

Amaroo Newsletter

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No Child Left Behind

Dear Parents and Community Members,

This term is progressing very rapidly, but there are still several events taking place before the end of term. Please take the time to add these events to your calendar if they are not already there.

DANCESPORT

All students in years 1 to 7 have the fantastic opportunity to participate in Dancesport next week. The success of this program over the last few years has been exceptional, with the final social next Friday as a great, fun conclusion to the week.

NEW BUILDINGS

We have been informed that the construction of our new Junior Primary buildings, as part of the Federal Governments "Building the Education Revolution" program, should be starting soon. This is a very exciting time for the school with many new opportunities for Amaroo students and staff becoming available.

SWINE FLU

Although information is changing on almost a daily basis, if you are planning trips overseas or to Victoria over the holiday break, could you please contact the school for further information regarding the H1N1 (Swine Flue) situation.

Colin Chisholm
Principal

AMAROO P&C QUIZ NIGHT

The Amaroo P&C Association is holding a Quiz Night at the Margarita Wilson Centre on Friday, 14th August 2009 starting at 7:30pm. Table bookings can be made at the Office in person or by phone. The cost will be \$10.00 per person with tables of 8. Drinks will be on sale and a light supper will be provided, so put your thinking caps on and get a table together for the best Quiz Night for 2009, with lots of fun and great prizes up for grabs.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

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| 18 th June | Assembly Room 16 Year 1 |
| | Collie Cross Country |
| 19 th June | Kindy 2010 Enrolment Day |
| | 9:00am to 11:00am at |
| | Amaroo Kindy |
| | School Banking |
| 22 nd - 26 th June | Dancesport |
| 26 th June | Dancesport Social |



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ASSEMBLY

Ms Morris's room 16 year 1 class will be hosting the assembly tomorrow commencing 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.*

AMAROO KINDY OPEN MORNING 19TH JUNE 2009

Amaroo Kindy will be holding an open morning for prospective and interested parents and students for the 2010 school year. You are invited to visit our Kindy on Jones Street Collie, on Friday, 19th June 2009, between 9:00am and 11:00am.

This will give you the opportunity to;

- Meet the staff
- Have a look at the centre
- See the fantastic work our current Kindy students have done
- Have any queries answered
- Complete the enrolment process

Students who are eligible to attend Kindy in 2010 will have a birth date between July 1st 2005 and June 30th 2006.

Your child's Birth Certificate and Immunisations details will need to be sighted/copied if you want to enrol.

Please pass this information onto anyone in the community you think may be interested in coming to have a look.



ENROLMENTS 2010

Enrolments are now being taken for Kindy, Pre Primary, Koolbardi and Year 1 for 2010. Please call the school to arrange for an enrolment package to be sent out, alternatively packages can be collected from the front office.

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.

DEPUTY NEWS

VIRTUES PROJECT

The Virtue for the remainder of the month of June is **RESPONSIBILITY**. This links in with the Organisation Key to Success which the students in Years 1-3 are looking at this term.

Quotable Quotes -

"A man can fail many times, but he isn't a failure until he begins to blame somebody else."

Anonymous

YOU CAN DO IT

For the next fortnight the junior students will be learning about Organisation. Some of the ORGANISED catch phrases being taught during these weeks are; *Put your mind to it! Tough it out! Blast through obstacles! Do your best, Be committed,*

Show consistency, Make an effort, How can you overcome obstacles?

- *Effort = amount of WORK, TIME and/or ENERGY put towards a goal.*

HEADLICE

Amaroo is involved in the Nitzblitz program to try and eradicate headlice amongst our students.

Once more, a team of willing Nitzblitzers will be at the school from 9:30am on Wednesday, 22nd July 2009 (Week 1 - Term 3) to 'Blitz' all students from Years P-7. Can all parents, who have enrolled students at Amaroo this year, please ensure that you have completed a Nitzblitz permission slip and give it to your child's teacher or the office. If you are unsure whether you have already given permission or not, please check with your child's teacher.

Thank you to the Nitzblitz volunteers for the great job that they do and for giving us their time on this day.

Thank you to all parents who continue to regularly check their child/ren's hair and administer the appropriate treatment as necessary.

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.

We have recently been informed about some cases of Chickenpox and Impetigo (School Sores) within our school community.

CHICKENPOX (VARICELLA)

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.

SCHOOL SORES / IMPETIGO

Impetigo is an infection of the skin caused by bacteria. **Impetigo is very easily spread, but with care spread can be reduced.** Impetigo can occur on healthy skin, but often happens when the skin has already been damaged by a scratch, bite or a disease affecting the skin such as eczema or **chicken pox**. The sores can be anywhere on the body, but are often on the face near the mouth and nose, or on the arms and legs. Impetigo usually starts with a blister or a group of blisters. These burst leaving a patch of red, wet skin which weeps. The spot usually becomes coated with a tan or yellowish crust. There can be small spots around the first spots, spreading outwards. **Impetigo is usually itchy.**

A sore can be infectious as long as it is weeping. Usually, it has stopped being infectious about 24 hours after treatment, with an antibiotic has been started, and healing has begun.

A child with impetigo needs to be checked by a doctor to be sure that it is impetigo. An antibiotic medicine or sometimes ointment is generally prescribed.

Try to prevent scratching the sore as much as possible, e.g. cover sores with a



watertight dressing and cut the child's fingernails.

Keep the child home from school, kindergarten or day care until 24 hours after treatment has begun.

Impetigo is easily spread, but it is usually not a serious infection. People can be worried about it because it is on the skin, and easy to see. Impetigo can occur even when the skin is kept clean, it is *not* a sign of poor parenting.

Information supplied by WA Department of Health.

UNIFORM DONATIONS

If you have any school uniforms that are no longer of use to you, we would greatly appreciate any donations especially as the wet weather is on its way. Please hand any uniform donations into the office. Thank you to those parents that have already done this.

LOST PROPERTY

Any lost property will be put onto the stage after tomorrow's assembly. Please have a look to see if your child/ren has mislaid anything. There are a large number of unclaimed items, including jumpers and jackets. If you haven't already done so, please try to label your child/ren's clothing to make identification and return easier. Thank you.

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

DANCESPORT

Next week, daily DanceSport lessons will be happening for Years 1 to 7. Money for the lessons need to be paid for by this Friday 19th June. *Students who have not paid will not be able to attend the DanceSport Disco on Friday night. Pre-Primary students are not permitted to attend the DanceSport Disco.*

If parents wish to come and watch their child's DanceSport Lesson the timetable for the week is as follows;

Year	Times	Year	Times
1	9:35-10:15am	2	10:20-11:00am
3	8:50-9:30am	4	12:20-12:50pm
5	2:10-3:10pm	6	11:20-12:20pm
7	11:20-12:20pm		

The finale to the Dancesport program will be a disco where the students can have fun, socialise and demonstrate the dances they have learnt during the week. *The venue is the Energy West Social Club Hall on Friday night 26th June at the following times;*

- ◆ Years 1 to 4 - 4.30pm to 6.30pm
- ◆ Years 5 to 7- 7.00pm to 9.00pm



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 (read) 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, 19th June 2009. Students need to bring their bank books and money to the office by 11:30am.

CANTEEN NEWS

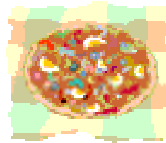
Canteen phone number is 9734 5677.

Canteen Roster TERM 2

Thursday	18 th June	Keiko Yokoi
Friday	19 th June	Fiona Stone
Monday	22 nd June	Naomi Ellis Smith
Tuesday	23 rd June	Melinda Ellis Smith
Wednesday	24 th June	Caroline Fitzgerald
Thursday	25 th June	Lorraine Dowey
Friday	26 th June	Fiona Stone
Monday	29 th June	Help Required
Tuesday	30 th June	Nicole Kostezky
Wednesday	1 st July	Jenny McCaffety
Thursday	2 nd July	Help Required
Friday	3 rd July	Heather Escott

EAGLE BOYS PIZZA DAY

The Eagles Boy Pizza day will be held on Thursday, 2nd July.



UNIFORM SHOP

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

COMMUNITY NEWS

RED NOSES

We are supporting Red Nose Day by making available Red Nose merchandise. At the front office you can purchase red noses, bracelets, lip balm, pens, lapel pins and more. All funds raised are used in the delivery of the life saving 'Safe Sleeping' education programs, medical research into the cause/s of child mortality and grief support for those who have experienced the loss of a child.



LIFESTYLE TRIPLE P

Free program for parents concerned about their child's weight.

Do you have a child aged 5-10 years old? Are you concerned they may be a little overweight? Then you may be like to participate in *Lifestyle Triple P*, a new, free program being offered in this area for a short time only.

It is important to address weight concerns as early as possible. Children who are overweight are more likely to suffer from emotional problems such as low self-esteem and bullying. They are likely to be overweight as adults and have a higher risk of chronic diseases such as heart disease and diabetes. If left untreated, obesity can become a lifelong problem.

Lifestyle Triple P has been helpful to many parents with a child who is overweight. The Program will give you some useful ideas to help your child develop a healthier lifestyle and become a healthier body size.

Lifestyle Triple P is an Australian program developed with a team of paediatricians, dieticians, nutritionists, psychologists, personal trainers, physiotherapists, and exercise physiologists.

The program offers:

- Ideas and step- by-step advice to encourage healthy eating and physical activity;
- A positive approach to parenting and promoting a healthy lifestyle;
- Skills to help you maintain positive changes for your family in the long-term.

Lifestyle Triple P is sensitively delivered and participation does not require your child to be identified at school. The program requires parents to attend 10

group sessions and receive 4 personal phone calls to help tailor the program to their family's needs.

The program will run over terms 3 and 4 this year.

If you are interested in learning more about *Lifestyle Triple P*, please phone local *Lifestyle Triple P* facilitator Adele Morris on 9795 2823.

If you would like to discuss any health or development concerns you have about your child, please contact the Community Health Nurse via the School Administration.

GIRLS C GRADE HOCKEY

The C Grade hockey fixtures that are scheduled to be played on Friday, 26th June have now been postponed to Friday, 14th August. Fixtures on this day will be:-

4:00pm Cheetahs vs Redbacks
5:00pm Blue Bandits vs Emeralds
Pink Panthers Bye

