The first 3 weeks has seen lots of organising underway for the multitude of whole school events – that will be occurring over the next few weeks. This Friday is our Leaders Induction and we invite everybody to come along and support our SRC Leaders and House Captains, who will be presented with their badges. It is a very important part of our school calendar, where we can acknowledge our future leaders.

Governing Council

Last night we had our first meeting for the year – with great representation from our school community. There was a lot of discussion about all of the things that have been happening over the holidays and in the first few weeks. The AGM will be held on Tuesday March 21st at 7:00pm in the Library. Governing Council plays an extremely important role in working with the Principal to help set and monitor site direction and we welcome anyone along who is interested in being a part of the Governing Council. We will be calling for nomination for parent representatives in next week’s newsletter, so please consider being involved.

Attendance

Yesterday we had a visit from our Attendance Officer, who was pleased with the way we have started the year. So far this year we have had a 96% attendance rate, which is above the DECD target of 95%. Well done to the Year 5/6 class who have an attendance rate of 98.6%, closely followed by the Year 8 class on 98.1% - great work! Please remember to send along a note or contact the office to explain your child’s absences, so that we can continue with our positive attendance.

Meet and Greet

In Week 5 we will be holding a Meet and Greet and invite all parents, grandparents and community members to come along. It’s a great opportunity to wander through our classrooms and facilities, take part in a few activities, have a chat with the teachers and Leadership team and then stay behind for a ‘sausage sizzle’ and a cuppa. In order to get an idea of the number of people planning to attend, can you please fill in the tear off slip attached to the invitation sent home or in today’s newsletter and return to the front office.

Parents and Friends

Another important group within our school is the Parents and Friends. They do a lot of work raising money to support the school in purchasing resources and equipment, organising and sponsoring programmes and workshops and volunteering their time to work at school events. It is a rewarding group to be a part of as you have the opportunity to contribute in a meaningful way and develop positive partnerships with staff, students and families.

It has been increasingly difficult for P and F to get people to come along to their meetings and commit to volunteering their time to the committee. Unfortunately this has forced them to consider going into recess, something which they are hesitant to do and the school would be disappointed to see happen. In an effort to have P and F continue, they are recalling their AGM next Tuesday 21st February at 4:00pm in the Library. Please support our school, your children and this group, by coming along and getting involved.

Who are Our Year 12s’s?

Grace Chopin was born and raised in Cowell (one of the last babies to be born in the Cowell hospital)! She has grown up living at the Harbour View Caravan Park, where she has become part of a large community, with lots of regulars being like her extended family. Grace is studying English, Maths Essentials, Aquaculture (Certificate 2 in Aquaculture), Classical Studies (via Local Delivery with Edward John Eyre) and the Research Project this year, having already completed Stage 2 Food and Hospitality in Year 11.

When it comes to planning her future career pathway, Grace is leaving her options open, and is undecided as to where she may end up. One thing she does know, after doing work experience with the shark cage diving in Pt.Lincoln, is that she doesn’t want to work on a boat (she was left feeling very sick after going out in a 5m swell). Despite this she loves all (other!) things to do with the water – diving, surfing, snorkelling etc. She also enjoys playing video games and going camping.

Often considered ‘one of the guys’ (she can’t handle ‘girl drama’), she is also known for being the ‘mother’ of the group and finds herself looking after people. Maybe that gives some clues to her future career!!

Grace is looking forward to this year! She wants it to be over but at the same time doesn’t, as she can’t imagine what she is going to do next year. She is not a fan of making decisions. She sees her biggest challenge for the year being ‘remaining focussed’ and doing a subject by Local delivery (not knowing what to expect.

Grace has taken on the role of Vice President of the SRC this year and we wish her all the best in this role.
ICE BLOCKS FOR SALE
Thursday lunchtimes $1.00 each
outside the Yr 5/6 room
proceeds to class fundraising

2017 R-12 Swim Carnival

The annual R-Year 12 Swimming Carnival will be held at the Cowell Pool on Friday 24 February, starting at 9.00am. Everyone is welcome to attend. If you are interested in assisting with timing or scoring, please contact the school or simply offer to help on the day.

Students are in one of the three teams (Aries-blue, Scorpio-green and Taurus-red). We encourage students to wear their team colours and suitable swimming attire. For protection from the sun a T-shirt and a rashie, broad brimmed hat, sunscreen and a water bottle are essential. If the weather is cool, a warm top and spare towel is also required.

The Year 5/6 students are holding a sausage sizzle and will be selling refreshments and snacks as a fundraiser for their camp. Students will need to bring their own lunch, order from the bakery or buy a sausage, we prefer that students stay at the pool all day rather than returning home for lunch. Lunch orders will be delivered to the pool.

R-3 events will begin at around midday.
A copy of the programme is in this newsletter and on the school bag app.

Spectators are asked to bring a rug or a chair to sit on. Donations towards medallions will be gratefully received (please contact Jacqui at the front office).

Bring your swimming gear, be ready for the staff v parents v students v old scholars relay!
Sports Committee

Cowell Area School
Student Leaders Induction Ceremony
Friday 17th February, 2017
At the Institute, commencing at 9:30am
All welcome to attend

Cowell Area School
Swimming Schedule 2017

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Monday</th>
<th>Tuesday</th>
<th>Wednesday</th>
<th>Thursday</th>
<th>Friday</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>11-11:30</td>
<td>Year 2/3</td>
<td>Year 5/6</td>
<td>Year 5/6</td>
<td>Year 3/4</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>11:30-12</td>
<td>Year 1/2</td>
<td>Year 1/2</td>
<td>Year 1/2</td>
<td>Year 1/2</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>12-12.30</td>
<td>Rec</td>
<td>Rec</td>
<td>Rec</td>
<td>Rec</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>12.30-1</td>
<td>Year 7</td>
<td>Year 2/3</td>
<td>Year 7</td>
<td>Year 5/6</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Lunch</td>
<td>Year 5/6</td>
<td>Year 7</td>
<td>Year 2/3</td>
<td>Year 2/3</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2:30-3</td>
<td>Year 3/4</td>
<td>Year 3/4</td>
<td>Year 3/4</td>
<td>Year 7</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Cowell Area School Meet & Greet

On Tuesday 28th February our school will be open to all families, community members, students (past & present) from 4:30pm to 6:00pm.

Come along, have a look around our school, in our classrooms, meet our staff & join in some fun activities.

Stay for a free sausage sizzle.

All welcome, we look forward to seeing you.

For catering purposes please return the tear off slip below

× ______________________

Cowell Area School Meet & Greet

I ______________________ will be attending the Meet & Greet on Tuesday 28th February at Cowell Area School.

Number of people styling for the sausage sizzle __________
# CAS R-12 Swimming Carnival Programme 2017

**Programme 2017**

Starting Time: 9:00 am

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Event</th>
<th>Swimmers</th>
<th>Time</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1. Inter/Senior Girls Freestyle</td>
<td>5 laps</td>
<td>1m 18.23s</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2. Inter/Senior Boys Freestyle</td>
<td>5 laps</td>
<td>1m 07.07s</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3. Sub-Junior/Junior Girls Freestyle</td>
<td>3 laps</td>
<td>37.00s</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4. Sub-Junior/Junior Boys Freestyle</td>
<td>3 laps</td>
<td>26.88s</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>5. Inter/Senior Girls Tube Relay</td>
<td>6 x 1 lap</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>6. Inter/Senior Boys Tube Relay</td>
<td>6 x 1 lap</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>7. Inter Boys Backstroke</td>
<td>3 laps</td>
<td>47.31s</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>8. Inter Boys Backstroke</td>
<td>3 laps</td>
<td>41.50s</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>9. Senior Girls Backstroke</td>
<td>3 laps</td>
<td>49.56s</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>10. Senior Boys Backstroke</td>
<td>3 laps</td>
<td>43.81s</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>11. Sub-Junior Girls Freestyle A</td>
<td>2 laps</td>
<td>29.00s</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>12. Sub-Junior Girls Freestyle B</td>
<td>2 laps</td>
<td>28.00s</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>13. Sub-Junior Boys Freestyle A</td>
<td>2 laps</td>
<td>28.00s</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>14. Sub-Junior Boys Freestyle B</td>
<td>2 laps</td>
<td>22.87s</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>15. Junior Girls Freestyle A</td>
<td>2 laps</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>17. Junior Boys Freestyle</td>
<td>2 laps</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>18. Sub-Junior Obstacle Race (4 x 50)</td>
<td>8 x 1 lap</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>19. Junior Obstacle Race (4 x 50)</td>
<td>8 x 1 lap</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>20. Inter/Senior Combined Obstacle Race</td>
<td>6 x 1 lap</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>21. Sub-Junior Girls Breaststroke</td>
<td>2 laps</td>
<td>35.46s</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>22. Sub-Junior Boys Breaststroke</td>
<td>2 laps</td>
<td>33.44s</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>23. Junior Girls Breaststroke</td>
<td>2 laps</td>
<td>29.54s</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>24. Junior Boys Breaststroke</td>
<td>2 laps</td>
<td>27.56s</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>25. Inter Boys Freestyle</td>
<td>3 laps</td>
<td>34.03s</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>26. Inter Boys Freestyle</td>
<td>3 laps</td>
<td>31.16s</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>27. Senior Girls Freestyle</td>
<td>2 laps</td>
<td>34.16s</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>28. Senior Girls Freestyle</td>
<td>2 laps</td>
<td>30.56s</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>29. Sub-Junior &amp; Boys Tube Relay (3 x 50)</td>
<td>10 x 1 lap</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>30. Junior Girls &amp; Boys Tube Relay (4 x 50)</td>
<td>8 x 1 lap</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>31. Presentation of Medallions and Shield</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**ARIES**
- Captains: Alexis Williams, Laura Walker
- Vice Captains: Dylor Francois-Kent

**SCORPIO**
- Captains: Grace Chope, Clare Norworthy
- Vice Captains: Oscar White, Jamie Smith

**TAURUS**
- Captains: Amy Oldfield, Kam Haines
- Vice Captains:no
Term 1 Library Times
Monday to Thursday 8.30am—4pm
Friday 9am—4pm

New This Week!

Children’s Picture Books
What pet should I get? By Dr Seuss
Do Not Open this Book by Andy Lee

Children’s Fiction
Pixel Raiders by Dig World
Dog Zombies Rule by Tom Gates
Tales of Rebellion—Star Wars
Adventure Time—Vampire Queen

Children’s Non-Fiction
365 Things to do with Lego
What Happened When in the World

Adult Fiction
Everything I Never Told You by Celeste Ng
Gifts of our Time by Anna Jacobs

Adult Non-Fiction
Hidden Figures by Margot Lee Shetterly

Adult DVDs
Australia, The Time Traveller’s Guide
DC’s Legends of Tomorrow—The First Season (M)

Children's' DVDs
Aladdin & the King of Thieves (G)
The Angry Birds Movie (PG)

Community Connections

EP Creative Writing Group
Next Meeting: Wed 1st March @ 5.30pm
Topic: “Magic”

Family History Workshop
Tues Feb 28th @ 3pm—4pm
Covering where to start, hints & tips and Ancestry. RSVP - Library staff by Friday 24th Feb

Book Chat & Cuppa Group
Next Meeting: Thurs 9th March @ 10.30am
BookClub will follow @ 11am

Storytime
Wednesdays from 9.15am

Free Books!
We have a bookshelf full of deleted books to rehome. There is no cost, & you’re welcome to take more than one. Pop in & have a look today!

Cowell Area School Parents & Friends

AGM
Tuesday 21st of February 4pm @ The Library
P&F will go into recess if no committee is formed at this Meeting

We invite you to come along to our Annual Swimming Club Carnival
Sunday 5th March
Gates open at 9.45am
First race starts at 10.00am sharp
A great family day out, showcasing our talented swimmers
Canteen facilities available throughout the day.

Whyalla Dental Care
Dr Mark Paneras and Dr Nicholas Wood have extended Whyalla Dental Care to Cowell, located at Dr Ochins Medical Practice every Wednesday.
Whyalla Dental Care is a family practice offering all aspects of dentistry.
If your child is eligible for the Child Dental Benefits Scheme (Medicare) their appointments will be bulk billed.
Private health insurance cards for Hicaps claims as well as Eftpos facilities are available.

Please phone the Whyalla Practice on 86441111 for all appointments.
COWELL NETBALL CLUB
The Cowell Netball Club are seeking coaches for C , C2 , E2 & F grade for the 2017 season. After researching JNR numbers and ages we have decided we will NOT be submitting any Extra Grades . If you are interested or would like more information please don’t hesitate to contact Tracy Mills 0439280099 or Rachel Deer 0427005720.

JUNIOR TENNIS
Parents and players are reminded to keep up to dates with information on our Facebook page. Games this week will be as follows: Top Deck v The Piglets, Mint Mongrels V Tennis Kings & Chicken Dinners V The Beasts. The Dominators have the bye & Mint Mongrels are on roster.

COWELL SWIMMING CLUB
Parent Helpers this week are as follows;

**Wednesday 15/2/17**
3:30—4pm—Rachel Russell 4—4:30pm—Amanda Iversen
4:30—5pm—Jodi Gregory 5—5:30pm—Nicole Turner
5:30—6pm—Heather Slee 6—6:30pm—Roanna Frost

**Thursday 16/2/17**
3:30—4pm—Hayley Fiegert 4—4:30pm—Megan Waterfield
4:30—5pm—Amanda Oldfield 5—5:30pm—Narelle Tonkin
5:30—6pm—Meagan Franklin 6—6:30pm—Karen Grigg

RENTAL PROPERTY AVAILABLE
41A Main Street is a fully furnished 1 bedroom low maintenance unit available for immediate rent.
41C Main Street is a large retail space suitable for an office or retail shop.

Both properties are available for any length of time at affordable rates. Please contact Meagan for more information on 0427292068 or to view the properties.

COWELL CRICKET CLUB
Due to the heat last week, teas at the complex were postponed to THIS THURSDAY NIGHT 16th February $15 steak chips and salad. $10 schnitzel for the kids, you don’t have to be involved with the cricket club to come for tea. Get a group of friends or just come by yourself.
Everyone welcome

COWELL FOOTBALL CLUB
Pre – season will kick off Sunday the 19th February, with a sandhills / beach training at Gibbon starting at 10.30am, followed by a BBQ and some refreshments on the beach under the Jetty (pack some BYO). Thereafter training will be held Wednesday nights at the town oval from 6pm, until the end of the cricket season.

COWELL PLAYGROUP
Has started again for 2017, every Monday at the Cowell Kindy from 10am to 12pm. Bring a piece of fruit to share. Kettle is always on for a coffee and chat for parents and lots of craft and activities for the kids. For more information contact Jasmin Piggott on 0427527646.

PERFORMING ARTS
It is very pleasing to note the Performing Arts are still an active part of our schools in Cleve, Cowell & Kimba. Through the Videoconferencing facilities at Cleve & Cowell, also face –to-face lessons in Kimba and once a term at Cleve & Cowell. I am also excited that piano will be offered through another instructor and plans are underway to engage a guitar teacher.

I have noted in recent years in my endeavours to organise Benefit Community Concerts, that it has been a struggle to find new performers within Cowell & Cleve. Young people gain in confidence by performing in Public, not only on the stage but other areas as they come into the wide world seeking further education and employment.

Good luck to those taking advantage of learning to play a musical instrument, I hope to see you participating in Community concerts in the future.
Barb Shearer

COWELL UNITING CHURCH FAMILY SERVICES
Cowell Uniting Church Family Services are starting. Services will be held on February 19th, March 19th & April 16th (Sunrise Easter Service). Invite your children, grandchildren, nieces, nephews etc.

SAVE THE DATE

FREE Parenting SA Seminar
22 March 2017 at the Adelaide Convention Centre, 7-9pm.
The seminar will be presented by Kirrilie Smout, an Adelaide psychologist working with children, teens and their parents.
Register to attend in person or view the live webcast at http://parentingsa.eventbrite.com.au
IN COWELL
OPEN TUESDAYS
Consultation and surgery by appointment. Dog and Cat grooming available as well as rescued pets, see website www.whyallavet.com.au
Ph: 86292609 (Tuesdays)
86459926 (other days)
Emergencies: call the vet on 049806392

KAYLEEN TURNBULL, Dip. Nat.
Offering support with:–
• Nutrition & Weight Management
• Comprehensive Health Assessment
• Maintaining Wellbeing
• Counselling
• Remedial/Lymphatic Massage
• Reflexology
Consults Tues, Wed & Thurs
From Cowell Allied Health Services
Health fund claimable. Gift vouchers available
Ph: 0428 5061, 0427 020 200

Franklin Electrical Solutions
• Building extensions on your home?
• Planning a new outdoor area?
• Building the shed of your dreams, or finally running power to it?
For quality solutions to your electrical problems
Contact Matt
0427 292 055

Communications Centre
North Terrace COWELL
0457 957 221
Learn Boat Handling, Radio Procedure, Navigation Training—Monday—1700-1900hrs
For more information contact:
Commodore: Dale Bailey
0429 054 969
Vice Commodore: Malcolm Brine
0488 292 567

MV Trenching & Plumbing
Mark together with Michael & Grant from M&G Plumbers specialize in connecting your home to the CWMS.
• knowledge of your homes individual connection needs
• Handle all paperwork direct with Council Incl Site Design
Call Mark for a consultation
Regarding your connection
0429 624 291
Michael Whitford Lic. # PGE 1007
Grant Britt Lic. # PGE 10072

Franklin Harbour Button Club
BBQ TRAILER HIRE
$100 hire for 24hr period
Phone 0437 295 276

Bottle 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

OPEN INSPECTIONS AT COWELL
12 HOMES TO INSPECT
MOTIVATED VENDORS
SATURDAY FEB 18TH
CALL PHIL COOK
RAY WHITE REAL ESTATE 0428158282

Excise Batteries
Stocked here @
great prices, check us out first.
Sinopec oils & Lubricants
WEB SITE:
www.treadzcowell.com.au
Phone: 0427 296 000