



Coomandook Area School

Term 1, Week 2

Newsletter

5th February , 2019

From the Principal

Kaye Fitton

GREAT START – WELL DONE

I am thrilled to be able to welcome for the very first time, all students and their families from Pre-Schoolers through to Year 12. I would particularly like to welcome all new families to our school in 2019. I look forward to sharing your child(ren)'s successes and milestones as they progress through our school.

We are here. The amalgamation has taken place and we've had a super start to the first term!

The year has started in a very positive manner and I would particularly like to acknowledge the work of many people in helping us setting up the early learning space which we now call "The Coop." The Coop (formerly the kindy building) has been transformed to cater for children in Pre-School, Foundation (Reception) and Year 1. We officially took over the space on Thursday 24th January which only gave two days plus the long weekend to get things ship shape for the start of term.

In this short amount of time, our staff – both teachers and SSOs, many parents and volunteers (including Mr Hillard's own parents and partner!) all swung into action to transform the Coop into a welcoming, spacious and well organised area – all cleaned and scrubbed and ready to go for the children on day 1. Thank you to everyone who helped and volunteered your time. It was a magnificent effort!

I would particularly like to acknowledge the vision of Mr Hillard. Seeing it come to life has been tremendously exciting. The children were truly welcomed on day 1 and there was a definite feeling of

Calendar Dates

Term 1

February

- 12th CAS Interhouse Swimming Carnival
- 18th Acquaintance Night BBQ
Governing Council AGM
Governing Council General Meeting
SAPSASA Softball Trails
- 21st USE Interschool Swimming Carnival
- 25-28th Year 11/12 Surf Camp
- 27th-1st March Year 8/9 Aquatics Camp

March

- 1st SAPSASA Swimming Trials
- 4th SSSSA Swimming Competition
- 11th Adelaide Cup Public Holiday
- 14th CAS Interhouse Athletics
- 26th USE Interschool Athletics
- 29th SAPSASA Swimming Championships

April

- 2nd Parent/Teacher Interviews
- 8th SSSSA Athletics
- 8th-12th SAPSASA Softball Carnival
- 12th END TERM 1
- 29th START TERM 2

Items for the newsletter must be submitted by 9am, Monday morning. Newsletters are printed every fortnight. Thank you.



“calm” described by visitors and staff. Congratulations to all for your efforts.

Students in our other year levels are also settling into their new classes and routines. They seem excited by the new opportunities available through our new timetable structure.

Staff have been working extended hours to ensure the start of the year was smooth for all students. I would like to say thank you and well done to all staff for your various efforts, often out of hours. We are so incredibly lucky to have such dedicated staff at our school.

Our Governing Council AGM is fast approaching on Monday 18th February and I would encourage parents to nominate to serve on our Governing Council. More information and a nomination form is provided in this newsletter.

Let's continue the successes of our fabulous school. Have a great term everyone!

Staffing

Kaye Fitton

COOMANDOOK AREA SCHOOL STAFF LIST 2019

Leadership Team:

Kaye Fitton – Principal

Jacob Dawson – Deputy Principal

Jared Wallis – SACE/VET/Transition Coordinator

Christine Lucas – Administration Officer

Teaching Staff:

James Hillard – Pre-School/Foundation/Year 1

Tanya Cornish – Year 2/3

Peter Jarvis – Year 4/5

Heather Mattner – Year 6/7

Stephanie Lee – English

Jenni Lutze – PLP/PE

Tamsin Martin – HASS

Rachel Neumann – Mathematics

Sheryl Schilling – Art/Photography

Phil Roberts – Agriculture

Derek Smith – Science

Angela Thorley – Home Economics

Support Staff:

Michelle Cameron – Co-Educator

Cordelia Hozier – Co-Educator

Tracey Kahl – School & Community Library Assistant

Leonie Kielow – Finance

Carelle Poole – ICT/PCW

Stacy Seidel – Youth Worker (on leave)

Josie Sinclair – Co-Educator/Quicksmart

Heather Wait – Co-Educator

Barb Williams – Front Office

Rachid Ai-Touati – Grounds

Jaqui Foster – Grounds

Kitchen Garden:

Paul Pegler

What a great team!

Bus Rules

All students are reminded to uphold school values at all times when travelling on school busses.

Respect – Honesty – Persistence

The bus rules support the safety and comfort of student bus users. All students are answerable to the Principal for their conduct and behaviour.

The rules are:

1. Enter and leave the bus in a safe and respectful manner.
2. Remain in your allocated seat, facing forward at all times.
3. Seatbelts must be worn at all times.
4. Do not annoy any passengers or the driver.
5. Respect all property – Do not damage the bus or any other items on the bus.
6. Talk at a normal volume without the use of offensive language.
7. Do not throw any items, either inside or outside the bus.
8. No eating or drinking, except water.
9. Place bags at your feet or under seat, not in the aisles.

The Coop

James Hillard

Hi to all at CAS from the K/F/1 classroom! We have had a fantastic start to the year in our wonderful new learning space in the old Kindy building. We would like to say a huge thank you to the SSO and teaching staff, as well as our wonderful families that assisted us to clean, sort, tidy and prepare the building and grounds ready for what was a fantastic start on day 1.



After much consideration and taking inspiration from the school's strong agricultural background, we have decided to name the old Kindy building "The Coop". A fun name that the kids have adapted to already, the Coop has proved to be a genuine hive of activity over the first week.

We have begun to learn some of our sounds and had excellent group learning activities on our Kindy days. From painting and making, to writing and counting, we couldn't be happier with how our youngest students have jumped straight into the school year with enthusiasm for new experiences.

Please feel free to pop over and have a look at our wonderful new space and keep your ears out for a working bee in the near future to move the fence and continue our work in the grounds.

All the best for a productive start to the year to all,

James Hillard, Michelle Cameron and Cordelia Hozier



Swimming Carnival

Jenni Lutze

Welcome to 2019 and our sports events.

The year kicks off with a swimming carnival. It is always held on Tuesday of week 3, Term 1. This is a competition between our two houses; Dukes and Parkin. Dukes are the red team and Parkin are the green team. All new students are allocated to a team. Students are informed of their team at the beginning of the year. We encourage all students to participate as it is an extension of their PE curriculum. Students can participate as a swimmer, helper or cheer squad. School for this day is off site at Coonalpyn Swimming Pool. Students can travel there with their parents or on a bus leaving Coomandook School at 8:50am. (letters went out last week re bus travel- please return these by Thursday this week) The carnival begins at 9:30 and finishes by 2:30. Students can travel back to school on the bus or home direct from the carnival with their parents. Students who leave early must check in with their teacher at the House Bays and get their name crossed off the roll.

We run two parts to the carnival. Those students who are 8 years of age and in year 3 can participate in swimming races. Those under 8 will participate in splash day/ water activities in the small pool under the supervision of teachers and SSO's. The program will be out by the end of the week. Student entry to the pool is paid for by the school. Spectators will need to pay an entry fee. The Coonalpyn Pool Committee will be running a BBQ for lunch. (letter has been sent home re BBQ and orders)

Students who place in their races are likely to be selected for our school swim team that will compete at the Upper South East Swimming Carnival. This is held at Coonalpyn Pool on Thursday 21st of February. It is a very similar format to how our swimming carnival operates without the activities/ splash day.

The House captains for 2019 are:

Dukes: Max Gogel and Cherifa Ait-Touati and Vice Captains, Alistair Neumann and Bonnie Ashman. Parkin- Josiah Peter and Kelsey Hutchesson and Vice Captains, Josh Watts and Abbie Ballard.

Any queries re swimming carnivals or sports events please contact the school.

Anaphylaxis

At this school there are students with Anaphylaxis/severe allergic reaction to certain substances or foods. Students who are at risk are not ill except if they come into contact with certain foods or substances.

What can you do to help? Please provide foods that are nut free for recess and lunch.

SAFE FOODS – LUNCHBOX IDEAS

- Fruit / vegetables
- Meat
- Bread
- Nut free homemade biscuits / cakes / pastries
- Some savory biscuits
- Some fruit bars
- Rice crackers / rice cakes
- Pasta
- Pop corn
- Dairy products

UNACCEPTABLE FOODS (LIKELY TO CONTAIN NUTS)

- Nuts – all nuts including mixed nuts
- Nut butters / pastes e.g. peanut butter, hazelnut spreads such as Nutella, cashew paste
- Nut oils – peanut oil is also known as arachis hypogea
- Any products that list nuts in the ingredients e.g. biscuits, muesli bars, chocolate, dips
- Chocolate bars e.g. picnics, snickers, M&M's, choc coated nuts and sultanas
- Pesto and satay sauces
- African, Chinese and Thai food
- Fruit and nut loaf or date loaf

Parents and Friends

Sonia Allen

P&F AGM

Monday 25th February 2019
9am Meeting in the Library
Everyone welcome - Morning tea provided

Governing Council AGM

The Governing Council AGM will be held on Monday 18th February, with a BBQ tea being provided from 6pm.

The AGM welcomes all parents to find out more about our school's plans for the future.

This year there are seven seats that need filling – 5 x two-year parent seats, and 2 x twelve-month Community Rep seats (community reps being someone not necessarily a parent at the school).

Continuing Councillors: Samantha Tynan, David Peter, Ali Woidt, Cristy Spry & Josie Sinclair

Outgoing Councillors (those who have completed their terms): Brett Cross, Lisa Rowntree, Louise Pitt, Leonie Kielow, Jan White, Fluer Kleinig, Sonia Allen.

We take this opportunity to thank the retiring councillors for their time and effort they have given and the commitment they have shown towards working with our school.

Nominations are preferred in writing (see below) or can be provided verbally on the night.

If you would like to know more about becoming a Governing Councillor, further information is available from Governing Council Members or the front office.

We are looking forward to a productive, successful year in 2019

If you would like to nominate for Governing Council or would like to make a nomination for Governing Council please complete the form below and return it to school prior to the AGM on Monday 18th February. Thank you.

GOVERNING COUNCIL NOMINATION FORM

Name : _____

I wish to nominate myself for a one year / two year / either term position on the CAS Governing Council.

I would like to nominate :

_____ for one year / two year / either term position on the CAS Governing Council.

Volunteering at CAS

VOLUNTEERING AT CAS

Name : _____

I am interested in being a volunteer at school:

I have the following interests/talents that may be useful to the school.

I wish to be involved in :

Please return to the Front Office at School.

Thank you. We appreciate your generosity.

Coomandook Playgroup



**Held every Wednesday
of the school term
9am -12pm**

A Playgroup is a group of mums, dads, grandparents and caregivers who meet together each week during the school term with their babies, toddlers and pre-schoolers for interaction and fun. Parents and caregivers work together to provide their babies and young children with opportunities to learn through play.

Our Playgroup is a safe and happy place for children and adults to bond, interact socially and learn through play.



**Coomandook Hall
Dukes Highway, Coomandook, 5261**

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	Karen Lienert	0407799670
	Natasha Poole	0438844492

Coomandook Playgroup

Held @ Coomandook Hall

Term 1 Program 2019



Week	Activity	Contact
One 30 th Jan 2019	1 Bubbles 2 Sing/Story Time – 10am-10:30am 3 Hand Prints	Tiffany Mobile: 0403018370 Karen Mobile: 0407799670
Two 6 th Feb 2019	1 Cutting and Pasting Icecreams 2 Sing/Story Time – 10am-10:30am 3 Musical Instruments & Games	Tiffany Mobile: 0403018370 Karen Mobile: 0407799670
Three 13 th Feb 2019	1 Nature Hunt 2 Sing/Story Time – 10am-10:30am 3 Musical Instruments & Games	Tiffany Mobile: 0403018370 Karen Mobile: 0407799670
Four 20 th Feb 2019	1 Book Making – Counting with Daddy 2 Sing/Story Time – 10am-10:30am 3 Fruit Kebabs	Tiffany Mobile: 0403018370 Karen Mobile: 0407799670
Five 27 th Feb 2019	1 Butterfly Prints 2 Sing/Story Time – 10am-10:30am 3 Playgroup	Tiffany Mobile: 0403018370 Karen Mobile: 0407799670
Six 6 th Mar 2019	1 Superhero Dress Up/Games 2 Sing/Story Time – 10am-10:30am 3 Superhero Puppets	Tiffany Mobile: 0403018370 Karen Mobile: 0407799670
Seven 13 th Mar 2019	1 Fish Collages 2 Sing/Story Time – 10am-10:30am 3 Kite Making	Tiffany Mobile: 0403018370 Karen Mobile: 0407799670
Eight 20 th Mar 2019	1 Bike Day (BRING YOUR BIKES) 2 Sing/Story Time – 10am-10:30am 3 Bike Races & Games	Tiffany Mobile: 0403018370 Karen Mobile: 0407799670
Nine 27 th Mar 2019	1 Biscuit Making & Decorating 2 Sing/Story Time – 10am-10:30am 3 Pipe Cleaner Spiders	Tiffany Mobile: 0403018370 Karen Mobile: 0407799670
Ten 3 rd April 2019	1 Easter Hats & Baskets (for next week) 2 Sing/Story Time – 10am-10:30am 3 Water Play	Tiffany Mobile: 0403018370 Karen Mobile: 0407799670
Eleven 10 th April 2019	1 Easter Picnic & Play @ Tailem Bend 2 Shared morningtea/early lunch 3 Easter Egg Hunt	Tiffany Mobile: 0403018370 Karen Mobile: 0407799670

Community News



Coonalpyn cadet's program

Coonalpyn CFS Brigade are starting a cadet's program for kids aged 11 years and older who are interested in learning new skills as well as being involved in the community. Coonalpyn CFS are holding a meeting at the Coonalpyn station on **Monday the 11th of February at 6.30pm** for all parents/caregivers and kids who are interested or have enquiries about the program, we look forward to seeing you there.

If unable to attend by want to join the program please contact Andrew Davis on 0428711322

Mallee Heat Athletic Club

(Formerly Mallee Jumpers & Sprinters)

Do you want to try athletics?

Every Wednesday 3:30-4:30pm

Coomandook school oval

Year 3 upwards

For more details ring Kathy 0409914841

The Coomandook Amalgamated Pastime Club presents the

Mallee Melee

"Sophistication under the stars"

"Vine Hill Scrub"
Coomandook
Saturday, 23rd February 2019
Cocktails at 6:30 - 7:30 pm
Dinner to be served at 8:00 pm

- ★ Black Tie
- ★ Salt & Pepper Catering
- ★ Desserts by Little Local Co.
- ★ Complimentary Cocktail Hour
- ★ 3 Course Meal served at your table
- ★ Live Band - Mr Buzzy
- ★ Bar Facilities - NO BYO please
- ★ Complimentary wine on table

To Adelaide (approx 130 km)
Via Dukes Highway

Coomandook

Wet weather alternative:
Coomandook Hall

Parking Hall Rd

approx. 6km

To Sherlock
To Netherton
To Melbourne

Please forward Booking Slip and Payment to:
Emma Weckert,
"Pine Grove" PO Yumali SA 5261
Mobile: 0428 536029
weckert@internode.on.net

- ★ There will be no tickets issued as tables will be reserved on payment.
- ★ Please check for table allocation at entrance.

\$100 per adult. No bookings after 15th February
Numbers restricted to first 350. Tables only reserved on payment.
Please pay on-line to CAPC
BSB 105060, Account No. 033811840
Please email names of guests and confirmation of payment to weckert@internode.on.net

- ★ Tables are booked for groups of 10
- ★ We would prefer Table Host to book & pay as a group.
- ★ Smaller/larger groups accepted & will be allocated an appropriate table.

Table Host (1) Ph: Email:

Names: (2) (3) (4)
(5) (6) (7)
(8) (9) (10)



SEEKING STALL HOLDERS

The Coorong District Council is coordinating a car boot sale and market day to coincide with the 2019 Coonalpyn RV Fest. Locals and visitors are encouraged to join in the celebration.

Location: Coonalpyn Football Oval

Date: Sunday 3 March 2019

Time: 11am to 4pm

Interested stallholders are asked to complete an application form, available to download from: www.coorong.sa.gov.au/rvfest. **There will be no stallholder fee for approved applicants.**

The event program is available to download from the above website.