

From the Principal's Desk

SCHOOL CLOSED for the morning of Thursday 29th of November.
Due to Industrial Action, school will re-open for all children at 12:15pm on Thursday.

Letter approved by the Education Director:

Dear Families,

I am writing to inform you that Coober Pedy Area School will be closed this Thursday morning.

The Education Director has approved the closure on the grounds that insufficient staff will be on duty to enable adequate standards of student safety and welfare.

Normal education programs will commence here from 12:15pm.

Please contact me if you have any questions regarding this information.

Kind regards,

Karen Cornelius
Principal.

Staffing Farewells:

We are saying goodbye to a number of staff:

- Casey Rivett is off to Flagstaff Hill Primary School.
- Anthony Prizzi will be teaching PE at East Adelaide Primary.
- Ainslie Smith has a permanent position at Karcultaby Area School.
- Alistair Gardiner has also won a permanent job and is going to Edward John Eyre.
- Kristie Sonntag and Chris Thorpe will be heading off to new schools in 2019. We thank them for their time and commitment.
- We thank Beth Griener for looking after Food and Hospitality so capably and welcome back Lyndal Pryce.
- We thank Ash Bambrick for her SSO work. She is working in the family business next year.
- Savindya Ranahulge is having a baby girl and we wish her well.
- While not actually our staff, we'd like to thank Linley Belford for her fabulous service to RSAS (Orange Mob) and wish her well in Adelaide. We are waiting for news about the plans for RSAS and the team in 2019. Fingers crossed.

Not in Coober Pedy in 2019?

If you are not staying in Coober Pedy next year, please let us know. We are completing class lists and movements out can impact on friendship groupings in classes. Thanks!

Uniforms Available Online and Custom T-Shirt Order

You will receive a letter and pamphlet with information about ordering school uniforms online, and an order form for a run of special custom T-shirts in the student report envelope mailed out. If we receive **20** or more orders, we will have the new custom T-shirts made up for students.

FOOD TECH VISIT TO PROMINENT HILL

A group of food technology students from years 7/8 and 9/10 were fortunate enough to spend a day at Prominent Hill on Thursday 15th November.



They were offered this opportunity by OZ Minerals and were treated to a tour of the dining and kitchen area, along with a tour of the gym and sporting facilities. A short induction of the mine and its procedures was given at the beginning of this tour.

Students were amazed at the extensive kitchen with its commercial equipment, cool rooms and storage facilities. Chef Sants explained that there are approximately 450 meals a day prepared sometimes extending to 600 per day.

There was a lot of preparation each day as we could see – 5 huge gastronome pans of a Sri Lankan curry, and over 100kg of spare ribs waiting to be coated with a delicious sauce, along with a huge container of soup, which was only part of the evening meal that was ready for service from 4.30pm.



Supplies are delivered direct from Adelaide once a week by road, but if there is an item such as ice cream needed urgently, it is flown in. The plane can carry 3 tons of food, if necessary.



Career opportunities in kitchen operations and Human Resources are available, along with apprenticeships in mining related trades.

We sampled some of the kitchen's produce as we were treated to a delicious lunch before we made the return journey.



Students enjoyed the day and appreciated the career options that were discussed.



Dates for your diary:

2018

November 28 - Year 12 Graduation

November 29 - Year 6 Graduation

November 30 - Presentation Day 11am, lunch and classroom visits

December 3-7 - Activities Week – students need bathers every day are planning to be in the pool!

December 3 - Governing Council

December 7 - Last Day of the school year, finishing at 2pm

December 18 - Year 12 results due.

2019

January 21 - Staff return

January 29/30 - Staff in Roxby Downs for professional development

January 31 - Students' first day of the 2019 school year – Be there for a special start!

February 22 - Proposed student free day

April 29 - Proposed student free day.