



Pooncarie Public School

Newsletter 5, Term 1, Week 7

Tuesday 24th March 2009

**STRIVE TO
ADVANCE TOGETHER**

Upcoming Events:

- ◇ **Mondays & Wednesdays**
Active After School Sports
Morning Sessions. 8:45am
(*School Finishes 3:15pm*)
- ◇ **Wednesday 25th March**
Pre-school
- ◇ **Wednesday 25th March**
Ride to School Day
- ◇ **Sunday 5th April, 2009**
Daylight savings ends 3.00am.
Turn clocks back one hour.
- ◇ **Thursday 9th April, 2009**
Last day of Term One and
Easter Celebrations
- ◇ **Wednesday 29th April, 2009**
Term Two, Students return
- ◇ **Thursday 7th May, 2009**
Coomella High Year 6 Open
Night
- ◇ **Tuesday 12th—Thursday 14th
May, 2009**
National Assessment
Program—Literacy and
Numeracy— Yr 3 & 5.

PRINCIPALS MESSAGE

This term has certainly gone very quickly!! I would like to take this opportunity to thank the students and parents who attended the Barrier sporting trials. I have heard that they put in an amazing effort and behaved perfectly, well done Dean, Talisa, Phillip, Jessyca and Katelin. Congratulations to Katelin and Jessyca who were selected to represent Barrier in the Girls Soccer at Gosford in June. Also to Phillip for making the reserves for the boys Barrier Soccer team.

Congratulations also goes out to the students who represented the Smalls Schools last Friday at the Murray Darling Swimming Carnival. Everyone demonstrated a great attitude and put their best effort in, once again, I was very proud of our students. Well Done.

For those of you who are not aware Mrs. Bracken has taken early leave due to changing circumstances. I would like to take this opportunity to thank her and to wish her well with the birth of her new baby.

Mrs. Holgate will now fulfill the temporary position of Senior Administration Manager and will be in the office Monday to Thursday (except every second Wednesday). Mrs. Holgate will continue to teach on Fridays.

Regards Mrs. Kemp

ACTIVE SPORTS

Thank you to Sally and the Mums for providing this very popular program.

The program starts at 8:45 am and school finishes at 3:15 on these days (Monday and Wednesday)

Sally would appreciate assistance from anyone who is available to help. If you haven't returned your permission notes for Active, please do so ASAP.

RIDE TO SCHOOL DAY

Ride to school day is a Bicycle Victoria initiative aimed at "getting more students walking and riding more often". Our school will be participating on Wednesday 25 March 2009. We will be meeting at the front of the General Store at 8.45am to walk or ride to school together. It would be great to see as many students as possible participating. *Don't forget your helmets if you are riding!*



PREMIERS READING CHALLENGE

All students at this school are encouraged to participate in the Premiers Reading Challenge (PRC) for 2009. The PRC involves students reading a set number of books from a selected list, which varies depending on the year level of the student. Students who would like to participate in the Challenge will have the opportunity to select library books from the appropriate reading list on **Monday afternoons**. Mrs Holgate will be co-coordinating the Challenge this year. The challenge runs from February—September 2009 and students will be able to maintain their reading records online either at school or from home. Students who successfully complete the challenge will receive a certificate at the end of the year and have their name published on the PRC Honour roll. For further information please see Mrs Holgate or visit

<https://products.schools.nsw.edu.au/prc/home.html>

P & C NEWS

New school logo shirts, hats and polar fleece jackets have arrived and are available for purchase. We also have fantastic school bags with the Pooncarie Public School logo for only \$20. Our Year 6 students look terrific in their new Year 6 shirts. Please see Lisa, Kerrie or Sally.

UNIFORM REMINDER

Our official summer uniform for boys is a green shirt with grey shorts. For girls it is green shirt with green shorts, skirt or skorts.

Winter uniform for boys will be grey trousers, green shirt and green jacket or windcheater. For girls it is green trousers/trackpants, green shirt and green jacket or windcheater.

YEAR 6 OPEN NIGHT AT COOMEALLA HIGH

We have received confirmation that the Year 6 open night at Coomealla High School will be held on Thursday 7 May, 2009.

6.15pm BBQ/ Sausage sizzle

7.00pm Talk by principal and students

7.30pm Tour of school

P & C EASTER RAFFLE

The P and C is organising an Easter Raffle and would appreciate it if each family could donate something to go in the Easter basket. Please place donations in the Staffroom fridge by Wednesday 1 April.

GREAT NEWS!

Mrs Kemp received a letter from Kathryn Byrnes at the Electric Light Theatre. Ms Byrnes thanked us for attending the ELT on 12th February and complimented our whole school on their excellent behaviour and attitude. She actually returned our payment for the Performance as she was so impressed with the students and the way they sorted out who would and wouldn't attend, as there weren't enough seats for everybody. Well done Pooncarie P.S.!!

CRICKET PRESENTATION NIGHT!

The Coomealla Wentworth Cricket Club Presentation Night will be held on Saturday 4th April at the Coomealla Sporting Club auditorium. Two course meal (optional) commences at 6pm in the auditorium—\$25

Junior presentations : 8pm-9pm

Senior presentations 9pm—late

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