Dear All,

Winter in Cowell: beautiful!

Welcome
This week we welcome Mr Akamine from Tokyo in Japan for a two week visit. Mr Akamine is a Vice Principal in a Middle School in Tokyo. He is very interested in our schooling system and the many things we do very differently. Yesterday he mentioned that he had noticed that students are able to move around the classroom for their learning. He said he really noticed that the focus is on learning. He said that in Japan the focus is on the attitude of the student and that once in their sits they did not move until a programmed break. It is always interesting to hear about how we are perceived by other countries.

Cleve Field Days/ School Closure Day on Wednesday 13th August
This is always a very busy time for us at the school. This year there will be two display areas for our school. We will be in the Farmers Market Marquee and in the RANBUILD Shed just inside the Northern Gate near the performance area. All of the Partnership schools will have displays and information about our programs. Our sincere thanks to the folk who have offered help and some time, we’ll look forward to seeing many of you over the three days. If anyone has some free time on Thursday next week please be in touch with Kylie or me, we would really appreciate your help.

Barb Shearer’s Community Concert
There are tickets available to purchase for this concert in the front office and at the Post Office. Adults $12.00 Students/children over 3 $5.00 and family tickets are $30.00. This year the proceeds of the concert will be donated to the school for more work on the playground. Please book now for a wonderful evening of talent and entertainment, many of our students are involved in some way.

PLEASE NOTE THERE WILL BE NO NEWSLETTER IN WEEK 4 DUE TO FIELD DAYS

Road Safety at the front of the school
Continuing the theme of the safety of our students and parents for that matter, please find a brochure which clearly sets out the legislation about the pick-up/drop off areas for schools. We are in consultation with the Local Council regarding some new signage and some extra support. It is distressing to see people flying past the school doing way over 25kms which is the speed zone for practically all of Story Road.

Thank-you
Many thanks to Maria Papillo and her work with SERU which has gained a mini trampoline for Joel Simms and other students to use.

Have a great week.

Kind regards,
Jan Potter
Principal

Thought for the Week
A champion is someone who gets up, even when he can’t.
- Unknown

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Uniform Survey Return

Just a reminder – if you have not returned your uniform survey, please return this to school by this Friday. If you have not received one, there are spare copies in the front office or one can be collected through your child’s class teacher. It’s important that as many people as possible have a say about possible changes.

Rowan Ramsey School Community Award Nominations

We are seeking nominations for the Rowan Ramsey School Community Award for 2014. This is usually presented at our final year Presentation Night. The recipient is to be a staff, parent or community member who has gone above and beyond dedicating and volunteering their time and skills for our school. Note this is a school community, not a wider community award.

Please fill out the accompanying form, which can also be accessed on the school website, by Monday 25th August, to the box in the front office of the school.

Thank-you. CAS Governing Council.

WHOLE SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

The Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 students invite parents and community members to our next whole school assembly.

When: Thursday 21st August, 2:00pm
Where: Cowell Institute
Hosted By: Reception/1 and Year 1/2 classes

We look forward to seeing you there!

COWELL AREA SCHOOL
ROWAN RAMSEY MP SCHOOL COMMUNITY AWARD
NOMINATION FORM

Name of Nominee: ____________________________

Person Nominating: __________________________

- Nominations are open to any staff, parent or community member who has gone “above and beyond” dedicating and volunteering their time and skills for our school.

- Please outline below services that this person has provided to our school, include dates if possible (school not wider community). Justification can include work ethic and personality.

- Previous recipients: Kym & Kylie Martens, Joanne Klingberg, Michelle Curtis, Martin Deer, Jack Curtis.

- The award is given at our School Presentation Ceremony at the end of the year.

- Nominations close Monday 25th August (School website or box in school front office).
PARKING RESTRICTIONS AT SCHOOLS ARE FOR THE SAFETY OF YOUR CHILDREN

Local Councils impose a variety of parking restrictions at and near schools to achieve a safer environment for your children. These restrictions are also to optimise traffic movement and safety.

NO STOPPING ZONES -
These zones are usually adjacent to school entrances and the approach and departure sides of school crossings.
You must not stop your vehicle in a no stopping zone or on a solid yellow line, not even for a few seconds.

NO PARKING ZONES -
You may stop in a No Parking zone to immediately pick up or set down your child, and drive off as soon as possible.

No Parking zones are to ensure a quick and smooth turnover of vehicles.
You must not leave your vehicle parked or unattended. If you are going to collect your child from this zone, have your child wait nearby in the school grounds so they can see you arrive. On your arrival they can then leave the school ground, enter your vehicle and you can then drive off.

CONTINUOUS WHITE CENTRE LINE -
If a road has a continuous white centre line, there must be 3 metres between the vehicle and the white line.

SCHOOL CROSSINGS -
You cannot stop within 20m of the approach side or 10m of the departure side of a school crossing.

SPEED LIMITS -
Speeding vehicles in a school zone are highly dangerous for children. There is a speed limit of 25 kph, designated by the signs and a zigzag line below, any time when children are present or when the flags are out or the lights are flashing (depending on the type of crossing).

INTERSECTION OR T-INTERSECTION
(Restricted Area)
You cannot park within 10m of the intersection.

CROSSING PLACES (driveways)
You may park so that the front of your vehicle is level with the approach or the back is level with the departure side of a driveway to any private or public property so that vehicles can enter and depart safely.

FOOTPATHS / NATURE STRIPS -
Parking is prohibited at all times. It creates dangerous situations for both pedestrians and other vehicles in the vicinity.

DOUBLE PARKING -
Creates dangerous situations anytime, however the danger is increased near schools, especially when children are entering or leaving school.

AUSTRALIAN ROAD RULES

CHILDREN SCHOOLS & TRAFFIC

A POTENTIALLY DANGEROUS COMBINATION

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Not all restrictions are identified within this brochure – Please refer to the Australian Road Rules for further clarification.
BECAUSE CHILDREN ARE NOT LITTLE ADULTS YOU NEED TO DRIVE WITH CARE AND CONCENTRATION NEAR SCHOOLS

WHY ARE CHILDREN AT RISK

- Their size means that sometimes they cannot easily see or be seen in traffic.
- Parked vehicles, light poles and other street furniture all block a child's view of the road and also make it difficult for drivers to see them.
- Their concentration is limited and they are easily distracted.
- Their actions are often spontaneous and unthinking (that's why the will dart out on to the road to fetch a ball or weave about when riding their bikes) without checking to see if vehicles or pedestrians are coming.
- Their sight is not fully developed, especially their ability to "scan" for things.
- They are lacking the ability to estimate the speed of vehicles, the gap between vehicles, where a vehicle is coming from or how far way it is.

HOW YOU CAN HELP YOUR CHILDREN

FOR UNDER 5 YEARS
Make sure your children have reliable supervision at all times when in or near traffic, especially when crossing roads.

FOR 5 TO 8 YEARS
Help your children to become familiar with all aspects of the road environment – signs, traffic lights and crossing places.
Teach them cycling skills in a safe area – in a park or playground etc.
If they are riding a bike to school, plan a safe route for them to take

FOR 9 TO 12 YEARS
Take the time to explain the road rules in simple terms e.g.: Right of way, what to do at intersections etc.
Go for bike rides with your children to make sure they have safe cycling behavior

ABOVE ALL, BE CAREFUL WHEN YOU ARE DRIVING NEAR SCHOOLS, THE SAFETY OF ALL CHILDREN DEPENDS ON YOU
Stage Fright
Imagine an actor from the play of titanic
Forgetting her lines, forgetting her actions
The audience would be waiting impatiently
And scowling, rolling their eyes and forgetting where
the power is
Questioning their money's worth.....
Mikaela

Homelessness
Homelessness gets ignored by the people, by the
government
Because its too hard to fix
They don't get treated the same just because they
have no
Home and no money
The children deserve a better life
They don't get food and a good education
They don't get a bed to sleep in at night
Imagine the cold nights.....
Lila and Tayla

School is bad
Everyday i have to wake up before 8:30
then i have to get out of bed but i'm too tired
I don't like school
They should let us learn what we want to learn
Instead of dancing, area and poems
How to write script and how to fix an engine
I don't like school.....
Harry and Jake

I dont like my sister
Sisters are awesome
They always buy me things
they never buy things for me
they never let me watch my favourite movies
they always let me watch PG movies
they always eat the food in the cupboard
they always share the food they buy......
Judd and Dylan

School doesn't teach us the basic things in life, like:
how to do taxes
what taxes are
how to vote
how to write a resume
anything to do with banking
but thankyou, i can tell you all about Pythagorean
theorem
Hold on and don't lose faith. Because it will all be over
soon and you can show this world that's full of hate,
that you are special and you can make the world a
better place......
Kia

Country Sports
People support country footy because the netball and
football are at the same place and on the same day.
some AFL players but, need to learn not to take
performance enhancing drugs because they play better
without the drugs in their system.
And it is also a bad influence on other players, fans and
supporters......
Lexi and Tyson

Consequences
You stand in the court yard watching your friends be
rude,
they watch you with silent eyes, telling you not to be a
prude.
but what can you say when you love the outsider?
And he knows you cant stand up for yourself?
And he wouldn't dare drag you down with him.....
Katarina

Society
Parents say its easy, but growing up these days is hard.
You’ve got jealousy and rumours, hatred, lies and
broken trusts.
fitting in is easy if you have a large bust.
But since when was it alright to judge people by their
looks?
And dislike them for choosing to read books?
Marni
Library Opening Times
Monday to Friday 9 am til 4 pm

NEW STOCK IN

Children’s Fiction
How to Outrun a Crocodile When Your Shoes are Untied by Jess Keating
Lost World Circus Animal Planet by Justin D’ath
Secret Agent Derek Danger Dale by Michael Gerard Bauer
The Notebook of Doom—Day of the Night Crawlers by Troy Cummings
Do You Dare? The Last Horse Race by J Moloney

Graphic Novels
Star Wars Lego A New Hope by Emma Grange
The Hobbit by JRR Tolkien

Teenage Fiction
The Ashley Project by Elissa De La Cruz
The Ashley Project Social Order by Elissa De La Cruz

Children’s Non Fiction
Hero Journals Julius Caesar by Nick Hunter
Countries Around the World Australia by Mary Colson

Adult Fiction
The Kill Switch by James Rollins
The Silkworm by Robert Calbraith
March Battalion by Sven Hassel
Wheels of Terror by Sven Hassel

2014 Book Week Celebrations

Cowell School Community Library will celebrate Book Week from the 25th August to 1st September and our theme this year is "Connect to Reading".

To celebrate we are running 3 competitions.

1. Years R to 3
Design and decorate a crown fit for a king.

2. Years 4 to 6
Using the Cowell District illustrate what Captain Cook may have seen through his telescope 200 years ago. Then illustrate what he would see now in the same area.

3. Years 7 and up
Design a poster to advertise a favourite book or one of the Short listed books for the 2014 book Week.

Entries need to be to the library by Wednesday August 20th and winners announced at the Assembly on the 21st August.

Book week will finish with a dress up day on the Friday. Children can come dressed as their favourite book character.
COWELL FOOTBALL/NETBALL CLUB DATES

Junior Medal Count
Junior Medal Count will be held in Kimba on Saturday 30th August.

Semi Final Wind Down
Cowell will host the 1st Semi Final on Saturday 16th August. This night will be a ‘Wind Down’ night with Karaoke. The Football & Netball Committee’s are on roster for teas.

Grand Final Night
As in previous years, the clubrooms will be open Grand Final night to celebrate the season. Tea will be available.

Junior Wind Up
Will be held in the Clubrooms on Thursday 11th September for all Junior Football and Netball players.

Senior Wind Up
Saturday 13th September at the Clubrooms, similar format to last year.

More information to follow, watch this space!

COWELL RECYCLING DEPOT
Closed Thursday 14th August
Open Friday 15th August 2:30pm to 4:00pm
That Friday ONLY
Open Sunday 17th August 10:00am to 1:00pm

OUR BUTCHER @ COWELL
1st Birthday Celebrations
Friday 15th August
Cowell Skate Park Committee will be holding a sausage sizzle in front of the Butcher Shop. Come along and enter in the draw to win fabulous prizes.

INDEPENDENT LIVING CENTRE’S MOBILE UNIT
Will be visiting:
Eyre Peninsula Field Days, Cleve
From Tuesday 12th to Thursday 14th August

Australian Maritime Fishing Academy
Are going to be offering;
ELEMENTS OF SHIPBOARD SAFETY &
COXSWAIN GRADE 2
Courses in Port Lincoln in November & December
For further information or to book a place please contact the AMFA on 86 834 888 as soon as possible, limited places available.
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- 11:15am to 11:45am

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Property Consultant

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**SKATE PARK FUNDRAISER**

Total raised so far $39,000.00. The committee would like to thank all who contribute in any way. Canvas factory vouchers are still available for $10.00, expiry date December 2014. If interested contact:

- Danni Osborne
  0427296090
- Kylie Inglis
  0428292154

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Training—Monday—17.00hrs
Junior—Tuesday—16.30hrs
If you are aged 12yrs or over & want more information contact:

- Commodore—Garry Lum
  0427 292 132
Meetings are first Wednesday of every month.

**Cowell Recycling Depot**

83 Cowell/Kimba Road
0427292322

**OPEN HOURS:**
Thursday 3:30pm to 5:00pm
Friday 2:30pm to 5:00pm
Sunday 10:00am to 1:00pm

**Cowell Deli**

Trading Hours are as follows:
Monday—Saturday
8:30am to 6pm
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