



CUMMINS AREA SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

Term 1, Week 3

BUS DRIVERS

Warrow

Paul Tierney - 0429 882 010

Mt Hope

Kym Griffiths - 0400 667 472

Karkoo

Susan Hughes - 0477 088 043

Wanilla

Sharon Arnold - 0447 820 519

Cockaleechee

Leon Seaman - 0429 703 030

Douglas Well

Vince Diment - 0427 762 428

Koppio

Dan Hansen - 0408 120 280

Brimpton Lake

Barry Boyce - 0418 762 319

Yallunda Flat

Denis Darling - 0429 950 159

Parents must contact the bus driver at least 24 hours prior to travel being required on an alternate bus.

UHF channel 10

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE



Thankfully Summer has decided to work her way into the spotlight again this week as we participate in Swimming lessons for students from Yrs. 3 – 9. We are fortunate to have a quality facility to swim in and eager past students under the eagle eyes of the experienced Robyne May and Sallyann Hill to guide our students. I know we are all looking forward to Friday when we will see whether Eyre can take the Swimming Championship from Flinders for the second year running. I am also very confident that my staff team is ready to set some serious pace so watch out opposition teams – this year is ours!

We are aware that some families are yet to connect to SeeSaw for one or more of their children. ALL classes have had some form of communication sent out by now so if you are yet to receive any please contact the school and we will set this up for you. SeeSaw is a vital part of our parent communication strategy and we encourage all families to connect so that they are able to receive up to date information, news, notices and work samples.

The construction of our new Design and Technology / Art Studio continues to move along and whilst it has created some challenges around movement to the JP Playground and canteen this has been managed capably by both staff and students. Before the end of the term we will also be moving construction (destruction?) into the Front Office Area which will require further planning and movement of staff. We are grateful for the cooperation and foresight of our builder, Kym Clarke Constructions, who has made the process as simple as possible given the scope of the build.

The School and Preschool now have their own QR codes to assist with signing in as visitors enter through the front office. It is vital that all parent entry is through the front office to enable you to sign in when picking up children etc. The Department for Education is continuing to run a conservative line around access to site and limiting adult numbers outside of staff – I appreciate this is frustrating but something we are expected to adhere to.

Next Tuesday evening is our Governing Council AGM. Governing Council plays an important role in the decision making of the school and is a great way to be involved while also learning about a lot of the information and evidence that sits behind the way we do things in Education. It is certainly



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not a threatening environment and no experience is required – the only prerequisite is a genuine interest in knowing about Cummins Area School and influencing some decisions and processes along the way. If you are even a little bit tempted please come along or talk to some of our current members. There is no pressure to commit but it may give you some insight into what we do and whether you see yourself being a part of it. I look forward to seeing some new faces joining the “old” faithfuls on the team.

Mel

GOVERNING COUNCIL AGM

Do you have an interest in how the school is run? Would you like to have input into the school's future? We need your help to keep our school great!

**Cummins Area School Governing Council
Annual General Meeting
Cummins Library**

Tuesday, February 16, 2021 @ 6.30pm.

For further information or apologies, contact Secretary Julie Crettenden via email on CAS.govcouncil@gmail.com

SHROVE TUESDAY

Our Cummins Area School CHAPLAINCY Group will hold their annual PANCAKE TUESDAY cook up on **TUESDAY, 16TH FEBRUARY 2021**

At the Uniting Church grounds from 9.00am - 12.00 noon.

COFFEE will also be available from Rachel Hunt - Howdy Coffee

Please come and support our awesome Chaplain, Mardi Green and ensure her valuable work in our school and the community continues by donating a gold coin donation whilst enjoying a delicious pancake.



CUMMINS AREA SCHOOL KEY SPORTING DATES

CAS 100m Swim

Years 10-12: Wed 10th February at lunch
Other ages: During Swimming lessons

CAS Yr 3-12 Swimming Carnival

Friday 12th February

CAS 1500m race (ages 12 & up)

Tuesday 16th February during Pastoral Care

CAS 800m race (Ages 10 & up)

Wednesday 24th February during Pastoral Care

CAS Yr F-12 Sports Day

Wednesday 3rd of March

Inter-School Athletics Carnival

Monday 29th March - Wudinna



CUMMINS AREA SCHOOL
'EVERYONE BELONGS'

Harmony Day

Friday 19th March, 2021

Wear Orange!



2021 FOUNDATION/YEAR 12 BUDDY PROGRAM

Strong, important friendships are being formed between our Foundation students and their Year 12 buddies. They have already enjoyed opportunities to build, draw, read and play.

It's going to be a great year of learning together!



AG 2021

Ag students have hit the ground running.

The Yr 11 group Preg Testing the school ewes with the assistance of Amy Kerley. Of the 19 ewes they have 10 ewes having twins and 7 having a single lamb. They attended a Sheep and Cattle feeding workshop at Simon Giddings farm to assist with knowledge on feeding pregnant ewes sponsored by Advantage Feeders.

The Yr 12 boys have already had a meeting with Craig Povey, explaining the intricacies of Grain Marketing and have proceeded to sell the 5.2 tonnes of Feed Barley and 21.6 tonnes of H2 Wheat.

They have also met with George Pedler to plan the 2021 cropping program. Toby and Will had

some interesting discussions with George and are currently organising to do some experimental ripping with various machines.

Yr 10 are doing a farm safety audit and making movies.

Yr 7 students are busy collecting yabbies and putting them in the yabbie tank, whilst also preparing plots for herb planting.

Our Year 8's are all about chickens and looking at collecting fertile eggs and incubating them.

We've all been very busy, with all this in just 2 short weeks of school.

Enjoying all things Ag,

Joanne Franklin and Rhianna Foster



LIBRARY

NEWS



Did you know? Only 46% of Australian parents feel confident about dealing with the online risks their children face and 95% want more information about online safety.

eSafety resources can help you **start the chat** about being safer online, then keep building your family's digital skills throughout the year. To access these resources, go to <https://www.esafety.gov.au/parents>

This Tuesday is **Safer Internet Day**, a worldwide event that raises awareness about online safety and encourages everyone to help create a better internet.

Join one of the webinars for parents and carers, at no cost.

All sessions are delivered by eSafety's expert education and training team. To register, go to <https://www.esafety.gov.au/parents/webinars>

esafety's Parent Guide to Cyberbullying and Online Drama

This Safer Internet Day 2021 webinar will look at how parents and carers can support young people to have safe and respectful online relationships and what to do if things go wrong.

It will cover:

- starting conversations with your child about their online friendships and positive ways to deal with changing relationships
- understanding the rights, laws and community expectations that govern social media use
- where to seek help if your child is involved in a cyberbullying incident.

The webinar will include case studies, research and targeted advice so you can support the young people in your life to have safe, enjoyable online experiences.

eSafety's Parent Guide to Popular Apps

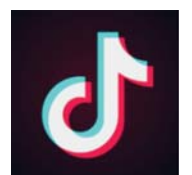
Apps allow access to content sharing, photo and video sharing, messaging and online chat, voice chat, video calling, live streaming, gaming, in-app purchasing, online relationships, location sharing and encryption. These functions all have benefits and risks.

Some apps use co-mingled sites, where kids mix with teens and adults. This increases the risk of cyberbullying, exposure to violent or inappropriate content and unwanted contact or grooming by sexual predators.

eSafety has developed a checklist to help you and your family choose appropriate apps. The eSafety Parents pages '**Are they old enough?**' and '**Good habits start young**' will help you decide your child's readiness for different apps.

Learn about the latest games, apps and social media, including how to protect your information and report inappropriate content at

<https://www.esafety.gov.au/key-issues/esafety-guide>



CAS CANTEEN ROSTER TERM 1 2021

	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI
Wk 3	08/02/21 Simone Murnane	09/02/21	10/02/21	11/02/21 Rhianna Foster	12/02/21 Swimming Carnival
Wk 4	15/02/21 Bec Habner	16/02/21	17/02/21 BJ Moroney	18/02/21 Jodi Klemm	19/02/21 Corey-Anne Wait Brooke Pugsley
Wk 5	22/02/21 Tammy Dunbar	23/02/21 Tara Puckridge	24/02/21	25/02/21 Kirsty Koch	26/02/21 Lucy Pedler Katrina Phelps

CANTEEN TERM 1, 2021

Welcome to 2021 at the CAS Canteen. A big thank you to the volunteers we farewelled last year for their many years of service, as their last child finished school. Thank you to the couple new volunteers we have gained. We'd love a few more new names to add to our roster. It's a couple of hours once a term on a day that suits you, it is a great way to get to know students and help out your school community. Duties include serving, prepping and cleaning. If this sounds like you, please contact Cathy or Leanne at the School Finance Office to arrange a free Working with Children Check or if you already have one, forward it to catherine.haarsma312@schools.sa.edu.au

This term the canteen has flipped around and we are serving out of the oval side due to the building works. The kids have adjusted really well and we still have a great range of hot food, fresh fruit salads, sandwiches, slices, cupcakes, bliss balls, slushies and ice creams available. Currently hot drinks and baked potatoes have been removed from the menu whilst we have a lack of bench space.

Please ensure you have updated your child's class on the QKR! app. It is the preferred way of ordering and is quick, easy and cash-free. You can also order your child recess on QKR! which they collect during recess. A list of the primary classes is below:

F – Fleming/Dennis	1 – Ford
1/2 – Thorpe	2 – Strauss
3/4A – McCallum	3/4B – J Phelps
4/5A – Mason	5/6A – S Phelps
5/6B - Hansen	

A reminder you can find our Weekly Specials on the CAS Canteen Facebook page. Please note the School

Canteen will be CLOSED this Friday for the Swimming Carnival.

The current volunteer roster is above. **The shift time is 12noon to 2:15pm.** Please sign in at the Front Office and the staff will direct you how to access the canteen due to the build. If you can't make your shift, please arrange your own swap and advise Carrie 0427765029 or Sophie 0418813995.

We have lots of Reusable Lunch Bags for sale, you can even order one on QKR! for \$10.50 or purchase from the Finance Office. They come in blue, green, yellow, red, pink, purple and grey. Your child just pops their reusable lunch bag into their class basket in the morning and their lunch is served in that, instead of a brown paper bag, helping reduce wastage.

Kind thanks,
Carrie & Sophie

Qkr Functionally Update for Users

Please note if you are getting an error message "not able to connect to server" you will need to:

1. Reinstall the app to apply the current changes
2. You may need to reset your password.



COMMUNITY NEWS

CAS SWIMMING CARNIVAL CANTEEN

The Cummins & Districts War Memorial Swimming Pool Committee will provide a full list of hot and cold food with drinks and snacks to keep all swimmers, students, parents and teachers nourished to last a busy day at the pool on Friday, 12th February for the Swim Carnival.

There is no need to pre order as we will have plenty of food options available all day but if families wish to choose this option they can.

We will have the following options available:

Pies, Pasties, Sausage Rolls, Toasted Paninis, Hot Dogs, Calypso Hot Dogs, Caesar Chicken Packs, Chicken and Prawn Cold Rolls, Chicken Burgers, Chicken Wraps and Rolls, Ham Wraps and Rolls, Salad Rolls and there will be good Coffee available all day from the lovely Rachel of Howdy.



2021

Term 1 -19th Feb, 12th Mar, 26th Mar

Term 2 -14th May, 4th June, 25th June

Term 3 - 6th Aug, 27th Aug, 17th Sept

Term 4 - 22nd Oct, 12th Nov, 26th Nov

All welcome

Christian Kids Club for reception to year 7's. Pick up from School for 3.30pm start. Pickup at Uniting Church Hall at 5.30pm. Parents please text Amy Maddern 0429090276 if your children are being picked up at school

CUMMINS GYMNASTICS CLUB

Cummins Gymnastics is back! Classes will begin Monday, March 1 (Week 6).

Past and new gymnasts, of school age, are welcome.

This year, the club is offering *General Gymnastics* and *Women's Artistic Gymnastics (WAG)* classes.

General Gymnastics is a sport for everyone. It suits all ages and abilities and focuses on fun, strength, flexibility and a variety of gym sports.

This has been what the club has offered in the past.

WAG classes (girls only) has 4 components: vaulting, uneven bars, beam and floor. It teaches coordination, confidence and creativity. Classes will be held on Monday nights, and athletes will compete at the Port Lincoln Gymnastics Competition over the June long weekend.

To enrol, please email a registration of interest for your child/ren including their name, date of birth, and what gym class (General or WAG) they would prefer.

REGISTRATIONS ARE NOW OPEN AND CLOSE MONDAY, FEBRUARY 15 to cumminsgymclub@hotmail.com

Please note that places are limited, and if numbers are too high, we will run a waiting list. Classes will be sent out in Week 5, including times, coaches and fees.

For further information please contact President Aimee Pedler 0428120780, Secretary Sophie Blacker on 0418813995, Head Coach Lacy Blacker 0447644401 or if you have any questions about WAG contact Chaz Letton on 0428768005.



**FREE 2-DAY
FOSTER CARE TRAINING**

Thursdays, March 11 & March 18

9.15am - 5pm

Centacare, 32 Mortlock Tce, Pt Lincoln

This training is a compulsory part of the assessment process for new foster carers, and also provides comprehensive information for anyone who is considering whether foster care is something they would like to undertake.

Places are limited.

Please confirm your attendance by phoning 8683 0733.

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