Welcome back to everyone as we enter another very busy term. Our exciting 2015-17 School Plan is now on the Coolamon Central School website. Please take the opportunity to read our vision for Coolamon over the next three years. The school wishes to continue to build on its relationships with the local community. A good example is the new Links to Learning program which runs every Thursday providing selected students with the opportunity to learn new skills in Hospitality and Welding. A big thanks to Linda Crocker and the Coolamon Shire Council for implementing and coordinating this program.

Congratulations to Nathan Brookes (English) and Andrew Manuel (Maths) who have both been appointed as Head Teachers for their respective faculties. They have both done a marvellous job as the relieving Head Teacher’s and their promotions will provide stability and experience within the school.

The school held its ANZAC day assembly last Thursday and we thank the special guests that attended including Federal Member for Riverina Michael McCormack and Warrant Officer First Class Darren Callaghan from Kapooka Army Base Wagga Wagga. Well over 100 school students supported by staff, marched on Saturday at Coolamon and Ganmain. The students were all dressed in full school uniform and their behaviour and attitude was a credit to them. It was a proud moment for Coolamon Central School that we were able to support the community and show respect for such an important event.

This Tuesday, 28 April we are holding the Parent Information Evening for 2016 Year 7 students at 7.00pm in the School Library. Please phone the school office if you will be attending this evening.

The above advertisement is for one of our major fundraisers this year. We are requesting donations of items that can be used as lucky door prizes or raffle prizes. Items such as bottles of wine, candles, gourmet tea, pretty cups etc would be most appreciated. These can be dropped to the school office.

This is always a fun event, so please organise a group of friends and join us for our Mad Hatter’s High Tea Party.
Welcome back from the holidays!!

During our holidays the Coolamon Central School Touch Teams had a few fantastic training runs. Our training runs were dynamite with ball skills, fitness and team work! We are looking forward to attending Boorowa for the carnival in week 5 and showing off our new talents!!

Attached is a timetable of the training sessions that we will be having if you are able to attend. We might look at having a morning session including breakfast if students are available. If there are any questions, feel free to contact Mr Besgrove or Miss Edyvean at school, we are more than happy to talk!

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Intention to apply: Year 5 entry to an opportunity class in 2016

Dear Parent/Carer

Opportunity classes cater for highly achieving academically gifted students who may otherwise be without classmates at their own academic and social level. These schools help gifted and talented students to learn by grouping them with other gifted and talented students, teaching them in specialised ways and providing educational materials at the appropriate level.

Applications for opportunity class placement are considered mainly on the basis of the Opportunity Class Placement Test results and school assessment scores. The Opportunity Class Placement Test will be held on Wednesday 22 July 2015.

If you would like to have your child considered for Year 5 opportunity class entry in 2016, you need to do so soon. You will need to apply on the internet using a valid email address (not the student’s email address).

Detailed instructions on how to apply online will be available from 27 April 2015 in a printed application information booklet available from our school and at www.schools.nsw.edu.au/ocplacement. The application website opens on 27 April 2015 and closes on 15 May 2015. No late applications will be accepted.

Mr. Celi

Facebook

The Coolamon Central School Facebook page is up and running. This is a great positive way to showcase the fantastic activities that we undertake at here at school. We ask that parents and students ensure that our page is a welcoming and positive advertisement for our school. Any negative use against our school values will be deleted.

Senior Debating

Coolamon hosted Griffith High School in Round 2 of the Seniors Premiers Debating challenge. The topic was “We Should Prohibit the Advertising of Gambling During Sport Broadcasting”, where Coolamon was the affirmative team. Adjudicator Barry Shield spoke highly of both teams and stated it was extremely difficult to determine who would take out the debate. Unfortunately the debate went to Griffith High School who goes into the next round undefeated. Congratulations to Ben, Eric, Alice and Jeff and good luck on your next debate against Yanco Agricultural High School next Wednesday.

Keryl de Haan does a fantastic job of sorting through the items, pricing them and compiling a list so that we can upload it onto our website. Please ensure that you help her by ensuring that the items are clean and in a saleable condition.

Other than this, uniforms may be purchased from Lowes in Wagga Wagga. As the cold weather is here, it is important to make sure that your child is wearing the correct school jumper.
SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

Last Thursday, 23 April 2015 Coolamon Central School commemorated 100 years of ANZAC’s in the school hall. Our school hosted many special guests which included Mr Chris Fairweather, Mr Bill Levy and Mr Andrew Viegal from the local Branch of the Coolamon RSL, Federal Member for Riverina Mr Michael McCormack, Aunty Gail Clark, Mrs Karen Buchegger from the School Council and P&C and Warrant Officer First Class Darren Callaghan from Kapooka Army Base Wagga Wagga. Our key note speaker Warrant Officer First Class Darren Callaghan spoke about the ANZAC tradition and specifically the diggers of Coolamon. All guests spoke highly of all students on their behaviour, the efforts of Year 9 history on running the assembly on the day. They also remarked on how fantastic the poppies, which the students made for the day, looked on stage. Thank you for all guests, Year 9 History, parents and careers for attending the assembly. Mr. Celi

ANZAC DAY MARCH

Saturday 25th April 2015 marked 100 years of the ANZAC tradition and the landing at Gallipoli. In commemorating and showing respect to those who had fought for our nation, students at Coolamon Central School participated in marches in both Coolamon and Ganmain. It was wonderful to see 115 students and 16 staff represent our school at either the Coolamon or Ganmain services. Thank you to all students and their parents for bringing them to the service. It was a wonderful experience and all students should be proud of their behaviour.

Mr Celi

Aboriginal Student Ngargan Camp for Year 10 - 12

Jeff Clark represented Coolamon Central School at the recent Ngargan Camp in Canberra. The Ngargan camp offered Aboriginal students to develop their knowledge and skills in understanding of the role Aboriginal men and women played during war time and the historical significance of Australia’s role in WWI and subsequent roles. During the camp students visited the Australian War memorial, Australian Institute of Sport, met football players from the AFL and NRL and attended the ANZAC Day Dawn Service on Saturday before travelling back to Coolamon. Jeff also participated in a series of workshops.

This was a fantastic opportunity for Jeff and our school. Jeff found the experience extremely beneficial and took a lot away from the camp. Well Done!

Mr. Celi

Above: Jeff Clark, Tyson Hodge and Nathan Rudd
### Week 2 (A)
- **Tue 28 Apr**  
  School Photo Day
- **Fri 1 May**  
  Primary Assembly 2pm in School Hall featuring Garnet - **CANCELLED**
  Primary PSSA Cross Country - Beckom

### Week 3 (B)
- **Thur 7 May**  
  Secondary Zone Cross Country - Barellan
  Wagga Netball NSW Primary Schools Cup

### Week 4 (A)
- **Mon 11 May**  
  Stage 6 Exams all week
- **Tue 12 May**  
  NAPLAN TESTING
- **Wed 13 May**  
  NAPLAN TESTING
  P&C Meeting 7.30pm in Library
- **Fri 15 May**  
  Primary Assembly 2.10pm in Hall featuring Emerald
- **Sat 16 May**  
  P&C Mad Hatters High Tea Party and Fashion Parade 2pm in school hall

### Week 5 (B)
- **Mon 18 May**  
  Assessment Week - Stage 4/5
- **Tue 19 May**  
  ICAS Computer Test
- ** Fri 22 May**  
  Central School Touch Carnival in Boorowa

### Week 6 (A)
- **Tue 26 May**  
  Vaccinations for Year 7 boys and girls
  Netball and Rugby 7’s carnival in Leeton
- **Thur 28 May**  
  Year 7 Transition Day
  Netball and Rugby 7’s carnival in Leeton
- **Fri 29 May**  
  Primary Assembly 2.10pm in School hall featuring Topaz
- **Sat 30 May**  
  P&C Catering for Vintage Car Club in school hall

### Week 7 (B)
- **Fri 5 June**  
  Zone Athletics Carnival Coolamon
  SCHOOL CANTEEN CLOSED TODAY

### Week 8 (A)
- **Wed 10 June**  
  P&C Meeting 7.30pm in Library
- **Fri 12 June**  
  Primary Assembly 2.10pm in School Hall featuring Diamond.

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### Coolamon Library News

The library will be celebrating National Volunteer’s Week on Tuesday 12th – Friday 16th May. All individuals currently volunteering their services are invited to enjoy a complimentary morning tea between 10.00am and 12.00pm at the library. In recognition of the wonderful contribution our volunteers make in our community

Our next Storytime sessions will be Friday, 8th May @ 10.30am theme “Love and Cuddles” and Friday 22nd May theme “Giddy Up” – everyone is most welcomed to attend.

The library has a variety of NSW Premiers Reading Challenge books available for students to borrow for those participating. This challenge aims to encourage a love of reading for leisure and pleasure, phone the library for further details.

The Coolamon Library is on Facebook! News, pictures, events and opportunities are regularly uploaded – join us now!