



Coburg West Primary School

FRIDAY 10th September 2021

DATE	ACTIVITY	DETAILS
Wednesday 15 th September	Planning /Wellbeing Wednesday	Staff Planning/No Feedback
"	School Council Meeting	6pm Online
Friday 17 th September	Curriculum Day / END OF TERM 3	Student Free
Monday 4 th October	TERM 4 BEGINS	RESUME 9.00am
Tuesday 2 nd November	Melbourne Cup	Public Holiday
Sunday 21 st November	Bunnings BBQ	TBA
Friday 17 th December	END OF TERM 4	DISMISSAL 1:30pm

Dear School Community,

We have reached the final Newsletter for Term 3. While we have spent much of this school term moving in and out of lockdowns, we must be proud of the efforts of all our students, staff and parent community in keeping our school a safe place. We should also be proud of everyone's efforts to continue our learning, regardless if we are in our classrooms or onscreen.

REMINDERS

I remind all families that in this final week of term, we have a whole staff **Planning Day on Wednesday 15th September** and a **Curriculum Day on Friday 17th September**.

When learning onsite, we normally schedule a week of alternative timetables at the end of each term, to enable each teaching team to have a day out of their classrooms, enabling them to plan for the term of learning ahead. Given the current circumstances, we will utilise next week's Wellbeing Wednesday as a day for every staff member to meet and plan in their teams. As we have been doing, the students will be provided with a Wellbeing and a Digital Technologies learning task to complete. However, please note that teachers will not be providing feedback throughout this day, as they will be focussed on their planning with their respective teams. For those students registered for Onsite Supervision, Casual Relief Teachers will be onsite to support and supervise those children for the day.

As for Friday, this School Council approved Curriculum Day will proceed, moving to an online format for all staff. As we normally would do for a Curriculum Day, the Out of School Hours Care team have offered a full day of care for any students needing supervision on this day. The school itself, will not be providing onsite supervision, therefore please ensure you contact Gina at OSHC directly to arrange for your children to be booked in for the day if required.

NAPLAN RESULTS ARE IN

Many of you who have children in grades three or five, will be aware that the NAPLAN results have been released. As a school, we are very proud of the results received by every child across our school. We know

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that each of them has done their very best on these tests which were spread across three days in May this year.

I urge every parent to assure their child that the results of these tests do not define them as a person. It is important to remember that there are so many talents and skills that each child has, which are not considered by the NAPLAN tests. In support of this idea, I invite you to view and share with your child, a brief animation called [The Testing Camera](#).

As per the COMPASS notification, you would be aware that we will be sending home each child's Individual NAPLAN Report once we all return to onsite learning. If any family needs this report before that time, you may collect your child's report from the front office between the hours of 9:30am and 2:30pm. To ensure safety for everyone, we would appreciate a call ahead of your visit, so that it can be ready for you to pick up, and you are asked to utilise the QR Code before you enter the building, wear a face mask and maintain social distances when approaching the office.

PRINCIPAL'S CHALLENGE – INTERNATIONAL DOT DAY

Today (Friday 10th September), Ms Amerena, Mr Niciak, Ms Mardesic, Ms Preston and I attended a full day Literacy Conference online, which was presented by the Australian Literacy Educators' Association (ALEA) and the Australian Centre for the Moving Image (ACMI). We were all very excited to see and hear from Peter and Paul Reynolds, who are twin brothers from Boston. They are both authors, illustrators and animators. Many of our students may be familiar with some of their books such as *The Dot*, *Ish* or the animation mentioned above *The Testing Camera*.

As part of their work, they support and encourage the development of creativity in children across the world. Over the years, their most popular book *The Dot* has evolved into a world-wide event for children known as International Dot Day. This special event takes place this coming Wednesday 15th September and as such, I challenge all students to get creative and send me a dot!

For inspiration you can view a read aloud of *The Dot* [here](#) and then, "make a mark and see where it takes you".

I challenge each student to get creative, make a DOT and send a picture of it through to me at coburg.west.ps@education.vic.gov.au by 4pm on Wednesday 15th September. I will be looking for the most creative Dots to share in upcoming Newsletters & Assemblies. Don't forget to include your name and grade with your entry, as well as writing DOT DAY PRINCIPAL CHALLENGE in the email subject.

TERM 4

I remind everyone that Term 4 starts at 9am on Monday 4th October. At the point of writing this, we are not aware what the situation will be for schools across Melbourne. We are hoping for a full return of all students to onsite learning, but we all need to be prepared that we may still be in Remote and Flexible Learning for the start of Term.

We will endeavour to keep you all informed as soon as we are able, so please keep your eye on COMPASS through this upcoming holiday break.

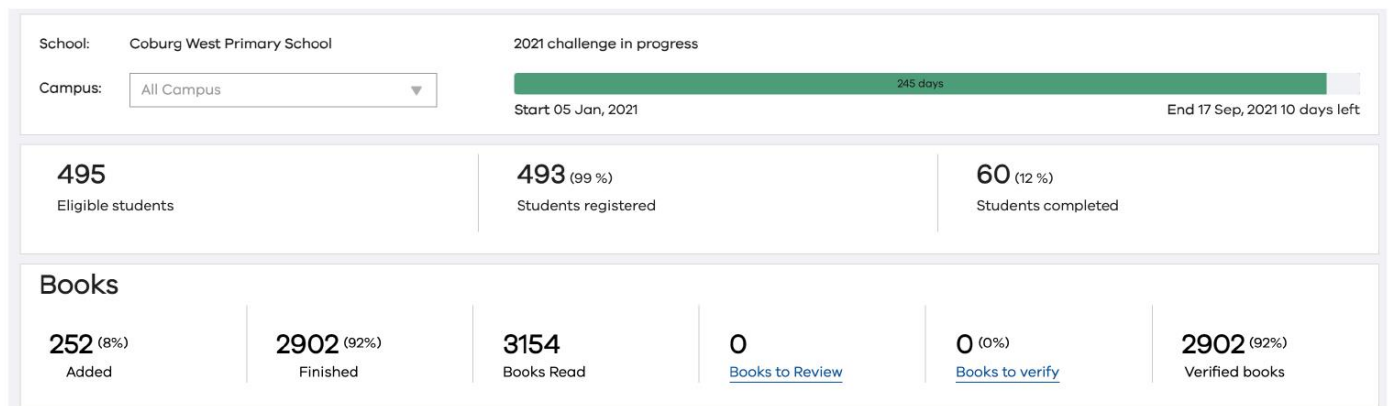
Wishing everyone a very safe and relaxing holiday, filled with warm sunshine.

Kind regards,
Mark COLAGRANDE
PRINCIPAL



We're nearly there! **This challenge ends this coming week on Friday 17th September**, so make sure that you log every book that you have read to meet the challenge. By logging those books, you might also be the student in your class who gets the elusive Premier's Reading Challenge pin this year. It will go to one student from each class who has completed the challenge and read and registered the most books. Once again, every book must be added by Friday 17th September.

Thank you to all the participants this year. We have a record year of participants and a record year of completion. With still a week to go, we have increased the number of students who have completed the challenge from previous years, which is incredible! Keep up the wonderful commitment to this challenge, you're all doing a brilliant job!



Patricia Amerena
English Leading Teacher



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Cake Baking and Decorating

Week 8

Remote & Flexible Learning

VISUAL ARTS





Selena T Foundation Y



Anouk D
Foundation L



Aurora J Foundation L



FOSTER CARE INFORMATION NIGHT

Ever thought about fostering children or young people?

Anglicare Victoria is looking for people who have a place in their heart for a child in need of a safe home. Care can be short term or long term. Training, support & reimbursement provided.

Foster Care Information Session:

Wednesday 22nd September (via Zoom) | 6.30pm - 7.30pm
Anglicare North West Region

Come along to find out more & have your questions answered.

CALL US on 9301 5200 or carer.info@anglicarevic.org.au

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GREEK



Αγαπητοί γονείς και μαθητές σας ευχαριστώ!

A very big **THANK YOU** to all students who have participated in the Olympic challenge over the past couple of weeks. The grade 3 to 6 Greek students have been very busy completing various challenges from 'My big gat Greek Olympic Challenge'.

There is still time to complete your challenge tasks until the end of term. Looking forward in seeing more challenge tasks over the next week.

Here are just some of the great tasks that have been submitted so far.

Mrs Menikou

Christopher.E



Nicole.S



Thomas.R



Alexander.G



Amalie



Nicholas

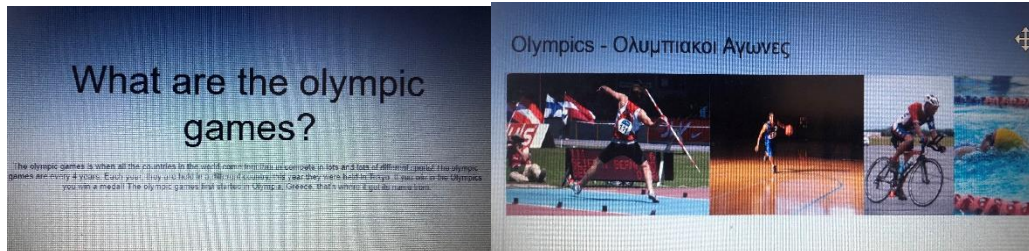


Satina



The olive wreath is known as kotinos in Greek. The winners at the ancient Olympic Games were rewarded the kotinos. The kotinos was a wreath made from a branch from a sacred wild olive tree, the Kallistefanos Elea that grew in Olympia. The kotinos was made in a circle or a horse shoe shape. The olive branches on the kotinos were also regarded as a symbol of peace between nations. The kotinos also symbolizes Peace, Wisdom, Fertility, Prosperity, Immortality, and Success.

Dimitra



Stephanie.K

The Olympic symbols are icons, flags and symbols used by the International Olympic Committee. These symbols include those commonly used during Olympic competition, such as the flame, fanfare and theme, as well as those used throughout the years, such as the Olympic flag. The Olympic flag was created under the guidance of Baron de Coubertin in 1913. The five rings represent the five continents of the world.

Peter



THANK YOU FOR YOUR
SUPPORT OF THE

COBURG WEST WARRIORS!



BEANIES ARE NOW READY FOR COLLECTION!

Beanies can be collected from the school office* or will be delivered to classrooms on the students return to school.

*PLEASE FOLLOW COVID PROTOCOLS WHEN
COLLECTING BEANIES. SIGN-IN USING THE QR CODE
AND ENSURE SOCIAL DISTANCING IS ADHERED TO.
COLLECTION BETWEEN 9:30AM-2:30PM

SHORE RESERVE SHOWDOWN NEWS



COBURG WEST WARRIORS

Unfortunately, due to the current COVID restrictions, the Shore Reserve Showdown 2021 has been cancelled. Although the event has been cancelled two years running, both Coburg West and Pascoe Vale South organising teams are committed to holding a Showdown event in 2022!

Thank you to our organising committee, headed by Monica Cullen and Amanda Handley, who have done an amazing job in such trying circumstances.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

A BIG THANKS to our playing group who joined in the training sessions and Rick from CWPS and Clint from PVSPS for their training and leadership.

THANK YOU to the following companies who agreed to sponsor the Shore Reserve Showdown 2021:

- Comb Construction
- Bild Group
- Barry Plant
- Brazel Haley Maggs Architects
- O'Hey Cafe

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