

WELCOME TO WEEK 3 TERM 3 2021



Principal's Message

Construction

Welcome back to Term 3. Our playground still looks like a construction site but there is progress! Our students have adapted well and are being very responsible and safe when having to be near the fenced off areas. Here is a reminder of what is happening within the school:

- A new roof for the Kindergarten Building
- A new roof for the Office building
- An upgrade to the bathroom facilities in MCL
- Installation of a new Disability toilet on the end of the Kindergarten veranda



KK and KB have impressed us all with how Strong Smart and Proud they have been in their new classroom environments.



Playground Equipment Upgrade

Planning will commence this week with the NSW Department of Education Asset Officer for the upgrade of the playground equipment near the bottom oval.

This project is a part of the Regional Renewal Partnership Program. CPS was fortunate to have this project approved.

NAIDOC week at CPS

Thank you to Amanda Coe, Marion Packham and Otis for opening our NAIDOC week. Thank you for sharing your words, language and culture and for enhancing our understanding of what healing country means. I also extend appreciation to Steve from Dinawan Dance for conducting workshops on Thursday. We were fortunate to be able to have these visitors on site in line with COVID Safe Guidelines and being a Level 2 school.



Kind Regards,

Mrs Jessica Neilsen



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COVID UPDATES

I will continue to provide Principal update letters as situations change across the state and information is communicated through the NSW DoE. At this point in time:

Students are expected to continue to attend school unless sick

Students should not attend school if unwell, even with mild symptoms of COVID-19. Any person with any COVID-19 symptoms should be sent home and should not return until they have received a negative test result and are symptom-free. In circumstances where children have other medical reasons for recurrent symptoms a letter from their GP is sufficient to negate the requirement for a negative test.

Visitors

Non-essential visitors are not permitted in schools. Some visitors are permitted in schools based on the guidelines that follow.

Parents and carers must follow their school's advice regarding changes to drop off and pick up including staying in the car when dropping off and picking up children if safe to do so.

Parents should:

- maintain physical distancing by avoiding gathering outside of school gates
- remain outside of school grounds (note some exceptions may apply regarding schools for specific purposes, vulnerable students or students with disability)
- follow mask-wearing requirements and sign in using the Service NSW QR code when entering the school.

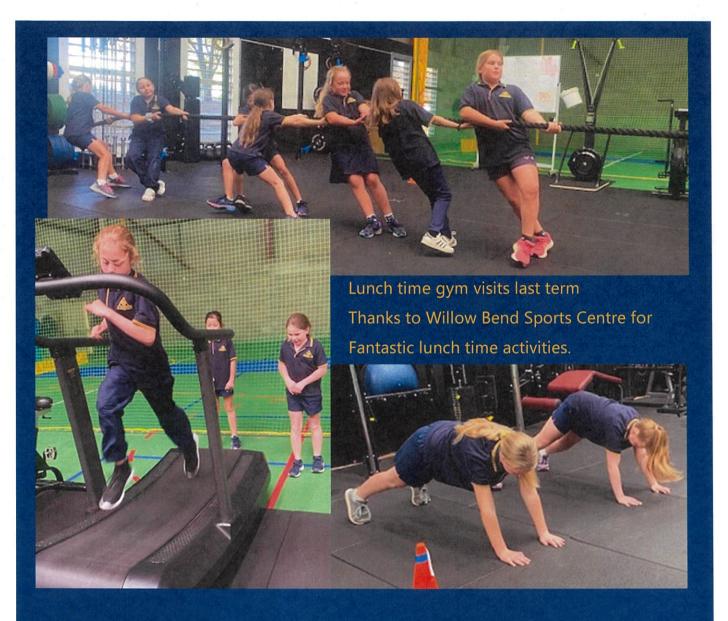
https://education.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/advice-for-families/schools-outside-of-greater-sydney

VOLUNTARY SCHOOL CONTRIBUTIONS

Our school contribution remains at \$50 per student. This payment contributes towards technology subscriptions including Mathletics and Typing Tournament, art and crafts for special events e.g. Easter Hat parade and in subsidising visiting performers. There is financial support for families who need assistance, just make an appointment to speak with myself, through the office.

Kind Regards,

Mrs Jessica Neilsen



Charcoal drawing incursion with Karen Tooth. Students used a grid system to create an artwork of a living thing, an ant.





Sally Russell visited from Lake Cowal Conservation Centre to give an incursion on things living. Students made a mini green house and a bird feeder. They investigated bugs and water insects using microscopes. The day was wrapped up with a picnic lunch and special play on the bottom oval.



Spelling Bee Winners and Runners - Up





Premier's Spelling Bee 2021 - Thirty-five super spellers from across Stage 2 and 3 battled each other to win our school Final for the Premier's Selling Bee today. Congratulationst to Kobie and Hunter who were awarded first place each in their stage. Runners up were Hayley (Stage 2) and Charlie (Stage 3). Kobie and Hunter will now represent CPS at the regional final.

Thank you to Mrs Blattman who was the announcer today and to Ms Horvat, the chairperson.

A Special Thank you



On Friday, Mrs Barrass presented Mrs Cavallaro (now Mrs Blattman) a beautiful bunch of flowers from the Condobolin Public School P&C committee. On behalf of parents and community, Mrs Barrass wished Mrs Cav (affectionately known as), all the best for her retirement and acknowledged her outstanding commitment to the education of students at CPS. Thank you so much Mrs Cav (Blattman)!

NAIDOC 2021 - Heal Country

Welcome Ceremony

The week began with a zoom assembly to open NAIDOC celebrations. Ms Amanda Coe gave a special Acknowledgement of Country, followed by Mrs Packham with a Wiradjuri language Welcome to Country. The school captains and vice captains spoke about this years' theme - Heal Country and Mrs Packham outlined activities for the week. All students, from Kindergarten to Year 6 then participated in a 'Smoking' Ceremony, prepared by Otis Knight Williams.

Lantern Making

Across the week, each class participated in the creation of a lantern which will be displayed and/or paraded during the Skyfest evening at the Wiradjuri Cultural Centre. These were delicate, requiring teamwork and patience but the students thoroughly enjoyed making and decorating them. They will certainly be an effective light display for the evening.

Dance Workshops

Last Thursday, all students participated in a cultural dance workshop with Steve Taylor from Dinawan Connection. Students learned how to dance and imitate animals including the dinawan (emu), wandayali (echidna) and wambuwuny (kangaroo). The dance session was a highlight of the week for many students.

Classroom Learning Activities

The class focus for the week was "Knowing Country". Students learned about Wiradjuri Country, locating it on a map of traditional Aboriginal countries, and learned that Wiradjuri is the largest country in NSW. K-2 students listened to stories and discussed ways to protect the plants, animals and waterways.

NAIDOC Photography Competition

Students were invited to enter a photographic art competition to illustrate the theme "Heal Country". Mrs Packham was very impressed with all entries and was faced with a difficult decision. Congratulations to Anastasia Phillips who was announced the winner, with 2nd place awarded to Memphis Jones, equal third to Jade Neilsen and Kaine McGrory and encouragement prize for Rose Collins.

Red, Black and Yellow Day

To finish the week, students were invited to come to school dressed with some red, yellow and black. These significant colours represent the Aboriginal flag. Dressing in red, black and yellow also supported the dance performance by Kindergarten students. During the afternoon assembly, kindergarten entertained the classes with a dance to the song "Red, Black and Yellow" – by Aunty Wendy's Mob.



Celebrations at Condobolin Public School have been made possible with the support of the following guests and community members:

- David Towney
 (provided clapstick gift/prize sets)
- The Wiradjuri Study
 Centre (provided bags, pens, masks and books)
- Merrill Findlay and Phil Relf (lantern making workshop for staff)
- Amanda Coe
 (Acknowledgement of Country)
- Otis Knight Williams (Smoking Ceremony)
- Steve Taylor of Dinawan's Connection (cultural dance workhops)
- Staff, students and families of CPS (continuous support for Aboriginal Education initiatives)

Thank you for the contributions made towards our education and celebrations for NAIDOC 2021!



NAIDOC 2021 - Heal Country



















Attendance Awards -

Students attending each day during NAIDOC, were placed into a draw. One student per class was selected and presented with attendance awards. The major draw winner, with the main prize of dinner for a family of four at Skyfest 2021, was Heidi Emery from Class 2L.

Congratulations also to the class attendance award winners –

- Jackson Bennett
- Hadlee Lark
- Kyan Read
- o Arlee Lark
- o Ella Coe
- Dirk Riach
- o Janayah Johnson
- Clancy Lewis
- Badyn Hudson
- Raquel Read
- Sophie Kissane
- o Andrew Buckland
- Chelsea Smith
- Jack Johnson



SRC News

Student Voice Meetings

Each Monday, students meet to discuss issues; contribute ideas, prepare for upcoming events, and make decisions on behalf of their classmates. Students have a 'Meeting Records' book which they use to report back to their classrooms or record their class ideas for the next meeting.

Fundraising

Term 1 Ronald McDonald House Red Day

SRC leaders promoted Red Day, encouraging all students to wear red and bring a gold coin for Ronald McDonald House in Orange. Over \$250 was raised by students for donation to this charity.

Term 2 Allannah and Madeline Foundation

Buddy Day was selected by SRC members as the charity for Term 2 and \$348 was raised by students. Classes were encouraged to participate in 'buddy' activities which included co-operative games and activities with a "friendship" theme. The Allannah and Madeline Foundation works to keep children and communities safe from the issues of bullying by fostering positive and healthy relationships.

Term 3 Footy Colours Day

This Term, SRC students voted to support Footy Colours Day which will be held in September. Footy Colours Day is a national community fundraising event which raises money to help kids with cancer.

Playground Programs

In Semester One, the SRC Premier's Sporting Challenge provided motivation for student leaders to support active play during recess and lunch breaks. Sport House Captains and SRC leaders organised additional playground equipment and supervised games during timetabled breaks, encouraging participation, fun and fair play.

Building Leadership Skills

All SRC leaders, as well as the Captains and Vice Captains, will participate in a leadership day at Condobolin High School. Students will work together with the high school SRC, participating in activities to develop their confidence and skills with leadership.



Kids Club

Each Tuesday and Thursday, student leaders will host "Kid's Club" in the hall during recess break.

This will involve eight student leaders, each monitoring a fun indoor activity, including giant jenga, puzzles, craft, and bowling.

Beginning with Stage One, students will be invited to come into the hall and participate in a chosen activity.

This playground program aims to:

- Promote social skills of turn-taking, including others, following rules and getting along;
- Develop student leadership skills;
- Provide an alternative to the playground during these cooler months.

Activities will begin this week and be supervised by Ms Horvat.



LIBRARY TIMETABLE			
TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	
1/2B		5/6T	2B
1C		6C	2L
DKA		3CM	3/40
DKDK .		4/5R	4N
KB			
PLEASE BRING A LIBRARY BAG ON YOUR LIBRARY DAY SO YOU CAN TAKE BOOKS HOME.			

FORMAL ASSEMBLIES @2.15 PM

Friday 30th July - 2B

Friday 6th August - 3/40

Friday 13th August - 6C

Friday 20th August - PBL



Lachlan Athletics Carnival this Friday 30th July.

Permission Notes need to be return to the office by Wednesday 28th July. Please remember to be at North Parkes Oval by 8:15am to meet Miss Seagrott.

8am for students competing in the 1500m event.

Wishing all CPS students all the best on the day.



SACC TRANSITION TO SCHOOL



An information session will be held for families who will be participating in the SaCC transition to school program

- Sessions are for families whose children do not attend formal care including preschool and are enrolling in Kindergarten for 2022

VENUE: CENTRAL WEST FAMILY SUPPORT GROUP, 18 LACHLAN STREET CONDOBOLIN 11AM. 29TH JULY 2021

Please contact Condobolin Public School SaCC Facilitator Heidi on 68952134 or through the Facebook page for further information.



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SACC TRANSITION TO SCHOOL

- Schools as Community
Centres will commence
transition to school
sessions at the
Condobolin Public
School throughout terms
3 & 4

- Sessions are for families whose children do not attend formal care including preschool and are enrolling in Kindergarten for 2022



Parents will be supported with school readiness experiences to help their child have a successful start to school. Families will have the opportunity to become familiar with the school environment and be given assistance with the enrolment process.

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SACC PLAYGROUP

RETURNING FOR TERM 3! WILLOWBEND SPORTS CENTRE, EVERY TUESDAY UNTIL **FURTHER NOTICE** 10AM-12PM MORNING TEA PROVIDED - CHILDREN TO BRING THEIR OWN WATER BOTTLE. MANY AGE APPROPRIATE EXPERIENCES AND A MORNING OF FUN! FOR ALL CHILDREN AGED O-5YRS

> Adults must check in on arrival & wear a mask at all times







Book Week: Term 3, week 7 is Book Week. A week of book related celebrations include the announcement of Childrens Book Award winners. The Book Character Parade is the highlight so get those thinking caps on and start making your favourite book character costumes now. More info to

come soon.





Condobolin Public School P and C Meeting

Wednesday 25th August

6.00pm at the Railway hotel or ZOOM

Please check Facebook and emails for updates and Zoom Link



Dear parents, guardians and carers

Re: Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability (NCCD)

Every year, all schools in Australia participate in the Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability (NCCD). The NCCD process requires schools to identify information already available in the school about supports provided to students with disability. These relate to legislative requirements under the *Disability Discrimination Act 1992* and the Disability Standards for Education 2005, in line with the *NCCD guidelines* (2019).

Information provided about students to the Australian Government for the NCCD includes:

- year of schooling
- · category of disability: physical, cognitive, sensory or social/emotional
- level of adjustment provided: support provided within quality differentiated teaching practice, supplementary, substantial or extensive.

This information assists schools to:

- formally recognise the supports and adjustments provided to students with disability in schools
- consider how they can strengthen the support of students with disability in schools
- develop shared practices so that they can review their learning programs in order to improve educational outcomes for students with disability.

The NCCD provides state and federal governments with the information they need to plan more broadly for the support of students with disability.

The NCCD will have no direct impact on your child and your child will not be involved in any testing process. The school will provide data to the Australian Government in such a way that no individual student will be able to be identified – the privacy and confidentiality of all students is ensured. All information is protected by privacy laws that regulate the collection, storage and disclosure of personal information. To find out more about these matters, please refer to the <u>Australian Government's Privacy Policy</u> (https://www.education.gov.au/privacy-policy).

Further information about the NCCD can be found on the NCCD Portal (https://www.nccd.edu.au).

If you have any questions about the NCCD, please contact the school.

Kind regards

Principal





