# Coffs Harbour Public School



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We acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land on which we live and work and we pay our respects to the Elders both past and present

12th November 2014

Dear Parents and Carers,

Yesterday marked the 11th day of the 11th month. At 11am we paused to remember those men and women who have died or suffered in all wars, conflicts and peace operations in a Remembrance Day ceremony. The school leaders led a very moving assembly and students laid flowers which were then taken to the cenotaph along with a wreath.



Intensive swimming lessons have been underway this week. Students have made a great start to improving their ability, safety and confidence in the water. The pool temperature has been very enjoyable too.

If you missed out on joining the Parent Focus group meeting last week to have your say in our school planning for the next 3 years, there are still opportunities for your comments. The P&C meeting tonight will continue the discussion or you can email the school at coffsharb-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au to offer ideas for school improvement.

Teachers have been busy putting the finishing touches on the Yarrahappini camp for Stage 3. It looks to be an exciting couple of days

Have a great week, Leonie

# **Excursions**

Please be aware that when excursions are organised the cut-off date for money and permission notes needs to be adhered to. Teachers endeavour to give two week's notice for upcoming excursions. We have many events coming up over the next 6 weeks. Our website also has permission notes attached to the calendar if you need another copy.

#### **Chicken Pox**

There are currently confirmed cases of Chicken Pox within the school. Following is some important information on Chicken Pox.

# Time from exposure to illness

2 to 3 weeks.

#### **Symptoms**

Slight fever, runny nose, and a rash that begins as raised pink spots that blister and scab. Can be more severe in pregnant women and newborns.

#### Do I need to keep my child home?

Yes, for 5 days from the onset of the rash and the blisters have dried.

## How can I help prevent spread?

Immunise your child at 18 months of age. Immunisation is recommended for children at 12 years if they are not immune. If your child is not immunised can you please advise the school and be aware of the exposure time.

Further information is available at the following link - http://www.health.nsw.gov.au/Infectious/factsheets/Pages/Chickenpox.aspx This is a guide only, your child should be taken to your family doctor if symptoms appear.

#### **Upcoming Events**

Date	Event
Fri 14th Nov	Stage 2-3 Yarrahappini Excursion
Fri 21st Nov	Stage 2 HSIE Excursion

#### **P&C News**

This month's P&C meeting is on tonight the 12th November 2014 at 6pm in the school staff room. Previous meeting minutes are available on the school's website. Any items for the agenda must be emailed to the P&C secretary Vicki Baldwin at chpspandc@gmail.com before the meeting. All parents/caregivers are welcome. We would love to see some new faces.

For up-to-date info on P&C activities and fundraisers check our our new Facebook page <a href="https://www.facebook.com/chpspandc">https://www.facebook.com/chpspandc</a> If you would like anything mentioned on the Facebook page please feel free to message the page and it will be updated.

### **Christmas Raffle Donations**

The P&C Annual Christmas Raffle is nearly here. We have started to collect donations for prizes. Please bring any donations to the office. All donations are greatly appreciated. Thank you. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact the P&C secretary Vicki Baldwin on 0481 056 812 or email chpspandc@gmail.com.



#### **Canteen News**

Congratulations Moe Meh for winning 3rd prize in our recent Sydney Markets Healthy Kids Competition. Moe won a backpack and drink bottle pack.



#### **Canteen Roster**

Day	Volunteers
Thur 13/11	Caroline Abrahams, Jaimelee Brown & Vicki Baldwin
Fri 14/11	Caroline Abrahams, Jaimelee Brown, Vicki Baldwin & <b>Help Needed</b>
Mon 17/11	Caroline Abrahams, Blanche Saunders & Help Needed
Tue 18/11	Canteen Closed
Wed 19/11	Caroline Abrahams, Vicki Baldwin & Help Needed



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## **CHRISTMAS FUNDRAISER**

CHPS is holding a Christmas Fare Fundraiser. The funds raised will be to support the development of the playground areas throughout the school.

We are selling Christmas items from Heather Brae Shortbreads - prices ranging from \$5.00 to \$15.00. All orders and money is due back to the school by Friday 28th November. Order forms are attached to the newsletter. Delivery of the products will be notified after the order has been placed.