Canobolas Public School News

Term 4: Week 4 – 28th October 2015

From little things, big things grow...

Field Days Opening
Our Big Band attended the Field Days last Thursday to play at the Official Opening. They played beautifully as always in less than ideal conditions. Congratulations to students and teachers once again for proudly representing Canobolas PS in such a positive way.

State Cricket
This week Harry West is representing Western Region at the State Cricket Titles in Barooga. We look forward to hearing the results on his return to school next week.

Coo-ee March
Yesterday eight Canobolas PS students attended the ‘Coo-ee March’ Re-enactment in Orange as part of a very special commemoration. The re-enactment commemorated 100 years since the original Coo-ee Recruitment March travelled from Gilgandra to Sydney in October and November 1915. 263 men answered the call of ‘Coo-ee! Come and join us’. Parades and Memorial Ceremonies will be held at many of the towns and villages where the original Coo-ees stopped and encouraged men to enlist in the AIF during World War 1.

Education Week – Book Week
This year the theme for Book Week is ‘Books Light Up Our World’. Next Tuesday we will celebrate with a Book Fair, an Assembly and Open Classrooms.

11.15 Morning Tea under trees/Book Fair in the Library
11.45 Assembly
12.30 Open classrooms with displays from the Book Week Theme
1.15 Picnic lunch in the playground

OSSA Spec
A combined production involving over 400 students presented by the Orange Small Schools Association takes place on Tuesday 10th and 11th of November. Tickets can be obtained through Ticketec if you are planning to go. Students at Canobolas PS K-6 have been invited to the full dress rehearsal at a cost of $5. Students will travel by bus to and from the Civic Centre. A note with further information will be sent home with students today.

Excursion 3-6
It’s finally here! Tomorrow morning at 6am students and teachers from Years 3-6 will travel by bus on their excursion to Sydney. The children will visit many of the major attractions in Sydney and the Blue Mountains before returning at approximately 8.15 on Friday evening. We will keep you updated via the School Facebook Page.

Colour City Challenge Training
If you are interested in entering the Colour City Running Challenge next year, we will start to train this Sunday at Lake Canobolas. 6.00 start, bring along BBQ for afterwards if you would like. It is always a lovely social evening after a hard run. See Mrs Manson for more details.

School Swimming Lessons
The Department of Education School Swimming Scheme is an Intensive Learn to Swim program which develops Water Confidence, Basic Water Safety and Survival Skills. Swim school is for all Year 2 students and targeted children in Years 3-6. Lessons commence Monday the 23rd of November. This is a crucial life skill for all students and intensive swimming lessons are a great way to rapidly build skills and confidence. Notes will be sent home with participating students this week.

Accounts
Final accounts will be sent out this week for 2015. Please organise payment with the office at your earliest convenience.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

October
29-30th Yrs 3/6 Sydney Excursion

November
3rd Education Week
   Book Week
4th Kindergarten Orientation
10-11th OSSA Spec
11th Kindergarten Orientation
17th Assembly K/1/2
18th Kindergarten Orientation
23rd Start Swim School
24th Assembly 3/4/5

December
1st Assembly Year 6
4th End Swim School
14th Year 6 Dinner
15th Year 6 Morning Tea
16th Last Day Term 4

Sam at the Coo-ee March in Robertson Park
**Thursday Cake Day Roster**

**This Week – 29th October**

Caulfield  McKay

**Due to the Sydney excursion the West, Wilkinson and Wright families will not be required to bring cakes this week.**

**Next Week – 5th November**

Shiner  Caulfield  Moore  Pearce  Bopping

**Upcoming Cake Day Roster - November**

- 12th – McCardell / Badman / Burton / Boardman / Buckland
- 19th - Butcher (Alina) / Merrell / Kingham / Simmons / King
- 26th – Towns / Murphy / Ashcroft / Morgan / Parker

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**MIDDLETONS ICE BLOCKS** - In last week’s newsletter, I incorrectly listed a price rise for ice blocks. I have since clarified the cost and am pleased to let everyone know that **Middletons are still $1 each** and are available for the children to purchase at lunchtime. Sorry for the confusion.

**Book/Education Week** will be celebrated at CPS on Tuesday, 3rd November and the P&C will be supply morning tea for our visitors. If you are able to bake something, please leave it in the kitchen at school drop off, or bring it with you at 11:15. If you are able to help set up tea/coffee and morning tea, please come along at about 10:45 – hopefully it will be a lovely day and we’ll be able to enjoy the schools beautiful grounds.

**Commemorative Tiles** – will be available to purchase for $10 for 1 tile, $15 for 2 and $20 for 3. There will be a space set up to add a personal message/image on your tile. The P&C are producing these tiles to be used as a feature in the school playground – what kind of feature is still to be decided.

**150-year merchandise** – we are also taking advantage of visitors to our school and will have 150-year hats, caps and bags available for sale. Bags & maroon bucket hats are $10 each and black caps $12.

The P&C will be holding a **fruit salad day** at the end of term, date to be confirmed. We’ll need a few people to help prepare and serve on the day. So, as soon as the date is confirmed, I will let you know.

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**P&C Calendar of Events**

**November**

- 3rd – Book / Education Week
- 18th – Kindergarten Orientation

**December**

- TBA - Fruit Salad Day

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**IMPORTANT NOTE DUE TO ALLERGIES**

The School asks that parents don’t send nut related foods or meringues to school due to student allergies

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THANK YOU 😊
Respicius Raphael Rugimbana

Here is a short update from World Vision about our sponsor child. Your effort baking on cake day and sending money for the children to purchase cakes each week, raises enough money for the school to financially support and help educate him each year. This year Respicius’ community has benefited from classroom construction, water pipe and tank construction, school desks and text books.

Respicious turned 14 this year and he’s in Year 3 at school. He walks 1-km to school each day, has 25 children in his class, and enjoys a subject called Swahili – *does anyone know what this may be????* His best friend is Edwine and they enjoy collecting firewood together, they also play games, tell stories, read books and sing songs – *not much different to what our children like to do.* In the village where Respicious lives, they grow bananas and beans, which is good because one of his favourite fruits is banana along with mango and orange. He has also received many medical benefits – nutritional support, medical supplies, HIV/AIDS prevention education and de-worming treatment – along with training in food storage and preservation, malaria prevention and control training, health and nutritional training and modern farming/animal husbandry training.

So as you can see, our Thursday cake days are not only something that our children look forward to each week, they also raise money to help out a whole village, in a country where children have a lot less opportunity than ours. As a school community, we should feel very proud of ourselves for making such a difference to someone less fortunate than ourselves. Thank you for your continued support.
Whooping cough information for schools
There is an outbreak of whooping cough (pertussis) in NSW, mainly affecting school-aged children.

Coughing spreads the infection to others nearby. Whooping cough can spread to anyone at home, including younger brothers and sisters. Whooping cough can be especially dangerous for babies.

Whooping cough starts like a cold and progresses to bouts of coughing that can last for many weeks. The infection can occur even in fully-vaccinated children. Older children may just have a cough that is persistent and may be worse at night.

- Children with these symptoms should see a doctor.

- If your doctor diagnoses whooping cough in your school-aged child, please let the school know and keep your child at home until they have taken 5 days of antibiotics. Keep coughing children away from babies.

- Whooping cough vaccines give good protection against infection but immunity fades with time. Check that all your children are up to date with their vaccines, due at 6 weeks, 4 months, 6 months, 4 years and 12 years of age (offered to all Year 7 students through the NSW school-based vaccination program). A booster is also recommended at 18 months of age.

A booster dose of vaccine is also recommended for adults that are in contact with young children, such as school staff and parents. Pregnant women are recommended to have a booster dose during each pregnancy and this is funded by NSW Health. Those who are new parents or carers of babies should consult their general practitioner about appropriate immunisation.

Your local public health unit can provide advice about whooping cough on 1300 066 055 or visit the NSW Health website for information for childcare and schools about whooping cough.