

CUMMINS AREA SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

— Te rm 4, Week 7——

BUS DRIVERS

Warrow

Paul Tierney - 0429 882 010

Mt Hope

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Karkoo

Susan Hughes - 0477 088 043

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Cockaleechie

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Koppio

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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

It has certainly been a strange couple of weeks weather wise and I am sure there are some very frustrated farming families sitting out there waiting for the rain to stop!

The last few weeks of term are always incredibly busy and this year is no different, with multiple events taking place before we sign off on the year on December 10th.



Last week the SSO staff attended PODD training. Lauren did a great job of organising us onsite access which allowed all of our support staff to be trained in this alternative communication technique. This will prove beneficial for a number of students and also adds another tool in the toolkit of our already highly accomplished SSO staff.

Access to childcare remains a big issue for our community and the Childcare Working Party met last week to continue their work on locating a solution to the issue, or at least alleviating the significant waitlists that are currently in play, particularly for children under the age of two. This committee comprises members from various sections of our community and is working alongside the Department for Education. It is a slow process but given we are not alone in facing this issue the committee is forming strong partnerships with other communities in need.

On Thursday Aspen Medical will be returning to the school for the second part of their COVID vaccination program. This will only be accessed by the students who have bookings and all permissions signed by parents. It will not in any way impact students not involved.

More importantly, Thursday is our Yr. 12 Graduation assembly. This is a key event on our school calendar and one of my personal favourite days of the year. It is a day when we farewell our Yr. 12 students and also acknowledge the successes of a number of our students. Unfortunately due to COVID attendance is restricted to invitation only but it will be recorded so that people can watch it at their own leisure later.

Friday is a school closure and then Friday night our graduates, their families, friends and staff will celebrate their graduation with a formal dinner at the Port Lincoln Hotel. This event takes a lot of planning by our student Grad Committee and their mentor Leanne Vigar. We look forward to a fabulous evening together.

Next Tuesday our Yr. 7 students, Mr Wood, Mrs George and Mr Pedler head off to Coffin Bay for 4 glorious days of aquatics. There has been a lot of preparation for this event – cramming for boat licenses, practising the setting

up of tents – and we know that they will all have a great time cruising the Bay on kayaks, windsurfers and sailboats.

The Yr. 10 students will also be heading on camp at the end of the week as an introduction to the Outdoor Education subject we will be offering at SACE Stage 1 next year. I'm sure Miss Symons and Mr Cocks have some decent challenges planned for them as part of their adventure.

Whilst this is going on, the Foundation to Yr. 6 students will be attending a week of swimming lessons at our local pool. The logistics of this exercise is phenomenal and thanks to Tanya, Mike and Julie who have created a schedule that will meet everyone's needs. It's always nice to reconnect with many of our past students as they run these lessons for us. A special way to wind down the year!

Regards

Mel

CAS BYOD PROGRAM

If you are needing to purchase a laptop for your student in readiness for 2022, please be aware that laptop supplies are low and there may be a long wait time once ordered. Please find following the information from Governing Council regarding the purchase of laptops for use at Cummins Area School.

'The Cummins Area School ICT Committee and the Governing Council have recommended that the current 1:1 BYOD Laptop Program be extended include to our Year 7 students for 2021. This means that by the beginning of the 2021 school year, all students from Year 7 to Year 12 will be required to supply their own laptop for use at school.

We ask that ALL purchases of new laptops for school use, for all year levels, be made via the School Ordering Portal — https://cummins.orderportal.com.au. This decision has been made to alleviate the current issue of the many varied devices being purchased which do not meet the required minimum specifications for use at school.

The online Order Portal will provide families with a variety of suitable devices which meet the

required specifications, including some accessories, insurance and finance options. The devices found on the portal have been chosen for their battery performance, durability of cases, net work compatibility and based on recommendations from industry experts.

* Please note; Apple devices are not recommended and therefore will not be supported for use in our school environment as they are not easily managed within our school network.'

Please visit the Order Portal, there are a number of payment options available.



TERM 4 KEY DATES

Week 7

Thursday

Yr 12 Graduation Assembly 11.30am

Friday

School Closure (local day of significance)
Yr 12 Graduation dinner

Week 8

Mon - Fri

F-6 Term Time Swimming

Tues - Fri Yr 7 Aquatics camp, Coffin Bay

SCHOOL MERCHANDISE

We have plenty of stock available from the Finance Office for any 2022 new students and replacements for old and possible Xmas gifts. Please see Leanne Vigar or Cathy Haarsma to purchase any of these School goodies.

CAS Maroon Hats –Slouch - \$12.00
Canteen Lunch Bags in various colours - \$10.50
CAS Maroon Library Bag - \$10.00
CAS Maroon X Large Bag - \$62.00
CAS Maroon Large School Bag - \$42.00
Marron Art Smock - \$16.50
Maroon Pencil Case - \$6.50

2021 MFS SCHOOLS FIRE SAFETY PROGRAM POSTER COMPETITION

At the end of Term 3, students in Years 3-6 studied Fire Safety in Health lessons. Each year level looked at a variety of issues based on the topic for the MFS Schools Fire Safety Program Poster Competition. 73 students from Cummins Area School entered the state wide poster competition. 27 schools and 1,300 students submitted posters, promoted by the SA Metropolitan Fire Service.

Our students entered some detailed and neat posters and accordingly won a number of prizes. Special congratulations to two of our students who won first prize in their year levels. Their entries were outstanding.

1st place Year 6 - 'Every Home Should have a Home Fire Escape Plan!' - April Wagner

1st place Year 5 - 'Every Home Should have a Home Fire Escape Plan!' - Lily Klemm

Congratulations to the following 7 students from Cummins who received Merit Awards.

Merit Award Year 5 - 'What do you do if your clothes catch on fire? Stop, Cover, Drop, Roll!' - Daniel Wright

Merit Award Year 3 & 4 - 'What do you do when a room fills with smoke? Get down low and Go, Go, Go' - Mahlia Rogers, Hadley Modra, Kaidy Habner, Bella Richardson, Tilly Richardson, Sage Gale

Bronny Fitzgerald (Primary HPE teacher)

SCHOOL SPORT - SAPSASA TENNIS

The State Sapsasa Tennis Championships were held in Adelaide from Monday 8th to Thursday 11th November. Ruby Cabot, Archie Fitzgerald, Braden Holley, Oscar Dingwall and Bronny Fitzgerald (coach) represented Cummins Area School in the Lower Eyre Peninsula team. The Division 4 competition was held at Seaside Tennis Courts, Henley Beach and consisted of 6 country Sapsasa Districts and 2 Metro Districts. The last match of the week was against North Eastern, who was also undefeated at that stage. Lower Eyre Peninsula won that match quite easily and was undefeated for the carnival, winning all of their 7 matches and thus winning Division 4.

Results

Lower EP d Southern Valley 13 - 5 sets

Lower EP d Gawler 17 - 1 sets

Lower EP d Pirie 14 - 4 sets

Lower EP d Onkaparinga North 9 sets all 95 - 69 games (lost 6 tie breaker sets)

Lower EP d Western EP 15 - 3 sets

Lower EP d Murraylands 15 - 3 sets

Lower EP d North Eastern 13 - 5 sets

Sincere thanks to the parents and grandparents for their support during the week and for taking time off to transport the players to Adelaide for the carnival.

Bronny Fitzgerald (Cummins Sapsasa Coordinator)



Oscar Dingwall, Ruby Cabot, Bronny Fitzgerald (coach), Archie Fitzgerald and Braden Holley.



HISTORY

Sapsasa – Primary School Sport was established as the South Australian Public Schools Amateur Sports Association (SAPSASA) in 1912. By 1927 there were 65 member schools, which was nearly all of the government schools in SA.

In 1923 SAPSASA joined Victoria, Queensland and New South Wales and began interstate AFL Football exchanges.

In 1949 the association changed its name to South Australian Primary Schools Amateur Sports Association to allow all primary school students to be involved in the programs.

At the beginning of 2018 Sapsasa – Primary School Sport and Secondary School Sport SA combined to become School Sport SA with a new School Sport SA logo. This enabled a more integrated approach to the delivery of primary and secondary school sport. School sport can and does make a significant contribution to students' learning.

Cummins Area School has been involved in Sapsasa at the local carnival involvement, Lower Eyre Peninsula District representation in Adelaide, South Australian Sapsasa selection (swimming, football, cricket, athletics, tennis and netball) with several students continuing on to Australian selection in their chosen sports.

2020 & 2021

As with all aspects of life, 2020 and 2021 have also been extremely challenging for all areas of education. Sapsasa - Primary School Sport has made significant changes during the last two years to enable School Sport competitions to continue. During that time the only two events (which have influenced our school) cancelled due to COVID, were the cancellation of the 2020 State Track and Field Carnival in Adelaide and the 2020 LEP District Swimming Carnival in Port Lincoln.

During the two years, the association has incorporated ideas and changes to work around COVID to keep school events happening. This has included, shortening carnivals from 4 days to 3 and separating country and metro carnivals to reduce the number of participants.

This year saw the introduction of separate Year 6 and Year 7 carnivals to try to involve more Year 6 students before their transition to high school in 2022. The separate year level carnivals were in AFL Football, Netball and Soccer, which were the sports which had the highest rates of student's trialling and participating.

Sincere thanks to Shannon Nagel (Team Leader, EP School Sport) and Jacinda Leslie (LEP, School Sport Support Officer) who are the key people behind the exceptional organisation, participation and success of the Lower Eyre Peninsula Sapsasa District.

2022

From 2022, Primary schools will have students enrolled to Year 6, and Year 7 students will become part of Secondary Schools. Therefore, there are a number of changes to Primary School Sport starting next year.

State Team Carnivals (eg Netball, Cricket, Tennis etc) will be selected from Years 5 and 6 students.

State Individual Carnivals (Swimming, Cross Country, Track and Field) will be selected from students in Years 4-6 who turn 10, 11 and 12 in 2022.

State Team Carnivals in Adelaide will be reduced to 3 days.

SUMMARY 2021

During 2021, Cummins Area School has participated in many State Carnivals in Adelaide, local Lower Eyre Peninsula District Events and Primary Carnivals within the LEP District, with many, many of our students involved.

State Carnivals in Adelaide - Lower Eyre Peninsula representatives = 46 students Swimming (7 students), Cross Country (3), AFL Football - boys (11), Netball (2), Soccer - girls (1), Golf (2), Track and Field (7), AFL Football - girls (3), Cricket - boys (5), Cricket- girls (1), Tennis (4)

Lower Eyre Peninsula District Carnivals in Port Lincoln = 80 students Track and Field (48), Cross Country (20), Swimming (12)

Other Primary Sports Events - Cummins Area School students participating = 120 students Year 5/6 Soccer at Tumby Bay (22), Year 6/7 T20 Cricket at Port Lincoln (40), Year 3/4 Red Ball Tennis at Tumby Bay (35), Year 6/7 Boys Netball (29) and Year 6/7 Girls Football (29) hosted by Cummins Area School.

Sincere thanks to the parents of our students, who have encouraged participation and provided transport when necessary to trials, trainings and events. Sapsasa LEP representation is much sought after for many of our students, especially those in Years 6 and 7. To compete in Adelaide is a great achievement. It can be a huge expense for families and I sincerely thank parents and families for giving their children the opportunity to travel to Adelaide. It is expensive, time consuming and at times organisationally challenging, but it is a sporting, social and character-building experience that competitors will gain immensely from and will remember for life. Thank you.

As Primary School Sport makes changes from 2022 and beyond, it is incredible to think that over 110 years ago, someone or a group of people had the foresight to see the benefits of physical activity and team sports for younger students and planned and implemented the establishment of Sapsasa.

Bronny Fitzgerald (Cummins Area School Sapsasa Coordinator)

LIBRARY NEWS



SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

The Scholastic Book Fair opened Friday 19th November, and you are welcome to come and have a look right up until our last day, Monday 29th November. Students should have already received flyers outlining some of the specials available. Some students will have an opportunity to have a look at the displays during their library borrowing times, and purchases can be made at recess, lunch, after school, and on Saturday mornings. Payments can be made by cash, and EFTPOS facilities will be available. If you are interested in having a look without students being present, please contact the library to arrange a suitable time. Great books at reasonable prices. All sales benefit our library.

CHRISTMAS HISTORY LESSON

Last Wednesday Barbie shared with the Foundation class all about what Christmas looked like for her family in the 60's. Barbie is one of 11 children, 13 people in her family, and so Christmas looked very different to perhaps what many of us have experienced. Her family would create their own decorations out of everyday items; one example was Barbie, and her family would use brown paper for their paper chains that would be displayed on their tree. The brown paper was sourced from wrapped library books that had been delivered by post throughout the year. Children were able to try some of the different foods that Barbie and her family would share over the festive season, this included SPAM and salad, and German spice biscuits. Barbie also shared some other Christmas craft ideas that students could try at home. The class were extremely engaged and enjoyed learning about a different perspective.









Help share the love of reading this Christmas, and *Give the Gift of Reading*, by donating a new book to the children in Cummins and surrounding districts. To participate, simply purchase a children's book (suitable for young children through to 16 years of age) and place it under the tree at either the Cummins or Coffin Bay libraries.

For further information, please contact us here at the library – Telephone: 8676 2476

CAS CANTEEN ROSTER TERM 4 2021					
	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI
	22/11/21	23/11/21	24/11/21	25/11/21	26/11/21
Wk 7	Marika Giddings			Amanda Puckridge	School Closure
	29/11/21	30/11/21	01/12/21	02/12/21	03/12/21
Wk 8	Rhianna Foster		Ali Ward	Kirsty Koch	Paula Britza *Ali Coventry
	06/12/21	07/12/21	08/12/21	0912/21	10/12/21
Wk 9	Alicia Laube		Danielle Meaney	Hayley Ness	Tegan Modra * Brooke Pugsley

CANTEEN TERM 4, 2021

CAS Canteen update

Welcome to Term 4! We are really excited to have volunteers allowed back in the canteen this term and thank you for volunteering your time to help out our school.

As always, you can find the *Weekly Specials* on the **CAS Canteen Facebook page** and on QKR! every Sunday evening. As the weather warms up, we have plenty of ice-creams, slushies, cold drinks and fruit salads, along with all the usual lunch time favourites. You can always order wraps, sandwiches and paninis with your choice of fillings. Recess is available through QKR, students just need to come to the canteen at recess to collect their order.

The QKR! App is the preferred way to order recess and lunch for your child. It is quick, easy and cash free. Just ensure you have selected the correct class for your child, so their lunch ends up at the right place. You can also now pay off canteen debts via an IOU option on the opening screen of QKR.

If volunteering in the school canteen is something you would like to do, please let Carrie 0427765029 or Sophie 0418813995 know. Then contact Cathy or Leanne at the School Finance Office to arrange a free *Working with Children Check* or if you already have one, please forward it to:

catherine.haarsma312@schools.sa.edu.au

Volunteering at the canteen is a great way to get to know the students and help out your school community. Duties include serving at lunchtime, prepping food and cleaning up.

It's great to see more and more students take up the option of Reusable Lunch Bags. They are available from the School Finance Office or you can order one on QKR for just \$10.50 and they come in a range of colours. 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.

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

Thanks for your support. Carrie & Sophie

Starting time Monday – Thursday 12 to 2:15pm Friday starting time 11:50am to 2pm *Friday starting time 12:30pm to 2:15pm

COMMUNITY NEWS



Term 4 3rd Dec

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

Barley / Vetch Hay for Sale

The School Ag Program has produced small bales of barley / vetch hay for sale @ \$6 per bale. Pay by EFT to the school or at the Finance Office and to be collected directly from the paddock asap. Interested? Call Ashley Franklin 0429 093 311 or the school office to arrange payment and collection.



THE ROYAL LIFE SAVING SWIM & SURVIVE PROGRAM YOU KNOW AND LOVE!

13-17th December

Cummins & District War Memorial Swimming Pool BRING YOUR LOGBOOKS AND GET READY FOR A WEEK OF FUN!

Courage, Levels 1 - 7 & Rescue awards

WWW.HOLIDAYSWIM.COM.AU



Jodi Mickan 0419829759



ASTHMA SAFE IN 2022

For the start of school, please arrange:

- an updated written Asthma Action Plan from your child's doctor
- a named spacer and reliever puffer
- a planned talk with your child's teacher about their asthma

Remember to keep up with asthma treatment as prescribed over the holidays







FRI 29 OCT - LIVE LIFE LOUD

WHERE: Unity Hill Uniting Church, Port Lincoln
TRANSPORT: A bus will be available and leaving the Cummins Uniting Church 5:30 sharp
PLEASE RSVP TO BOOK YOUR SEAT!!!

FRI 5 NOV - AROUND AUSTRALIA IN 80 MINUTES

WHERE: Cummins Uniting Church TIME: 6:30 - 9:00pm Aussie food & drinks provided

FRI 19 NOV - "FREE" COMMUNITY CAR WASH WHERE: Cummins Uniting Church TIME: 6:30 - 9:00pm Suasage Sizzle & drinks provided

SUN 28 NOV - BEACH WINDUP @ DRUMMOND

All Families invited to finish the year with an afternoon at the beach!
WHERE: Point Drummond
TIME: Leaving Cummins Uniting Church @ 1:00pm
Snacks & drinks provided

COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER RATES

Posters up to 1/4 of a page - \$22 (incl GST). This is the maximum size for an article or notice. Rate adjusted according to space used; Minimum charge \$5.50 plus GST for up to 5 lines. Payment will need to be made to the finance office prior to inclusion. Only advertisements or notices of community interest or one of non commercial value will be published. Articles can be emailed to: dl.0754 info@schools.sa.edu.au Repeat Ads can only be inserted for 2 weeks.