



Cowwarr Primary School Newsletter

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The Fitt Bit,

One of the things that really impresses me about our children is how they support each other. During Naplan they encouraged and affirmed each other. They worked ever so quietly to allow everyone to have the best chance of producing their best work. I like the way our children account for each individuals eccentricities, including my own, and embrace differences rather than criticise them. This is a very special culture that has developed which is truly inclusive at Cowwarr.

In the senior classroom this week we reminded ourselves of what respect and team really meant and the children then recalled my words to them of how we should focus on 'the big T and the small me.'

Our culture in one sentence is just that, 'big T and small me', which shows in how we interact with others, compete in competitions, do tests, and how we learn in a cooperative way.

The other aspect of our culture that is unique is our teams magnetic attraction to its members. Kids dance into school, high five and say how happy they are to be here. That is something that I love about Cowwarr too as it is catching, and just like the children, on days when we don't feel great others cheer us up with their joy.

This is great for their education as every hour at school is precious and children who miss only minimal amounts of school can be disadvantaged by years over their entire school life

Considering the disruptions of last year and still uncertainty in the community, our team is still progressing well. There is only one more week until our building arrives to start our team on a new journey in the 21st century. We have the memories of the past but aspirations for the future and providing the most up to date resources for a

CALENDAR 2021

MAY

Thursday 20 School Council 7pm
Friday 21 Years 3 –6 3D print virtual class
Monday 24 Wellington Division Cross Country
Thursday 27 Leadership GRIP Year 6

JUNE

Tuesday 1 Dental van
Thursday 3 Gippsland Region Cross Country
Friday 4 **Pupil free day—Report writing day**
Thursday 10 MSC Yr 6 to 7 transition day
10—11 Moving into new building more details to come
Monday 14 **Queen's Birthday Public Holiday**
Thursday 17 School Council 7pm
Friday 25 Final day term 2

TERM 3

JULY

Monday 12 First day term 3
21—23 Yr 3/4 Camp Worrabinda
Tuesday 27 School Photos



21st century education.

As the world changes and our kids jobs are still being invented we need to be proactive in exposing the children to lots of different learning styles and experiences.

Our 3D printer has been running hot and children are learning how to work it, the robots and Sphero balls are constantly being programmed and children are coding on their laptops.....this is 21st century education at its best! We are also holding on to some tradition with small groups talking about

Our school is highly protective of our children and adheres to the Government Child Safety guidelines

literature and life, maths calculations being made and a focus on handwriting and presentation of work.

Next week we have a large group of children going to the next level of cross country. I am proud that we are also excelling in sport and as I type this newsletter I can hear Mr Peavey teaching sporting skills and the children excitedly participating in a game of TBall.

I would encourage everyone in the team to keep putting in, come to school everyday and embrace what this school has to offer. It's like a private school...only free!

Remember at the very foundation of the culture is a very special sentence 'big T, small me' and the better the TEAM becomes, the better is for each individual member.

Hang in there team...the new building is literally just around the corner.

Mr Fitt.

GRIP LEADERSHIP Our Year 6 are off to Sale next week to attend the Grip leadership conference.

Our Year 6 families have now made their choice for their next 6 years of schooling and selected their Secondary school for 2022 & beyond and with transitions days already underway. Our students have chosen Maffra Secondary College, St Paul's Traralgon and Catholic College Sale.



Cooler weather has arrived. Please make sure everyone comes to school dressed warmly, we do not want anyone to get sick. If you need to purchase an additional jumper, track pants or beanies please see Sam if you require any uniform items.

Along with the colder weather brings coughs and colds please remember to rug up, rest up and eat well.



CROSS COUNTRY

After finishing 2nd at the Sale Rural School we have 7 runners who have progressed onto the next stage Wellington Division at Yarram Monday 24th May.

Congratulations

Ruby, Ryder, Nate, Jacob, Jaxen, Samira & Blake



EVERY DAY COUNTS ...

A day here or there doesn't seem like much but ...

When your child misses just ...	that equals...	which is....	and therefore, from Prep to Year 12, that is ...	This means the best your child can achieve is ...
1 day a fortnight	20 days a year	4 weeks of school	Nearly 1½ years of school	Equal to finishing Year 11
1 day a week	40 days a year	8 weeks of school	Over 2½ years of school	Equal to finishing Year 10
2 days a week	80 days a year	16 weeks of school	Over 5 years of learning of learning	Equal to finishing Year 7
3 days a week	120 days a year	24 weeks of school	Over 8 years of learning	Equal to finishing Year 4

Give your child every chance to succeed ...



2022 Enrolments

We are now taking enrolments for 2022! If you have a child who will be joining us at Cowwarr Primary School in 2022, then now is the time to begin organising your enrolment for them. If you have friends or family with children looking to join our fantastic school, then please let them know that they are welcome to make a time to have a look around and enrolments are currently being taken. Please make all enrolment enquiries at the office.



Friday 4th June

Report writing day - students not required at school

HOT BREAKFAST

Tuesday 25th May

We will have baked beans or spaghetti on toast for breakfast between 8.15—8.45am

If you would like a hot breakfast please arrive prior to 8.40am

CAMPS 2021

3/4 Camp Woorabinda

21 -23 July

5/6 Camp Melbourne

18-20 August



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Rebuilding Cowwarr Primary School

Dear community members,

We will be delivering a new permanent modular building to Cowwarr Primary School between **Tuesday 25 May and Wednesday 26 May 2021**.

Final works to the pre-built modular building will then be completed on site.

The new building will contain two classroom spaces, office and administration spaces, a staff centre, a gallery, and a practical activities area.

Heavy vehicle traffic will increase as the buildings are delivered via Church Street. All relevant safety precautions will be in place to ensure the safety of the school and the wider community. We will ensure that disruption to Cowwarr Primary School and the surrounding neighbours is kept to a minimum.

The wellbeing of all students, staff and the wider community remains our priority throughout this project. If you have any questions, please call the Victorian School Building Authority on 1800 896 950, or email vsba@education.vic.gov.au

This is a significant step towards rebuilding Cowwarr Primary School. More information about the rebuild can be found at www.schoolbuildings.vic.gov.au.

Sincerely,

Victorian School Building Authority

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