

Pooncarie Public School

Newsletter 2, Term 4, Week 2

Monday 20th of October, 2008

**STRIVE TO
ADVANCE TOGETHER**

Upcoming Events:

- ◇ **Mondays & Tuesdays**
Active After School Sports
Morning Sessions
- ◇ **Tuesday 28th, October**
Kanga8 Cricket (Yr 5/6)
- ◇ **Wednesday 29th, October**
Maths Consultant Visit.
- ◇ **Thursday 30th, October**
Kids with Cameras
Workshops. (Parents
Welcome)
- ◇ **Friday 31st, October**
Kids with Cameras
Excursion (Parents Welcome)
- ◇ **Mon. 3rd to Frid. 7th Nov.**
Grampians Excursion
- ◇ **Monday 10th, November**
Country Areas Program
Planning Day (Janice)

Please note:

I apologies for not being on class this week, Today I am working at home while looking after Mitch who has a not so nice tummy bug!

I will be taking Yr 5 students to the Kanga8 Cricket on Tomorrow.

Wednesday I will be working with the Maths Consultant and hopefully doing some assessments.

Thursday will be a much needed office day, and Friday I am taking an unavoidable Personal leave day.

PRINCIPALS MESSAGE

Firstly I would like to thank you all for your patience and understanding and apologies for taking so long to finalise details for our excursion next week.

I also apologies for another hectic week for the parents, with last minute inclusions in the Kanga8 cricket and the 'Kids with Camera' workshops.

Our students are very lucky to be given these wonderful opportunities that enhance our curriculum and students experiences. Also, to our new families, our school isn't usually this busy and we will return back to 'normal' in week 5 (hopefully anyway!!).

Congratulations to the P&C who successfully catered for the LMDCA forum last Thursday, it was also a real bonus to have the barbeque the next day after our Water Bug Survey, Thank you!

For those of you that were at the forum, I am sure you would agree that the student presentations were the highlight of the day and that our students behaved beautifully and represented our school with pride.



WATER BUG SURVEY

It was wonderful to see so many parents joining the students on the Water Bug Survey.

Everyone appeared to have a great day and the students certainly enjoyed using and building on their knowledge of freshwater invertebrates and their local environment.

The results of the survey gave our river a rating of 3, which means 'fair', although we must allow for the fact that the results would have been affected by the recent rise or water.

The school will continue monitoring the river in 2009 as part of our Sustainable Environmental Management Plan, so we look forward to your continue support and participation. Once again Thank you for your efforts!

Regards

Mrs. Kemp



KANGAS CRICKET FOR YEAR FIVE STUDENTS

Due to a mishap with last weeks newsletter, you will have enclosed with this envelope a information notice with permission slip for your Year 5 student to attend the cricket tomorrow, I am really sorry about the lateness and would appreciate this form being returned tomorrow.

KIDS WITH CAMERAS

Please see enclosed with this newsletter further information on the workshops, excursion and permission slips. All parents/community members are welcome to participate, Phillip Williams will be running these workshops and as yet he hasn't confirmed times, I will send this information home as soon as possible.

ACTIVE SPORTS

Our area Co-ordinator Scott Umback visited our school last week and is very happy with our program. Scott is hoping to provide the Community Coach Training again towards the end of this term. Anyone in our community can undertake this training and will then be qualified to conduct Active Sports. Please let me know if you are interested.

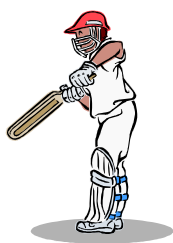
SANDPIT

As you maybe aware the Sandpit is very popular with the students at the moment and will probably continue as the weather warms up.

I have given students permission to use water during play times. This play involves working together and use of creative skills, and their amazing imaginations, however it also involves getting a bit dirty. Could any parent who has any concerns about this activity, please let me know as soon as possible.

SELECTIVE HIGH SCHOOL IN 2010

Families who have students in year five will have an expression of interest form for a selective high school package. The one that may be of interest is the virtual opportunity at Coomealla High School. Students will be linked up to lessons through video conferencing.

**Small Coin Round Up!**

**The SRC are
looking for
unwanted
5c coins**

Each family will have receive a tube to help collect as many coins as possible by the end of the year.

The SRC will be meeting at the end of year to decide on how they will spend their money, giving to others in need was voted as something the SRC would like to do this year.

P&C Hot Lunches Update

Party pies are now available for \$1-00 each

Small packets of chips are also available for 50c each

**COOMEALLA/WENTWORTH
CRICKET CLUB
JUNIOR SEASON**

**LAST CHANCE TO GET YOUR
CHILDS NAME IN**

**PHONE DARRYL WADE ON
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