



Coffee Camp Public School

Bulletin Term 4 Week 1
Wednesday 7th October 2015

Principal: Steve Boyd

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Reminders for this week

- Second \$100 excursion payment is now due
- Return outstanding swimming permission notes
- Return tuckshop help note
- Return book club order forms by 16th Oct
- Request bulletin via email – photos come in colour!
- **Have a hat at school EVERY day**

Relieving Principal's Message

Welcome back to school to all parents, staff and students for our busy Term 4. A big welcome to our new students this term - Keera and Ruby and Koen.

The weather has warmed up and all students need to be reminded to bring a hat to school. We have a "No Hat - Play in the Shade" policy.

It was wonderful to see the great performances at the school concert. We are most fortunate to have such talent in our staff and students. I hope you all enjoyed the concert and a special thanks to Susie and Wendy for organising the delicious dinner. We "fun" raised \$78 for the hall and \$254 to go towards the end of year excursions. A very big thank you to Brett Webb for the loan of the lights and sound equipment and assistance with the performance.

This term we are improving our school IT programs and developing our website. Mr Crane will have some Fridays off class working on this project and other IT programs and Ms Vos will be replacing him in the 3/4 classroom on those days.

On the 12th November we will be having a Kinder Orientation Day. Do you know anyone starting school next year? Can you recommend Coffee Camp Public School and please ask them to ring the school for further information. We still have vacancies in the K/1/2/3 classroom. The 3/4 and 5/6 classes are full.

I hope all students, parents and staff have a great Term 4.

Desley Banks

Staffing Term 4

Mr Boyd is continuing on sick leave in Term 4 so Desley Banks will continue as Relieving Principal and Jaimee Claydon will continue as the 5/6 class teacher.

Bulletin – Stay tuned for the school play report

Back to school on a Tuesday gives little time for putting a bulletin together. Our promised colourful play report will be included next week.

Join our email bulletin list to get your bulletin in colour EVERY week. You'll still get a paper copy as well.

You can give us your email address by phoning the office or email the school on coffeecamp-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au to request an email copy of the bulletin.

Awards

There was no assembly on the last day of school but we did have a very special presentation at the school concert. Georgia received her Platinum Medal. This is a fantastic achievement which is only awarded to students who are exemplary role models. Congratulations Georgia!

*****Diary Dates*****

Sat 10/10	3pm Coffee Camp Hall AGM
Thurs 12/11	Kinder Orientation – parent info morning
Fri 13/11	Kinder Orientation
16-20 Nov	Swimming lessons K/1/2/3
30/11 – 3/12	Sunshine Coast Excursion 3/4/5/6
Wed 9/12	Nimbin Carols by Candlelight
Thurs 10/12	Christmas Tree Night



School Hat Policy

The NSW Education Department has a "no hat no play" policy to protect children from the serious health risks of sun exposure.

Every day there are children who miss out on play time in the playground because they don't have a hat. There is a simple solution to this problem. If each child brings a hat to school and LEAVES IT HERE there will always be one available when they need it.

Children can wear any hat they like at school. Orange polkadots, alien spaceship shaped, glow-in-the-dark hats are all welcome. We do encourage broad brimmed hats which give better protection.

We have school hats available in sizes small and medium for \$10 and large for \$12 and ponytail hats for girls for \$10.

Children need a hat EVERY day for outside class activities.

Please help us to keep your children sun safe at school.

Tuckshop – HELP please!

To ensure that we have an operating tuckshop in Term 4 be sure to put your name down for helping on roster, cooking a meal or supplying fruit.

Return the roster help note asap.

For more information about tuckshop:

*Please contact **Susie 6689 9338** to talk about menu options and cooking for Term 4 and please contact **Linda 0416 110 438** about getting on the roster*

Senior Excursion Payment Schedule

First - \$100 should have been paid last term

Second - \$100 due by 16th October

Final - \$130 due by 13th November

Please contact the school if you are not able to meet the payment plan.

Thank you to those families who have made the first payment or contacted the school to discuss options.

School Plays – Congratulations

Thank you to the P&C for catering. It was lovely to share a meal together before the performance.

Thank you to all staff and students for their preparations and for a fabulous evening of entertainment. Thank you to the parents for help with the costumes and the food.

Congratulations to the very talented Mr Crane and his 3/4 students with their home grown tribute to Mr Boyd in the very original performance 'Oh Boydie, this is your life'.

The songs and stories portrayed were thoroughly enjoyed by Mr Boyd.

K/1/2/3 News

On Friday 16th October at 10am at Coffee Camp Public Hall our class will be performing our 2 plays – 'The three elephants' and 'The pig who cried wolf'.

This special repeat performance is so that our narrator who broke her arm on the concert day will be able to have her turn on the stage. **Could all students please bring their costumes on that day.** Any parent who would like to attend is most welcome.

Enrolments 2016

We are starting to plan for our classes in 2016. Families with siblings starting next year will be given enrolment paper work next week.

If you know of other families with children interested in enrolling at Coffee Camp next year please ask them to contact the school.

We have vacancies available in K/1/2/3 while our 3/4 and 5/6 classes are currently full.

Book Club

Book club orders are attached. Please return your order by Friday 16th October.

There is no obligation to buy these books.

Book club orders and LOOP instructions

Please note that if you are using the online LOOP ordering system for book club you will not find your child's class listed under Coffee Camp School on the website. That is because we do one order for all students under the class name **whole school**. Please use **whole school** for all students.

Please return your orders by Thursday 3rd September.

There is no obligation to buy these books.

IMPORTANT - Swimming in Term 4

All children in K/1/2/3 will be participating in swimming lessons. Please contact the school if you feel that your child doesn't need swimming lessons.

If you have a child in year 4/5/6 who you would like to attend swimming lessons please contact the school because we have a few extra places available.

Swimming will be held at the Goonellabah Sports & Aquatic Centre from Mon-Fri in Week 7 of Term 4 (16th-20th November).

The cost for 5 lessons with qualified swimming instructors, pool entry and bus travel is \$66 per child. The school will be subsidising the cost and you are only required to pay \$50 per child.

Please complete the permission note and return to school by THIS FRIDAY as we need to allocate seats on the bus. Payment can be made by 13th November.

Coffee Camp Hall AGM – Saturday 10th October

Please join us at Coffee Camp Hall THIS Saturday 10th

October at 3pm for the AGM which will be followed by a general meeting.

Please support our local Hall which provides the venue for our school performances.



Enquires and apologies please phone Steve Mills on 6689 1022.

10 Evidence Based Principles of Effective Teaching

Principle 1: Care about helping your kids to do the best that they can

Effective teachers are passionate about helping their students to learn. They form warm and caring relationships with their students.

However, they also set high expectations, and they demand that their students meet them.

This leads to a situation where the teacher and students are working together towards a common goal – helping every child to learn as much as they can.



Seeing Daylight

Why is short-sightedness ("myopia") becoming so common in many countries? 30 - 40% and rising in the US, Europe and Australia? Too much reading? Too much screen time? It would appear that myopia, once rare in human beings, is the result of too much artificial light and not enough natural daylight, which is a thousand times stronger and has more blue and green wavelengths.

Children who spend more time outdoors have sharper eyesight than those who play indoors, research from Queensland, Taiwan and Denmark have all revealed, and the mechanism is that artificial light weakens the eyeball's focussing mechanism. The answer: get your children outdoors for an hour a day, which is enough to improve eyesight in the growing years.

