Year 12 Formal

Last Saturday night was the culmination of 13 years of schooling for our Year 12 students…and what a great night it was. The hall looked amazing, the food was delicious and the students all looked the part in their gorgeous dresses, suits and ties – they scrubbed up pretty well actually! Mr Wallis was in fine form as the emcee for the night, carrying out his role with confidence and keeping the crowd entertained. Well done to the Formal committee – Sharyn Williams, Stacy Michael, Kylie Inglis, Danni Osborne, Elisa Smith, Ursula Pumpa, Ila Cotter, Ebonii Osborne, Rebecca Inglis and Alison Turnbull for all of their hard work and organisation throughout the year. It was a special night and a memory that I’m sure all of the students will hold dear for a long time.

We wish all of the Year 12’s good luck with whatever they pursue beyond their secondary schooling and hope that they achieve the results they are looking for. Thank you for allowing us to be a part of your lives.

Year 6 Adelaide Trip

Our Year 6 students are currently on camp in Adelaide, visiting lots of educational and fun places. Today we received a message on our Facebook page from a member of the public, who came across our students whilst they were visiting Parliament House. I have included the message for your interest and to promote what a great job our students are doing of representing the school.

“As a member of the public, I would just like to express how impressed I was with the group of students from this school visiting South Australia’s Parliament House in Adelaide today. The students were all very polite and respectful, and well behaved. As a school and a community you should be extremely proud of them as they are a credit to you and themselves.” Janine Duncan

School Uniform

As we move into the warmer weather, we would like to remind parents and students around expectations for the summer school uniform. Students are expected to wear the following:

**Summer:**
- **Boys:** Navy blue shorts, Navy/Gold polo shirt or Gold polo shirt.
- **Girls:** Blue checked school skirt (currently unavailable), Blue checked school dress, Navy shorts, Navy/Gold polo shirt or Gold polo shirt.

**Hats**
The Cowell Area School has a “No Hat No Play” Policy all term and we expect all students to wear a hat during recess, lunch and extended outdoor activities. Navy hats are available from the school. Wide brim hats must be worn.

**Shoes**

For Health & Safety reasons enclosed shoes must be worn for practical subjects e.g. Tech Studies, Home Ec, Art, Science, Aquaculture Studies and P.E.

We have noticed some students wearing denim shorts and/or shorts that are not of an appropriate length, and t-shirts with patterns/logos. None of these items comply with our school uniform requirements. If your child is in need of new shorts or tops, they are available for purchase from the front office at a reasonable price (or we are happy to work out a payment plan with you). There is also a stock of secondhand uniforms available from the Op shop if you wish to purchase these. The SRC will be looking at designs for the school dress and skirt in 2017.

Please help instil a sense of belonging and pride in our school, and support us by sending your child to school in the correct school uniform.

**Staffing**

Congratulations to Scott Williams on his appointment to the Permanent Grounds Person position.

**Primary Class Placements**

As mentioned in last week's newsletter, we are in the process of allocating students to classes so that the information can be sent home with reports at the end of term. The teachers spend a considerable amount of time taking the learning, wellbeing and social needs of each child into consideration, whilst also needing to consider the placement of siblings, the number of students who require additional support, gender balance and class size. If you have any questions or concerns about your child’s placement, please contact either, your child’s teacher, R-6 Coordinator - Malcolm Rogers or myself.

**Sunday Market**

This Sunday come along to the market and catch up with Hannah Wight who will be selling Christmas cards and ornaments made by Primary School students. Funds raised will go towards supporting the Arts in 2017.

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**Yr 12 Formal**
Catch up with a Cowell Kid

I finally got to catch up with some of the Year 1/2 students this week... here's what they had to say.

When it came to talking about the things they like best at school, this was a group who were really thinking about their learning. Lauren’s favourite thing about school is Maths because she really likes doing sums, Rainbow facts and maths games – all of which she described as fun and learning. Maths was also the favourite thing for Mardi because you get to learn about numbers and she practises at home. Gary enjoys Science because you get to make stuff and test it, and if it breaks you can change it and build it again. Imogen enjoys most things because sometimes you get to go on Google and see what they are, what they’re made of and how they work.

Each of the students were quite definite in the things they would like to do once they have ‘grown up’. Gary thinks that he would like to become a pilot of a helicopter, which has a net that goes down, so that he can catch fish – very creative! Mardi would like to be a Policewoman when she gets older, so that she can arrest people who are being mean to other people. Imogen used to want to be a nurse but isn’t real keen on that idea anymore – instead she would like to be either a hairdresser (so she can give people better hairdos), teacher (which she practises at home) or a Principal (I had better watch out!). Lauren is very keen on being a Scientist and wants to make things that will help people in their lives – help them cook, help them rest!

When I asked the students about how I could make the school better – Mardi thought it would be a good idea if I gave everyone presents (everyone was in agreement with that one – could be expensive!) Lauren would like to see me create a little play area behind the Year 1/2 classroom, where they had plastic animals they could play with. Imogen would like the classes who come to school everyday get to make their own little pizzas and she also thought I could stand at the gate each day to welcome people and tick their names off. Lastly Gary would like to see the ‘star’ equipment made into a ‘dinostar’, so that you can climb to the top and then slide down.

The last thing the students wanted to mention was their thoughts about how people should behave at school and they have obviously been taught well about how they treat each other. Imogen said that it is important to work together, Lauren’s advice was if someone is being mean, use your FIRM voice and then speak to a teacher, Gary said everyone should share and be nice, whilst Mardi talked about the importance of not snatching things from people.

It was great to catch up with this group of students – they showed a lot of thought behind their answers and really engaged in our discussion. Oh, and they LOVE chocolate biscuits!!!!!
Due to unforeseen circumstances, the date for Pat Linton’s Farewell Dinner has been changed. This event will now be held on Wednesday, December 7th. Sorry for any inconvenience.

WHERE: Commercial Hotel – Cowell
WHEN: Wednesday, December 7th
Note: change of date
TIME: 6pm
Nibbles supplied.
Please order and pay for main meal

RSVP by Wednesday, November 30th to Michelle Bion via phone 86292150 or email all@gb.lions@schools.sa.edu.au

STUDENT MEDICATION
Medication should only be sent to school if absolutely necessary. Medication that has to be taken 3 times per day can be taken before and after school, and before bedtime.

If sending medication to school it must be delivered in the original container, with the label from the pharmacy. You can ask your pharmacist for a second, labelled container to keep the extra medication at home.

This must also be accompanied with a Medication Authority, completed by the parent/caregiver giving staff consent to administer the medication.

Medication must be handed in to staff at the front office at the start of the day for administering.

Any queries about this please feel free to contact Kylie McFarlane at the school.

NEWSLETTER ADVERTISING
All newsletter advertisements need to be in to Kylie by 3:30pm on Mondays prior to publication the following Wednesday. Articles can be emailed to: Kylie.McFarlane536@schools.sa.edu.au
COMMUNITY NEWS

COWELL JUNIOR TENNIS
Junior tennis will be on this Friday, commencing 3:30pm sharp. Games will be as follows: The Mint Mongrels V The Dominators, The Piglets V Chicken Dinners, Tennis Kings V Top Deck.
The Beasts have the bye & Chicken Dinners are on roster.

RETAIL/OFFICE SPACE FOR RENT
If anyone is interested in renting an office or retail space 45c Main Street, Cowell is ready for rent. Rental terms can be anywhere from 1 day to 12 months, however, preference would be given to longer term rentals. If anyone is interested please contact Meagan Franklin on 0427 292 068.

RA’NA DANCE STUDIO
If you would like a DVD copy of the recent Ra’na Dance Studio End of Year Concert, please call the school & leave you name, phone number & number of copies required with Michelle Elson in the Front Office on 8629 2150. The DVD will cost $10 as a fundraiser for the Arts program in the school with payment being made at the time of pick up.

CHRISTMAS CAROLS
Sunday 11th December at the Cowell Institute, commencing at 2pm. Items from school children & Cowell Singers group. All welcome to join in the festive fun.

YMCA SUMMER HOLIDAY CAMPS
Why not join the YMCA Camping team on a fun filled Summer Holiday Camp these school holidays! With 4 Camps on offer including Surf, Caving, and Kangaroo Island camps there is a huge variety of awesome activities to keep your children busy throughout the summer holidays. YMCA Holiday Camps are very popular and places are limited. Book now to secure your place in the sun, and join us for Fun, Friendship and Adventure!
All the details and booking form can be found on the YMCA website – http://www.sa.ymca.org.au/our-services/y-camping/school-holiday-camps/
Contact YMCA Camping on 8406 2900 or campingsa@ymca.org.au for more details.

COMMUNITY NEWS

BAND FUNNY BUSINESS
WITH LEO, JOHN, ROB BEINKE & DAN GUIDERA
COMMERCIAL HOTEL
FRIDAY 23RD DECEMBER
9PM TILL LATE

LAY BY NOW FOR CHRISTMAS
Check out our range of WEBER Q’s and accessories! Plenty of great gift ideas.

Whyalla Dental Care
Dr Mark Paneras and Dr Nicholas Wood have extended Whyalla Dental Care to Cowell, located at Dr Ochink’s 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.
Library Hours for Term 4
Monday–Thursday 8.30am–4pm
Friday 8.30am–3pm

New this Week!

Children’s Picture Books
Welcome to Country by Aunty Joy Murphy
Superworm by Julia Donaldson

Children’s Fiction
Superworm by Julia Donaldson
Beware the Batman in the Mouth of The Whale by Beatty Vecchio
Diary of a Minecraft Zombie Book 1 by Zack Zombie

Children’s Non-Fiction
Emergency Smokejumpers: Fighting Fire from the Sky by Justin Petersen

Teen Fiction
Two Summers by Aimee Friedman
Holding Up the Universe by Jennifer Niven

Adult DVD
Uluru The History of Ayers Rock DVD

Adult Fiction
Shadow Prowler by Alexey Pehov
The Four Legendary Kingdoms by Matthew Reilly
The Clifton Chronicles by Jeffrey Archer
The Art of Keeping Secrets by Rachael Johns
The Christmas Train by David Baldacci

Adult Non-Fiction
Time Machine by Adam Spencer
Songs of a War Boy by Deng Thiak Adut

School Holiday Library Times
Tuesday–Thursday
8.30am–4pm
Closed
30th Dec–9th January
& Public holidays

Community Connections

School Holiday Activities
Keep an eye on this space for our list of activities during the school holidays

EP Creative Writing Group
Next Meeting: Wednesday 7th Dec @ 5.30pm in the Library
Topic: “Outback”
Bring a plate to share
Guest Speaker: Johnny Close

Storytime
Wednesdays from 9.15am in the Library

Adult Book Club
Next Meeting:
Thursday 8th Dec @ 11am in the Library.

Family History Workshop
Coming up in February 2017
Interested in your family history but don’t know where to start?
Join us to get you started on the right track. Contact the Library for more information.

Come in and check out the books on offer for the Book Fair. They are only here until 8th December. Cash and EFTPOS facilities are available. Be quick!

Holds have to be made by 30th November to ensure they are received by Christmas.
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