



Coomandook Area School

Term 3, Week 8

Newsletter

13th September, 2016

Principal Report

Kaye Fitton

CONGRATULATIONS!

“Agriculture is our wisest pursuit because it will in the end contribute most to real wealth, good morals and happiness.”

It was a pleasure to see our students engaged and using their skills in so many different ways at the show last week. Coomandook Area School can be extremely proud of their show team, the learning that occurred and the contribution everyone made – students, staff and parents alike. It was a perfect example of team work, organisation, school pride and working together. But it was not just what happened at the show that counted. It was also about the weeks of preparation in the lead up to the show and it is all these combined efforts that allowed our team to shine.

The results say it all – 11 ribbons across a diversity of events. This is an outstanding result and testament to the high quality agriculture programs that our school presents. These results exceed those from larger schools and even private schools. We have a lot to celebrate at “Coomy.” So well done to everyone who participated. A superb result!

Yesterday all site leaders and Governing Council representatives met at Coomandook Area School for the Partnership meeting. Our Coorong and Mallee Partnership of schools worked as a whole group to explore the questions:

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Calendar Dates

Term 3

Wed 14th Sept

Adelaide Choir Performance

Sunday 18th Sept

Working Bee 9 am

Mon 19th Sept

SAPSASA Tennis & Cricket try outs
Karoonda

Fri 23rd – Sun 25th Sept

24 hour Pedal Prix Murray Bridge

Thurs 29th Sept

School Fair 12 pm – 5 pm

Secondary Social

Mon – Fri 26th Sept – 30th Sept

Footsteps Rec-Year 7

Fri 30th Sept

Early Dismissal 2.15pm

All newsletter items must be submitted by Monday 9am prior to printing. The Newsletter is printed every fortnight.

Thank you.

What do we want most for our students/children?

What is the most important thing that needs to happen at our sites?

The meeting had a wonderful feel with everyone sharing their ideas and collective energy to formulate ideas for the partnership. Governing Council Secretary Louise Pitt represented our school and our Governing Council will have follow up conversations as a result of the meeting – exciting times.

Last newsletter I invited all families to “Have Your Say.” An informal questionnaire was attached to the newsletter. I am extending the return date hoping we can have near 100% returns. This is a unique time to capture the opinions of all families as we start to formulate a new vision for the future of the school. If you haven’t had the chance to respond, we are extending the return date until the end of term. Please use either the electronic version or paper version that will be posted home. All feedback will be considered and will provide a strong starting point for future conversations.

CAS School Policy

Coomandook Area School Hair Policy

A reminder for all parents & students

- Headbands and ribbons must be in school Colours, white or navy only
- Dyed hair is to be **NATURAL** colours only
- Hair to be tied back for practical lessons
- R-7 students with hair that is longer than Shoulder length must be tied back for health and safety reasons.

Students who regularly fail to comply with the hair code will be put on detention. Parents will be notified via a detention stamp in student’s diary. A meeting with the students and parents/caregivers will be arranged if required. We would appreciate if all students and parents supported our school with this policy.

Use of mobile phones

Please remind your children that use of mobile phones is prohibited during school. If they are seen using them, the mobile phone will be taken off the student and put at the front office and then at the end of the day the student can come to collect their phone. Also, it is extremely important that students do not ring their parents to come and pick them up for various reasons. Coomandook Area School would appreciate your support in making sure that if your child is feeling unwell they are to come to the front office and we will make the call to home.

School News

A Global Voice for Women – Soroptimist International Soroptimist International of Murray Bridge \$2000 Tertiary Scholarship for 2016

The Scholarship is open to all current Year 12 students who have applied or are applying to be accepted into tertiary study in 2017.

It is judged on a range of criteria, including academic achievement, personal qualities and community involvement.

The scholarship is presented in the form of a cheque to the value of \$2000 in March of the Year that the successful student commences their tertiary studies. Applications close Monday 5th December 2016 at 4.00pm.

Application forms are available from the Year 12 Co-ordinator at CAS.

Community

COME AND TRY ROWING
@ MURRAY BRIDGE ROWING CLUB

When:
Sunday Oct. 2
10am - 12
Morning tea provided

COME AND TRY THE OLYMPIC SPORT OF ROWING AT THE HOME OF TRIPLE OLYMPIAN JAMES MURRAY.

Weekly Training Times:
Tuesdays and Thursdays from 4.30 - 6.30pm
Sunday 9 - 11am

Open to anyone over the age of 16.

@murray_bridge_rowing_club
Murray Bridge Rowing Club

For more details contact Stacy Seidel at: 0428 836 556
or email: wssseidel@bigpond.com

Show Phil Roberts & Madelaine McGinty

This year we once again ventured to the Royal Adelaide Show with a team of over 40 students and 17 animals from Led Steers and Led Wether Goats to Merino Wethers and Pigs. Students from Years six to nine have been preparing the goats and pigs while students from Years ten to twelve helped with the sheep and steers.

The stock was transported to the show on Tuesday by Tim Kowald with the sheep being weighed, scanned for eye muscle and fat in the afternoon. The sheep were judged on Wednesday morning, and shorn in the afternoon to weigh and judge their fleeces. The cattle were weighed and scanned on Wednesday morning, selected for Thomas foods International (best three of a breed) at lunchtime and presented in the Grand parade in the afternoon. Our Limousin, Poll Hereford Red Poll steers were in the final four just missing selection.

The three Merino wethers were entered as a team to compete against 43 other teams. Lachlan Pickering, Brad Kielow, Brock Crouch prepared the sheep. The wether competition involved assessing the value of the skin, meat and wool. Our sheep finished just out of the ribbon placings. However, the Coomandook sheep were mentioned as having been crutched the best for showing. Thankyou Lachlan Pickering!



Thursday brought with it the main day of judging for our goat and steer students and our most successful day at the goats in recent years! Our goat students have worked tirelessly in the lead up to the show to know all they can about the animals that they are working with and this paid off over the competition. This year our Goat Team was named the Most Professional School Team in the Goat category! Along with this big win for the whole team we had individual animal success with Kendall and Lenny placing second in the Heavy Weight 41-44.9kg class, Josiah and Lester placing fourth and Sophie and Larry placing first in the Heavy Weight 35-37.9kg class! Sophie was also selected in the handlers' competition and was awarded fifth place in the relationship between animal and handler.



This year we entered four steers: Binnowie Lynx led by Bonnie Pulic and Denzell Cross, Oakdowns Lester led by Hannah Wilson and Jasmin Bolstad, Roean Lambo led by Keely Liebich and Kaicee Cameron and Malleer Lyn Fox led by Lachlan Pickering and Jesse Veit. Other students helping to prepare the steers were Alice Chudy, Charlie Seidel, Marcus Thorpe, Alana Kahl and Taylor Jelbart. After our amazing year in the ring last year we were not expecting to be able to repeat that performance but we sure came close! All steers were given high commendation by the judge in his comments and Lachy was selected to compete in the handlers class, but the star of the day was again our Roean Limousine. Lambo not only took out his Light Domestic class on hoof and placed second on hook but he was also awarded Champion Light Weight Domestic Steer on Hoof. Unfortunately he was not able to take out the Grand Champion but to only be beaten out by a Murray Grey breeder is still like a Grand Champion Ribbon to us!



On Friday, 6 students competed in the pig handling competition. Students washed the animals Friday morning in preparation for the competition at 10.00am. Students working in pairs were required to move the animals from one end of the yards to another, return them to the original pen and then to put them through the weighing scales. Abbie Ballard

and Lauren Stansborough were first followed by Alistair Neumann and Josh Haslam and finally Max Gogel and Mitchell McDonald. There were 17 teams in the competition with Alistair and Josh finishing second.

A huge thank you needs to go to Will Watson from Binnowie Angus stud at Coonalpyn, Andrew Schwartz from Oakdowns Poll Hereford stud Bordertown, Fred Evans from Roean Limousine Stud Tintinara, John Malone from Malleer Red Poll Stud Jamestown, Grant Johnson from Canowie North Merino Stud Nethererton, Michael Leopadi and Cath Evans from Balmarden Boer Goats and Ben Deacon from Tuesner's Pig Breeders Jabuk for their support with the provision of animals this year.



Led Steer

Schools Light Domestic

1st on Hoof – Roean Lambo

2nd on Hook – Roean Lambo

Champion Light Weight – Roean Lambo

Best Schools Angus on Hoof

1st – Binnowie Lynx

Lachy selected in the handlers competition

Led Wether Goat

Heavy Weight 35-37.9kg

1st on Hoof – Balmarden Larry

4th on Hoof – Balmarden Lester

Heavy Weight 41-44.9kg

2nd Balmarden Lenny

Best Handler Relationship

5th – Sophie Watts

Most Professional Show Team

1st – Coomandook Goat Team

Pigs

Pig Handling Competition

2nd – Josh Haslam and Alistair Neumann

Schools Fodder

Schools Cereal Hay

1st – Coomandook Area School

TAILEM BEND COMBINES INDOOR SPORT AND RECREATION CLUB INC

Our A.G.M. is on Wednesday 21st September at 7pm in the school gym.

All players, parents and anyone interested in coaching or umpiring is asked to come along, all are welcome. Our next junior basketball season will commence on Friday 21/10/2016. If you would like to play please fill in a nomination form and return it to us by Friday 30/9/2016 to be placed in a team. We require umpires and coaches to keep this basketball program running so if you are able to help or know someone who can please fill out the form below. We are also hoping to run an open mixed basketball competition on Wednesday nights, starting in October. Teams must consist of at least 2 girls but can be more and 3 boys. Each team that nominates is required to nominate an umpire.

Please send details to the address below.

All nominations to be in by 30/9/16

Name: _____

DATE OF BIRTH: _____ YEAR LEVEL: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PARENTS SIGNATURE: _____ PHONE NUMBER: _____

I would like to coach/umpire for the 2016/17 summer season.

Junior basketball/Open Mixed basketball.

NAME: _____ SIGNATURE: _____

PHONE NUMBER: _____

Open Mixed Basketball

TEAM NAME: _____ TEAM COLOUR: _____

CONTACT PERSON: _____ PHONE NUMBER: _____

Please send your nomination to PO Box 383 Tailem Bend 5260

Find us on Facebook; TIALEM BEND SUMMER BASKETBALL

For further information contact Wendy on 0407604110 or 85723512

 Follow us on Facebook



what's on!

Coorong District School Holiday Program October 2016

Monday 3rd October	Tuesday 4th October	Wednesday 5th October	Thursday 6th October	Friday 7th October	Saturday 8th October	Sunday 9th October
<p>Enjoy the October Long Weekend <i>Public Holiday</i></p> 	<p>Fancy Dress Disc Golf at Lake Indawarra <i>Tintinara</i></p>  <p>10-11am <i>Come dressed as your favourite character</i></p>	<p>Make a Bag at Meningie Meningie Area School</p> <p>Limited spaces — be sure to book. Ages 9-12yrs 10am-12pm</p> 	<p>Kids on the Move with Neil at the Hoopinator <i>Coonalpyn</i></p> <p>12pm-1pm Ages 8-12yrs</p> 	<p>Winnie the Pooh's Scavenger Hunt at <i>Tallem Bend's</i> 'One Hundred Acre Wood'</p> <p>10am-12pm All ages welcome — Good for the little ones <i>Contact for more details</i></p> 	<p><i>Why not be a Nature Detective in your local area or own backyard... what can you find?</i></p> 	<p><i>Why not be a Nature Detective in your local area or own backyard... what can you find?</i></p> 
Monday 10th October	Tuesday 11th October	Wednesday 12th October	Thursday 13th October	Friday 14th October	Saturday 15th October	Sunday 16th October
	<p>Learn to Kayak with Lyall on Lake Indawarra, <i>Tintinara</i></p> <p>10am-12pm Ages 5-12yrs Limited spaces — be sure to book. <i>Bring a hat and old shoes to get wet</i></p>	<p>Create a Giant Kite at <i>Meningie</i> for the Meningie Kite Festival</p> <p>9am-12:30pm Ages 5-12 years Uniting Church Hall <i>Wear paint clothes</i></p> 	<p>CAC Murraylands Family Fun Day <i>Sturt Reserve, Murray Bridge</i></p> <p>National Children's Week event for parents & children 10am-2pm <i>More details to come...</i></p> 	<p>Coonalpyn Show Coonalpyn Showgrounds 9am-4pm <i>Activities for all ages</i></p> 	<p>Coonalpyn Show Coonalpyn Showgrounds 9am-4pm <i>Activities for all ages</i></p> 	<p>Coonalpyn Show Coonalpyn Showgrounds 9am-4pm <i>Activities for all ages</i></p> 

All activities are FREE for children from the Coorong district. **Participants MUST book**

For all bookings or questions, contact-

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P 08 8572 3513 F 08 8572 4813 E info@tbcc.org.au www.tbcc.org.au

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JUNIOR PARLIAMENT

AGE 12 – 15 years
WHEN 10th – 12th October
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SCHOOL FAIR

THURSDAY 29TH SEPTEMBER

12 - 5 PM



JUMPING CASTLE



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ARTS &
CRAFTS



**HEALTH &
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FRESH PRODUCE



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All the traditional fair food
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ACTIVITIES

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