

# Cohuna Consolidated School Newsletter

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Dear Friends & Families

I would like to welcome everyone back for an action-packed Term 4. Many events are planned, including community events such as the Billy Tea Bush Dance on 26<sup>th</sup> October and the School Concert on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December. The Grade 6 Graduation evening will be an opportunity to farewell our Grade 6 students on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December. We also have the swimming program and a number of incursions, camps and day excursions to look forward to.

## ATHLETICS IN BENDIGO:

Congratulations to Jasper, Ava, Deacon and Jensen for representing our school in Bendigo on Monday. Special congratulations to Jasper who will represent the school in Melbourne in both his events. Not only did our four students put in their best effort but they also modelled our school values extremely well by shaking hands with their competitors, encouraging each other and thanking organisers. Thank you to Genna Gordon for supervising our students for the day and sharing this excellent feedback. We are very proud of you all.

## RETIREMENTS:

Long standing staff members Jaccie Harbinson and Dianne Wyatt have announced their retirement at the end of this year. We will ensure we have the opportunity to celebrate their work and unwavering commitment to our school at the end of the year.

## SCHOOL REVIEW:

Our school is undergoing its School Review, a process that happens every 4 years and leads us to our next Strategic Plan for the next 4 years. Thank you to Paul Lacy (School Council President) who spent the whole day last Wednesday at our school as part of the Validation process.

This week we had the two Field Days with classroom observations, teacher interviews and focus groups. Day 4 will take place next week to determine our future Strategic Plan Goals, based on the Review findings.

## NEW JACKET:

Please note that a new jacket was approved at this week's School Council meeting after being fully endorsed by Junior School Council. Please note that you will still be able to purchase current jackets as we introduce the new jacket. The jacket is wind proof and waterproof. It will come with our school logo embroidered on it. The jacket cost \$47.00 each. Thank you to Tenielle Edge for your efforts in seeking an updated option for our students.



## BILLY TEA BUSH DANCE SCHOOL COMMUNITY EVENT:

We are delighted to host a special family event on 26<sup>th</sup> October, with Parents' Club organising a sausage sizzle prior to our Bush Dance. Do not forget your dancing shoes!

## PUPIL FREE DAYS:

Please note that the 6<sup>th</sup> of November will be a pupil-free day devoted to our CPR update and data analysis. This week, School Council also approved a common planning day for our staff on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> December.

## BOOK PACK LIST 2024

Your child's Book Pack list for 2024 will be supplied by Kerang Computer & Office Supplies.

You will receive information regarding your child's requirements for 2024 next week.

As per last year you will be required to go online and order your child's Book Pack from Kerang Computer and Office Supplies.

A letter will come home with the Book Pack list and it is most important that you read the information on the letter.

**It is also important to note that the school no longer provides families with any of the items required in the packs.**



### OCTOBER

**Friday, 20<sup>th</sup>** – Bush Dance Sausage Sizzle order form due back to school

**Thursday, 26<sup>th</sup>** – Billy Bush Dance Band & Sausage Sizzle

**Friday, 27<sup>th</sup>** – 2<sup>nd</sup> instalment for the Foundation Kyabram Fauna Park excursion due

### NOVEMBER

**Monday, 6<sup>th</sup>** – Pupil Free Day (CPR update and Data Analysis)

**Tuesday, 7<sup>th</sup>** – Final payment for the Gr.1/2 Swan Hill Pioneer Settlement due.

**Wednesday, 8<sup>th</sup>** – School Council meetings

**Thursday, 9<sup>th</sup>** – Foundation Kyabram Fauna Park excursion

**Monday, 13<sup>th</sup> – Friday, 17<sup>th</sup>** – Gr. 5/6 Canberra Camp

**Wednesday, 15<sup>th</sup>** – Foundation Transition visit (8:50am-10:50am)

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**Monday, 27<sup>th</sup> – Wednesday, 29<sup>th</sup>** – Gr. 3/4 Melbourne Camp

**Tuesday, 28<sup>th</sup>** – Gr. 1/2 Swan Hill Pioneer Settlement excursion

### DECEMBER

**Monday, 4<sup>th</sup>** – Pupil Free Day (Planning Day)



### OCTOBER

6<sup>th</sup> Tyler Priest  
Jack Jorgensen  
Will Neff  
Tilly Curry

10<sup>th</sup> Amitty North  
12<sup>th</sup> Mila Warren  
14<sup>th</sup> Annabelle Gray  
18<sup>th</sup> Evie Carmichael  
23<sup>rd</sup> Millah Stirling



## PLEASE READ: IMPORTANT MESSAGE

We cannot reiterate our thanks enough to the families who have paid their Voluntary Curriculum Contributions.

**Unfortunately our percentages of families paying their Curriculum Contributions are declining over the years and without the contributions some activities and programs may be impacted in the very near future.**

It is important to know that the Curriculum Contribution payment supplies your child with the following items and is not part of your child's booklist that you purchased at the start of the year.

**Some of the items currently covered by your contributions are:**

- Art – craft paper, paint, paint brushes, pencils, PVA glue, cover paper, folders, Christmas & end of year craft activities. (\$20.00)
- General Classroom materials and equipment Paper, posters/charts, classroom readers & classroom libraries
- Student Planners/Diaries (\$6.00)
- Photocopying and printing for students (Learning Resources)
- Subject specific materials and equipment
- Specialist program materials, operate programs supporting the strategic curriculum

**Online Learning Subscriptions**

- Mathematics/Essential Assessment
- Reading Eggs
- Sunshine Online
- Scholastic Literacy Pro Reading Lexile Program

**We are unable to invoice families for their Voluntary Curriculum Contributions unless requested by you, so please contact the office via phone or in person to make payment towards your child's Voluntary Curriculum Contributions.**

### CANTEEN ROSTER

12:40 - 2:00PM

**Friday, 13<sup>th</sup> October** – Family of Ollie, Jack & Will Kirchofer

**Friday, 20<sup>th</sup> October** – Family of Demi & Jasper Mathers

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