



# COORARA PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

TERM 1 WEEK 1

2025

## 2025 DIARY DATES

### FEBRUARY

#### Wednesday 12

Community Night 5pm  
AGM – Resource Centre  
6:30pm

#### Friday 14

Assembly Hosted by Rm  
9

#### Monday 17

Governing Council  
Meeting

#### Tuesday 25

Zoo Excursion R-3

#### Wednesday 26

Zoo Snooze Yr 4 & 5  
Monarto Camp Yr 6

#### Thursday 27

Zoo Snooze Yr 4 & 5  
Monarto Camp Yr 6

#### Friday 28

Monarto Camp Yr 6

### MARCH

#### Friday 7

PUPIL FREE DAY

#### Monday 10

Adelaide Cup Holiday

## Message from the Principal – Steph Tulloch

Dear Families,

Welcome back, it has been wonderful to have our families and community back into school. Our students are looking great in their uniforms and have dived straight into their learning.

The new school year brings changes to our staff team. We are very fortunate to have the following staff starting in new roles:

- Katie Colbert is teaching in Room 6 in a reception class.
- Renee Strenge has returned and is teaching in Room 20, Year 2/3, and sharing this teaching position with Laura Lacey.
- Cathy McHolm has joined our leadership team for the first 5 weeks of this term whilst Christine Falco is on leave.
- Sherelle Warner is working with Leadership for two days a week for part of this term, prior to going on maternity leave.
- Dani Welfare is our Mathematics Intervention Teacher for Term 1 and 2 and will teach the new mid-year reception children in Terms 3 and 4.
- Sophie Panousakis is with us for this term, going on maternity leave for the remainder of the school year.
- Sharon Clark has taken on the supporting role in the Library.
- Julie Coole is working as a finance officer at Pimpala Primary this term. We welcome Courtney Watt back to the front office.

We have many SSOs across the school who you will see. We welcome all of our new faces in these roles and know you will enjoy being a part of our great team.

### Community Night.

#### 12 February from 5:00–6:30 pm

Come along and join us for a sausage sizzle, raffles, games, information stalls, and the opportunity to see past teachers and to meet your child's 2025 teacher. We will have representatives from the Smith Family and Children's University here to share their programmes and provide information on how they can support for you.

### AGM

Please come and be a part of our Governing Council.

Our Governing Council AGM will be held on the Community Night at 6:30 pm in the library. If you are interested in being a part of our Governing Council, please catch a GC representative or myself.

**Uniforms:** Our new uniforms are available and it was a busy week last week whilst parents flocked to the window to purchase these. Hats are also available now for purchase.

Just a reminder that all children are required to be in correct uniform whilst at school. Pants must be black, and all shorts and skirts must be mid-thigh or longer. Year 6 jumpers will be available in late March. Please ensure your child is not wearing jewellery including rings, necklaces (unless cultural) and bangles, and that any earrings are studs and sleepers only. This is for the safety of all whilst at school.

**Hats:** All students MUST be wearing a NAMED hat in Terms 1 and 4. Those without a hat will be required to remain sitting in the shade for their break times.

Please make sure all uniform items are named clearly. Please label their jumpers on the inside of the Coorara logo as well as on tags.

*I acknowledge the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people as the Traditional Owners of this country throughout Australia and their connection to land and community. I pay my respects to their Cultures and to the Elders both past and present.*





## Events

There are many events being planned for the year. Please refer to the term planner for an overview, Facebook for daily notifications, as well as the school website for upcoming events and notices. The following excursions will be happening this term

- Reception – Y3 excursion to the Adelaide Zoo (Week 5)
- Year 4 and 5 students have an overnight camp at the Adelaide Zoo (Week 5)
- Year 6 have a 2-night camp at Monarto (Week 5)
- Sports Day is on Friday 28 March (Week 9)

## Pupil Free Day / School Closure days/Public Holidays:

- Term 1:** Pupil Free Day: **Friday 7 March** on the Berry Street Education Model training. No OSHC available as they will be undertaking the training on the Berry Street Education Model training. Adelaide Cup: **Monday 10 March.** No School and no OSHC.
- Term 2:** Pupil Free Day: **Friday 6 June** on new South Australian Curriculum. OSHC available Kings Birthday: **Monday 9 June.** No School and No OSHC.
- Term 3:** Pupil Free Day: **Friday 8 August** on the Berry Street Education Model training. No OSHC available as they will be undertaking the training on the Berry Street Education Model training.
- Term 4:** School Closure: **Friday 7 November.** OSHC available Pupil Free Day: **Friday 28 November.** OSHC available

Looking forward to sharing an amazing term with you and your children.

Steph Tulloch

## REMINDER

Please return your child's permission booklet to the front office. Years 1 - Yr 6 students. If your family information details have changed, please update your current details at the front office.

## COMMUNITY NIGHT

**COMMUNITY NIGHT AT COORARA**

Wednesday 12 February  
5:00 - 6:30 pm  
Courtyard activities and classroom visits

6:30 pm  
Annual General Meeting in the Resource Centre

Courtyard Fun! Raffles

Free BBQ Starts at 5 pm, Cake stall

All attendees can go into the \$50 voucher draw

Come along & meet your child's teachers

Drinks \$2:00  
Second Hand book Sales

Chat to Governing Council

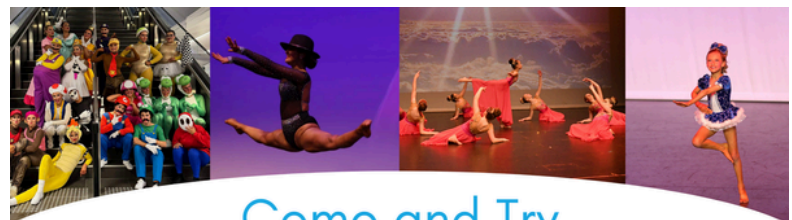
Spirit in Unity  
Aunty Maureen & Aunty Naomi  
Kurna Elders

Smith Family

Children's University

Scouts Visiting

## COMMUNITY INFORMATION



## Come and Try CALISTHENICS

RESPECT - BRAVERY - COMMITMENT - ATTITUDE - LEARNING - INCLUSION

- 2.5-7 year olds: Saturdays 9am-10/11am
- 8-10 year olds: Thursdays 5pm-7:30pm
- 11-13 year olds: Mondays 5pm-8pm
- 14-17 year olds: Tuesdays 6pm-9pm
- 18+: Wednesdays 6:30pm-9:30pm

Enquiries: rbcalisecretary@gmail.com



Scan to find out more!





## Coorara Staff



**Steph Tulloch**  
Principal



**Sandra Howlett**  
Deputy Principal



**Cathy McHolm**  
AET & AIT



**Dianne Hendy**  
Business Manager



**Sandy McKell**  
Admin Secretary



**Sharon Clark**  
SSO Library



**Rhi Verrall**  
Rm 10



**Nicole Coole**  
ACEO & SSO



**Sophie Byrne**  
Rm 19



**Lisa Connolly**  
Rm 18



**Brianna Price**  
Rm 11



**Natalie Castro**  
Rm 17



**Renee Streng**  
Rm 20



**Zac Schenkel**  
Rm 9



**Ryan Tilling**  
Rm 12



**Zach Rimmer**  
ICT



**Max Connolly**  
SSO



**Brianna Woolhouse**  
Rm 5



**Katie Colbert**  
Rm 6



**Daniel Mills**  
Physical Education





## Coorara Staff



**Jennifer Robinson**  
OSHC Director



**Nikki Bridgman**  
Performing Arts



**Lauren Bailey**  
SSO



**Laura Lacey**  
Rm 20 & NIT



**Lisa Carthy**  
Science



**Robin van der Wielen**  
SSO



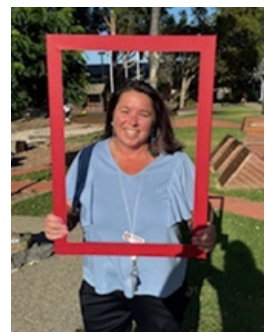
**Ben Lawrance**  
SSO



**Jess Wellington**  
SSO



**Kristen Webb**  
SSO



**Sandra Miller**  
SSO



**Nick Ashley**  
SSO



**Harrison Evans**  
SSO



**Lisa-Marie Lynch**  
SSO



**Courtney Watt**  
SSO



**Rachael Hodgson**  
SSO



**Maurice Gear**  
SSO



**Dani Welfare**  
Maths  
Intervention

**Absent staff:**  
**Christine Falco - Wellbeing Leader**  
**Sherelle Warner - IESP Intervention support**  
**Janette Wheeler - Pastoral Care Worker**  
**Sophie Panousakis - Reading Intervention**  
**Natika Weinert - SSO**

