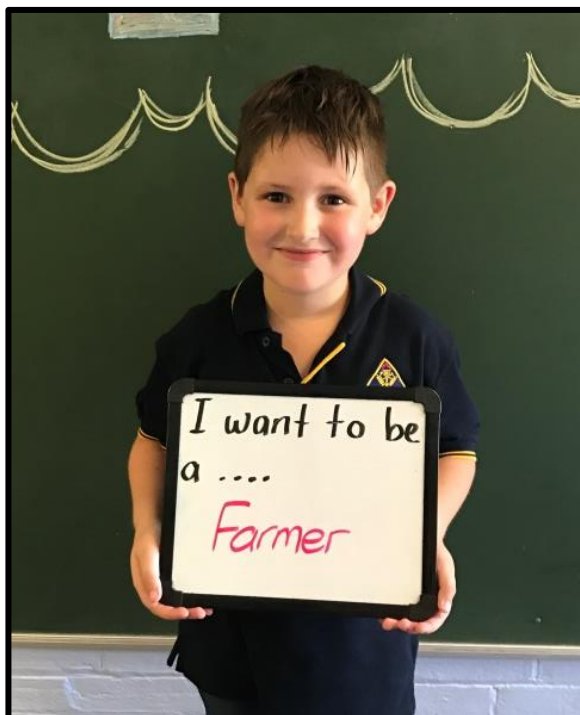
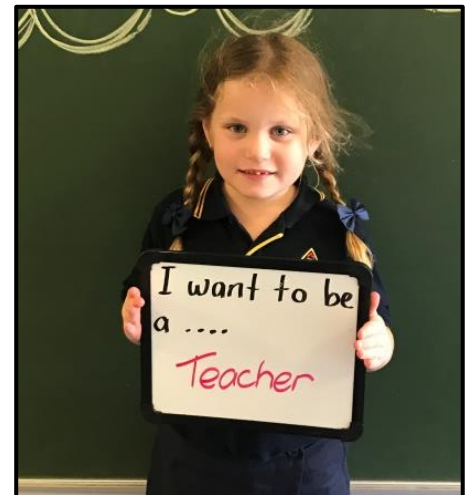
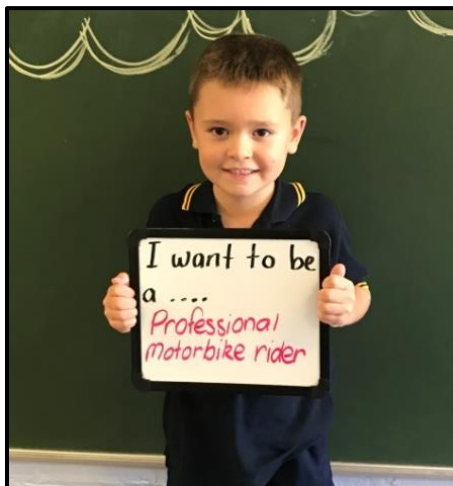
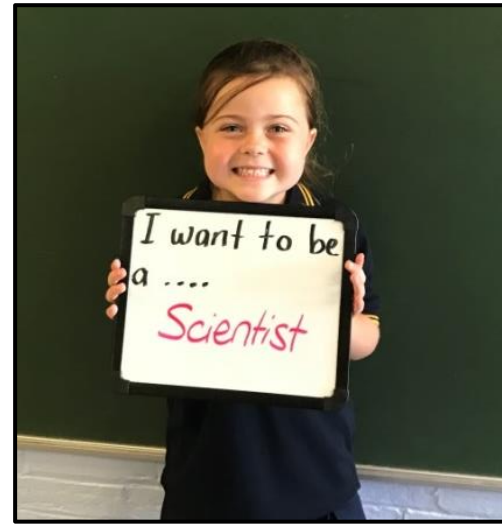
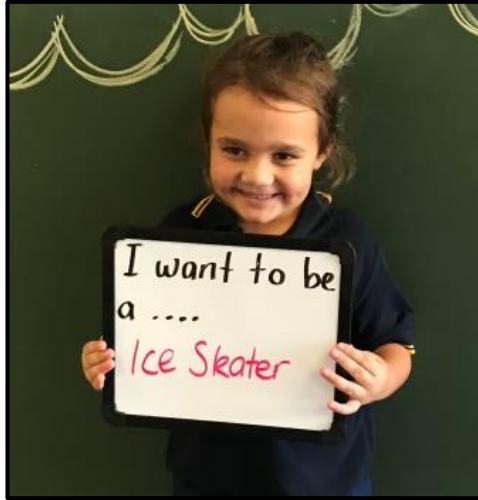
All entries and money collection is due by Wednesday 29 March to obtain 2016 prices.

The entry fee per student, per subject:

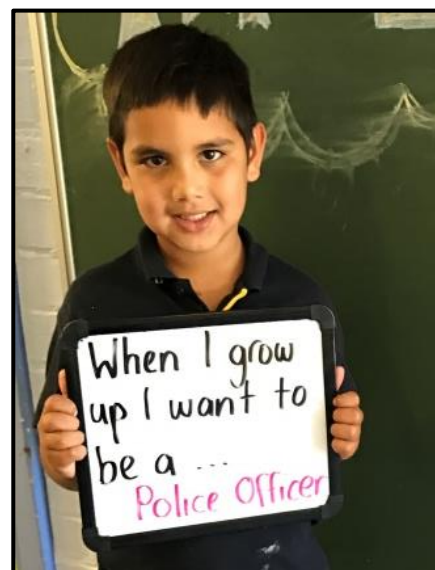
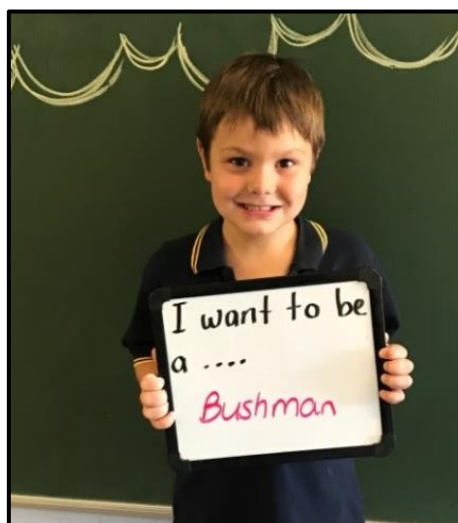
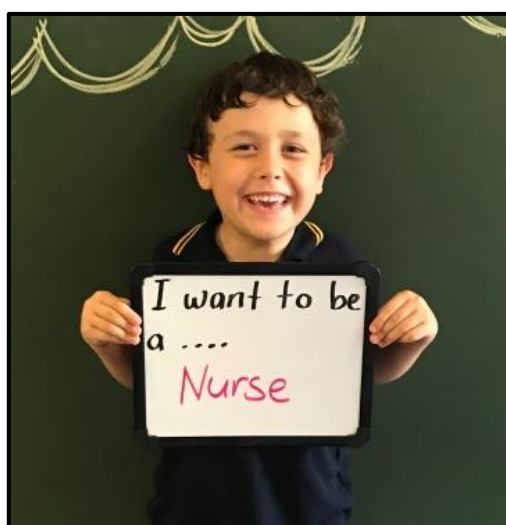
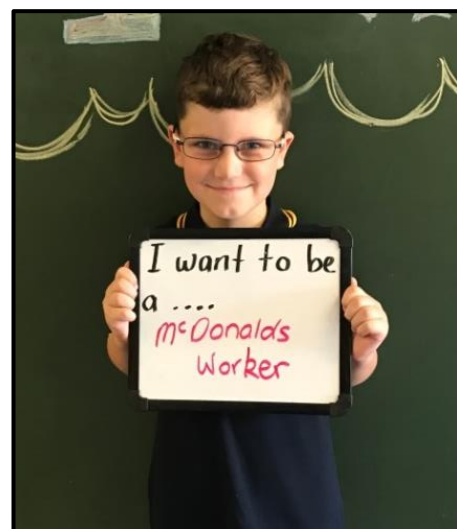
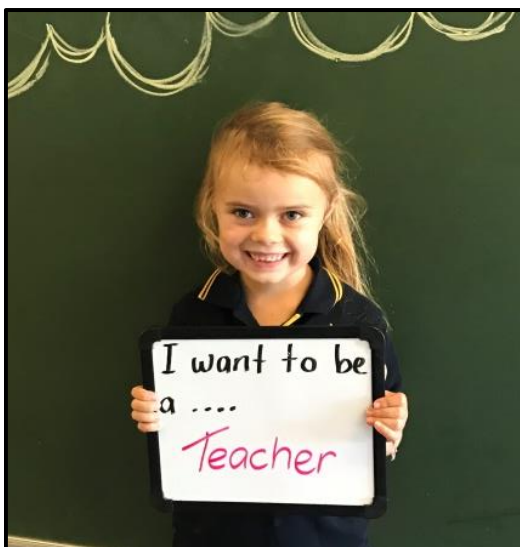
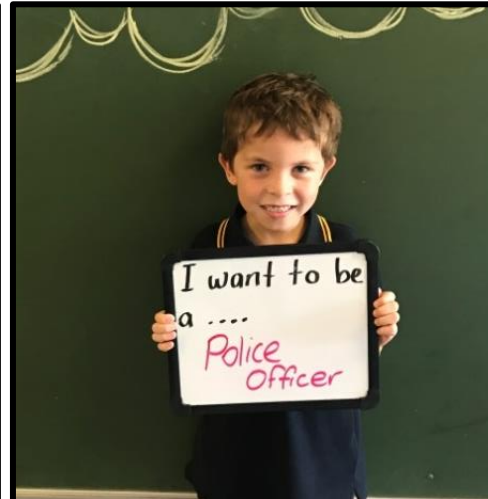
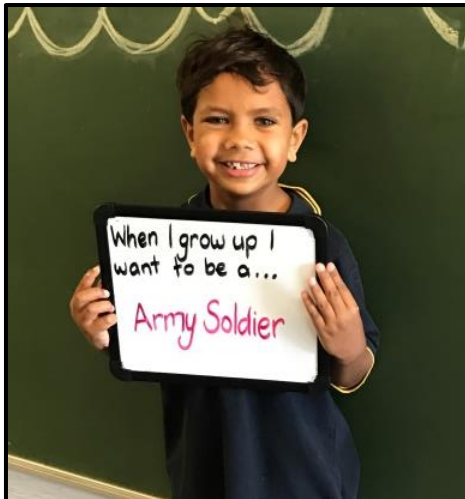
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| Digital Technologies | \$8.00 |
| Science | \$8.00 |
| Writing | \$17.00 |
| Spelling | \$11.00 |
| English | \$8.00 |
| Mathematics | \$8.00 |

All money collection is to be delivered to classroom teachers.

Strong Smart and Proud Future Goals



Snapshots from Class 1R





All of Condobolin Public School students are being challenged!

What?

K – 2 Read 30 picture books (or have them read to you).

3 – 6 Read 20 novels or picture books

When?

Between NOW and midnight on the 25th August 2017.

Why?

You get a **Certificate** from the **Premier of NSW**.
Being part of the challenge develops reading skills.
You get to enjoy a range of books and stories!

How?

Register with Mrs L'Estrange or Mrs Lynch.
Read books (or have them read to you).
Enter the books online. This can be done at home or school.

Premier's Reading Challenge

I give permission for my child Class to take part in the 2017 Premier's Reading Challenge from Tuesday 7th March to Friday 25th August.

The reading challenge stops on Friday 25th August 2017 and reading records are submitted online.

Please return this permission slip to Mrs Lynch in K6L as soon as possible. Thank You.

Parent/Carer's Name Signature

“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 16th May.

JRL Reminders

Registrations: Registrations are now open for 2017 Junior Rugby League season. This year’s early registration packs include shorts, cap and bag. To receive this pack for FREE you must be registered by 20th March. Registrations after this time will have to purchase these items. We encourage all players to register asap.

Training: Training is every Monday and Thursday nights at 6.00 pm at Timmins Oval. (Head gear must be worn).

Canteen Manager: Canteen Manager applications for 2017 JRL is still open and needs to be filled asap. If you know of someone who is interested please contact the committee.

Our first game will be 1st April 2017.

For any further details please contact our Club President – Shaun Turner or message us on our Facebook page: condobolinjrl.



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, 15th March, 2017.



Your Name: _____

Your Child's Class: _____

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

Students, parents, guardians and carers

This brochure explains
appropriate behaviour and
inappropriate behaviour
for students travelling on buses.



What are the consequences of inappropriate behaviour?

- If a student misbehaves on a bus, the bus operator concerned will contact the parents and the school.
- Depending on the gravity of the offence, students may be required to give up their school bus travel pass or may be refused travel on the bus for a period of time determined by the bus operator.
- Heavier penalties may apply to students involved in group misbehaviour.
- School principals have the right to take additional disciplinary action against a student under the school's discipline code or student welfare policy for any breach of the Code of Conduct.

The bus operator must provide written notification to the parents, guardians or carers before a student's school bus travel pass can be withdrawn.

What can you do if you disagree?

If parents, guardians or carers don't agree with a decision, they should contact the bus operator. If they are still not satisfied, they can contact the nearest Ministry of Transport office. Toll-free telephone numbers for each office are listed below.

For more information please telephone
your nearest Ministry of Transport office
on these toll-free numbers:

Parramatta Office: 1800 227 774

Newcastle Office: 1800 049 983

Wollongong Office: 1800 049 961

This information was current as at July 2006.



MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT

School student behaviour on buses



an important
message for
school students,
their parents,
guardians and carers

CODE OF CONDUCT FOR SCHOOL STUDENTS ON BUSES

It is every student's responsibility to behave in a manner that ensures the safety and comfort of passengers and drivers. This includes:

BEHAVING APPROPRIATELY

- ✓ respect the needs and comfort of other passengers (e.g. no use of offensive or racist language, fighting, spitting, placing feet on seats, throwing things in or from the bus, eating or drinking—except water—unless the bus operator gives written permission)
- ✓ give up seats to all adults and disabled passengers
- ✓ adhere to the law that bans smoking on buses
- ✓ obey reasonable directions from the driver (e.g. where to sit or to remain in the bus)
- ✓ keep arms, legs and heads inside the bus
- ✓ refrain from attracting the attention of the driver except in the case of emergency

RESPECTING PROPERTY

- ✓ protect bus property
- ✓ ensure that buses are not vandalised
- ✓ report any vandalism
e.g. graffiti and window etching

HOLDING PASSES

- ✓ show travel passes or tickets to the driver on boarding and when requested
- ✓ use the travel pass only for its intended purpose
- ✓ 'wipe' or 'dip' passes in ticket readers if available when boarding
- ✓ keep your pass for your own use—you should not lend your pass to other students or borrow one from them.

Disobeying these rules may lead to the withdrawal of school bus travel passes and/or prosecution.

In the case of students travelling under the School Student Transport Scheme, this Code of Conduct is also printed on the application form. You are reminded that when signing the application form the parent/guardian/carer explicitly declares that they support the Code and that it has been explained to their child.

This brochure is about school student behaviour on buses. It outlines appropriate behaviour and describes behaviour that is inappropriate. The Code of Conduct was developed to ensure the safety and comfort of all passengers. It is every student's responsibility to follow the simple rules outlined in the Code.

If students misbehave on buses, the following consequences may result:

UNACCEPTABLE BEHAVIOUR

such as using offensive or racist language, disobeying reasonable directions from the driver, smoking, spitting, damaging property, eating on the bus, distracting the driver with persistent noise and failing to show the travel pass

may lead to

the loss of subsidised school travel privileges for up to **two school weeks** for a second offence, and up to **ten school weeks** for subsequent offences. Permanent suspension of school travel privileges or banning from travelling on buses may apply for repeated offences.

DANGEROUS BEHAVIOUR

such as seriously bullying or harassing other passengers, fighting, letting any part of your body protrude from the bus, throwing objects inside or outside the bus, using matches and lighters, carrying dangerous items and group misbehaviour

may lead to

the loss of subsidised school travel privileges for up to **four school weeks** for a first offence and up to **ten school weeks** for subsequent offences—or if group misbehaviour is involved, **permanent loss** of school travel privileges. Permanent suspension of school travel privileges or banning from travelling on buses may apply for repeated offences.

HIGHLY DANGEROUS BEHAVIOUR

such as interfering with safety equipment, pushing students out of the doors or windows, assaulting the driver or other passengers and destruction of bus property

may lead to

the **permanent loss** of subsidised school travel privileges, and possible court action or police prosecution. Students may be banned from travelling on buses.

The police will be called to deal with highly dangerous behaviour.

These penalties reflect the seriousness of the misbehaviour. They ensure that all students who misbehave on buses are dealt with in a fair and consistent manner, no matter which bus operator or school is involved.

If students are refused travel, parents/guardians/carers must make alternative travel arrangements and meet any costs of that transport. They will not be eligible for the Ministry of Transport Private Vehicle Conveyance Scheme under these circumstances.

A group of school students behaving unacceptably may risk higher penalties if their conduct puts the safety of other passengers or the driver at risk.

The operator will inform the Ministry of its decision. The Ministry may inform an operator of a student's record of misbehaviour. Please refer to the *Guidelines for Managing School Student Behaviour on Buses* for dealing with incidents of inappropriate behaviour. They can be found at www.transport.new.gov.au and are available at each school.