

COORARA PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Newsletter

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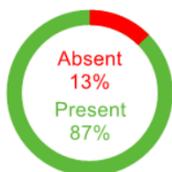
Term 2 Week 7

Thursday 15 June 2023

Diary Dates

- **16/6/23**
Jam Band Incurion 9:30am
- **19/6/23**
OSHC Meeting 6:30pm
Governing Council Meeting 7pm
- **20/6/23**
Scholastic Book Club Due
- **22/6/23**
Aboriginal Hearing Checks
- **28/6/23**
Assembly Hosted by Rm 19
- **30/6/23**
LOCK IN 5pm - 7pm
- **3/7/23 - 7/7/23**
Naidoc Week
- **5/7/23**
Reports go Home
- **7/7/23**
Last day of Term 2
Early Dismissal 2:10pm
Crazy Hair Day - Gold Coin Donation

Attendance



Hi Families,

Over the past few years, Coorara Primary School has moved to a "Science of Reading" approach to teaching students to read. To become a fluent reader student, need to be proficient in a range of skills. The first step is to understand that spoken language is made up of words and sentences and that the words can be broken down into sounds that can be written using letters from the English alphabet. We have developed a sequence for teaching these sounds and students are explicitly taught these each day in their phonics lesson.

A typical phonics lesson starts with a Phonological Awareness drill focusing on syllables, rhyme, and recognising where in a word is a sound situated? For example, in the word ship is the 'sh' at the beginning middle or end? The teacher then reviews a range of the sounds already taught along with the rules for the use of that sound. An example is that students know that the letter 'j' makes a 'j' sound and that no English word ends in a 'j'.

When a new sound is introduced, the teacher will model the correct letter formation for students who will practise using multi-sensory methods such as air-writing, writing on their table with a finger, using mini-whiteboards and in books.

When hearing children read, encourage them to sound out unknown words rather than guessing. The decodable readers that they bring home include words made up of sounds that they have been taught and these books are perfect for practising early reading skills. A future newsletter article will focus on how parents are able to help at home with beginning readers. If you have any questions about reading, please ask your child's teacher or a member of leadership. We are here to help!

Other News:

Coffee Van: 'Seafoam' coffee van will be at school every Tuesday morning from 8-10am. It will be parked in the school driveway close to the hall.

Uniform and clothing: Just a reminder that your child needs to be in **correct school uniform**. We have a lot of jeans, coloured tights, and very short shorts coming to school under our uniform tops. Please ensure your child is in black pants, skirts or shorts. If they are wearing tights under skirts and shorts, they also need to be black. Shorts must be a minimum of mid-thigh in length. Striped, coloured and patterned pants, including jeans, are not permitted.

We would also like **parents to be aware of their clothing choices**. Students and teachers have noticed parents wearing clothing & jewellery with inappropriate messages, graphics and language on them. This clothing choice is not to be worn inside the school gates. We thank you for your support.

Kind regards,
Leadership Team

LOCK IN - Friday 30 June
Have you bought your ticket yet?

ROOM 20 NEWS

WHEELS DAY

On Thursday Week 6 our class participated in Wheels Day. We had a great time riding on our scooters and bikes. We practised being safe and discussed the importance of wearing our helmet when riding.



DREAMBIG EXCURSION

In Week Three, our class attended the DreamBig Festival. We had an amazing time and loved all the activities and shows. It was a great day!



ROOM 20 LEARNING

PHONICS

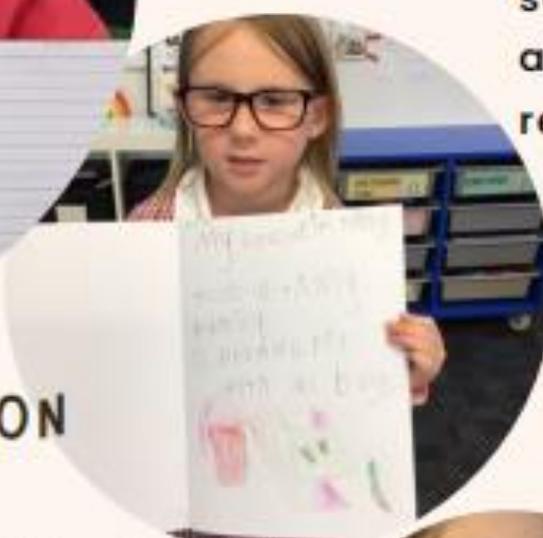
We have been doing daily explicit phonics lessons where we learn about the sounds letters can make and how to blend sounds to read and write words.



ca e a ge
page page
sta g wa ge
sa ga p n ge

RECONCILIATION WEEK

In week 6 we participated in Reconciliation Week, we enjoyed designing and painting our boomerangs with symbols that represent us.



Handwritten text on a drawing, including the words "WATER" and "MOUNTAINS".



Handwritten text on a yellow paper, including the words "look", "your", and "y".



LOCK-IN! LOCK-IN

Come along and have a night of fun and games and wear your pyjamas!

Friday 30th June 2023

Cost \$9.50

Fruit box, hot dog, and a packet of chips

5.00pm – 7.00pm

Please order tickets by completing the slip and returning with payment of \$9.50 no later than **Friday 23rd June 2023.**

Late orders cannot be accepted.

Coorara Book of “Challenge Champions”

Week 6 Challenge

“Students had to pick up and take Skittles from one plate to another, in 30 seconds”.

Junior Champion: Sabaat Chandio, who moved 2 skittles in 30 seconds.

Senior Champion: Chloe Davis showed great dexterity and patience, to get 4 Skittle in 30 seconds!

Well done to all that tested their patience.



Sentral for Parents App you will:

- Receive real-time notifications & messages from school
- Explain reasons for your child's absence
- Submit future student absence requests for your child
- View/read/download academic reports
- Message your child's classroom teacher
- View/read/download newsletters
- And much more.....

Please download the Sentral for Parent App (via the App store or Google Play Store)

We encourage all families to register for the Sentral for Parents App

Please notify the school when you have downloaded the Parent App, we will then send you, your child's 'Access Key' by email, this will allow you direct access to your child's profile.



Kytons Fundraiser pick up day is Wednesday 21st June

Time: Approx. 2:30pm

Where: Staffroom Back Door

NAIDOC Week

NAIDOC (National Aborigines and Islanders Day Observance Committee) Week occurs annually in July, and celebrates the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

This year NAIDOC Week occurs in Week 10 of this term. To celebrate the culture of our wider community we will be having a visiting artist.

Mali Isabel is an Arabana and Kokatha artist, living and practising on Kurna land (Adelaide), Australia. Mali creates contemporary dot paintings using all colours of the rainbow to spread her message of positivity and equality. By combining her passions for education and painting, Mali hopes to achieve a greater understanding of culture and equity through her rainbow artworks.

All students will be participating in a workshop on Monday 3rd July with Mali to create a piece of art of their own to take home.

Here is an example of her art:



CHRISTIE DOWNS COMMUNITY HOUSE

The Community Pantry

Open Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday
9:30am - 1:00pm

It is just \$2 to access the pantry. We have plenty of fresh fruit and some vegetables for free as well as other staple items for sale.



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