

# AMAROO UPDATE

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## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

May 27 <sup>th</sup>	Year 7 Immunisations
May 29 <sup>th</sup>	Uniform orders due Playgroup Meeting 2pm Koolbardi Kindy
June 1 <sup>st</sup>	Public Holiday
June 4 <sup>th</sup>	Assembly room 6 year 4
June 5 <sup>th</sup>	School Banking
June 12 <sup>th</sup>	Amaroo Cross Country

## CHANGE OF DATE NOTICE

Parents, please be advised that the assembly dates have been altered. Ms Morris's room 16 class will be hosting the assembly on Thursday, 18<sup>th</sup> June. Mrs Barrett's room 17 assembly will be held at a later date. Please alter your calendars and planners to avoid disappointment.

## AMAROO CROSS COUNTRY

Our annual School Cross Country will be held on Friday, 12<sup>th</sup> June.

The timetable is as follows. Please note that these are estimated times only.

11.45am	Year 5 boys
12.00 noon	Year 5 girls
12.15pm	Year 3 and 4 boys
12.30pm	Year 3 and 4 girls
1.45pm	Year 6 boys
1.50pm	Year 1 and 2 boys and girls
2.00pm	Year 6 girls
2.20pm	Year 7 boys
2.35pm	Year 7 girls

This is a compulsory part of the school program and all children are expected to take part. At Amaroo we all compete, but can complete the course at our own rate. There is no expectation that children must run the whole journey.

We are aware that the foggy and smoky conditions that we have been experiencing lately can affect children who have asthma. Please ensure that if your child is affected by these conditions they have their Ventolin Puffers with them for the day.

We are also extending an invitation to business and families to sponsor our school cross country team. In recognition of your sponsorship, your business name will be printed on the back of the shirts to be worn by our students at their Interschool Cross Country events. If you would like to sponsor the team, please contact the school with your business details as soon as possible.

## DEPUTY NEWS

### 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.

## **UNIFORM DONATIONS**

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

## **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, 4<sup>th</sup> June, will be presented by Ms Malatesta's year 4 room 6. 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.*

## **HUMPHREYS DANCESPORT**

Week 9 of this term (22<sup>nd</sup> June to 26<sup>th</sup> 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, 19<sup>th</sup> 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 21<sup>st</sup> May 2009.

Darcy Stinten	Jenaya Roberts
Joseph Taare	Seth Hinsey
Jessica Barrett	Jack Farr
Billy Bebbington	Jade Clayton
Katie Winslow	Kieran Escott
Emma Varis	Sam Salmeri
Jackson Pike	Cherrie Lee Jones
Legacy Poata	Jonathon Strahan
Jack Davidson	Emma Gough
Cindy-Lee Gaynor	Maddelin Johnson
Bailey Moloney	Lauren Cook
Marissa Williamson	Rhys Smith
Stevie Jones	Talitha Curtis
Hannah Miller	Jack McMullen
Aleta Graham	Raewyn Hooley

## MS READATHON



Students are being invited to join in the celebrations of the 30<sup>th</sup> 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 1<sup>st</sup> -30<sup>th</sup> 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](http://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, 5<sup>th</sup> June 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	28 <sup>th</sup> May	Natasha Putland
Friday	29 <sup>th</sup> May	Fiona Stone
Monday	1 <sup>st</sup> June	Public Holiday
Tuesday	2 <sup>nd</sup> June	Francine Giblett
Wednesday	3 <sup>rd</sup> June	<b>Help Required</b>
Thursday	4 <sup>th</sup> June	Sonja Marshall
Friday	5 <sup>th</sup> June	Caroline Fitzgerald
Monday	8 <sup>th</sup> June	<b>Help Required</b>
Tuesday	9 <sup>th</sup> June	Jenny McCaffety
Wednesday	10 <sup>th</sup> June	<b>Help Required</b>
Thursday	11 <sup>th</sup> June	Sonja Marshall
Friday	12 <sup>th</sup> June	Phil Schenberg

## UNIFORM SHOP

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

**All winter uniform order forms, with money need to be returned to the uniform shop by Friday, 29<sup>th</sup> May.**



**COMMUNITY NEWS**  
**AMAROO PLAYGROUPE**  
**MEETING**

There will be an Amaroo Playgroup meeting on Friday, 29<sup>th</sup> May at 2:00pm in the Koolbardi Kindy. Please bring along any craft and fundraising ideas. Your children are welcome to stay at the meeting.

**NATIONAL CHIROPRACTIC**  
**CARE WEEK 2009**

National research found 67% of Australians suffer from back pain on a weekly basis and one in four Australians suffers daily pain.

The vast majority of people consider back pain as something to treat when it happens, usually through prescription and over the counter drugs. However, while drugs may relieve pain temporarily, they are a quick fix solution which ignores the 'bigger picture', including underlying structural problems and lifestyle habits.

During National Chiropractic Care Week 2009 – themed 'its not just back pain, it's the big picture' – the CAA and CAA member chiropractors will be offering specialist advice on how to maintain long term spinal health.

As part of the National Chiropractic Care Week initiative selected chiropractors from the CAA will help Australians by offering spinal assessments and will be on hand to provide expert advice on how to maintain your spinal health and that of your family.

**In Collie spinal assessments are being offered in exchange for a gold coin donation to the Australian Spinal Research Foundation. This includes scoliosis screenings for children.**

**When: Saturday, 30<sup>th</sup> May 10:00am to 2:00pm, no appointment necessary.**

**Where: 55 Throssell Street, Collie.**

**Enquiries: Phone 9734 4800 or email [wellness@chiropracticfirst.com.au](mailto:wellness@chiropracticfirst.com.au).**

For more information on National Chiropractic Care Week 2009 visit [www.chiropractors.asn.au/thebigpicture](http://www.chiropractors.asn.au/thebigpicture). contact the CAA hotline toll-free on 1800 075 003 or your local chiropractor.

**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.

**ROCHE PARK JUNIOR**  
**BASKETBALL**

Roche Park Junior Basketball for Boys and Girls aged 6 years and 8 years old is being held on Thursdays from 4:30pm to 5:15pm, cost is \$3.00. This program is a fun and enjoyable way for children to learn the skills to play basketball.

**GATE**

The gifted and talented education parent information and PD session for teachers scheduled for Thursday, 28<sup>th</sup> May at Newton Moore Senior High School has been cancelled due to insufficient numbers. It is expected that this event will be offered again in Term 3.

