



# Coburg West Primary School

6<sup>th</sup> September 2024

CWPS ACTIVITY CALENDAR			
DATE	ACTIVITY	DETAILS	
<b>TERM 3</b>	<b>SEPTEMBER</b>		
	Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup>	Prep, Play & Stay	Prep 2025
	Friday 13 <sup>th</sup>	Footy Colours Day Sausage Sizzle (canteen orders)	Whole School
	Fri 13 <sup>th</sup> to Thurs 19 <sup>th</sup>	Swimming	Grades 5 & 6
	Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup>	Farm Day, Bundoora Park	Grades 1 & 2
	Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup>	CERES Incursion	Grade 3A
	Friday 20 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Last Day of Term 2</b>	<b>2:30pm Dismissal</b>

VICTORIAN TERM DATES FOR 2024			
	STARTS	ENDS	LAST DAY DISMISSAL
<b>TERM 3</b>	Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> July	Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> September	2:30pm Dismissal
<b>TERM 4</b>	Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> October	Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> December	1:30pm Dismissal

## Dear School Community,

As we move into spring, please be reminded that we need to take care on windy days and dress accordingly for the unsettled weather. I also urge all families to ensure their children are wearing the correct school uniform and have their items (especially jackets and windcheaters) labelled with their names.

## ENROLMENTS COMING OR GOING

While enrolments for the 2025 school year are progressing, I wish to advise that they are still open to those families who live within our school zone. I urge all those families with children due to start school next year, to contact or visit the office as soon as possible to enrol. With the first Transition Session taking place next week, we are keen to get the process started and welcome our new students to CWPS.

In addition to this, we are hearing of students (other than grade 6s) who may be moving on from our school. If you are planning on transferring your child to another school, we ask that you notify the school office in writing as early as possible. Whether you are moving school next year or next term, the earlier we can be notified, the better. This greatly assists with internal planning and allows adequate time for the office to manage the transfer of your child's information to their new school.

## STAFFING UPDATE

As we approach the end of Term 3, our school community will be bidding farewell to two of our specialist teachers.

Ms Caulfield who has been delivering our Performing Arts Program since mid-last year, will be moving to take up a position in another school.

While, Ms Vatougios who has been delivering our Greek Language classes this year, will be leaving us to deal with some personal health concerns that need to be addressed in the short term.

While we are currently undertaking a recruitment process seeking replacement teachers, I ask that you join us all in thanking both teachers for their generous contributions to our school community and wish them both well for what lies ahead.

### **COMMUNITY GROUP SHINE**

Once again it has been an extremely busy fortnight, with the success of the Shore Reserve Showdown being celebrated by our students at the following assembly, we also drew the winners of the Father's Day Raffle which was organised by our Community Group volunteers as part of the Appreciation Day Stall held the week prior. The lucky raffle winners were:

1<sup>st</sup> Kit 2W

2<sup>nd</sup> Luke 6R

3<sup>rd</sup> Milla 3A

### **GR5&6 IN PARLIAMENT**

Over the last few weeks, our grade 5 and 6 classes have been visiting the Victorian Parliament. This has been a highly engaging experience for our students as they had the opportunity to walk through the halls and sit in the chambers as they learnt more about how parliament operates. Our students were also very fortunate to be welcomed by Anthony Cianflone MP, our local State Member, who also happens to be a past student of CWPS. Just last week, I was invited into Parliament House to meet with Anthony who was full of praise for our students. Well done to all.

### **GR3 KINDER BUDDIES**

Just this week we also had students from Grades 3N and 3A visit Doris Blackburn Kindergarten as part of our Buddy Program. The students did a wonderful job, engaging and interacting with the kinder kids leading them in a session of activity. Each Gr3 student selected a picture story book to read to their buddies, assisted them in completing a craft activity and presented their buddy with a personalised card they had made. Our students did a wonderful job in representing our school and I am certain they will be amazing buddies to these children when they start in Prep next year.

### **ITALIAN FESTA**

Last Wednesday we also held our Italian Festa, with students attending in Italian colours and some of the most creative Italian themed costumes. We welcomed our local State MP Anthony Cianflone who also happens to be a past student of CWPS, we were entertained by wandering musicians, and an Italian choir, got up close with not one but three Ferrari cars, enjoyed eating gelati and completed a number of Italian themed activities. It was wonderful to see so many families supporting our students throughout the day in their celebrations. Please join me in congratulating and thanking Ms Peterson and Ms DiVincenzo for the hours of hard work that went in to organising such a fun day.

### **PARENT OPINION SURVEY – thank you 68 = 23% preliminary summary report**

Thank you to the 68 families who took the time to complete the Parent/Caregiver/Guardian Opinion Survey (PCGOS). This equates to a 23% response rate which is higher than what we have had in the past. The preliminary summary report appears to be quite positive. In the coming months staff and school council will be looking more closely at these results to acknowledge what we are doing well and identify where we can make improvements. Once again, thank you for your input.

I will be taking a week of leave next week and Mr Copping will be leading the school in my absence. With only two weeks remaining of this school term, please note that on the last day of term, we will dismiss the children at 2:30pm from assembly in the gym on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> September.

Wishing you all a wonderful final fortnight of Term 3.

Kind regards,  
**Mark COLAGRANDE**  
**PRINCIPAL**

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## A MESSAGE FROM OUR SCHOOL COUNCIL TREASURER

*As the treasurer of our school council, I've noticed a worrying trend: fewer families are paying School Fees, also known as Voluntary Contributions or Essential Learning Items in Qkr. Three years ago, over 90% of students had their fees paid, but now it's only 55-60%. This drop means we have tens of thousands of dollars less each year, which directly affects the quality of our students' education. Although these contributions are called voluntary, the truth is that without them, our school struggles to provide the extra resources that enhance our children's learning. Government funding is not enough, so we need to make up the difference ourselves.*

*If this trend continues, the school might have to use money set aside for important improvements around the school. These funds are crucial for maintaining and upgrading the infrastructure that supports our students' learning environment. Voluntary contributions help pay for classroom materials, shared equipment, and specialist resources. They are essential for providing a well-rounded education. When families don't pay, it widens the gap between the opportunities our children have and those available to students in more affluent schools.*

*To make a payment, use the Qkr app or visit the staff in the office. I understand the financial pressures on households, so if you can't afford the full amount, any contribution you can make is still greatly appreciated. Even smaller amounts can make a big difference in providing our students with resources for a rounded education.*

*When you contribute, you help our school offer more, improving our students' education and giving them a better chance to succeed. Your support is not just an investment in your child's future; it's an investment in the future success of our entire school community. Let's work together to ensure that every student at CWPS has the resources they need to thrive.*

*Tomma Morris – School Council Treasurer  
Parent of Juni gr5, Scout gr3, Digby gr1*



### **FOOTY COLOURS DAY** **SAUSAGE SIZZLE**

**FRIDAY 13<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2024**

Order your sausage in bread via Qkr  
\$2.50 per sausage  
.50c for sauce

**Please note that only sausages can be ordered for lunch on this day,** all other items such as snacks, drinks and ice creams can still be purchased over the counter during lunch break.

# CWPS VALUES CERTIFICATES

We Are **Learners** / We Are **Respectful** / We Are **Safe** / We **Care**

Grade	Student	Value	Student	Value	Presented by
PL	Hana H.	We Are Learners	Owen C.	We Care	Ms Lebon & Ms Amerena
PD	Maggie	We Are Learners	Ellis	We Care	Ms Zschunke
PY	Emmett	We Are Learners	Koby	We Care	Ms Youla
1D	Zac	We Are Safe	Arabella Nicola	We Are Learners We Are Learners	Mr. Peric
1P	Archie	We Are Safe	Elodie	We Are Learners	Ms Parker
1/2E	Ava C.	We Are Learners	Kit	We Are Safe	Ms. Esposito
2M			Erin	We Care	Mr. Munari
2W			Allistair	We Are Learners	Ms. Winzar-Taylor
3A 4B 3/4S	Evie D. Massimo Isaac B.	We Are Respectful We Are Learners We Are Learners	Seb S.	We Care	Mr. Aitken
3N	Hugo	We Are Respectful	Eddie	We Are Respectful	Mr Niciak & Ms Currie
3/4S			Aley	We Are Respectful	Ms.Spiteri & Ms.Pavich
4B			Kaan	We Care	Mr. Blackman
4P		We Are Respectful			Ms. Preston
5C	Noah A.-P.	We Care	Daniel	We Care	Ms. Melgaard
5R			Eleni	We Are Learners	Mr. Robinson
5T	Claude W.	We Are Learners			Mr. Torpey
6F	Rosie F	We Care	Rose B. Isabella E.	We Are Learners We Are Learners	Ms. Franco
6K	Nicholas R.	We Are Respectful	Christian P.	We Care	Mr. Krauss
6R	Christian K.	We Are Learners			Ms. Rigby
Vis. Arts	Samuel B.	We Care	Patrick B.	We Are Learners	Ms. McGregor & Ms. Kyrkillis
P.E.	Koby P.	We Are Learners	Hannah P.	We Are Respectful	Mr. Harvey
Italian	Grace K.	We Care			Ms. Petterson & Ms. DiVincenzo
Perf. Arts	Millie S.	We Care	Max	We Care	Ms. Caulfield

## CWPS GOOD CITIZENS

These students are acknowledged and thanked by their House Captains for being Good Citizens by exhibiting positive behaviours which reflect our School Values.

	30 <sup>th</sup> August	6 <sup>th</sup> September
<b>Green House</b>	Louis 1P	Jonty 5T
<b>Red House</b>	Hazel H 3A	Ellian 5T
<b>Gold House</b>	Harlow PL	Teddy T 5R
<b>Blue House</b>	Max 3A	Evangelia 5C

# VICTORIAN PREMIER'S READING CHALLENGE



**WOW!**  
The 2024 Premier's  
Reading Challenge  
has officially ended for  
this year.



What an **AMAZING** journey we have had! Over 3800 books have been read across the school and **65 students** committed to this challenge throughout the year and successfully completed it.

**We are all so proud of you!**

Remember that although this challenge is over, don't stop reading, continue to immerse yourself in the magic of books.

Over the next few weeks, I will be busily calculating who has read the most books in each grade and I will announce the winners of those lucrative Premier's Reading Challenge badges when the certificates arrive later in Term 4. In the interim, celebrate your success, it's a great achievement.

Patricia Amerena  
English Leading Teacher



# FOOTY DAY!



ON THE 13TH OF SEPTEMBER, WEAR  
YOUR FOOTY OR OTHER SPORT  
COLOURS TO FUNDRAISE FOR PROJECT  
WHY NOT.

BRING A GOLD COIN DONATION AND  
EXTRA MONEY FOR A RAFFLE TO BE  
PART OF THE STUDENTS VS TEACHERS  
FOOTY GAME!





50  
DAYS

## NEWSLETTER

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### FOOD SPOTLIGHT...



400 GRADI



Brunswick Icon 400 Gradi has been honoured with awards including "world's best pizza" for their Margherita and "Best Pizzeria in Oceania" three years running. They'll be serving up their pizzas to our hungry Fun Fest goers. Stay tuned for more mouth watering food options!

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### FUN SPOTLIGHT....



THE CHA CHA

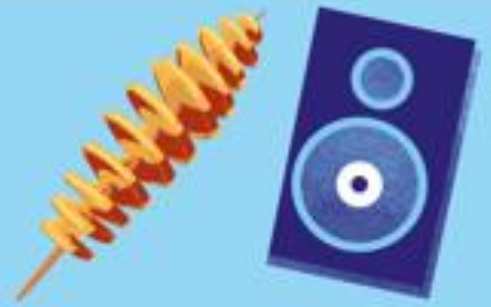


Are you ready for the dizzying thrills of the Cha Cha? You must be over 8 and 110cm to ride (with an adult) and 130cm alone. Stay tuned as we reveal more cool rides...



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# COBURG WEST FUN FEST



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### SPONSOR SPOTLIGHT...



**ROULEUR WINE CO**



We're so excited to have talented local winemaker Matt East on board to share his wines at our bar - handmade in small batches, reflecting a delicious and personal take on each vintage, to critical acclaim from the man himself, James Halliday. Show your thanks by trying a bottle pre Fun Fest!

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### STALLHOLDER SPOTLIGHT...



**Lawz Drawz**



Lawz Drawz produces amazing illustrations, calendars, puzzles and more - all of landmark local sites and pubs. She even does custom illustrations of houses. Perfect place to pick up some extra special Christmas presents or teacher thank yous!



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## NEWSLETTER

**It's not what you know it's who you know! We need sponsors and donations.**

**3 reasons to become a sponsor:**

- Huge exposure pre, post and during event
- Audience trial and engagement
- Support your local community and generate goodwill

Contact Kate at [cwpsc@gmail.com](mailto:cwpsc@gmail.com) to find out what we can do to increase exposure for a business you know!

**Join the team!**

We are looking for help as leads for on the following roles:

- **Bar Service Lead** - manage volunteers, help set up bar, contact point (RSA preferable) (NOTE: beer and wine are already organised)
- **Raffle Lead** - contact point for raving ticket sales, manage volunteers
- **Hairspray and Temporary Tattoo Lead** - purchasing of stock prior, manage volunteers, contact point
- **Popcorn Machine Lead** - manage volunteers, contact point (stock and machine already at school)

Any help would be much appreciated - and we will provide plenty of support if you have never done it before!

**Are you a rockstar who knows how to get the D-Floor going? Or know one?**

We're looking for acts (and a sponsor) for our stage.

Contact Dee at [cwpsc@gmail.com](mailto:cwpsc@gmail.com) with your suggestions to get our fest rocking out.



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