

# Cooerwull Public School Newsletter



Term 4 | Week 6

#### **Principal's Message**

Hello everyone,

What a busy and rewarding term it has been so far. Our school has once again been filled with wonderful learning experiences, celebrations, and opportunities for our students to shine.

In Week 3, we welcomed the NRMA team to deliver their Road Safety Program. The sessions were highly engaging, and the instructor made special mention of our students' outstanding behaviour and attentiveness. It was fantastic to see our students taking such an important message on board.

On Friday 31 October, we celebrated World Teachers' Day. This was a wonderful opportunity to recognise and thank our dedicated and passionate teachers here at Cooerwull. Their commitment to our students' growth and wellbeing truly makes our school the special place it is.

Our 2026 Kindergarten Ready Set Go Program is now underway, and we are thrilled to welcome a delightful group of future Cooerwull students as they begin their schooling journey. Thank you to Miss Collins, Miss Clarke, Mrs Bright and Mr Stait for the enthusiasm and care you bring to this important transition program.

Meanwhile, Mrs Aubrey and Mrs Mercer have been busy coordinating our Year 2 to Year 3 transition program. This important initiative helps our Year 2 students become familiar with the Primary environment, ensuring they feel confident and comfortable as they prepare to enter Stage 2.

On Tuesday 11 November, our school paused for a very moving Remembrance Day assembly. Students showed great respect as we reflected on the sacrifices made by those who have served our country. The thoughtful contributions from our student leaders created a solemn and meaningful atmosphere. Thank you to Miss McConnell and Miss Roberts for organising such a respectful commemoration.

Yesterday we also held our Year 6 Jogathon, with students excitedly running laps in colourful costumes to raise funds for their Year 6 gift to the school. It was wonderful to see the enthusiasm and community spirit on display.

Last week, our boys' and girls' basketball teams travelled to Castle Hill for the Basketball NSW State Championships. Both teams represented our school with pride, showing exceptional sportsmanship, teamwork and determination against strong competition. Congratulations to all involved and thank you to Mrs Dennis and Mr Sanderson for supporting the teams. This event rounds out what has been an incredibly successful year of sport at Cooerwull.

On Friday, the Cooerwull Primary School choir and dance group brought joy and festive cheer to the residents of Cooinda Nursing Home with a heart-warming performance. The choir captivated the audience with three beautiful selections from their festival repertoire, followed by a lively medley of Christmas favourites that had everyone smiling.

The visit was a wonderful example of community engagement, creating meaningful connections between our students and the elderly residents. The joy on the faces of the audience was a powerful reminder of the impact such visits can have. Thank you to Mr Humphries and Miss Fairbairn for coordinating the groups.

Cooerwull's Got Talent is now in full swing, thanks to the efforts of Mrs Aubrey and Ms Abrahams. We have seen many clever and confident students audition, showcasing talents ranging from singing and dancing to comedy and instrumental performances. We look forward to the big show on Friday.

On Monday, our Year 5 Leadership Speeches will take place as we select our 2026 student leaders. This is always an inspiring occasion, as students demonstrate courage, pride and a genuine desire to contribute to our school community. We wish all candidates the very best and commend them for stepping forward.

Next Wednesday, Stage 3 students depart for their Canberra excursion, and I am delighted to be accompanying them. We have a full itinerary planned, including visits to Parliament House, the Australian War Memorial, Questacon, and other significant sites. It will be a valuable opportunity for students to deepen their understanding of our nation's history, government and culture.

Planning for our Twilight Markets is also well underway, with a fantastic line-up of stalls, food vans and entertainment locked in. We hope to see many families joining us on Friday 5 December from 4:30pm. If you are able to volunteer even an hour of your time, we would greatly appreciate your support.

Lastly, Presentation Day will be held on Friday 12 December. This special event allows us to celebrate the outstanding achievements, growth and effort of our students across the year. We look forward to acknowledging the hard work and success of all our learners.

With the end of the year in sight, we have many activities and celebrations planned for the students. Please ensure you are logged in to the SchoolBytes Parent Portal to stay up to date and provide permission for these upcoming events.

Thank you for your ongoing support as we navigate this busy time of year. Cooerwull continues to thrive because of our strong partnerships between students, staff and families. I am deeply proud of everything we have achieved together this term.

Mrs McMahon Principal

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

18 November Year 6 Jogathon

21 November Ready Set Go Kindergarten Transition - Week 4 -

Last Session

26 November

27 November Stage 3 Canberra Excursion

28 November

4 December Koori Connection Day

5 December Christmas Twilight Markets

10 December Manly High School Band visit

Special Children's Christmas Party

12 December Presentation Day

17 December Year 6 Graduation Assembly and Farewell Dinner

18 December Infants Excursion to Edge Cinemas Katoomba

19 December Stage 2 party Day

Stage 3 Party Day

LAST DAY OF SCHOOL YEAR!!!

#### **P&C NEWS**

The next meeting of the P&C will be held on **Thursday 11 December at 3.15pm in the Infants Department.** 

All are welcome to come and join the meeting.



# Important Safety Information

Transport for NSW

#### **Road safety**

#### Hold your child's hand

Your child may be easily distracted and too small to be seen by drivers. They are still developing skills that help them to predict or identify dangers and may tend to act impulsively.

An adult should always be responsible for your child's safety when out and about.

Talk with your child about safe behaviour on the footpath. It's not a safe place to play as it is near the road and vehicles may be entering or exiting driveways.

Until your child is <u>at least</u> 8 years old, hold their hand:

- · on the footpath
- · in the car park
- · when crossing the road.

Then, up until at least 10 years old, supervise your child very closely, and hold their hand when crossing the road.

If you can't be with your child, organise for another trusted adult to accompany them.

At the end of the school day, your child may be excited, distracted or tired and often not concentrating on what is happening around them. Help keep them safe by meeting your child at the school gate. Never call them across the road.

Children learn safe road user habits from you and will continue them when they are old enough to travel alone.



For more information on keeping children safe in the road environment visit the families section on safetytown.com.au



#### Key road safety messages to share with your child in Kindergarten to Year 2

- Hold a grown up's hand when:
  - you cross the road
  - you're on the footpath
  - you're in a car park

#### Key road safety messages to share with your child in Years 3 to 6

- Hold an adult's hand when you cross the road (until at least 10)
- · Use a safe place to cross the road
- Stop! Look! Listen! Think! every time you cross the road and keep checking until safely across



Too many lives lost on NSW roads.

Our goal is zero.





# Christmas Markets





## Christmas Markets



# Cooerwull Public School



# CHRISTMAS TWILIGHT MARKETS



#### **VOLUNTEERS WANTED!**

We're looking for parents and carers who'd like to volunteer at our market stalls!

A simple rotation roster will be in place, so your time commitment will be light and flexible.

If you're interested in lending a hand, please get in touch with the Office at either site.



DECEMBER 5
FROM 4.30 PM TO 7.30 PM



# School Holiday's



## Community News

# S'MORE THREADZ • KIDS • TEENS • ADULTS •



# SCHOOL UNIFORMS AVAILABLE

PROUD TO BE SUPPLYING UNIFORMS FOR THESE LOCAL SCHOOLS









#### **OPENING HOURS**

MON-FRI: 9AM-5PM

SAT: 9AM-1PM Shop 47

Lithgow Valley Plaza

02 63522 039

Email: sales@lithgowworkwear.com.au

afterpay & Layby Available

# Community News



### Caring for Teens

Monday Nov 24th 2025



#### practical tips for parents, carers & community members

#### 6pm

#### DANIEL PRINCIPE

NSW Australian of the year nominee

Daniel is a passionate youth advocate and educator. He champions boys across Australia to challenge culture and aspire to live courageous, respectful and empathetic lives.





# 7pm MAEVE SLONIM THE FLOURISH JOURNEY

Maeve is a mission driven leader dedicated to transforming the lives of girls and young women through empowerment and connection.

BOOKINGS: Eventbrite Limited seating - Bookings essential

- Parents, Carers & General Community Members: Free with ticket
- Community Sector & Educators:: \$10 contribution

VENUE: LEEP Building 176 Mort St, Lithgow, Wiradjuri Country TIME: 5.30pm for a 6pm start Complimentary Light refreshments provided



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