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UNEXPECTED EASTERN BROWN SNAKE VISITS K/1 CLASSROOM

Congratulations to William Gordon, our BRAVE Kindergarten student, who calmly and quietly informed Mr West that there was a snake in the classroom. The subsequent evacuation took place in a most orderly fashion and all the students were exemplary in their response to this unexpected visitor. We were fortunate to have our quick thinking reading Mum, Mrs Flick, who called Steve Leisk from Dolittle Farms. Mr Leisk handles snakes as part of his business and took the opportunity to share with the children how a snake is milked for their venom. Each member of the school was shown the snake biting the plastic covered jar with his sharp fangs. This was the most exciting learning activity for our school this week and we would like to thank Peg Rudd for responding to our call for help along with Mr Leisk for his fascinating lesson, and returning the snake to a safer habitat away from our school!









What's on?

Friday 16 November

Transition to School Swimming for Sport

Saturday 17 November

Market Day Stall at the Cumnock Markets

Friday 23 November

Transition to School

Swimming for Sport

Canteen Roster

Friday 16 November

Kim Dwyer

Friday 23 November

Flis Armstrong















COOGEE PUBLIC SCHOOL'S CREEPY COOGEE CARNIVAL



The continued support that we have received from our city friends and colleagues has been astounding. We would like to congratulate Mr Matt Townsend, his staff, students and school community for thinking of our little school at the recent Creepy Coogee Carnival. Mr Townsend is an ex-student of Cumnock and we are proud that he is now the Principal of Coogee Public with over 600 students in his care. Congratulations to Maloney's Grocer in Coogee who sponsored the stall selling delicious toffee apples and fresh fruit salad cups. Their amazing fundraising efforts raised over \$800 towards are Student Wellbeing program. Included in this Newsletter is a photo collage of the event and a delightful photo of Mr Townsend when he was a student at Cumnock Public. Congratulations again for this generous and thoughtful donation!

























WHITE ELEPHANT AND BAKING STALL AT THE CUMNOCK MARKETS

We are looking forward to supporting our local Cumnock Community Markets on Saturday 17th November and are seeking your kind donations. The staff and children will be selling a range of items including jams, eggs, home baking, second-hand books, old desks, and white elephant bric-a-brac. All proceeds will support our vegetable and fruit garden patch. If you are able to help on the day please contact the Office. We value your ideas, support and welcome your anticipated attendance!

DAROO AWARDS AND LONG WHITE LUNCH AWARD



What an amazing night of celebration at the 2018 Cabonne Daroo Business Awards in Eugowra, which showcased the diversity of businesses based in the Cabonne Shire. It was wonderful for the many community and school members of the Long White Lunch Committee who were awarded the St Vincent de Paul Award Contribution to Cabonne by a Community Organisation. These talented ladies have raised funds for the past 2 years for the upgrade of the toilet facilities at the



Cumnock Showground. Accolades to Peg and Paula Rudd at the Cumnock General Store for their Excellence in Service Operations Award and congratulations to all the

volunteering efforts embraced by our little community!

NEWCREST MINING'S CADIA VALLEY OPERATIONS SUPPORT OF STEM PROGRAM

Thank you to Mrs Kim Dwyer who wrote the submission for a grant through the Cadia Community Partnership Program. We are delighted to inform the school community that we were successful in our application and will receive \$1000 towards our robotics equipment in our classrooms. We appreciate the ongoing support provided by Newcrest Mining's Cadia Valley Operations and thank them for their generous donation.

WEAR RED DAY FOR RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE IN ORANGE

Ronald McDonald House in Orange provides sick children and their families with a supportive home environment so they are close to their loved ones for comfort and reassurance every single day of the year. We registered our support for this fundraising appeal last Friday and would like to thank all students and staff for wearing red. Congratulations on raising \$54.00 for this wonderful charity.

SPECIAL ASSEMBLY TO COMMEMORATE 100 YEARS SINCE THE END OF WORLD WAR 1

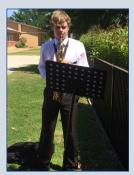
We would like to thank Mrs Hubbard for leading our special Remembrance Day Assembly last Friday. One hundred years ago, on 11 November 1918, the guns of the Western Front fell silent after four years of continuous warfare. Thank you to Hannah Gibson who accompanied me to the Church Service at St Matthew's Anglican Church on Sunday. Following the service we travelled to the Remembrance Day Commemoration at the Cumnock Memorial Gates where Hannah recited the Remembrance Day Poem, by Christian Lacdael. In front of the gates, stood a large gathering of community members, along with the Australian stockhorses and riders who stood silently in formation. This was a very moving service led by Mr Glyn Bruce with background information supplied by Mrs Val McKenzie and Mrs Dianne Strahan. Pictured is our Great War Light Horse Bear, Trooper Jones, sitting on the saddle with George Morse and his horse, Passion. Trooper Jones was donated to our school in remembrance of Private Arnold Astill and we thank this wonderful family for their kind and generous donation.



















SWIMMING FOR SPORT

Swimming will commence for all students except our TRANSITION STUDENTS this Friday 16th November. We are looking forward to swimming once again and would like to thank the Cumnock Pool Committee for their outstanding efforts to prepare the pool area for the coming swimming season. Well done to this small, hardworking group! A note will go home this week with more information around our swimming program.

A KIND AND THOUGHTFUL DEED



Every term the amount of lost property accumulates to a particularly high level and more than ever in the winter months. Last term, our volunteer reading friend, Mrs Francisco, collected, washed, folded and returned a HUGE load of lost property on our behalf. Thank you Mrs Francisco for all the extra jobs you do for our little school. We appreciate your special efforts!

ORANGE CANOBOLAS LIONS CLUB SUPPORT BREAKFAST PROGRAM

We were very pleased to receive a wonderful donation from the Orange Canobolas Lions Club in the form of orange juice and bread for our breakfast program which runs each and every day of the school year. Thank you to the voluntary members of this organisation for their thoughtful support in their quest to make a difference in their local communities in and around the Orange region.

FRUIT TREEES UNDER COVER

The Pottie family quietly performed a massive task last weekend to protect our fruit trees from birds and insect pests intent on eating our first crop of fruit. Thank you to the whole family for completing this job over the weekend to keep our gardens safe!

SCHOOL SHADES

At our recent P & C meeting, David Whetton, from School Shades, presented a session on reducing exposure to harmful ultra violet radiation by wearing sunglasses to protect children's eyes. If you are interested in purchasing a pair of these labelled sunglasses you will need to fill in the form with payment and return to the Office by November 23rd. Your child will need to be responsible for their own glasses, take care of them each day and label them clearly.

PARENT GUIDE TO THE NSW PRIMARY SYLLABUSES

Included with this Newsletter is a copy for each family of the NSW Education Standards Authority (NESA) Parent Guide to the NSW Primary Syllabuses for your perusal and information.

OUTDOOR CINEMA NIGHT AT THE CUMNOCK OVAL



We are delighted that the Uniting Family Referral Service in Dubbo have organised a second attempt at hosting a whole community event under the stars on **Thursday 13th DECEMBER** at the Cumnock Recreation Oval. This outdoor movie was cancelled last term due to the rain and cold weather. However, **EVERYONE** is welcome to attend with a **FREE Barbeque** and **Movie** with the mischievous Minions in "**Despicable Me 3**" to entertain us all. This is a family night of entertainment and the only requirement is to bring along your family members, a chair or a rug and to sit back and enjoy the fun! Please remember to notify the Office with numbers to support catering purposes. A flyer will go home shortly.

THOUGHTS AND CONDOLENCES

The whole community has been saddened by the tragic loss of Jake Whiting and our deepest thoughts and sympathies remain with the Whiting families at this very difficult time. We are able to access support for students, families and the wider community, so please do not hesitate to contact me at any time if you wish to access these services or if I can support you in any way.

