After the long weekend, last week absolutely flew by! It’s been terrific to have some rain and see everything turning green again!

We had visitors from Questacon work with our Middle School and Senior students last week, which was a fantastic opportunity for them to have some hands on experience and practise their thinking / problem solving in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics). All of the students were extremely engaged and enjoyed the challenges set for them. A big thank you to Mr Milton for organising this experience for our students.

On Sunday, we had a working bee to have a general tidy, get rid of some rubbish lying around and relocate one of our sheds. I would like to thank Dee Cook, Phil Cook, Richard Stening, Scott Williams, Carl Jaeschke, Stephen Magnay, Julie Magnay and Colleen Peters who came along and donated some of their time to help us out. It’s amazing how much ‘stuff’ we accumulate over time and it was great to clear some space, so that we can start on other projects.

I am pleased to say that we will be holding our final oyster kebab working bee this Friday. We would be very grateful if you would be willing and able to help out. Please contact the front office to put your name down for a shift.

We have had a few students turning up to Homework club but it would be great to see some more faces. It’s a valuable opportunity to get some assistance from a teacher and go through some of the things that have been happening in class. Homework club runs on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday nights from 3:30 - 4:00pm and is fully supervised in the library.

Unfortunately, the Year 8/9 9-a-side football had to be cancelled last week due to the inclement weather, however they are hoping to reschedule this for next term.

There are plenty of nasty bugs going around at the moment, with many of our staff and students becoming ill. Whilst we encourage students to attend school every day, if your child is really unwell, we ask that you keep them home to try and prevent the coughs and colds being spread to other students.

End of Semester
Semester 2 starts on Monday 27th June (beginning Wk 9) and students will be notified of any subject and timetable changes. Written reports for all students, R-12 will be sent home on the last week of term. If parents would like to meet with a teacher/s to discuss their child’s progress, please make an appointment through the front office.

Catch-up with a Cowell kid
This week I had a chat with 5 of our Reception students – Chase Piggott, Seth James, Kalan Russell, Scarlett Martin and Zoe Flavel. Although a little bit overawed by being in the Principal’s office, we had an interesting conversation about the things they like doing and learning at school, their ambitions and how we could make the school better.

Eager for a chat, Chase said the things that he enjoyed the most about school were eating lunch and playing with everyone, even if he doesn’t know them. He also enjoys learning about, and writing words. Scarlett likes playing with her friends and also enjoys working with words. Kalan’s favourite thing to do is ‘Discovery time’ because you get to play at different centres, and you have to remember that you need to pack up. Zoe enjoys learning about Art and Science and recess because you get to eat different food, and Seth enjoys playing cars with Casey.

When they grow up the students have some interesting ambitions (as you would expect!) Kalan would like to be an Art teacher, so that he can teach kids how to make things. Also with an ambition to be a teacher, Scarlett would like to help other kids with their learning. Chase is keen to be a Racer – car, bike, motorbike or monster truck, it doesn’t matter! Zoe would like to be a Reader, and the most creative of all was Seth, who would like to be a Tree because birds can come and live in you.

When I asked the students what things could be improved at school, they were all unanimous in saying that the covers on their books needed to be better because they get broken and fall off. Chase would like to be able to eat inside so that they don’t have to walk everywhere and Kalan would like to see some more playground equipment like the year 4/5 swings. The boys also agreed that the boys’ toilets needed to be better because there was too much rubbish. Scarlett and Zoe would both like to learn more words.

The Reception students were a lot of fun to talk to and they were very enthusiastic about having a say about their learning at Cowell.

Next week I look forward to talking to some of our Year 11 students – Benn Posthumus, Grace Chopin and Crystal Hatton.
DATES TO REMEMBER

TERM 2

WEEK 8  20/6 - Schools Ministry Week
          24/6 - End of Semester 1
WEEK 9  27/6 - Start of Semester 2
          29/6 - SAPSASA Football/Netball Trials at Lock
WEEK 10 8/6 - Last Day of Term 2

TERM 3

WEEK 1  25/7 - First day of Term 3
WEEK 2  6-12/8 - Middle School Canberra Camp
WEEK 3  9-11/8 - Cleve Field Days
WEEK 4  15-19/8 - SAPSASA Football/Netball
          - Science Week

JUNE

24/6—Courtney Grigg
25/6—Mikayla Flavel
30/6—Ky Ramsey

Literacy and maths tips to help your child

Helping your child to read, write, speak and listen—Before school to Year 2.

READING TOGETHER

Book talk is an important part of reading. Chat about the book before, during and after reading and really encourage your child to talk about their ideas and ask questions about the book.

Here are some questions you can ask at different times before, during and after the book:

- What would you like to read about?
- Would you like to choose a book you know?
- Look at the cover—what do you think this book is about?
- What is happening in the pictures?
- How could we work out these tricky words?
- What do you think is going to happen next?
- What was your favourite part of the book?
- Who was your favourite character in the story and why?
- If you could change the ending of this book, what would it be?

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PIRATE DAY

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LIBRARY NEWS

Library Hours
Monday to Thursday 8:30am - 4pm
Friday Closed

New this Week
Children’s Picture Books
What Noise Comes from a Giraffe? by Craig MacLean

Children’s Fiction
Revenge of the Lawn Gnomes by R.L Stine
House of Secrets by Chris Columbus

Teen Fiction
Miss Peregrine’s Home for Peculiar Children by Ranson Riggs
The Abundance of Katherines by John Green

Children’s DVDs
Bigfoot & The Burton (PG)
Lego Friends Camp Wild Hearts (G)

Adult Fiction
Dust on the Horizon by Tricia Stringer
The Little Coffee Shop of Kabul by Deborah Roderiguez

Audio Books
The Emperor’s Revenge by Clive Cussler

Adult Non Fiction
Lone Survivor by Marcus Luttrell

Adult DVDs
I.Q (Romance—Rated G)
Elementary— The Second Season (MA15+)

Community Connections

EP Creative Writing Group
Next Meeting:
Wednesday 6th July @ 6.30pm in the Library

Scrapbooking & Card Making
Come along and enjoy a crafty get together on Tuesday 5th July @ 10.30am in the Library.
RSVP preferred.

Storytime
Wednesday mornings from 9.15am in the Library.

Reading Hour
Pjs, teddy bears & stories. Join us between 5.45pm—7pm for a night of fun on Tuesday 5th July in the Library.

School Community Library Survey

SA Public Libraries in conjunction with the District of Franklin Harbour Council are asking community members to do a short online survey about our Library and the service we offer.

The aim is to identify what the community wants from a public library service. The survey is anonymous and very easy to do. If you wouldn't mind spending 10 minutes doing the survey we would be very thankful.

The survey can be done online at:
www.surveymonkey.com/s/Local_Library_Planning
or a paper version is available for collection at the Library.

July Book Club

MARY HIGGINS CLARK
Nighttime Is My Time

desert down was dark
Schools Ministry Week is about getting community members involved with the school and enabling our church congregations to mobilize their gifts and talents by offering to provide a service in the school.

This week Inter-Church Council supplied a fabulous spread of morning tea yesterday for all staff, and there will be a soup lunch on Friday for staff as well. Breakfast this week of pancakes, fruit and toast will be on Thursday, served at recess time. There has been card-making at lunch times for students to say ‘thank you’ to someone in their lives and many volunteers are coming in to listen to primary students read.

Do you know any families in the community who might be doing it tough? Need extra blankets, shoes, clothes or maybe a food hamper?

Please let me know, I would love to help!

I have access to lots of donations.

Please phone the school 86 292 150 to contact me. Thank you, Jess
COMMUNITY NEWS

**COWELL PROBUS COMBINED CLUB**
1st July Meeting Franklin Harbour Hotel at 10am
Guest speaker: Cowell Pharmacist Renae

5th August Meeting Franklin Harbour Hotel at 10am
Guest speaker: Cowell School Librarian
All welcome

**COWELL HOBBY & CRAFT FAIR**
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Fundraiser for Franklin Harbour Institute
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