



Coorow Primary School

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THE COOROW QUILL

Our school is built on the land of the Yuat people – the Yuat are part of the Noongar nation. We respectfully acknowledge that the Yuat have been the custodians of this country for many thousands of years and we pay our respects to their Elders past and present.

Life is full of little surprises. When I woke up feeling a little unwell on January 24, I did not imagine that I would end up having surgery, spending the best part of a month in hospital, and not be able to return to work until the second last day of term! I would like to thank all the staff (and relief staff) who worked so hard this term to keep the school operating so smoothly and effectively. I know that there have been several ongoing challenges throughout the term, but I can see that student learning has been a priority for the teachers and students have continued to make good progress. Special thanks must go to Miss Johns who took on the role of principal and did an impressive job. Miss Johns told me that she faced a very steep learning curve, but I can see that she has managed the work in the best way possible. I hope you will all join with me in congratulating her on her achievements in her first principal's position – I am sure it will not be her last. Also special thanks to Mrs Millsteed who was able to support Miss Johns with her knowledge of school operations.

Now I am looking forward to working with teachers and parents for the rest of the year. There are some exciting events coming up, with Year 3-6 camp in week 2 next term, and Coorow hosting the interschool athletics carnival in term 4. Hopefully, everyone will remain in good health, and all events and classroom activities will be able to take place without any disruption!

Jancy Whyte

Dates to remember



Thursday 28 March	End Term 1
Monday 15 April	School Development Day
Tuesday 16 April	First day Term 2 for students
Wednesday 17 April	Scitech Incursion
Monday 22 April to Friday 26 April	Y3-6 Camp to Perth
Monday 13 May	School Photos

As term 1 comes to an end I would like to welcome back Ms Whyte into the principal role and thank the school community for supporting me while I was lucky enough to hold the position for the term.

Thank you to Eneabba Primary School for organising and hosting our faction swimming carnival this term. It was a lovely day filled with excitement and great sportsmanship. From this carnival we then took five swimmers to Perenjori to compete in the Interschool carnival. Congratulations to all of these swimmers!

We had a cricket clinic for our P-6 students which they all thoroughly enjoyed and we were lucky enough to finish off our term with artistic swimming. I was so impressed with the routines the students were able to learn in such a short amount of time. Next term we start off with a visit from Scitech and the year 3-6 camp in Perth.

I hope you all have a lovely Easter break followed by a safe and happy holiday.

Renaë Johns



Our vision
At Coorow, we strive to do our best. We are confident and resilient. We laugh and learn and grow together.

New Honour Certificates

You will have noticed at our assembly held last week, that we have redesigned our honour certificates with our new school logo and “magpies” that represent our four school values:

I am responsible

I am brave

I am resourceful

I am a learner

Students have been involved in many class and whole school activities focussing on students’ understanding of these values and making them an integral part of life at our school.

We have opted to use NSW font on our certificates, which is the handwriting style being taught at Coorow Primary School, and to print the certificates on card rather than laminating them, which is environmentally friendly.



Honour Certificates

James for working hard to make good choices within the classroom and playground. Keep it up, James!

Thomas for your ongoing effort towards classroom activities. You are improving each and every day. Keep it up, Thomas.

Kai S for being brave and competing in every event at the faction swimming carnival.

Aaron-Kojo for his consistent effort he puts in when completing his work. He listens to advice and asks questions, ensuring that he gets the most benefit from his school day. You are always striving to improve and it’s exciting to see Aaron. Well done.

Romy for improving academic results by extending own learning through goal setting and pushing to exceed expectations in all subjects.

Kai W for improving academic results by extending own learning through goal setting and additional practice at home.

Faction Swimming Carnival - 8 March 2024

Well done to all students who participated in the faction swimming carnival. It was a successful day with everyone having a go and earning points for their faction. Hurricanes won the overall shield this year, but we had many individual winners:

Junior girls champion - Kira

Junior girls R/Up champion - Lizelle

Junior boys R/Up champion - Declan

Intermediate girls R/Up champion - Charlotte

Intermediate boys champion - Luca

Intermediate boys R/Up champion - Kai W

Senior girls champion - Romy

Senior girls R/Up champion - Shante

Senior boys champion - Michael



Thank you to our awesome parents who volunteered in many different roles on the day to ensure that the carnival ran smoothly.

Artistic Swimming

On the 25th and 26th of March our PP to Year 6 students were lucky enough to participate in Artistic Swimming at the Coorow Aquatic Centre.

Even though the temperature is certainly cooling down and the water was very fresh, it didn't stop our students from jumping in and giving it a go!

A big Thank You to Camille who came up from Perth to coach the students.





Interschool Swimming Carnival @ Perenjori

On the 22nd of March, selected students went to Perenjori to participate with Eneabba in the 2024 Interschool Swimming Carnival. It was great to participate with other schools and it ended with a champion among us! Congratulations to Luca Parker who took out Intermediate Boy Champion, Well Done Luca!

Winning School—Three Springs 333 points

Handicap Winning School—Perenjori 559.50 points

Voluntary Contributions

Thank you to the families that have already paid their voluntary contributions this year! We thought that we had early payments last year in January, but one family paid their 2024 contributions in December 2023. Well done.

The voluntary contributions are only \$50 per child per year – that's less than the total cost of one cup of coffee each month – but they make a big difference to helping us provide learning opportunities for your children.

If you would like to set up a payment plan please contact Denise Monday to Thursday.

You can make your payment in the office, or by direct deposit: BSB:306023, Account:0100416, Reference: Lastname/voluntary.



Coorow Primary School Term 2 Planner 2024

Week	Month	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
1	April/May	April 15 School Development Day	16 First Day - Term 2	17 Breakfast Club Scitech	18	19 Breakfast Club	20	21
2		22 Kindy Breakfast Club Ern Halliday Camp	23 Kindy	24 Breakfast Club	25 ANZAC Day	26 Breakfast Club	27	28
3		29 Kindy Breakfast Club	30 Kindy	May 1 Breakfast Club	2	3 Breakfast Club	4	5
4	May	6 Kindy Breakfast Club	7 Kindy	8 Breakfast Club	9	10 Breakfast Club	11	12 Mother's Day
5		13 Kindy Breakfast Club School Photos	14 Kindy	15 Breakfast Club	16	17 Breakfast Club	18	19
6		20 Kindy Breakfast Club	21 Kindy	22 Breakfast Club	23	24 Breakfast Club	25	26
7		27 Kindy Breakfast Club	28 Kindy	29 Breakfast Club	30	31 Breakfast Club	June 1	2
8	June	3 Western Australia Day Public Holiday	4 Kindy	5 Breakfast Club	6	7 Breakfast Club	8	9
9		10 Kindy Breakfast Club	11 Kindy Faction Cross Country	12 Breakfast Club	13	14 Breakfast Club	15	16
10		17 Kindy Breakfast Club	18 Kindy	19 Breakfast Club	20	21 Breakfast Club	22	23
11		24 Kindy Breakfast Club	25 Kindy	26 Breakfast Club	27	28 Breakfast Club Picnic @ the Hill End of Term 2	29	30

Parent Information

YOUR SCHOOL PHOTO DAY IS

Monday, 13 May 2024,,



Remember to **Look Your Best** in correct **School Uniform**



Bring your completed **Photo Order Envelope**



Remember to order your **Sibling Photos Online.**



Don't forget to **Bring Your Smile!**

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Approximately two weeks prior to photo day you should receive your school photo order envelopes.

- Each student will need to bring their personalised order envelope on photo day even if no photos are purchased.
- If no photos are purchased on photo day the envelope will be returned to the student to give to the parent a second chance to order prior to the cut-off date.

Online Payments

- The last day to order online is: **13 May 2024**
- Scan the QR code on your envelope or go to <https://online.fotoworks.com.au/ordering/access>
- Enter your child's 2024 access key provided on the envelope (please note each child has a unique access key)
- Follow the prompts to place your order.
- Write your '**Order Reference Number**' on your child's school photo envelope and make sure the student has their completed envelope on photo day.

Cash Payments

- Browse our packages listed on the envelope.
- Tick your order on the reverse of the envelope.
- If paying by cash, please ensure that the exact amount is given as **no change can be given**, seal inside of the envelope.
- Make sure the student has their completed envelope on photo day.

Sibling Photos

- Once you have placed your individual orders, click continue shopping.
- Enter the sibling access key provided on the envelope.
- Fill out the details and follow the prompts to place your order.
- The last day to order sibling photos online is: **5 May 2024**

If you have any queries regarding your order, please contact wecare@fotoworks.com.au

ALL Students will be included in the class photo and will be photographed individually for school archives and administration records. If for custodial or religious reasons your child cannot appear in class photos, please complete this slip, and return to the school office.

I _____ **do not** want my child _____ to appear in any school photos.
(Parent/Guardian Name) (Student Name)

Reason: _____

(School Name)

(Parent/Guardian Signature)

(Date)



Department of
Education

The WA Student Assistance Payment

Helping you get
the things you need
for your kids.

\$150

For each Kindergarten
and primary school student

\$250

For each secondary
school student

To help ease cost-of-living pressures on families with school-aged children, the State Government is offering the WA Student Assistance Payment.

This payment is to help you get the things you need for your kids. From new school shoes, backpacks and sports equipment to uniforms, healthy meals, school excursions and more.

Get ready to claim

Download the ServiceWA app to your mobile device.

Available from the Apple App Store or Google Play Store.

Locate the student's 8-digit WA student number (WASN).

You'll find it on:

- school reports
- previous NAPLAN results
- secondary student's SmartRider

If you have trouble locating the number, contact your school for assistance.

Claims open Monday 15 April

For more information about the WA Student Assistance Payment and how to claim, go to education.wa.edu.au/wasap

Claim on the
ServiceWA app





**THE WATHEROO COMMUNITY
INVITES YOU TO
THE FINAL RINGING
OF THE SCHOOL BELL
ON
SATURDAY APRIL 6, 2024**



We invite you to share in our final goodbye to Watheroo Primary School.

Please join us for a bring-and-share afternoon tea and a walk around the buildings, which will **begin at 3:00 p.m.**

Hamburgers and a pre-seeding community get together to follow at the pavilion after a final symbolic **ringing of the bell at 5pm.**

RSVP to Jan Millsteed by March 30th
on 0437 517 033 or
by email to watheroowagtales@gmail.com



YOUTH MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID COURSE

LEARN HOW TO BETTER SUPPORT YOUNG PEOPLE EXPERIENCING MENTAL HEALTH PROBLEMS OR WHO ARE IN CRISIS.

Join us for this FREE two-day Youth Mental Health First Aid course.

Learn about the signs and symptoms of the common mental health problems experienced by young people, what sort of help has been shown by evidence-based research to be effective, and how to provide mental health first aid in a crisis situation.

ACCREDITED COURSE

Topics include: depression, anxiety, eating disorders, substance use, suicidal thoughts and behaviours, and psychosis

You must attend both days to complete the course.

On completion of post-course assessment, participants will be accredited as a Youth Mental Health First Aider for 3 years.

When: 9:00 am - 4:30 pm,
Monday 20 & Tuesday 21 May 2024

Where: Coorow District Hall, Coorow WA 6515

Cost: FREE - morning tea & a light lunch provided

Register: Email coordinator@coorowcrc.net.au or call 9952 1266

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