

Cohuna Consolidated School

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Principal's Report

Education Week

Thank you to everyone who was able to join us on Tuesday for our Open Day. It was fantastic to see multiple generations enjoying their time at the school and our students loved showing their families around. Thank you to all our students for being great ambassadors to our school, particularly our Grade 6 students for welcoming our guests and providing general help. Thank you to all families for joining in the many activities, including the quiz and the classroom activities. For us, it was the opportunity to meet new family members and showcase our school. I would also like to thank all our staff, Paul Lacy (School Council President), Kate Fehring (Parents' Club member) and Vice-Captain Jaeda Church and Grade 6 student Evie Fletcher for presenting at our Information Evening, held on Monday night.

Cross Country

A big well done to all our students for their efforts during the CCS Cross Country. I would like to thank Genna Gordon and Michelle Howard for their preparations in the lead up to the event, which turned out to be a beautiful day.

Tuesday was a decidedly busy day with 13 of our students representing CCS at the Mallee Division Cross Country. Congratulations to all our students for doing a great job and to Jasper (1st place), Deacon and Will K (who both placed 5th in their respective age groups) who will represent the school at the next level. Thank you to Mel Alston for accompanying our students to this week's event.

GRIP Leadership Day

Last Wednesday I was lucky to spend the day with our school leaders at the GRIP Leadership Conference in Bendigo, alongside other leaders from over 40 schools. I would like to thank Jackson L, Kieran, Jaeda, Tilly, Houssin, Cooper D, Reece, Sienna and Jayden for showing great enthusiasm throughout the day and representing our school with pride.

Raising Resilient Kids

I would like to thank parents who were able to attend the presentation on Raising Resilient Kids last Thursday night. Jamie, from Triple P, shared stories and tips during this most informative evening. A big thank you to Parents Club for providing slices to go alongside our cuppa at the end of the presentation.

In their own words

For Education Week, Jaeda Church was interviewed by The Bridge newspaper (article to come out soon). Two of our Grade 6 students also responded to a short interview based on a selection of these questions:

Tell us about the specialist classes at your school:

Tilly- At our school our specialist classes are Digital Technology, Art, Music, Physical Education (PE) and French. My absolute favourite is PE.
Jackson- My favourite subject is PE.

If an award was given for 'The best thing in your school', what would it be?

Tilly- I think the winner would be our Lunchtime Choir or Breakfast Club.
Jackson- The winner would be Art as there are so many great art works around the school.

What makes your school different to other schools?

Tilly- Our school not only has a great amount of space, we have great teachers and students who care about you. We have an encouraging, inclusive, and friendly place. We try our best and have a go at everything.
Jackson- We have a big playground and large classrooms with plenty of space to work in. It is a kind place where it is fun to learn.

Valerie Lobry

COMPASS INFORMATION

We still have a number of families who are not entering their child's absences on the Compass App. Schools are audited by the department randomly on Student Records/Attendance and absences.

If your child has a number of unexplained absences due to parents not entering the absence on Compass, the child is flagged and the school has to get the family to provide information on the absence.

To avoid this happening you simply enter your child's absence onto the Compass App. It is a simple app that takes little time to do. If your child has a medical appointment and will be coming to school late, please **enter on Compass Late Attendance NOT Absent**. This will ensure that your child is not marked absent for a whole day.

If you are having trouble using the Compass App don't hesitate to call in at the school's office or give us a call and we can talk you through it.

CANTEEN ROSTER

12:40 - 2:00PM

Friday, 19th May – Closed

Friday, 26th May – Jenny O'Connor

Due to the Open Day's special lunch order the canteen will be **CLOSED** tomorrow, Friday 19th May. Students will need their lunch on this day.

MAY

23rd Bailee Stone,

28th Lucy Cowan, 29th Ida Lyons, 30th Caiden Watts

JUNE

1st Lawson Fehring



MOTHER'S DAY STALL

THANK YOU!

A big thank you to Janelle and Parent's Club for organising and running the Mother's Day stall last week. We hope you enjoyed the gifts the children had picked out and had a lovely day!



MAY

Monday, 22nd – School Council Meeting

Monday, 22nd – Gr. 1/2 Melbourne Zoo permission notes and payment due

Thursday, 25th – Gr. 1/2 Melbourne Zoo excursion

WWCC (WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECK)

With upcoming events, excursions and camps parent volunteers must hold a current WWCC (Working with Children Check).

- Log on to:
<https://www.workingwithchildren.vic.gov.au>.
- You will need to prove your identity as part of Your Working with Children Check application.
- You can save time by doing this online or take your proof of identity documents to the Post Office for verification in-person.
- Once you have received your WWCC card via the post please pop into the office and we will take a copy of it.



We are now taking 2024 enrolments. Full information packages with enrolment forms have been sent home with siblings and are available from the office. Please know by completing the enrolment form early, you are helping the school. If you know of any prospective Foundation (Prep) enrolments for 2024 please pass this information on to them.

Enrolments are due back by 29th July.

Please note: if you do not have a copy of your child's birth certificate and/or immunisation certificate you are able to still submit an enrolment form. These items can be presented later.

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