A Note from the Principal

Welcome back to everybody for another busy semester of learning. Congratulations to Ms Elliott who has been appointed as the new Deputy Principal. She will be the Relieving Principal for the first two weeks as I will be on leave. Mrs Crocker and Mrs McPherson will be sharing the Deputy Principal role and Mrs White will be acting in the Assistant Principal position. Mr Brookes is also away on leave and Mr Rerden will be the Relieving head Teacher.

Learning at the Staff Development Day

The Staff Development Day on Monday, 13 July involved all teaching staff learning more about the Riverina HOW2learn learning strategy. If you would like to know more about this exciting new learning initiative that Coolamon Central School is teaching your children, please contact Tracey Delaney, Michelle Elliott or Kerri McPherson; who are the team leaders of HOW2Learn. The Secondary staff were updated on a software called SMART (School Measurement and Reporting Tool) which is a powerful diagnostic tool for teachers in planning for the learning in the classroom.

Our SASS (School Administration officers) staff attended a networking day at Kooringal High School. They were treated to an entertaining speech presented by Graeme Dutton on “Raising the Profile of Schools in the Community” prior to attending several fantastic workshops including Customer Service, Challenging Behaviours and Mental Health. This was a very beneficial day for the ladies to attend.

Tour of Honour

This term the 2015 NSW Australians of the Year are coming for lunch.

Ms Deborra-lee Furness, Ms Genevieve Clay Smith and Reverend Graham Long will be meeting the students followed by lunch. Mr Cory Payne a former young Australian of the Year will MC the one hour session where students will have the opportunity to ask questions to our Australians of the Year. We will have more information to share with you regarding this in upcoming newsletters.

We encourage the students and school community to read about the recipient’s achievement at http://www.australianoftheyear.org.au

Discovering Aboriginal Connections to our Local Environment

NAIDOC activities - On Tuesday, 21 July selected Year 3-10 students will be engaged in a discovery program that involves hands on activities so the students can learn how the Aboriginal people used local resources. A note was sent home last term regarding his event.

John Beer

Primary Choir Performance for Education Week Wagga Wagga Marketplace

Week 3 - date TBA

(likely to be Thursday, 30th July)

The Primary Choir will be performing at The Marketplace in Wagga as part of the Regional Education Week Celebrations during Week 3 this term. The date is yet to be confirmed, but likely to be on Thursday 30th July. Students will receive a permission note outlining further details as soon as they are made available by the regional organisers.

Rebecca Saxon

P&C Raffle

This Saturday the P&C are holding their street raffle outside the Coolamon Newsagency from 7.00am. If you are able to help sell tickets in one of the following time slots please contact the school office ASAP.

7.00am - 8.00am
8.00am - 9.00am
9.00am -10.00am
10.00am -11.00am
11.00am -12.00pm

Tickets will be sold for $1 each. We have a fantastic prize being a large rustic timber chopping board kindly made and donated by Bruce Rollins.
## Diary

### Term 3

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### Pie Drive

Families are reminded that pie orders will be ready for collection from the school this Friday 17 July.

Pies MUST BE COLLECTED by 3.10pm.

Thank you to those families who have supported this latest P&C fundraiser.

Left: Mr John Beer and Mr Phil Schulz present the Hare family, who recently lost their home to a fire, with a signed Collingwood jersey and a cheque from the money raised on our ‘Wild Hair’ day.

Mr Beer contacted the Collingwood Football Club after he heard Mr Hare’s phone ring with the Collingwood Theme Song. Thank you to the Collingwood Football Club in their generosity kindly donating this Jersey.

### Coolamon Library News

Our next Storytime session will be held this Friday, 17th July @ 10.30am theme - “Monkeys ” and then the following Friday 31st July @ 10.30am “Colour and Shapes”.

The next Heart and Soul gathering will be held on the 28th July @ 10.30am in the library. This month the theme is “Xmas in July – share your Xmas recipes and family Xmas stories. Everyone is most welcomed to attend.

Our knitting mornings are held every Thursday morning @ 10.30am in the Library. In association with the Riverina Regional Library is proud to support “Wrap with Love” annual community event. Instructions for making the squares are available at the library – everyone is most welcomed to attend.

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