Hello All,
As Jan is away for the next two weeks, I will be keeping you informed on what’s happening in our school.

Operation Flinders
Mrs Peters and five students head off tomorrow on the Operation Flinders wilderness adventure programme. The eight day exercise in the far northern Flinders Ranges provides an opportunity for the participants to grow as valued members of the community. They will trek 100 km through the Flinders Ranges with the aim to develop personal attributes of self-esteem, leadership, team work and responsibility.

Parent Teacher Interviews
As there are no written reports this term, for R-11 students, you are more than welcome to arrange an interview with your child’s teacher or a particular staff member. Please contact the front office staff to arrange a time for this to happen.

Subject Choice
A Career/SACE evening and subject choice meetings for 2015 year 10-12 students will take place early in Term 4. A letter will be sent home to parents outlining the process in week 1 of the term.

Chicken Pox
Unfortunately we have recently had a number of students absent from school with the Chicken Pox. This is a highly contagious virus and effected students must be excluded from school until all blisters have dried (usually 5 days). If you suspect that your child/children may have Chicken Pox please seek medical advice.

Parent/Caregiver Volunteers on Camps
Parents/Caregivers please be aware that if you intend on accompanying your child/children on any upcoming school camps or excursions that you must have a current Criminal History Screen from the Department of Communities and Social Inclusion. These forms can be obtained from the front office of the school. Please be aware that the approval process takes approximately 8 weeks. Should you have any queries in regards to this, please contact Kylie McFarlane in the front office.

End of term
Term 3 finishes on Friday 26th September at 2:15pm.

USA Update
Jan, Michael and Roly have made it safely to New York and are off to the Harbour High School today. Remember you can follow their blog to obtain updates on their adventure at cowellusa.wordpress.com it all sounds very interesting so far.

Kind regards,
Bob Combes

End of Term Assembly
24th September, commencing at 12pm in the institute, run by the Years 7 & 10. All Welcome.

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SEPTEMBER
17/9—Kane Fiegert
17/9—Eboni Turner
20/9—Alexis Williams 23/9—Claire Norsworthy
26/9—Murphy Starr 30/9—Tamlyn Symonds

EFTPOS / DIRECT DEBIT

EFTPOS facilities are now available for paying all school related accounts.

A direct debit by instalment facility is also available to parents who would like fees deducted directly from their bank, credit or debit card on a weekly, fortnightly or monthly basis. For more details please see Jacqui Lewis-Couzner in the front office, or call the school on 86292150.

FOR SALE

Mitsubishi Magna Station Wagon
Built in 2000, One owner,
302,176km
$1,500 or nearest offer.
For further information or to inspect the vehicle, contact Cowell Area School on 86292150

WANTED

Meaghan Haniford & Bree Muir have designed and made two interactive backdrops for their Year 12 Community Studies project. The backdrops are made to encourage interpretive play for students in the Junior Primary part of the school. The backdrops consist of a Vet and Fruit and Vegetable Shop. They are looking for any donations of the below items to use as props:

- Old stuffed bears or animals
- Play Fruit/ Vegetables / Groceries
- Play Doctors Equipment
- Bandages

All donations can be left at the front office of the school. Any queries please contact the school. Thank you.

Mikayla and Lori’s Fun Sweets’ Stand

Mikayla and Lori have decided to run a sweets stall to raise money for UNICEF. The stand will be held in front of the Year 4/5 classroom on the 25th September.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Ruby Linton from Year 4/5 is doing a project on Operation Christmas Child and would like more of the community to be involved in it. Operation Christmas Child is a program to help children in developing countries, all you have to do is get a box full of new toys and send it away.

An Operation Christmas Child shoebox is more than a gift …it opens up a world of life-changing opportunities for the child, their family and their community. No matter how old or young you are, pack a shoebox this year for a child who has nothing.

Thanks for being part of Operation Christmas Child! National Collection Month for Shoeboxes is OCTOBER so please bring your box to school before the holidays.

For more information go to: http://operationchristmaschild.org.au/.

Fill your shoebox with one or more items from each ‘something’:

- SOMETHING TO LOVE
  Teddy bear, doll, soft toy, etc.

- SOMETHING FOR SCHOOL
  Exercise book, pencil case, pens, pencils, colouring pencils, sharpener, eraser, chalk, etc.

- SOMETHING TO WEAR
  T-shirt, shorts, underwear, cap, beanie, sandals, thongs, etc.

- SOMETHING TO PLAY WITH
  Tennis ball, cars, skipping rope, marbles, musical instrument, yo-yo, slinky, finger puppets, wind up torch, etc. (No battery operated items)*

- SOMETHING FOR PERSONAL HYGIENE
  Soap and face washer, toothbrush, hairbrush, comb, hair-clips, scrunchies, etc. (No toothpaste)*

- SOMETHING SPECIAL
  Carry bag, sunglasses, bangles, necklaces, craft kits, stickers, note or photo of yourself.

It is VERY important that the conditions below are followed to comply with various overseas government and customs constraints and to protect the content of the shoeboxes.

- ITEMS THAT LEAK OR MELT (these can spoil boxes)
  eg toothpaste, shampoo, bubbles, plasticine/playdough, batteries.

- ANY FOOD or LOLLIES
  Of any kind (due to shipping regulations) including medicines and vitamins.

- ANY USED or DAMAGED ITEMS
  (Due to customs regulations) including clothing and toys.

- ANY BREAKABLE ITEMS
  eg glass, porcelain, mirrors.

- ANY ITEM THAT CAN SCARE or HARM A CHILD
  eg knives, war-related toys, toy guns.

- ANY GAMBLING-RELATED ITEMS
  eg play money, playing cards, dominoes.

- ANYTHING OF A RELIGIOUS, RACIAL OR POLITICAL NATURE
Design the new School Shirts and Shorts Competition

Collect templates to design on from the front office. The winners for each design will receive a prize of their choice between school shorts or a school shirt. Return completed design to the box provided in the front office by Friday the 28th of September.

Competition Rules and Guidelines:

1. Anybody may choose to enter this competition.
2. A base of navy blue is to be used.
3. The school emblem should be included.
4. There is to be use of both school colours (navy and yellow, however other colours may be included).

SRC News

Movie Night - This is a reminder about the movie night for those students who have returned consent forms to school. Rio 2 will begin at about 3.30pm for reception to year 4 students, and will be finishing at about 5.15pm. The Lego Movie will also begin at 3.30pm and finish at about 5.05pm. Senior SRC students and teachers will be supervising. Snacks will be available.

Uniform competition - As part of the process of possibly changing or offering new options to our uniform, we are holding a competition for students to design the new t-shirt and shorts. Please see the attached advertisement for more information.

Gala Day - Gala day is coming! Keep the date Thursday the 6th of November free. More details will follow after the holidays.

T20 Cricket Blast

Last Monday, on a warm and very windy day, the Year 6&7 classes ventured to Whyalla to take part in the T20 Cricket Blast, run by SACA. We had three mixed teams of 8 in the boy's competition, which had 7 teams. We played a few games throughout the day, winning a few & losing a few. It was great fun and involved everyone. Our final results were:

3rd place: Caitlin, Luci, Ruby C, Chloe, Briana, Dale & Bailey, with Matt.
4th place: Shannon, Kira, Tahlia, Jaxon, Sean, Jamie & Dylan, with Mrs McFarlane & Ms Porteous.
6th Place: Britt, Callum, Oscar, Rhianne, Eboni, Dana & Abbey with Scotty.

Memorial Oval Primary School won both the boys & girls competitions.

Many thanks to our adult helpers on the day: Scott Williams, Matt Franklin, Linda Symonds & Sharmain Turner.
SCHOOL TRANSPORT POLICY REVIEW

Following the Minister’s news release titled ‘School bus services in regional areas to be reviewed’ dated 26 June 2014, a review panel has been established to review the current School Transport Policy. The Policy includes information relating to bus services for regional students.

Approximately 16 000 students use school bus services daily, including students attending non-government schools. In order to review the current policy the review panel is relying on service users and stakeholders to provide feedback via an online survey.

It is expected that the survey results will identify common issues, including those, relating to bus services for regional students.

Interested individuals and organisations are invited to participate in the review process by completing the online Survey available at http://www.decd.sa.gov.au/schooltransportreview2014

The Survey will close on 3 October 2014.

The above website also includes the following information:
- School Transport Policy
- School Transport Review Terms of Reference
- Media Release 26/06/2014: School bus services in regional areas to be reviewed

School bus services in regional areas to be reviewed

- School bus services in regional areas will be reviewed to ensure resources are allocated to help as many South Australian students as possible.
- With over 470 school bus services running across South Australia, catering for about 16,000 students on a daily basis, the review will investigate how regional students are catered for.
- Minister for Regional Development and Member for Frome Geoff Brock was instrumental in establishing the review.
- “Last year I put a motion to the parliament to have the current policy reviewed to reflect the educational needs of children in regional areas across the state,” Mr Brock said.
- Led by the Department for Education and Child Development, the review will seek feedback from parents and students, schools, governing councils, principal associations and the education union, as well as non-government schools, bus contractor associations and owner operators.
- Education and Child Development Minister Jennifer Rankine said the review will explore common issues that have been raised about perceived inequalities in bus services for regional students.
- “The review will also look at how important these issues are in terms of what is working, community values and support, and what resources could be reconfigured to improve these services,” Ms Rankine said.
- “When we came to Government in 2002, there were only four school buses with seatbelts. Now, it is anticipated that by the end of 2016 all school buses will have seatbelts and air-conditioning.”
- The last time the School Transport Policy was reviewed was in 2006.
LIBRARY NEWS

Library Opening Times
Monday to Friday  9 am til 4pm

NEW STOCK IN

Children's Picture Books
Peppa's Balloon Adventure
Construction by Sally Sutton
If Kids Ran the World by Leo & Dianne Dillon
Demolition by Sally Sutton
Animal School by Michelle Lord
King Jack & the Dragon by Peter Bently
What If by Anthony Browne

Children's Fiction
Loyal Creatures by Morris Gleitzman
Pearlie’s Ghost by Gabrielle Wang
The 52 Storey Treehouse by Andy Griffiths
Chill by Alex Nye
The Missing Diary by Thea Stilton
Frank Einstein by Jon Scieszka

Children's Non-Fiction
Horrible Histories The Mad Miscellany by Terry Deary
1000 Questions & Answers by Nicola Baxter
The Great War—Stories Inspired by Objects from the First World War by Miscellaneous Authors
Lives of the Explorers by Kathleen Krull & Kathryn Hewitt

Teen Fiction
Girls Under Pressure by Jacqueline Wilson
Mortal Danger by Ann Aguirre
Stay Where You Are and then Leave by John Boyne

Adult Fiction
Mercy by Jodi Picoult
Ford County by John Grisham
Eeny Meeny by M J Arlidge
Sundays at Tiffany’s by James Patterson
Swimsuit by James Patterson
Believing the Lie by Elizabeth George
Monsoon by Di Morrissey
Red Mist by Patricia Cornwell
Scarpetta’s Winter Table by Patricia Cornwell
An Event in Autumn by Henning Mankell

Adult Non-Fiction
What I Know For Sure by Oprah Winfrey
Outback Wisdom by Sara Henderson
Never Say Die by Chris O’Brien

Adult DVDs
The War Horse M
Killing Them Softly MA15+
Buried MA15+
Animal Kingdom MA15+
The Girl Who Kicked the Hornets’ Nest MA15+

BoxTrolls Competition
To celebrate the movie release of The Boxtrolls, we are running a colouring competition. Please see the Library for an entry form. Our prizes include a free movie ticket for The Boxtrolls, a Boxtrolls Stationery Set and a Boxtrolls Backpack. Entries close Wednesday 24th September

Living In A Treehouse
We are celebrating the release of the newest of The Treehouse series being released by Andy Griffiths & Terry Denton here in the Library. Each lunchtime until the end of term we will be reading 2 chapters of The 52 Storey Treehouse. Also Dymocks Bookshops in conjunction with Andy Griffiths & Terry Denton are running a competition with an amazing prize. Just write a short story (200—500 words) about Living In a Treehouse and go in the running to have your story illustrated by Terry Denton and presented to you by Andy Griffiths at your school. Competition details and terms & conditions are available at the Library.
COWELL SWIMMING CLUB FUNDRAISER
Does your child need a new swimming bag? Cowell Swimming Club have Kaboodle bags on display at the Schools front office. These swimming bags are long lasting and with summer fast approaching they make a great birthday or Christmas present. Simply go to www.kaboodlebags.com.au then click on Fundraising, Support Fundraiser and choose Cowell Swimming Club. From then on any purchase you make the Cowell Swimming club will receive 10% commission of any sales. For any further details contact Jane Smith 86285039.

COWELL NETBALL CLUB AGM
TONIGHT 7:30pm in the Sports Complex
Take an active interest in your and your children’s sport and ensure our club remains strong in the future. Coaches please bring your written report to this meeting. Apologies to Emma Carmody 0434 703 044

COWELL POOL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
Annual General Meeting
Will be held in the Library on Wednesday 24th September at 3:30pm. All welcome.

COWELL SWIMMING CLUB
Meeting this Thursday 18th September 3.30pm in the library. Anyone is welcome to attend. Enquiries please contact Maria 0408 396 110.

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(near Post Office)
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Jewellery, Home Décor, Candles & Soaps, Handbags & Purses, Giftware & many more exciting items.

Congratulations to Marian Story who was the lucky winner of a $50 voucher to spend in store.

WANTED URGENTLY
We are seeking blue and green buttons (up to the size of 1.5cm) for a charity fundraiser. If you have any that you would be willing to kindly donate, please leave them at the front office of the school for collection.

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 BOOK CLUB
The next meeting of the social book club will be on Friday 19th September at 6 p.m. in the Commercial Hotel. The current book is *Longbourn* by Jo Baker. You can use the new one card system to put a hold on the book and have it sent to the library. If you are unsure of how to do this you can visit the library and they will help you. New members are always welcome to attend.

COWELL HOSPITAL AUXILIARY
Annual General Meeting will be held on Thursday 25th September at 11:30am in the Ivy Caire Centre. Lunch will follow meeting (provided by Cowell Bakery) cost will be divided between members attending. All welcome.

SUNDAY SCHOOL
The last Sunday school for this term will be this Sunday the 21st September at 11:00 at the Lutheran Church hall. All children of all ages and denomination are welcomed.

BARB’S COMMUNITY BENEFIT CONCERT
Friday 26th September
7pm in the Cowell Institute
Main Proceeds to Cowell Area School Playground Equipment
Choirs, Bands, Vocalists/Musicians, Dancers
Supper provided, canteen available
Tickets:
Adults $12 Family $30
Child/Students 3yrs & over $5
Available for purchase at the Cowell Post Office, Cowell Area School and at the door.

COWELL JUNIOR TENNIS
The Annual General Meeting for Junior Tennis will be held on Wednesday 24th September in the Library at 4pm. Please return the tear off slip to Tanya Williams or the front office of the school. Any queries or for more information contact Tanya on 0428 135 714.

Grace Barbe’s The Afro Sound of the Seychelles will be performed at the Middleback Theatre on Friday October 10th at 7:30pm. Book Now 8644 7300

GRACE BARBE’S SEGA RHYTHMS WORKSHOP
Come and meet Grace Barbe and her band members to learn about sega and other traditional rhythms from the Indian Ocean islands of Seychelles, Mauritius and La Reunion. You will sing a traditional sega along with the accompanying dance steps.

Date: Friday October 10th at 2pm
Duration: 60mins
Cost: $5 per person
Venue: Middleback Theatre 86447300
Suitability: All ages, no experience necessary
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COWELL JUNIOR TENNIS

I would like to see Junior Tennis continue on Friday afternoons
I would like to see Junior Tennis return to Saturday mornings

My Child/Children __________________________________________________________
would like to play tennis in the 2014/2015 season.
KAYLEEN TURNBULL, Dip. Nat.

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WEB ID: 5947128
29-31 O’Connell Street - $80,000
WEB ID: 5603744
9 Burton Street - $45,000
WEB ID: 424456
10 Rupara Street - $59,500
WEB ID: 398870
41 Wellington Road - $57,500
WEB ID: 4822326
17 Rupara Street - $90,000
WEB ID: 282511

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SKATE PARK FUNDRAISER
After recent generous donations and fundraising the funds now sits at $39,516.15.
Canvas vouchers are still available - great idea for upcoming Xmas gifts. Please contact a committee member for more info.
Danni Osborne, 0427296090
Kylie Inglis, 0428292154

Ray White Eastern Eyre Peninsula
10 William Street Cowell $260 per week
FOR RENT
3 bed, 1 bath, 2 toilets, Heating/cooling, 20 x 25ft shed, Kitchen overlooking dining/lounge area.
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Cowell Harbour Button Club
The Annual Button Club Cash Raffle is currently running again.
8 Cash prizes to be won and only 1,000 tickets will be sold;
1st prize: $3,000
2nd prize: $1,000
3rd prize: $500
4th to 8th prizes: $100
Tickets available up until 21st November. Raffle drawn on 23rd November, winners notified by phone. Tickets available from Cowell Area School & Cowell Post Office.

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