



The *mini* Quill

Term 1, Week 5

Coorow Primary School *Learning for Life*

Welcome to Week 5 It is scary to realise that by the end of week 5, the term will be half over (and the school year will be one-eighth complete already!)

I have been very impressed with the senior class this term. The students are definitely trying to step up and show that they are the leaders in the school. They are taking the responsibility of looking after the little kids very seriously ... and what is even nicer is that the Yr 3s are being carried along and they are trying to do the same thing.

When I walk into the classrooms, I see everyone busy, on task and learning. Even the kindy kids are showing listening skills and concentration. I know that the teachers have all been working very hard; this year all staff are focusing on setting high expectations for our students and communicating these expectations to them. I can definitely see the results of this in the children's attitude and behaviour.

THANK YOU!! I would like to send a huge thank you to Daniel Birch who has volunteered to take on the mammoth task of getting rid of all their tyres still left over from the rally last year. The tyres have been giving me nightmares and I am very grateful to Daniel for his offer to help!

Week 5 – interruption free week	
Monday 3 March	Labour Day public holiday
Tuesday 4 March	School psychologist here Assembly / open classrooms Miss Johns absent – Relief Mrs Morcombe
Wednesday 5 March	Breakfast club Mrs McIver – On Entry testing. Relief TBC
Thursday 6 March	Newsletter Miss Stevens defence leave (afternoon only) – no relief
Friday 7 March	Breakfast club Miss Stevens defence leave – Mrs Morcombe

Assembly and Open Classrooms All parents K-6, extended family and community members are all welcome to come along to the assembly and open classrooms on Tuesday. Some questions you might like to ask your children when visiting their classrooms are:

- Can you show me a piece of work you are really proud of?
- What have you been doing in Maths this week? Can I see your book?
- Is there any of your work hanging up in the classroom?

P&C At the P&C meeting on Monday evening, P&C members agreed to fund *Elements of Drama*, the amazing, term-long incursion from Film Bites that Miss Stevens has planned for the students. Everyone from Pre-Primary to Yr 6 will be involved. Face-to-face and online sessions about all the elements of film & TV, including things such as costumes and props, will give the children many opportunities for learning in Drama and Visual Arts, and for demonstrating what they have learned in enjoyable and practical ways. Thank you to Miss Stevens for organising this huge project and a huge thank you to the P&C for making it possible.

The students still talk about the Pots and Tangles incursion, organised by Mrs Morcombe and funded by the P&C, last year. These very special events make school memorable and let students try out new academic and social skills in a more relaxed way than in the usual classroom environment.

Have a great week,
Jancy