Welcome to Term 2 Week 7 and we’re now in the month of June! Where is the year going? We continue to be busy with benchmarking in preparation for Semester One Reports which will be sent home in the last week of school. Students are tested against the state benchmark levels in literacy and numeracy to check reading, comprehension, fluency and number sense.

**CROSS COUNTRY**

The Cross Country has been postponed until next Tuesday 9th June due to the lovely wet weather last week and other school commitments this week.

**SPORT DEVELOPMENT SESSIONS**

Emily Ross from Netball NSW will be at our school on Wednesday 10th June to run a development afternoon with our students. I have been in contact with development officers for several other sports so hopefully we will be able to get some experienced coaches out to our school to upskill our student and to motivate them to get active.

**REPORTS/PLPS**

Reports will be going home on Tuesday 23rd June (Week 10). If parents would like to meet with their child’s teacher regarding their report, please make an appointment to do so. We will be have mid year Personalised Learning Plan (PLP) meetings at the start of next term to discuss student progress, goals achieved and to set new goals so if parents would prefer to discuss reports at this time it could be more beneficial as it will be fresh in student’s minds for the rest of term.

Our Year 6 students with their brand new leaders jumpers that they received from the school! Looking great guys!

**3-6 News**

- **Literacy:** The graphemes that we will be focusing on in spelling this week are ‘ai’, ‘ay’, ‘a_e’, ‘a’.
- **Numeracy:** Our Go Maths Units for this week are:
  - 3: Exploring Number Patterns
  - 4: Representing Tenths as Decimal Fractions
  - 5: Extending Mental Computation Strategies for Subtraction
  - 6: Adding Fractions With the Same or Related Denominators
- **Science & Technology:** In Science this week we will be continuing with the design task that we began last week. In groups, students will design and make a product or service to meet a person’s need. The design must be attractive, environmentally friendly, functional and safe for those who use it.
- **History:** This week we will begin our homework speeches about a person who has influenced democracy. We have spent a lot of time in class researching several different people, including Henry Parkes, Mary Lee, Nelson Mandela, Pericles and Catherine Helen Spence so all students will be able to present a speech.
- **PD/H:** Last week out fitness revolved around maintaining stamina over long distance running in preparation for the cross country. This week we will continue a combination of theory about what fitness is and getting outside and being active.
- **CAPA:** Last week, students learned about the colour wheel and this week they will put that knowledge into practice when creating landscapes with Mrs L. Fisher.

Have a great week! Mrs Fisher
Welcome to Week 7! Benchmarking and mid year assessments such as NEALEs and SENA are underway as well as reports!

**Literacy:** Kindergarten start their new spelling book this week, beginning with the sounds m and n. The sound for Year 1 and 2 this week is ee, e, ea, y, ey. We are still reading Charlie and the Chocolate Factory and the children are loving this as a DEAR activity. For writing we will continue on with our Point of View exercises and daily journal entries. We will also link our writing to our Grammar Rules for the rest of term, with practice on grammatical concepts.

**Numeracy:** Our Units for maths this week are:
1. Exploring Location, Direction and Movement
2. Exploring Turns and Transformations.

**Science & Technology:** This week we will look at the production of honey! With my Dad being an apparatus, I am travelling home to take photos and give the children first hand information. We might even try some honey :)

**HSIE:** Due to cross country training last week, HSIE didn’t happen so this week we will continue to look at the concept of roles and responsibilities but will focus on the school environment. We will relate this back to a persons needs and wants.

**PDH:** This week we will keep up with the games and sport, participating in lots of fitness as well as class discussions and theory based around why it is important.

**CAPA:** This will continue on with Mrs L. Fisher. They are basing their artwork around the book Mr Fantastic Fox!

*Have a good week!*
*Miss Lumuntis*

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**Quambone P & C News**

We will cater for the Cross Country next Tuesday 9th of May (hopefully!). We will need some volunteers on the day and donation of cakes and slices to sell on the day.

Neville Brady is returning to Quambone on Thursday 11th of June. We will once again cater for this.

Our next meeting is today **Monday the 1st of June at 3.15pm** at the school. If you have anything for the agenda or cannot attend please contact someone on the committee.

Regards

Linda O’Brien
Secretary
Open Invitation to
Welcome to Quambone
Morning Tea

Narelle Sinclair is holding a Welcome to Quambone Morning Tea for all new community members on Friday 5th June at "Mungrabambone" (which is 13km out the Carinda Road.) Please come along and meet our new community members. If possible could you please bring a plate to share for morning tea.

If it rains the morning tea will be cancelled.
Community Conversations
COONAMBLE DRUG AND ALCOHOL INITIATIVE
It's time to hear your story

A special invitation is extended to community members

Your voice is important so come along and join in a discussion around the issues and impacts that Drugs and Alcohol are having on you and your community. The recent Drug and Alcohol Forum heard from agencies and organisations and now it's your turn to share your story, perspectives and ideas.

The information shared at these discussions will help plan future community driven initiatives.

Tuesday 9th June, 2015
11:30am – Coonamble Bowling Club
or
5:30pm – Coonamble Shire Council

For further information contact Corrinna Alchin, Community Development Coordinator.

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COMMUNITY AWARENESS

COONAMBLE

Memory Van visit to Coonamble

MEMORY VAN LOCATION

Date | Friday 12th June 2015
Cost | Free
Time | 10.30am - 12.30pm
Venue | Murdi Paaki - Centrelink site Castlemereagh St, Coonamble

MAIN TOPICS INCLUDE:
• Alzheimer's Australia services
• Memory changes
• Memory concerns
• What is Dementia?
• Information for carers
• Dementia Risk Reduction including 5 Simple Steps to maximise brain health

Information sheets will be available for all visitors

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Note: The calendar lists various events and activities scheduled for each day of June 2015.