



# COBURG WEST PRIMARY SCHOOL

**FRIDAY 19<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2021**

<b>Term 1</b>	<b>Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> January to Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> April 2021</b>
<b>Term 2</b>	<b>Monday 19<sup>th</sup> April to Friday 25<sup>th</sup> June 2021</b>
<b>Term 3</b>	<b>Monday 12<sup>th</sup> July to Friday 17<sup>th</sup> September 2021</b>
<b>Term 4</b>	<b>Monday 4<sup>th</sup> October to Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December 2021</b>

DATE	ACTIVITY	DETAILS
<b>FEBRUARY</b>	<b>TERM 1</b>	
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> February	Ceres excursion	Grades 3/4 A,K,M Depart at 9.30am - Return 3pm
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> February	Ceres excursion	Grades 3/4 R,J,S Depart at 9.30am - Return 3pm
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> to Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> February	Grade 6 Camp	Portsea
<b>MARCH</b>		
Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> March	Curriculum Day	Student free day
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> March	Pascoe Vale v CWPS	Away
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> March	LABOUR DAY	Public Holiday
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> March	CWPS v Coburg North	Home
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> March	Excursion to Chinese Museum	Grade 6
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> March	CWPS v St Olivers	Home
Wednesday 31 <sup>st</sup> March	Kaboom Sports	Whole school
<b>APRIL</b>		
Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> April	END OF TERM 1	DISMISSAL 2.30 PM
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> April	TERM 2 BEGINS	RESUMES 9.00 AM
<b>MAY</b>		
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> to Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> May	NAPLAN	Students in Grades 3 & 5 only
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> May	School photos	Whole school
Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> May	Cross Country	Grade 3-6
Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> May	Cross Country	Backup
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> May	Mr Huff performance	Prep-Grade 2
<b>JUNE</b>		
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> June	END OF TERM 2	DISMISSAL 2.30pm
Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> July	TERM 3 BEGINS	RESUME 9.00am

**Dear School Community,**

Well we thought it might happen, it did and we made it through yet again. Lock-down 3.0, while only impacting three school days, it is over and everyone is back on deck, with smiles.

However, the current restrictions do still require correctly fitted face masks to be worn indoors and outdoors if social distancing cannot be achieved. Therefore, I remind everyone to carry and wear a face mask if needed during school drop off and pick up.

This last lock-down has however impacted quite a few other aspects of our school.

## **Parent Information Sessions**

Given the restrictions relating to numbers of visitors indoors and density of indoor spaces, these sessions were moved to online presentations. You would have received an email providing both a link to the presentations on our website, along with a link to a survey allowing you to provide feedback and ask questions. If you haven't done so already, please take the time to view and respond to the survey.

## **Curriculum Day**

Also impacted was the Curriculum Day planned for last Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> February. Last year we booked a highly respected Literacy Consultant to facilitate this day. The plan for the day is for all staff to work collaboratively and begin a process for further work across this year. Given the importance of this day's work, we were able to negotiate an alternate date, and with School Council approval, we were able to postpone this **Curriculum Day to Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2021.**

## **School Council Elections**

Our School Council Election timeline also needed to be revised due to the Lock-down. Today you would have received notification via a COMPASS Newsfeed, informing you of the Nominees and the revised timeline. As such, one Ballot Paper per family will be sent home with the eldest child from each family next Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> February 2021. Each family will then have **until 4pm on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> March to return your completed Ballot Paper.**

## **School Captains and Student Leaders**

I am pleased to inform you all, that last week the 2021 School Captains were announced to be **Stephanie W and Noah V.** These two students were part of a group of fourteen students who have been campaigning and making speeches at student assemblies. All students and staff across our school were given the opportunity to vote for their preferred candidates and as such we now have our School Captains in Stephanie and Noah. The other twelve candidates now form part of our Student Leadership group and they are; Archie R, Vasili A, Lachie K, Ollek G, Eve K, Olivia V, Sara S, Hannah H, Stephanie P, Luca M, Lachlan C and Abigail H. Please join me in congratulating each and every one of them and I look forward to working with these Leaders across the year.

## **Bike Cage**

Over the last couple of weeks, our second Bike Cage has been installed. This will provide ample storage space for all the bikes and scooters used by our students in their commute to and from school each day. It was very much needed, as on most days the existing cage was quite literally overflowing. Thank you to the Coburg West School Community Group for their contributions of funds raised, to assist in the installation of this second Bike Cage.

With our Prep students starting classes and exploring our school grounds, the students overall have made a very calm and positive start to this school year.

I wish our Grade Six students and staff well as they head off next week for their Portsea Camp. I know they have been anxious about whether or not they could go, so I am sure they will all appreciate and enjoy the experience.

**Kind regards to all,  
Mark COLAGRANDE  
Principal**

## **IMPORTANT: Supporting the Community via Virtual Presentations**

At this time of year, we would normally be preparing face to face information sessions about the process of volunteering in our school and how to help your child with reading at home. In light of the ongoing changes to restrictions and COVID Safe Guidelines, it would be best to communicate this information via virtual presentations. Therefore, please be aware, that over the next week you will be forwarded a COMPASS link to our website where you will find links to two presentations, along with information booklets that you can refer back to as needed.

### **Presentation One: Parent Helpers & Volunteers at CWPS**

This explains processes and procedures of how, where and when to volunteer, along with strategies to support you when you are working with the children in the classroom.

### **Presentation Two: How to Help Your Child with Reading at Home**

This explains how reading is taught at CWPS, how to assist your child if he/she is having difficulty and some ideas are shared for supporting consistent, independent reading development.

We hope that you take the time to watch these presentations and that they provide you with some support as we begin this school year.

Kind regards,

Patricia Amerena  
English Leading Teacher



## **CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 2021 STUDENT LEADERS**

**FRONT:** Archie R, Vasili A, Lachie K, Ollek G, Eve K, Stephanie W, Mr Niciak, Noah V, Olivia V, Sara S

**BACK:** Hannah H, Stephanie P, Luca M, Lachlan C, Abigail H

## COBURG WEST 2021 CERTIFICATES

Values:

We are **Learners** / We are **Respectful** / We are **Safe** / We **Care** about others

Name	Grade	Value	Awarded by
Josephine R	1/2A	Care	Miss Alihos
Hugo W	1/2B	Learning	Miss Blackman
Niamh M	1/2D	Care	Mr Peric
Keira T	1/2E	Safety	Ms Esposito
Pepe	1/2P	Learning	Ms Preston
Brandon G	3/4A	Care	Mrs Spiteri/Mrs Pavich
Billy S	3/4J	Learning	Mrs Rigby
Emily	3/4K	Learning	Mr Krauss
Violet W	3/4M	Care	Miss Mardesic
Sabine T	3/4R	Respect	Ms Roberts
Claudia B	3/4S	Learning	Miss Spyrou
Abigail H	5/6B	Learning	Ms Blatti/Mr Kashani
Belinda H	5/6F	Learning	Miss Franco
Amelie	5/6J	Learning	Mr Jenkins
Oliver A	5/6N	Care	Mr Niciak
Sophia	5/6S	Care	Ms Steward/Ms McKenzie
Evie K	5/6T	Learning	Mr Torpey



### **CWPS IS A SUNSMART SCHOOL**

This means that all students must wear a broad brimmed hat when outdoors

# COMMUNITY GROUP

*February 19th 2021 • Term 1*



## CHILL N' GRILL

*We are very excited to announce the Chill n' Grill is going ahead in 2021.*

*On Friday March 12, in the Canteen Courtyard straight after the 3:30 bell.*

*Look out for volunteer sign-up!*

## CLASS REPS

*Parent Class Reps are still needed for the following classes - please get in touch asap if you'd like to put your hand up for the role or would like more information.*  
[cwpsrepcoordinator@gmail.com](mailto:cwpsrepcoordinator@gmail.com)

1/2A, 1/2B, 1/2D, 1/2E, 1/2F

3/4R, 3/4S

5/6B, 5/6F, 5/6N (we don't need a rep for each 5/6 class, but a couple of reps across those year levels would be useful!)



## CG MEETING TAKE 2!

*Community Group Meeting:*

*Friday March 12 at 2:45pm  
Canteen Courtyard*

*ALL INVITED - Bring your ideas!!*



# Positive Behaviour Matrix

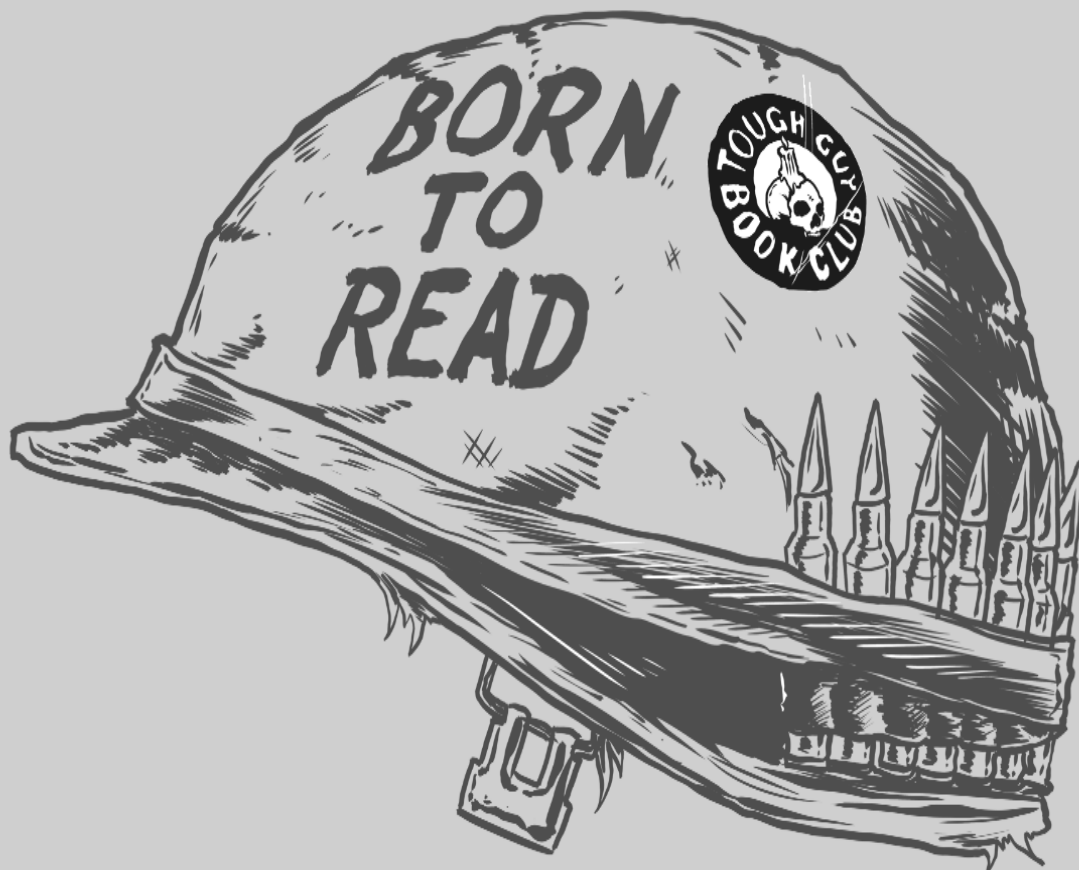
At CWPS we work together to create and promote a safe, respectful, and caring learning environment for all.



Coburg West  
Primary School

	<b>We are RESPECTFUL</b> 	<b>We CARE about each other</b> 	<b>We are SAFE</b> 	<b>We are LEARNERS</b> 
<b>EVERYWHERE</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>We listen to our teachers and each other</li> <li>We work with each other in a positive way</li> <li>We keep our school clean and tidy</li> <li>We use good manners</li> <li>We look after school property and our belongings</li> <li>We tell the truth</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>We include others</li> <li>We respect each other's differences</li> <li>We encourage and support others</li> <li>We respect people's space</li> <li>We help others feel safe</li> <li>We are considerate of others</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>We walk quietly and calmly</li> <li>We move and act safely</li> <li>We keep our hands and feet to ourselves</li> <li>We follow instructions</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>We are curious</li> <li>We ask for help</li> <li>We learn from our mistakes</li> <li>We work in a positive way</li> <li>We are organised</li> </ul>
<b>IN LEARNING AREAS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>We let others learn</li> <li>We raise hands to share</li> <li>We listen to others</li> <li>We show patience</li> <li>We pack up and clean up</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>We speak to each other kindly</li> <li>We include others</li> <li>We help each other</li> <li>We respect and listen to each other's views and opinions</li> <li>We cooperate</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>We walk when we need to move</li> <li>We respect each other's space</li> <li>We stay where we need to be</li> <li>We keep our hands to ourselves</li> <li>We are cybersafe</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>We are on time and ready to learn</li> <li>We 'have a go' with our work</li> <li>We stay on task</li> <li>We ask questions</li> </ul>
<b>IN THE YARD</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>We give others their personal space</li> <li>We share outside space and equipment</li> <li>We put our rubbish in the bin</li> <li>We look after the environment</li> <li>We follow teacher's instructions</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>We walk through breezeways and around corners</li> <li>We include others</li> <li>We are careful with balls and other equipment</li> <li>We let the teacher know if someone is hurt</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>We use equipment in the expected way</li> <li>We are sun smart</li> <li>We look out for others</li> <li>We keep our hands and feet to ourselves</li> <li>We use the 5-finger plan when we don't agree with others</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>We leave the yard when the music goes</li> <li>We line up calmly and quietly</li> <li>We keep equipment in our hands at line up</li> <li>We listen to teachers</li> </ul>
<b>IN CORRIDORS AND ON THE STAIRS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>We walk</li> <li>We close doors quietly</li> <li>We consider the learners around us</li> <li>We are patient</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>We keep our volume low</li> <li>We give each other space</li> <li>We keep our hands and feet to ourselves</li> <li>We put rubbish in the bin</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>We keep to the left</li> <li>We walk calmly and quietly</li> <li>We keep our bags and belongings off the ground</li> <li>We pick up things that have fallen to the floor</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>We move to our next class calmly and quietly</li> <li>We return to our learning spaces in a calm and timely way</li> <li>We think about the classes around us</li> </ul>
<b>IN THE TOILETS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>We keep toilets clean and clear</li> <li>We respect each other's privacy</li> <li>We keep our noise down</li> <li>We use the toilets as we would at home</li> <li>We only use the soap and toilet paper we need</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>We keep the lights on</li> <li>We wait for each other</li> <li>We let teachers know if there is a problem</li> <li>We are patient of others</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>We use door locks safely</li> <li>We wash our hands thoroughly</li> <li>We sit on toilet seats</li> <li>We keep water in the sink and the floor dry</li> <li>We put rubbish in the bin</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>We use toilets during recess and lunch breaks</li> <li>We return to our learning spaces as soon as possible</li> <li>We keep our noise down</li> <li>Flush, wash, dry, goodbye</li> </ul>

CWPS School Wide Positive Behaviour Matrix



# TOUGH GUY BOOK CLUB

is a collective of monthly book clubs for the thinking tough guy.  
Wash down life's big ideas with anything from classic prose to modern pulp.  
Too loud for libraries, too good to miss.

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[f FB.COM/TOUGHGUYBOOKCLUB](https://www.facebook.com/TOUGHGUYBOOKCLUB)

7PM - FIRST WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH

COBURG RSL  
323 SYDNEY ROAD  
COBURG VIC 3058

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# SELECT ENTRY ACCELERATED LEARNING (SEAL) PROGRAM



## What is SEAL?

SEAL provides personalised teaching and learning through a program that meets the needs of gifted and talented learners. The program provides stimulating learning experiences that challenge, extend and develop the gifts and talents of students by offering acceleration and enrichment. The SEAL program at Pascoe Vale Girls College offers a faster paced curriculum with the opportunity to study concepts in greater depth. There is an emphasis on higher order thinking and learning skills. Students who are capable of working independently, enjoy intellectual challenges and have a high level of academic ability are encouraged to apply.

## How do you apply?

- Visit the school website [www.pvgc.vic.edu.au](http://www.pvgc.vic.edu.au)
- Go to the Student Learning section and click on SEAL
- Register using the link to the online application and entry test
- Students who wish to be considered for this program are required to sit an entrance test administered by Edutest (a fee applies)
- 2022 applications close on Monday 24th May, 2021
- 2022 testing takes place at PVGC on Saturday 29th May, 2021
- You will be notified about the location, time and conditions of the test closer to the date

For more information about the SEAL program at PVGC please contact  
Dani Bedohazy, Assistant Principal, on 9306 2544 or [bedepvgc.vic.edu.au](mailto:bedepvgc.vic.edu.au)



# MUSIC SCHOLARSHIPS ARE OPEN.

For a term of free lessons please apply by filling out these details and emailing to [violinmaz@gmail.com](mailto:violinmaz@gmail.com)

Instruments available

Cello ( Katy Molina)

Violin (Jessica Thame)

Flute / recorder ( Aawa White)( recorder from prep, flute from grade 2)

Clarinet ( Mitchell Hand) (grade 4 students and above only)

Saxophone (Mitchell Hand) ( grade 4 students and above only)

Parent name:

Student name:

Student year level / class:

Parent phone:

Parent email:

Instrument interested in:

The scholarships will include a term of group lessons. Instruments can be hired through the school or by other arrangement or students can use their own.

Applications close: 8th March.

## BOOK A TALK & TOUR - 9321 9200

A secondary school for boys  
in the heart of the city.

Enrolments open for 2022.  
Limited places for 2021  
available in some year levels.



**Small Class Sizes. Big Opportunities - [www.sccmelb.catholic.edu.au](http://www.sccmelb.catholic.edu.au)**

# MUSIC TEACHER FOR 2021

## **Instrumental Teachers at Coburg West**

Dear families,

Please find a list of instrumental teachers who will be teaching out of school hours at Coburg West this term.

### **PIANO / KEYBOARD INDIVIDUAL LESSONS**

JENNIFER HANNA

0458 219 537

### **KEYBOARD GROUP LESSONS**

Denis Phelan

0414 414 256

### **FLUTE / RECORDER**

Aawa White

0490 850 254

### **GUITAR**

Mariella Callegari

0451 536 208

### **VIOLIN / VIOLA**

Marianne Rothschild

0417 550 924

Jessica Thame

0400 417 994

### **CELLO and beginner piano and violin**

Katy Molina - 0433 971 172

### **SAXOPHONE / CLARINET /UKULELE**

Mitchell Hand

0403 756 734

[mjhand98@gmail.com](mailto:mjhand98@gmail.com)

### **DRUMS**

Ryan Williams

0431 616 602

If you need to either arrange restarting lessons with a current teacher or wish to begin an instrument with a new teacher please contact the teacher directly.

Thank you.



2021 TERM 1 DISCOVER MERCY

# Open Days



Meet our Principal, explore the facilities and chat with our students and staff.

Saturday 27 February 10:00am - 11:30am

Monday 1 March 9:30am and 6:00pm

Book your session now via the website

[mercycoburg.catholic.edu.au](http://mercycoburg.catholic.edu.au)

email [registrar@mercycoburg.catholic.edu.au](mailto:registrar@mercycoburg.catholic.edu.au)

phone 9319 9299

Applications for year 7 2023 are open

Limited places available for 2022



# Children in our local area need your help



**Lighthouse  
Foster Care**

A place where  
homeless kids belong



**Lighthouse is asking for our community's support to help them find TEN long-term Foster Carers who are willing to open up their doors, to change a child's life.**

Their new, highly innovative fostering program will provide tailored and continuous support to each of these Carers and their families, through a central 'Hub Home' based in Melbourne's North. With access to proper respite, psychologists and 24/7 care teams, Lighthouse will be there to walk alongside them every step of the way... in what could only be the most worthwhile journey they'll ever go on.

Together, let's be 'heroes in our homes' by helping them spread the word. Our community has the potential to find these children Foster families, and give them a corner of the world where they can feel safe and wanted.

## The Lighthouse difference:



Dedicated 'Hub Home'



Trauma-informed support



Regular respite



Learning and development opportunities



Surrounded by people who understand the challenges you're faced with & can share in the joy of progress.



Carefully selected local Community Committee volunteers



Regular community social events

Enquire today by visiting [lighthousefostercare.org.au](http://lighthousefostercare.org.au) or calling 1800 542 273