

Dear families and friends,

I am thrilled to begin at CCS this term and feel very privileged to be given the opportunity to lead this wonderful school as Principal. As mentioned in my Facebook post this week, I have worked with the Education Department for the past 15 years. My most recent appointment being at Echuca East Primary School where I was the Assistant Principal. While it has been a busy week, I have enjoyed every minute of it, meeting families and learning all about what makes this school great. I would like to thank everybody for making me feel so welcome the past few days and I am looking forward to meeting many more of you in the coming weeks.

ANZAC DAY:

We have ANZAC Day coming up next week which serves as a poignant reminder of the sacrifices made by Australian and New Zealand soldiers. It's a day to honour their bravery, resilience, and camaraderie, reflecting on the values they embody. This week students have been learning about the sacrifices our soldiers made during war, reading and discussing a range of picture story books in class as well as creating some amazing artwork in Art with Mrs Howard.

Next Tuesday we will host our annual ANZAC Day service in the multi-purpose room at 9am. We are looking forward to having our local RSL club members in attendance and I invite CCS families and friends to come along next Tuesday for the service. Thank you to Mr Cole for organising this. On Thursday 25th our students are invited to take part in our Cohuna/Leitchville community march. Students wishing to participate in the march will need to be in full school uniform and meet Mr Cole and staff at the Cohuna Post Office at 9am, ready to march at 9.15am. I hope to see you there.

ASSEMBLY MONDAY:

Next Monday morning will be our first assembly for the term. It has been a big week here at CCS and I am looking forward to seeing who our first award winners for the term will be. I can't wait to be part of it and look forward to seeing some of our families and friends there.

Thanks again to the entire CCS community for making me feel so welcome this week. Have a safe and happy weekend.

Ben Hawthorn.

NEW SCHOOL SOFTSHELL JACKETTS:

Unfortunately last Term the new school Softshell Jacket was sold at \$47.00. This was an office error and the jackets actually cost \$49.95. and will be sold at that price from Term 2 onwards.

Our new school Beanies should arrive by the end of this week.

If you have not ordered a new jacket or beanie both new jackets and beanies can be purchased from the school's office.

CCS CROSS COUNTRY:

Please ensure you read the information sheet that has been sent home with your child regarding our upcoming Cross Country on Friday, 3rd May.

Once again we require Parent Helpers to direct students around the course. If you can help and hold a current WWC check please complete and return the section on the information sheet. Working With Children Checks can be completed online.

SCHOOL NURSE VISIT:

Kerrie McCosh, primary school nurse, will be visiting our school in April.

Foundation Grade Health Assessments: All parents/guardians of Foundation grade children will be asked to complete a Health Questionnaire online, before April 26th. A 'postcard' will be sent home from school with information about how to do this. **If you do not wish your child to be seen by the school nurse**, please go online, register, and indicate the non-consent. If you need a paper copy of the questionnaire instead, please ask the school, or, phone Kerrie on 0428319636. Thank you.

Referrals (Grades 1-6): Parents and/or teachers may refer children from any grade for assessments of vision, hearing, basic speech, physical abilities, medical conditions, behavioural and parenting issues. Please collect a referral form from the school office. Completed forms are to be handed into the school office prior to April 26th. Should parents wish to have an interview with the School Nurse, please indicate your request on the form.

Please note: You can talk to the primary school nurse at any time throughout the year.



Please note: The canteen has reopened and will be operating tomorrow, Friday 19th April. The canteen will still operate on a limited menu that families received in Term 1 until further advised.

Unfortunately window sales will not be available at this stage.



As in previous years Parents Club will be holding a Mother's Day stall.

A form has been sent home with you child with an envelope attached.

If you wish to participate please complete the form and return to school by Monday, 6th May.

Students will come home with their selected gift from the stall on Thursday, 9th May.



 19th Harper Pollock Paige Fehring
21st Braydon Bullock-Bergman
23rd Peyton Bullock-Bergman Ace Dehne 27th Mason More30th Jordy Crilly



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Monday, 13th - Pupil Free Day Wednesday, 15th – Open Day (School Community welcome) Tuesday, 23rd – ANZAC Day service Thursday, 25th – ANZAC Day (Public Holiday) Monday 29th – Connected Parenting Webinar MAY Friday, 3rd – CCS Cross Country Open Day Special Lunch order due back to school Monday, 6th – Mother's Day stall payment due back to school. Thursday, 9th – Mother's Day stall Monday, 13th – Pupil Free Day Prep Information evening Wednesday, 15th – Open Day Tuesday, 28th – Regional Cross Country

VOLUNTARY CURRICULUM CONTRIBUTIONS 2024

Families can pay their 2024 voluntary Curriculum Contributions by calling into the office or over the phone.

The Voluntary Curriculum Contributions supplies your child with the necessary activities, materials and equipment listed in the Parent Payment Policy.

Years Prep – 2 \$100.00 Years 3 – 6 \$140.00

Schools provide students with free instruction to fulfil the standard Victorian curriculum and we want to assure you that all contributions are voluntary. Nevertheless, the ongoing support of our families ensures that our school can offer the best possible education and support for our students. We want to thank you for all you support, whether that's through fundraising or volunteering your time. This has made a huge difference to our school and the current programs we can offer.

Without your support some activities and programs may be impacted in the very near future.

We are unable to invoice families for their voluntary Curriculum Contributions unless requested by you



1st May Hats Away 1st September Hats to Remember

COHUNA CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL

2025 PROSPECTIVE PREP PARENT SCHOOL INFORMATION EVENING

MONDAY MAY 13TH COHUNA CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL COMMENCING AT 7PM-8PM

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CHILD MINDING FACILITIES WILL BE AVAILABLE AND NIBBLES PROVIDED.

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EDUCATION WEEK 13TH - 17TH MAY OPEN DAY FOR PARENTS GRANDPARENTS AND THE COMMUNITY:

WEDNESDAY15TH MAY 11.20AM - 1.20PM

2025 PROSPECTIVE FOUNDATION PARENTS INFORMATION EVENING-

Monday, 13th May at 7pm -8pm. Child minding facilities will be available. After the presentation please join us for tea, coffe and slice.

Principal Tours -Please ring the school on 54562361 to make a booking.

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