

A m a r o o N e w s l e t t e r

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No Child Left Behind

Dear Parents and Community Members,

While I was out and about this morning I actually smelt some rain! It must be about time that we got some decent rain to settle the dust and clear the air.

FEDERAL FUNDS

As we get into the school term there is more information coming out regarding the money for school restoration promised by the federal government. As a school we have to look at what our priorities will be. At this stage it would be good if we started to give some thought about what you think the school needs. It could be restoration work like refurbishment of toilets and facilities or construction work such as shade structures or similar. There would not be enough for major capital works such as a new classroom or buildings so we do have to be mindful of the scope of any suggested projects. Once the process is clarified I will then do a survey of opinions and ideas.

SCHOOL COUNCIL NOMINATIONS

This year we are looking for parents who are interested in being on the School Council. This is an important part of our school as it is the council which looks at all policy decisions and consults on issues such as school plans and budgets. If you are interested in being on the School Council please nominate by filling in the form supplied. We are going to need five parent representatives.

ACTIVE AFTER SCHOOL COMMUNITY PROGRAM

It was good to see our Active After School Community Program starting up again for the year. I know there are places available in both sessions so if you are interested in attending please make sure your children get a note from the front office. Last year it filled up quickly and once it is full you will need to wait for someone to leave the program to get in.

WHAT AN EFFORT!

I was very proud of our efforts as a school to raise money for bushfire victims. This was an outstanding effort. Well done to the whole community. I know that many families and individuals continue to give and support fundraising efforts which we see around town.

I hope you enjoy the week and remember to be a person you can be proud of.

Colin Chisholm
Principal

SCHOOL COUNCIL NOMINATION

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<p>NOMINATION FOR PARENT REPRESENTATIVES ON THE SCHOOL COUNCIL FOR 2009</p> <p>I _____ nominate for a position on the School Council.</p> <p>Signed : _____</p> <p>Date : _____</p>
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ASSEMBLY

There will be no assembly this week due to Year 7 Swimming Lessons. Our next Assembly date is Thursday, 12th March.

CONTRIBUTIONS AND CHARGES

School Contributions are now due for all students.

Parents can pay their child's contribution as well as any other amounts e.g. Cooking, at the office. EFTPOS facilities are available.

Thank you to the parents who have promptly paid their fees for 2009.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

February 26th	No Assembly
February 27th	Sunnies For Sight Day Clean Up Australia Day 1:40pm to 3:00pm
March 2nd	Public Holiday
March 3rd	Year 7 Immunisations
March 4th	Staff Meeting

AMAROO DENTAL THERAPY

The Amaroo Dental Therapy Centre has reopened for 2009. The school dental service continues to provide free general dental care for all enrolled students between the ages 5-17 years.



DEPUTY NEWS

VIRTUES PROJECT

Students in Years 4 - 7 continue to look at Confidence and the other nine key Virtues as highlighted in this table.

GETTING ALONG	ORGANISATION	PERSISTENCE	CONFIDENCE
COURTESY	SELF DISCIPLINE	PERSISTENCE	CONFIDENCE
HONESTY	RESPONSIBILITY	EXCELLENCE	COURAGE As part of Resilience
CO-OPERATION			
RESPECT			

It is lovely to see these virtues and Keys to Success being practised by the students throughout the school. Their embracing of these ideas is evident in the way students interact with each other, welcome and encourage new students and the respect they show members of staff.

YOU CAN DO IT

Thank you to Ms Murray and the students from Room 1 for their contributions to this week's newsletter. It's wonderful to see how they are developing their confidence through their lessons, in the classroom and in all aspects of school life.

Some of the CONFIDENT catch phrases being taught this fortnight are; *Relaxation practise, Time to relax, Chill out, Count to 10*

MONEY FOR CANTEEN

We have had a number of students bringing large sums of money to school to order their lunch. Can you please try and limit the amount you give your children to \$5 on top of the amount they need to order their lunch.

YEAR 7 IMMUNISATIONS

These will take place on the morning of Tuesday, 3rd March 2009, in Room 7. Please ensure you return your child/ren's completed paperwork to the office or Steve Homer, before this date.

I hope you have a wonderful week.

Sarah Dunbar-Stuart
Pastoral Care

SUNNIES FOR SIGHT

Sunnies for sight day is Friday, 27th February and children can wear their sunglasses at school for a gold coin donation, with money raised going to 'International Centre for Eyecare Education'. We are participating in this fundraiser and making children aware of the importance of looking after their sight. Due to the 27th being 'Clean Up Australia Day', children can wear their sunnies while they are involved in the clean up.



ACTIVE AFTER SCHOOL COMMUNITIES PROGRAM

The *Active After-School Communities Program* has places available for students in the year levels 3, 4, 5 and 6. Offer of interest forms will be handed out to students. Please hand them into the front office by Friday, 27th February.

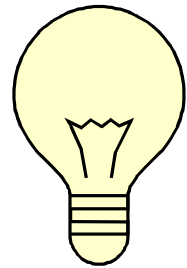
Darianne Chisholm
Coordinator

COUNCILLORS NEWS FUNDRAISER

We are fortunate to have the opportunity to sell environmentally friendly light globes for the benefit of our community, kindly donated by Worsley Alumina.

FOR SALE

Energy Efficient light globes (bayonet style) 11W (equivalent to 60W globe). Maximum of 4 per family at \$3.00 each while stocks last. We do have a limited number for sale.



Please complete your order form from the Newsletter and return it to the office.

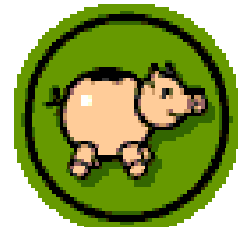
P&C NEWS

The P&C AGM is scheduled for Monday, 16th March in the School Staff Room at 7pm, followed by a General Meeting at 7:30pm.

SCHOOL BANKING

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Our next school banking day will be Friday, 6th March 2009. Students need to bring their bank books and money to the office by 11:30am.



CANTEEN NEWS

Canteen Roster TERM 1

Canteen phone number is **9734 5677**.

Thursday	26 th Feb	Brenda Tuck
Friday	27 th Feb	Cherie Snelgar
Monday	2 nd Mar	PUBLIC HOLIDAY
Tuesday	3 rd Mar	Naomi Ellis Smith
Wednesday	4 th Mar	Nicole Kostezky
Thursday	5 th Mar	Sonia Marshall
Friday	6 th Mar	Lorraine Dowey
Monday	9 th Mar	Leonie Turley
Tuesday	10 th Mar	Caroline Fitzgerald
Wednesday	11 th Mar	Kathy Aram

UNIFORM SHOP

Our Uniform Shop will operate on Thursday and Friday mornings from 8:45am to 9:30am.

MERIT CERTIFICATES

CONGRATULATIONS

The following students received
Merit Certificates at our
assembly on
12th February 2008.



Tehani Stephens	Hayden Harrison
Cody Plummer	Tayla Hansen
Detroit Brooking	Matilda Del Fante
Lainey Boswell	Blake Rowlands
Maddison Rowlands	Daisy Anania
Jessica Hunt	Nikita Hillier
Laura Jessup	Dylan Gaynor
Rachel Crowhurst	Taine Scolari
Cathryn Patmore	Tiger Turner
Madison Masters	Peter Hall
Mikayla Masters	Gavin Ryan
Brittany Boswell	Brandon Broomhead
Jaime-Lee Howell	Phillip Darcey
Dante Gillies	Taine Scolari

COMMUNITY NEWS

COLLIE CRAFT CENTRE

Classes are now available for Sculpey Clay on Friday from 3:45pm to 5:15pm. Enquiries can be made by phoning 9734 5020. We need 4 or more people to participate for classes to go ahead.

COLLIE JUNIOR SOCCER

Collie Junior Soccer Registration Day for the following age groups 5 - 16 years for teams and 11-16 years for travelling teams, will be held on March 6th and 9th at Roche Park club rooms from 3:15pm - 4:30pm. All players need to attend or obtain a registration form from the school office and return to the office or Nicole Broomhead. Season starts 2nd May and fees need to be paid by this date.

ENERGY EFFICIENT LIGHT BULB ORDER FORM



Amaroo Primary School Energy Efficient Light Bulb Order Form

Family Name:

Room No:

(light bulbs will be send home with the eldest in the family)

Quantity: (Max 4 per Family)
at \$3.00/bulb

Amount enclosed \$.....

Please return orders to the Office.



AMAROO PLAYGROUP

Have you got a child or children under five years old?

Amaroo Primary School will be holding a playgroup for interested parents and children aged from 0-4 years, commencing in Term 2. Playgroup offers babies, toddlers and young children a stimulating environment to play and learn. It's a great place for your child to make sense of their world, form new friendships and develop social skills. Playgroup also gives mums, dads, grandparents and caregivers a chance to meet to share ideas and experiences.

Playgroup will be held every Friday morning from 9am to 11am at Koolbardi Kindy. If you are interested in attending the Amaroo Playgroup please fill out the form below and leave these details at the Amaroo school office. For more information please contact Taryn Battista on Friday's ph: 9734 1777.

All are welcome.

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Amaroo Playgroup

Child's Name	Age

Parent's Name

Contact number/s:



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