

AMAROO UPDATE

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"No Child Left Behind"

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

May 11th to 15th NAPLAN

May 18th to 22nd Scholastic Bookfair

May 18th P&C Meeting

May 21st Assembly room 14 year 2

May 22nd Jade Lewis year 7 visit

DEPUTY NEWS

VIRTUES PROJECT

This month's Virtue is **Self discipline (Self-control)**. This links in with the Organisation Key to Success.

I apologise for not having attached the Self-Discipline poster to last week's newsletter. It is included today to help you talk to your children about this virtue.

Some questions to guide your discussion;

- What are some problems we might have if we didn't pursue self-discipline/self-control?
- What are some of the benefits of self-discipline/self-control?
- What does it feel like to lose control of our emotions?
- When is it most difficult to feel in control of our emotions?
- Name three things you can do to stay in charge of yourself when you feel angry?
- How can you stop yourself from watching too much TV?
- What could you do instead?

Quotable Quote –

"Procrastination is the thief of time."

Edward Young

YOU CAN DO IT

This week is the final week that the Juniors will be looking at Confidence. The CONFIDENT catch phrase being taught this week is; **True and false thoughts.**

Thank you Miss Busher and the students from Room 13 for your great display on the office board about 'Feelings are Important. Please feel free to come and admire the work of these students.

PARENT PLANNER

Please note the following changes/ additions to the term planner:

- 9 June AFA game at Amaroo – NOT 19 May
- 18 June am (TBC) Collie Cross Country at Allanson – NOT 16 June
- 2 July Eagles Boys Pizza Day – NOT 3 July
- 3 July Winter Carnival at Hay Park Recreation Centre (10 -2 pm) – NOT 19 June
- 18 May MS Readathon Assembly (10am)
- Week 10 – Collie PEAC (29 June – 3 July)

TOURETTE SYNDROME

Thank you to all who attended last weeks assembly and helped support us in trying to raise awareness of Tourette Syndrome amongst the school community. I hope that it will serve to promote greater understanding and compassion towards people who are affected by Tourettes.

If you would like to know more about Tourette Syndrome you can contact the



Tourette Syndrome Association of Australia the following ways: Phone (02) 9382 3276, view the website www.tourette.org.au or you can request further information by e-mailing info@tourette.org.au directly.

HEADLICE

Headlice is still a problem at our school, however we really appreciate the number of parents who continue to regularly check their child/ren's hair and if necessary administer the appropriate treatment to ensure that Amaroo continues to be as 'Nits' free as possible!

In addition, we request that all hair is tied up in a plait as this deters the Nits.

Students who are found to have live lice will continue to be sent home until they have been treated.

Thank you for your continued assistance with this matter.

RINGWORM (TINEA)

We have had a few cases of 'ringworm' (Tinea) that have been reported recently.

'Ringworm' is a common fungal infection of the skin that usually affects the scalp, skin, fingers, toenails or feet.

It is transmitted through skin-to-skin contact, animals or contaminated objects and is contagious. 'Ringworm' needs to be treated. Antifungal treatment (cream) is available.

Please check your child/ren for spots or marks that aren't healing or going away and see your local doctor for the best advice.

Students who are suspected to have Ringworm will be sent home and excluded from school until they have been treated. This is in compliance with the guidelines set out in the Communicable Disease Guidelines 2007, produced by the Department of Health.

CHICKENPOX (VARICELLA)

We have recently been informed about some cases of Chickenpox within our school community. Chickenpox is a common, acute, viral infection. Symptoms include fever, fatigue and a generalised rash characterised by small blisters that rupture to form crusts.

In cases of chickenpox, the school will follow the guidelines set out in the Communicable Disease Guidelines 2007, produced by the Department of Health which states that individuals are to be excluded until well and for at least 5 days after the rash appears and the blisters have formed crusts.

If you suspect that your child has chickenpox, please seek medical advice.

LEARNING FOR LIFE SCHOLARSHIPS

The Smith Family have Learning For Life Scholarships available to assist Collie primary school students.

The eligibility criteria is a Health Care or Pension Concession card and a commitment to your child's education. Scholarships can assist with the cost of uniforms, education, fees and excursions.

For further information please contact your school or call The Smith Family Collie Office on 97344260

I hope you have a lovely week.

Sarah Dunbar-Stuart
Pastoral Care

ASSEMBLY

Our next Assembly to be held on Thursday, 21st May is being presented by Mrs Parson's year 2 room 14, the assembly commences at 9:00am.

Parents and friends are most welcome to come along. *Please remember to turn off your mobile phones and listen carefully at all times.*



ACTIVE AFTER SCHOOL SPORTS

AASS still has places available after school for students interested. Students are given free afternoon tea, and have the opportunity to play a variety of sports. If you interested please see Mrs Chisholm after school and ask her for a form.

Darianne Chisholm
Coordinator

THANK YOU

We would like to thank Marilyn Uren from Palazzi Fashion for the generous donation to our breakfast program.



HUMPHREYS DANCESPORT



Week 9 of this term (22nd June to 26th June) we will have two instructors from Humphreys Dancesport at Amaroo. All students in

Year 1 to 7 will have one lesson each day where the students will learn a variety of dances; ballroom, Latin, street Latin, hip hop, line dancing, and folk dances are included in the program. Friday night students will be invited to attend a social where they can demonstrate what they've learnt during the week. More details on the social will be available later in the term.

The cost is \$25.00 per student for the week. Families who have more than two children will only have to pay a total of \$50.00 per family (4 students \$12.50 /student, 3 students \$16.70/student). Payments can be made at the office or through the classroom teacher and should be finalised by **Friday, 19th June**. Students who have **not paid** for their lessons **will not** be able to attend the Friday Night Social. Please remember that we have EFTPOS facilities available at the office.

Parents are welcome to pay off this amount through the office, however arrangements need to be made before Dancesport begins.

Humphreys instructors present a brilliant program and the children will learn valuable social skills in addition to some new physical skills. This is a compulsory part of the school curriculum in Health and Physical Education as outlined in the School Contributions list that all parents received last year.

MERIT CERTIFICATES



CONGRATULATIONS

The following students received Merit Certificates at our assembly on 7th May 2009.

Demi Hunter	William Cook
Mikayla Fleay	Dylan Cartledge
Liam Donovan	Samara Coverley
Abbey Barber	Jack Rinder
Jaden Bateman	Rosemarie Kay
Melanie Craker	Connor Oslington
Austin Bonnell	Emily Barrett
Chloe Craker	Callum Sklenar
Shayene Normington	Bree-anna Tilbrook
Maraea Te Wake	Dylan Roberts (Yr 5)
Jeremy Murray	Rito Yokoi
Brittany Cockman	Aaron Benton
Lundi Phanrasy	Liam Matthews
Ebony Swan	Dylan Roberts (Yr 6)
Jasmine Lambley	Gareth Old

MOTHER'S DAY STALL

Thank you to everyone who supported our Mother's Day stall. We hope that all mothers had a special day on Sunday.



BOOKFAIR

May is National Family Reading Month and our school is hosting a Jurassic Book Fair to celebrate. Our school's Book Fair is a great way to get your child reading – but we need your help!

Amaroo's Book Fair will be held, at the following times, in the Library:

Monday 18th May Classes view the Book Fair and write their wish lists.

Tuesday 19th May 8.30-8.45am and 3.10-4.00pm

Wednesday 20th May 8.30-8.45am, 1.10-1.25pm and 3.10-4.00pm

Thursday 21st May 8.30-8.45am and 3.10-4.00pm

Our Book Fair is a lively and fun event that enables children, parents, teachers and community members to purchase quality books and classroom materials at reasonable prices, while raising funds for our school.

I look forward to seeing you at our Jurassic Book Fair. It's a great place to find exciting new books to read for your Family Reading Challenge!

MS READATHON



Students are being invited to join in the celebrations of the 30th year of the MS Readathon by registering to take part in the June reading event. Since 1979 schools and children across Australia have read to help people with multiple sclerosis (MS). Students,

parents and grandparents can get involved, here's how:-

Click online for free registration and receive an MS Readathon wristband. **Flick** through books from 1st -30th June (you can count books from other reading programs too). **Collect** sponsorship donations from family and friends and collect some terrific rewards. Visit www.msreadathon.org.au or call 1300 677 323 for more details.

Registration forms can also be obtained from the school front office.

Bonus! Once 20 students from our school register online for the MS Readathon, the school will receive a Penguin book pack for the library- it's free to register online, just check with mum or dad first.

Kelly Fox
Library Officer

SCHOOL BANKING

Our next school banking day will be Friday, 22nd May 2009. Students need to bring their bank books and money to the office by 11:30am.

CANTEEN NEWS

Term Two

Canteen phone number is 9734 5677.

Thursday	14 th May	Sonia Marshall
Friday	15 th May	Cherie Snelgar
Monday	18 th May	Debbie Hoggarth
Tuesday	19 th May	Nicole Kostezky
Wednesday	20 th May	<i>Help Required</i>
Thursday	21 st May	Brenda Tuck
Friday	22 nd May	Heather Escott
Monday	25 th May	Sarah Rowlands
Tuesday	26 th May	Caroline Fitzgerald
Wednesday	27 th May	Sandra Tanner
Thursday	28 th May	Natasha Putland
Friday	29 th May	Fiona Stone



UNIFORM SHOP

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

COMMUNITY NEWS

POSITIVE PARENTING

There is no one way to be a parent. The positive parenting program suggests simple routines and small changes that can make a difference to your family. Collie's Primary Health will be running a four week program for parents with 3 to 5 year olds. Strategies discussed are applicable throughout the Primary School year. The program is held at Community House Forrest Street Child Health Centre on Wednesdays 1:00pm until 3:00pm, commencing 27th May until 17th June.

Limited Creche facilities are available for this afternoon program, no charge involved. For bookings and an information package please ring Child Health Nurse Triple P Coordinator Anita Hoddell on 9734 1454 by Wednesday, 20th May.

BASKETBALL TOPS

Collie Basketball Association is chasing the return of club singlets. If you have a club singlet or association uniform at home could you please return them to either the front desk at Roche Park or to White Stones (corner of Forrest and Steere Street). You receive a refund of \$10 on all club singlets so return them as soon possible please.

