Coorow Primary School

Learning for Life

Dear parents

It's been a big term. With the Public School Review and the faction swimming carnival already ticked off, Naplan was the last big item on the to-do list for the term, and I am sure I heard everyone heave a big sigh of relief on Monday when the very last Naplan test was completed.

Week 9
The calendar is very bare! All staff are here every day next week and there are no special events planned for the week.

Monday 31 March	Breakfast Club	
Tuesday 1 April	School photos	
Wednesday 2 April	Breakfast club	
Thursday 3 April		
Friday 4 April	Breakfast club	

School Photos
Please send your children along in their best uniform on Tuesday morning, with neat shoes and socks (no brightly coloured or patterned knee-highs, please!) hair brushed or combed and long hair tied up. Our photos are taken early in the day, so they don't have the chance to get too messy, but if necessary, we will neaten them up a little. If you don't have a 'best uniform' and the second-best is a bit worse for wear, please let us know and we will organise a shirt for your child to wear during the photo shoot.

Please be sure to return your photo envelope for school photos too. The envelope needs to be returned, even if you are not buying photos, as the barcode on it is used to identify students when the photographer is preparing to take the photos.

Don't forget to book sibling photos with the office if you are planning to have these done!

Solar Car Challenge
By the time you read this, the senior class will be halfway to Geraldton to compete in the Synergy Solar Car challenge. The students have been preparing for this all term, and they will be competing against a number of other schools in the event. I would like to thank Synergy who are kindly covering our bus travel costs to enable the students to participate.

Interschool Swimming
Best of luck to the 7 students from Year 3-6 who have been selected for the interschool swimming carnival and will be off to Three Springs tomorrow! Mrs Morcombe will be providing the relief, filling in for Ms Whyte and Miss Stevens.

Heads up – lights and sirens drill, Friday 11 April

On the last day of term, we will be participating in an emergency drill with some of the local emergency services.

Our drills at school are quiet and orderly. We practise regularly, but some students still get a bit agitated when they hear the alarm signal. If there is ever an emergency, such as a bushfire or event where people are harmed, it won't be quiet and orderly. There will be lights and sirens, there could be strange people shouting, running and giving orders. There could be smoke or flames visible The last thing we want is a child taking fright and running away in fear, so we want to run a drill that is a little bit more like the 'real thing' (though we don't intend to provide any smoke or flames during our drill!).

I can't provide any more information because I don't have it yet, and the emergency services need to keep some sense of surprise around the event for it to be useful.

Students will be told about this drill. They will be told about what might happen, and they will have the chance to ask questions. However, particularly if your child suffers from anxiety or has autism, you may wish to start discussing the event with them now.

miniQuill

It has been nearly a term since we introduced the miniQuill. Please let us know what you think of it with this short, 2 question survey.

You can find the survey here: https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=-RaA4P3Ru0yDsLdutDYWJ6wMm6FZJ0NBuTKAbbJ81eNUQVJMSDJHTEVPS09WVzE5OEVTRDJLWTgzNC4u

Or here: