



From the Principal's Desk...

Staffing News

Luke Kenny will be acting Principal for Weeks 4, 5 and 6 of this term. Mark Ireland has taken some leave and Luke will backfill behind him.

Daniel Botten has won the position of Senior Leader, Intervention and Student Support for Semester 1. He will be overseeing the various intervention programs that the school runs along with providing a link between the school, parents and Student Support services from the District and Regional offices.

Ravi Padayachi has won the position of Aboriginal Education/ SAASTA Co-ordinator and he will set up and deliver the SAASTA program along with providing support for Aboriginal Education across the school.

A part time teacher has been employed to support Year 11 and 12 students with their Maths programs as well. Our Year 12 students are working via Open Access and so the new teacher will provide support for them back here at school during their lessons. The new teacher's name is Ms Amudha Pandian and we are hopeful of her starting as soon as possible.

We also welcome Tony O'Doherty back to the school to cover the loss of Dan Bird for a few weeks. The appointment of Tony will provide some continuity for students in Mr Bird's classes.

Annual General Meeting

The Governing Council Annual General Meeting is to be held on Monday 29th February at 5:00pm in the Community Library Board room. We have pre nomination forms available from the Front Office and you can indicate your interest in being on the Governing Council or one of the sub committees. This is a great way to be involved even if you are unable to make it to the AGM. In most cases, people will nominate for a two year tenure on the Governing Council and so we have continuity across years with some people staying on and some people completing their tenure. Please think seriously about being part of the decision making structure of the school. We are faced with a range of challenges as we deliver the best possible education here at Coober Pedy and your input to that would be appreciated.

Swimming carnival

Our annual school swimming carnival will be held on Friday 26th February. Come and support the students as they compete in different swimming activities through out the day. The Swimming Carnival program is attached to the newsletter.

Don't forget to bring a hat, sunscreen, water bottle and wear your team colours.

Upcoming Dates to Remember...

Swimming Carnival - Friday 26th February

AGM- Monday 29th at 5:00pm in the Library Boardroom

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Swimming Carnival 2016



JUNIOR PRIMARY PROGRAMME

- 8:45** Meet in classroom before moving to the pool with your class.
- 8:55** Official opening by Mr Kenny and Mr Smith (the whole school)
- 9:00** Head back to your classroom for land based activities and make house banners/posters.
- 10:35** Recess eating time in class. Change into bathers in class before moving to the pool.
- 10:55** Move to pool area
- 11:00** Junior Primary Events Bird Dance, Hokey Pokey, Macarena, Cork Scramble, Noodle Race, Hoop Race and Tunnel Ball
- 12:35** Lunch (change out of bathers) in the pool area.
- 1:30** Quiet time activities in classes, Relaxation, Watching movies, Drawing pictures of the swimming carnival
- 2:40** Head up to pool for presentations.
- 3:00** Official Close

MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAMME

- 8:45** Students need to go to home group to sign in the walk your class over to the pool
- 8:55** Official Opening
- 9:05** 25 Freestyle
- 9:30** Backstroke
- 10:00** Butterfly
- 10:30** Breaststroke
- 10:50** 75 Freestyle
- 11:00** Recess for the years 3 to 12 (in the pool area)
- 11:00** Junior Primary Events
- 11:20** Primary/Secondary Novelty Events Marlin and Biggest Bomb
- 12:45** Lunch - in the pool area
- 1:15** Novelty events continued
- 1:30** Relays Teacher VS Students relays/races
- 2:40** Presentations
- 3:00** Official Close

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