



COORARA PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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2025

2025 DIARY DATES

NOVEMBER

Friday 7

School Closure day

Tuesday 11

Remembrance Day

Wednesday 12

Ready For Reception

9:00am – 11:30am

Footsteps Yr 6

Thursday 13

Children's Uni

Graduation 5:15pm

Friday 14

Assembly Rm 7 Hosting

Tuesday 18

Ruby Tuesday Yr 5/6

Wednesday 19

Ready for Reception

9:00am – 12:30pm

Tuesday 25

Footsteps Yr 6

Wednesday 26

Ready for Reception

9:00am – 3:00pm

Thursday 27

End of Year Concert

5:30pm – 7:30pm

Friday 28

PUPIL FREE DAY

Message from the Principal – Steph Tulloch

We are already halfway through the term – 7 more Fridays until Christmas!!

It was a great Governing Council meeting last Monday night. I enjoy sharing what the school focus is, plans for the future, and having the robust discussions that follow. I thank this fabulous group of people for their ongoing support each year.

Aquatics and Beach Education (Years 3–6) has been postponed for this year. We have made bookings for 2026. It saddened us to do this, however the welfare of your children is paramount.

Premiers Be Active Challenge: Congratulations to Daniel Mills and all of our children who participated in the Premiers Be Active Challenge. We have been invited to send 10 students to Netball SA Stadium on November 19 to participate in 'Come & Try' session. Letters have gone out to selected families. Well, done to everyone who participated in it.

Remembrance Day will be recognised at school on Tuesday 11 November at 11am. Each year on the 11th of November, people all across Australia and many other countries pause to remember those who have served our country during times of war and conflict – and especially those who made the ultimate sacrifice and never came home. Your child is welcome to wear a poppy on this day if they choose to.

Big Day Out: This year on Wednesday 10 December we are stepping up the Big Day Out. We are taking all the children to Urimbirra, the wildlife park. They will spend the day there looking and feeding animals, lunch and activities with their classmates. Keep an eye out for further information.

Farewell to Maurice Gear, Allyson Gear and Karina Carlisle – These three people have worked tirelessly at our school over a number of years. Maurice has been our Grounds person, Allyson our literacy intervention specialist and Karina our librarian and playgroup lead. We will be farewelling these staff members at our end of year concert on Thursday 27 November (5:30–7:30pm).

Welcome to our new groundsman, John Pitcher. John will be working Mondays, Tuesdays and Fridays at our site. He has already realised how many hats and balls he will be retrieving from roofs!

FRIDAY – NO SCHOOL: This Friday (tomorrow) is a school closure day. OSHC is not in operation.

Understanding the Whole Story: Working Together for Our Children

At Coorara Primary School, we value the strong partnership between families and our school community. We understand that, at times, children may come home with stories about their school day that can cause concern or prompt questions. As parents and educators, it is natural to want to advocate for our children and support their wellbeing.

However, it's important to remember that children's perspectives are shaped by their experiences and emotions, and may not always reflect the full context of a situation. We encourage families to take a moment to talk things through calmly with their children and help them think about events from different viewpoints. This process not only supports your child's emotional growth but can also provide a fuller, clearer understanding of what occurred.

If you are ever unsure or concerned about something your child has shared, please reach out to us. We are here to listen, answer questions, and work together to resolve any issues. Approaching these conversations with openness and collaboration allows us to find solutions and strengthen trust between home and school.

Together, we can help our children develop important skills in communication, empathy, and resilience.

Emergency Drills

At Coorara Primary School, the safety and wellbeing of our students and staff is our highest priority. As part of our ongoing commitment to ensuring a safe environment, we regularly schedule evacuation and evacuation drills. These drills help everyone understand what to do in the event of an emergency, such as a fire or an external threat. At times, we may notify students and staff in advance to help familiarise them with the procedures, while on other occasions we may conduct unannounced drills to ensure everyone is prepared to respond calmly and effectively in a real-life situation. Practising these routines builds confidence and ensures that, in the unlikely event of an emergency, we can act quickly and safely together.

Thank you for your ongoing support.
Steph

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.





CHRISTMAS HAMPER RAFFLE

Reminder! How is your Christmas raffle selling going? More books can be collected from the front office. Please return your raffle books & money back to the office by **Monday 8 December**.

Every booklet sold goes into the student raffle!

Please donate to our Christmas Hamper Raffle! Donations of non perishable items, toys, toiletries, Christmas items, to the office by **Monday 8 December**, would be greatly appreciated.

Let's make these Hampers fabulous!

COMMUNITY EVENTS



No School tomorrow!

Ready for Reception – starts next Wednesday 12 November 9:00am

Pupil Free day – Friday 28 November OSHC is available