



Cobar Public School Newsletter

We pay our respects to the Wangaaypuwan Ngilyampaa people on whose land we meet and learn.

Term 4, Week 9

Thursday, 10th December, 2020

Principal's Report

This is the final newsletter for 2020; a year which has been more testing for us all than we could ever have imagined as we started school in February. Thank you to our community who have been so supportive of the school as we have navigated our way through this extraordinary year.

Thank you too to our students who displayed remarkable resiliency during their disrupted year. We celebrated the graduation of another year 6 class this week under circumstances which were the best we could provide, but far from normal. Congratulations to our graduating class and we wish you all the best as you move into high school.

Thanks go also to our amazing staff, both teaching and non-teaching. Having heard from many principals about the difficulties they faced this year, I can state categorically that the professionalism and dedication displayed by our staff has been second to none. As we farewell a number of our temporary staff, we thank you for your service to our students and wish you all the best for your futures. To our continuing staff, thank you, enjoy a very well-deserved break and we look forward to working with you again in 2021.

We are planning a number of structural changes to our timetables and processes as we move into the first year of our new 4-year planning cycle. One of these will be a change to our daily timetable. We currently operate with a morning session of 2hrs and 13 minutes, a middle session of 1hr and 40 minutes, and an afternoon session of 1hr. To better meet the needs of students we are going to alter lunch and recess times to make both the morning and middle sessions 2hrs. Lunch will run 11.00-11.47am and recess will run 1.47-2.07pm. Overall instructional time and student break times remain unchanged, as do the start and finish times for our days. Students will continue to have fruit break in the morning session and we will introduce an optional fruit break in the middle session. We believe that this change will allow us more targeted time for explicit instruction.

Have a great holiday everyone, be safe and we look forward to seeing you all in 2021.

Mr Jonathan Harvey
Principal



*We are a school of
Responsible,
Respectful, Learners*

CPS News

CPS Staff wishes all students and their families a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

All Students - Kindergarten to Year 6 will start on Friday, 5th February, 2021.



School Bus News

Just wanting to let students and parents know Andrew & Carol Spencer from Spence's Coaches Western have taken over the school bus runs as of 1st December 2020.

Applications are now open for 2021 for students wishing to apply for free bus travel. Kindy to Year 2 students are entitled to free travel and some primary school students will also be entitled for free travel depending on their address at <https://ssts-apply.transport.nsw.gov.au/ApplySSTS/ApplySSTS.html>

Spence's Coaches will have the link to the transport for NSW forms on their webpage in the coming weeks. Just go to spencescoaches.com.au and apply Or phone us on 0419 825442 if you have any queries we will be happy to help.

Wishing everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy holidays and we look forward to meeting everyone in the New Year.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Administration Office Hours - 8.30am - 3.30pm
School commences at 8.55am—School finishes at 3.05pm
Students are not supervised before 8.30am

Parent Reminder

Student Allergies

Cobar Public School is an 'ALLERGY AWARE' School. Staff, parents, visitors and students are actively discouraged from bringing nuts and nut based products onto the Cobar Public School site.

Please keep this in mind when packing recess and lunch for your children. *Thank you.*

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT CPS

DATES TO REMEMBER

11.12	▶ Student Presentation Assemblies at Cobar Public School—students and staff only
14.12	▶ Student Reports sent home with students
15.12	▶ PBL Shining Day K-2 / 9 to 11am 3-6 / 11.30 to 2pm
16.12	▶ Last Day of School



Student Presentation Day - Friday 11.12.20

This year, due to Dept of Education restrictions around Covid-19 health concerns, we are holding three separate Student Presentation Award Assemblies; Gold, Copper and Zinc on Friday 11.12.20 in our school hall.

Unfortunately, students and staff will only be able to attend these assemblies. However, each assembly will be recorded and available for viewing at a later time via online media for parents and interested community members.

Please ensure your student is in full school uniform on Friday 11.12.20.

The CPS Presentation Program, plus a list of all student awards and a recording of each team assembly will be available for viewing online after Friday 11.12.20.

PBL

Focus of the Week

Responsible Respectful Learners

Canteen

The canteen has had a menu change for term 4.
Please check the new menu.

Uniform News

The replacement uniform (green/white checked dress and black skirt) commenced phase in stage at the start of T4.
Please check the new uniform list for changes.

To purchase uniforms, please fill in a form at the front office and it will be filled as soon as possible.

School Attendance

If you would like more information about attendance, please go to the link below.

<https://education.nsw.gov.au/student-wellbeing/attendance-behaviour-and-engagement/school-attendance>

Reminders:

- ★ Assemblies have been cancelled for the rest of Term 4, 2020 — due to Dept. of Education Covid-19 restrictions. Instead student awards will continue to be presented in class or at morning student assemblies for the remainder of Term 4.
- ★ Please label student's clothing, lunchboxes, water bottles etc
- ★ No hat, No play

CPS Newsletter is available:

- via Facebook - Cobar Public School
- CPS website <https://cobar-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/>
- Printed copies can be collected from the CPS Admin. Office if you prefer this format.

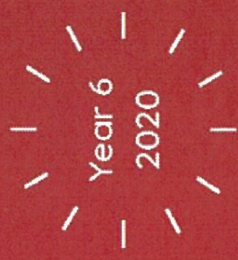
SCHOOL CANTEEN NEWS

**MONDAY THE 14TH
DECEMBER WILL BE THE
LAST DAY THE CANTEEN
WILL BE OPEN FOR 2020.**



UNIFORM SHOP

**THE UNIFORM SHOP WILL OPEN
ON SATURDAY 30TH JANUARY.
FROM 9AM-12PM**



Cobar Public School's

Christmas Mufti Day

**Monday Week 10
14th December 2020**

Students must be
wearing enclosed
shoes & a bucket hat.

**GLOW
PRODUCTS**

will be sold on the
day. Ranging
from \$2 - \$6.