



COPMANHURST PUBLIC SCHOOL

Newsletter,

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Principal's report

Uniform

What a great start to the year in terms of students wearing uniforms! Every day so far we have had every child in school uniform. Although children are allowed to wear hats of their choice, the preferred hats are the school bucket hat and the school cap. Both of these are available to purchase from the office. We ask that children wear joggers to school although elastic-sided boots and traditional black school shoes are also fine. Please do not send children to school in thongs or crocs unless it is a special day like surfing or swimming. Please label each clothing item with your child's name – it makes it easier to return it to them.

100 nights of reading

This year we are again encouraging children to read for pleasure at home by holding the '100 Nights of Reading' challenge. Teachers will soon send home recording sheets for children and parents to record each night they have completed 10-15 minutes of reading. This can include being read to by a parent, grandparent or older sibling. Children achieving 100 nights of home reading before the end of November will be treated to a pizza lunch at the end of the year, but the greater reward will be the significant improvement in their reading, writing and spelling that comes with regular reading.

Use of school playground after hours

Students who attend our school are allowed to use the playground and tennis court after school, on weekends and during holidays if they are with a parent or carer. An older sibling doesn't count. Children who don't attend our school are not to be on site and are trespassing if they are.

Swimming carnival

Due to the ongoing building works at the Grafton pool, we are not able to hold a school swimming carnival again this year. Students who are turning 8 or older this year, and can swim 50 metres, will have the opportunity to progress straight to the Clarence District swimming carnival being held at the Grafton pool next Friday, February 21st. A note will come home with interested students today to nominate which events they wish to compete in. Please return these as soon as possible.

AFL Gala Day

A Small Schools AFL gala day is being held for our small schools at Fisher Park in Grafton on Friday February 28th. This is for all primary students in years 3-6. It will be a fun day of modified games designed for kids with no experience in AFL football to have some fun with students from the other small schools. Children will travel by bus and a permission note and more details will be available soon.

NAPLAN

This term, students in Years 3 and 5 will undertake the National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN). NAPLAN provides schools with valuable information about your child's/children's learning progress in literacy and numeracy. The NAPLAN 2025 test window will take place from Wednesday 12 March to Monday 24 March.

Cheers,
Andrew

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CANTEEN: TERM 1

17th Feb – Nicole & Jennah

24th Feb – Vashti & Amy

If you are able to give up one Monday a term to volunteer in the canteen, please contact Sandra in the front office.
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COMING EVENTS – TERM 1

Friday Feb 21st – District Swimming carnival

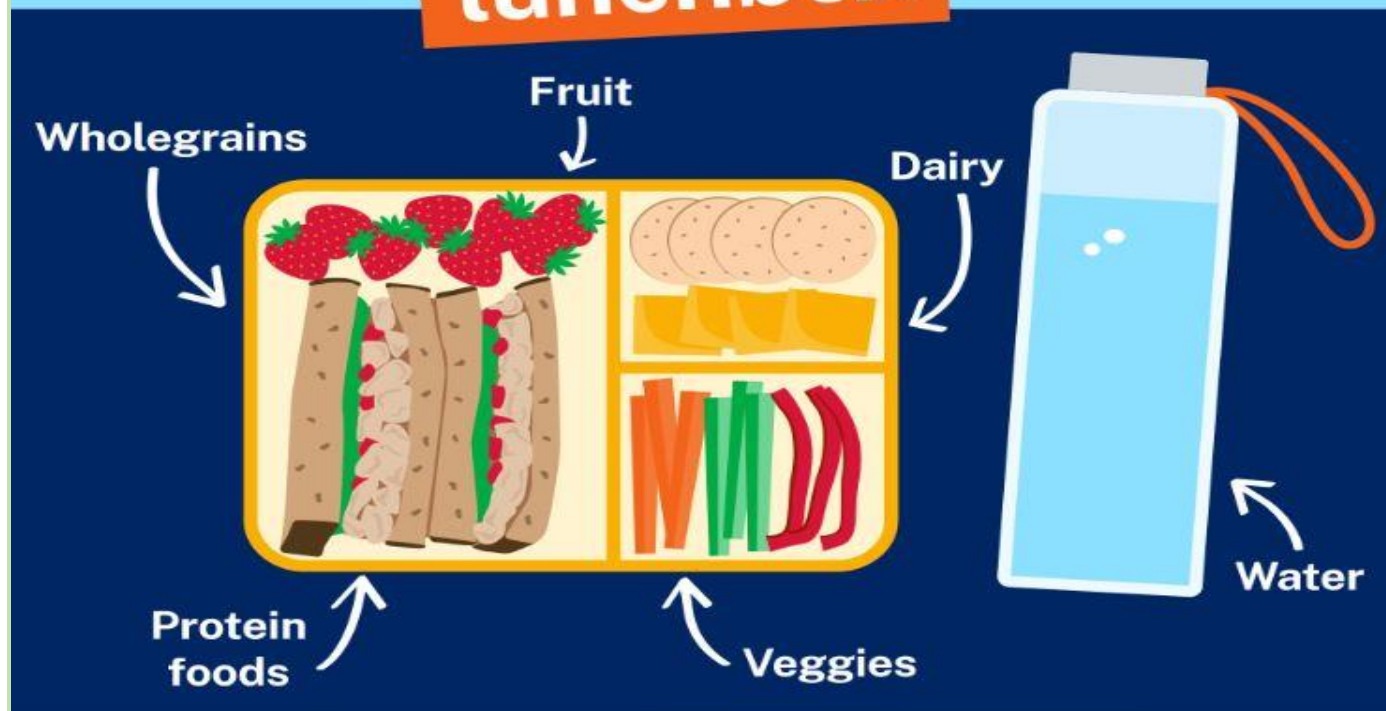
Friday Feb 28th – AFL Gala Day

March 12-24 – NAPLAN testing for Years 3 & 5 students

Thursday Apr 3rd – Small Schools Cross Country

Friday Apr 4th – Surfing K-6

What to pack in your child's lunchbox



Healthy Eating
Active Living

