

## CUMMINS AREA SCHOOL

## NEWSLETTER

- Term 3, Week 5 —

#### **BUS DRIVERS**

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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

Hi Everyone,

It seems unbelievable that we are nearly halfway through this term. Term 3 is always a busy one, with many preparations for 2024 happening behind the scenes as we continue our work in 2023.



Last week, families of children in Yrs. 3, 5, 7 and 9 received their NAPLAN results. The new format of reporting is a lot clearer for families and also allows us as a site to make some informed assessments of where we have successfully implemented improvement practices, and a solid idea of what comes next. We were particularly pleased to see strong growth amongst our students. As always, if you have any questions about your child's results, we encourage you to book a time to speak to their teacher and discuss them.

Our students have experienced a range of exciting events over the past few weeks. Our very own future Matildas, Alexa, Elkie, Jordan and Sage participated in SAPSASA soccer last week – what a week to be involved in the sport! Mr Pedler took the Yr. 10 Agriculture students to visit some local feedlots and the Yr. 12 Outdoor Education students, along with Mr Rowe, scoped out some of the work they are doing around sustainability and replanting vegetation. Mrs George had the privilege of accompanying Connie, from Yr. 10 to Adelaide to view her art piece which was selected to be exhibited as part of the Our Mob Art competition. Many of our Primary / JP students also attended the SALA exhibition at Our Town Cummins.

This week we celebrate Book Week. Not only is the dress up day one of the biggest events of the year, it is a reminder to us all of the power of books and reading. The fact that there are so many characters that make an appearance on this day is a reassurance that the lands of imagination and creativity that books transport us to still pull us all in.

Tonight I have the pleasure of attending the first of two Yr. 10 Youth Ops graduations for 2023. The opportunity to be a part of these evenings and to hear students openly talking about their own personal growth throughout the program is an honour and gives us a strong insight into the adults our youths are transitioning in to. As always, we are grateful to the Community Bank, Cummins, Tumby Bay, Cleve and Wudinna Districts for their support in running this important program.

## CAS DATES TO REMEMBER

TERM 3

#### Week 5

Wed - Book Week Parade Thurs - Open Boys & Girls Basketball, Port Lincoln

#### Week 6

**Mon-Wed -** Yr 11 Outdoor Ed Bushwalk, Port Lincoln

#### Week 7

**Thurs-Fri -** SAPSASA Golf, Adelaide

#### Week 8

**Tues** - yr 9/10 Basketball, Port Lincoln

#### Week 9

**Mon -** SAPSASA Track & Field, Adelaide

**Wed -** Open Mixed Netball, Port Lincoln

**Wed -** Instrumental Music Workshop, Cummins

**Thurs -** yr 7 European Handball, Cummins

#### Week 10

**Tues -** Yr 7/8 & Open AFL 9-a-side, Port Lincoln

**Thurs -** Yr 3/4 Redball Tennis, Tumby Bay

**Thurs -** Instrumental Music Workshop, Port Lincoln

As winter fades out for another year, just a quick reminder that our hat policy kicks back in on September 1st.

Good luck to everyone participating in football and netball finals across the local leagues.

Regards, Mel

#### CAS at the Our Mob Festival

What a whirlwind of a month it has been for Connie, having an artwork submitted and selected for the Our Mob Festival, a First Nations Art exhibition celebrated at the Adelaide Festival Centre. In support of this achievement, sponsorship towards flights and accommodation were offered for her to not only attend her first big event but to also experience, observe, interpret and form views on a range of contemporary First Nations artworks from across the state.

At the exhibition opening Connie engaged in language and cultural connection through song and dance. She was able to view and discuss her work with other exhibiting artists and connect with excited event organizers and sponsors, her work

part of the 140+ pieces on display including weaving, ceramics, painting, poetry and mixed media works. The cherry on the cake was receiving a Highly Commended Award for her work Home – Ltyentye Apurte. Congratulations Connie, dream big and keep sharing your story.

This exhibition will be on display to the public at Adelaide Festival Centre's Festival Theatre Galleries until October 7.

Many thanks to Kylie George for her work supporting Connie's entry and accompanying her to the exhibition in Adelaide. We are very proud of you both.



# WHAT DO I DO IF MY CHILD TESTS POSITIVE TO COVID?

If your child tests positive to COVID, they must stay home from school for at least 6 days. Day Zero being the day they tested positive. Therefore, they must stay home for a further 5 calendar days. There is no need to keep testing, the initial test is sufficient. Any questions please phone the school.

### School Sport SA - Sapsasa

#### **SOCCER - girls**

The Sapsasa Country Boys and Girls Soccer Championships were held in Adelaide from Wednesday 16th to Friday 18th August. Cummins had a huge representation in the girl's team with four players, Sage Gale, Jordan Branson, Alexa Pedler and Elkie Dunbar. The Lower Eyre Peninsula team competed in Division 1 and won 2 matches, drew 4 matches and only lost 1. Lower South East were clear winners of the division on 18 points, second was Pirie on 14 points and LEP close behind in third on 13 points.



#### Results

- LEP defeated Barossa & Light 2-1 goals (as the goalie Alexa saved 2 goals, Sage did her first header, Jordan was strong in defence and Elkie set up one of the goals)
- LEP lost to Lower SE 0-3 goals
- LEP drew with Pirie 1-1 goals (Elkie continued to set up good attacking play, and Alexa and Jordan nailed a header each)
- LEP drew with Gawler 1-1 goals (all Cummins girls played well)
- LEP drew with Hills 2-2 goals (as the goalie Elkie saved 3 goals)
- LEP drew with Riverland 1-1 goals
- LEP defeated Barossa & Light 2-0 goals (Alexa saved several goals as the goalie)

The girls had a fantastic few days and the team did very well considering only about half of the girls have played in soccer competitions before. Our Cummins girls improved their skills dramatically and made some great friends. They enjoyed the carnival so much that they are now possibly looking at joining the girl's soccer competition in Port Lincoln.

It is wonderful to see our students challenging themselves and trying new sports which are unfamiliar to them. Once again, thank you to the parents who have supported our students and provided transport to Adelaide and finding time off work to allow the girls to experience a memorable and exciting Sapsasa opportunity.

Bronny Fitzgerald

Cummins Sapsasa Coordinator

#### **Governing Council Update**

School Council met on 8/8 and it was great to hear about all the positive things happening within our school community. You will see attached to this newsletter our new school uniform policy, complete with supplier information. We hope that the changes make it easier for families to access uniform, particularly when we have new families joining our community.

There was some conversation about the need for Volunteer Bus Driver's to support our students in accessing the wider community for camps and excursions. If this is something you might be interested in doing, please get in contact with Boyd to find out more about the process involved.

Danielle Meaney Chairperson Governing School Council



CUMMINS AREA SCHOOL CANTEEN ROSTER TERM 3					
	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
	21/08/2023	22/08/2023	23/08/2023	24/08/2023	25/08/2023
WEEK 5	Alicia Laube		Rachel Dennis	Hayley Ness	Hannah Mickan *BJ Moroney
	28/08/2023	29/08/2023	30/08/2023	31/08/2023	01/09/2023
WEEK 6	Rosii Pedler			Tamara Modra	Kathy Modra *Tegan Modra
	04/09/2023	05/09/2023	06/09/2023	07/09/2023	08/09/2023
WEEK 7	Amy Fuss			Bri Modra	Coral Wagner *Amanda Puckridge

Thank you for volunteering to work at the Canteen. Please note shift times have changed.

Starting time Monday – Thursday 11.30am to 2:15pm

Friday Starting time 11:30am to 2pm

\*Starting time is 12:00noon and finish time is 2:15pm.

Our CAS Canteen now has a great range of various Gluten Free Options available to purchase for lunch. We have Gluten free hot savoury Pies, Pasty's n Sausage Rolls along with Wraps and some of our Weekly Specials are also Gluten free. Check them out on our QKR APP or on our 2023 Price List.





### CUMMINS SCHOOL COMMUNITY LIBRARY



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#### WEDNESDAY @ recess time.

All students and staff are invited to come dressed as their favourite book character!

We have lots of idea s and inspiration for Book Week costumes...no need for expensive outfits, just simple and imaginative to join in the fun!





We were delighted to welcome Bronnie and Kelly from Statewide Inclusive Education Services-formerly SERU, to the Library on Wednesday August 8.

Huge thanks to the health professionals, community members and staff who supported the launch. It was a great opportunity to view the resources now available to borrow for any library member, plus seeing the extensive collection also available on the SIES website. We strongly encourage you to come to the library and peruse the collection, which can help support and extend your child/ren's development.

Thanks also to Lower Eyre Council for their ongoing support and partnership, plus the delightful catering they supplied, purchased from Five Loaves Bakery.

**ANCESTRY AFTERNOON:** WED. SEPT. 6 @2.00pm



Interested in creating your family tree? Join us for an informative Ancestry session with Judy Hurrell, selfdescribed amateur, family historian, who will share her knowledge of Ancestry.com, SA Genealogy, plus provide tips and hints on how to search your family's history.

RSVPs essential to 8676 2476

#### COMMUNITY NEWS



Week 6, 1st Sept Week 9, 22nd Sept

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 0429 090 276 if your children are being picked up at school



Wk 5, 25th August Wk 8, 15th September

Youth Group for year 7-12 All welcome! Contact: Jordy Wilksch 0428865055



#### **COMMUNITY NOTICES**

Community Group advertising in the newsletter is available at a minimum cost of \$6.00 (inc. GST) for up to 5 lines. Larger items of 1/4 page size cost \$22 (inc. GST) which is the maximum size for an article or notice.

Payment needs to be made to the finance Office prior to inclusion by Cash or Bank Transfer to our School account. No invoices will be issued for payment – a tax invoice / receipt can be issued upon request.

BSB - 633 000, ACC - 112105770 REF - Newsletter & Entity Name.

Only Advertisements or notices of community interest or non-commercial value will be published.



A overnight camp for Kids Grades 3-7





### Saturday September 23- Sunday 24, 2023

#### Thuruna Campsite, Tumby Bay

SPEAKER: David Graham, teacher/principal and follower of Jesus

KCEP is an overnight Christian camp for kids in Grade 3—7. Kids come from all over Eyre Peninsula and join in games and crafts, and have faith-based conversation with live music worship.

Thanks to the support from local churches we are able to keep camp the same price as 2022, \$40

#### Online Registrations

https://brushfire.com/sua/camp/554855

or visit Facebook Kids Camp EP for the link

Cummins co-ordinator

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## Come and Play Playgroup at Cummins Preschool

Cummins Preschool McFarlane Street, Cummins

Each Monday During School Term only 10am – 11.30am



Facilitated by
Learning Together Educators
Stimulating play and learning
activities
Friendly and inclusive
All Welcome

Please bring your own snacks, water bottle and hat!

For more information contact Hayley on: P: 0437 736 556

E: education.learningtogethercommunitiesportlincoln@sa.gov.au





#### BYOD LAPTOP PROGRAM FOR STUDENTS YR 7-12

All students from Year 7 to Year 12 are 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. This alleviates 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 provides 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 performance, durability of cases, compatibility and based on recommendations from industry experts. Please visit: https://cummins.orderportal.com.au

Other considerations when purchasing a device for your student:

- Insurance: check your home contents insurance to see if the device will be covered
- Transport between home and school: device should be carried in a sturdy protective bag away from food & water bottles
- Charging: Students must charge their device at home and bring it to school every day fully charged. (Personal power adapters are not to be used at school unless Tag Tested).
- Students have access to Microsoft Office 365 via their School email account at no cost, providing access to Word, Excel, Powerpoint, One Drive etc. There is no need to purchase this software separately.
- Whilst enrolled at school, students are connected to the school provided internet and are protected by a significant Departmental filtering system that prevents access to many harmful or malicious sites. According to Cummins Area School ICT Acceptable Use Policy, students may use the internet only for learning related activities that are approved by a teacher.
- It is the responsibility of the student / parent / caregiver to setup the Home-Internet connection on the device.
- Students must perform 'Software Updates' on the device as they become available in order to install the latest virus definitions and security patches.
- Students will use OneDrive provided through Office 365 which safeguards work from being lost on a USB etc. Students are also strongly encouraged to backup necessary files in numerous locations, including via email where appropriate. Technology failure is not an approved circumstance for extensions at Cummins Area School.

\*Device chosen must take into consideration the types of subjects the student is studying eg; Design related subjects may require an i7 (Senior High School students)

\*\*Please note; Apple devices are not recommended for use in our school environment as they are not compatible with our school network and will impact your child's ability to access school services such as printing. Apple devices will not be supported by the School IT Department.

If you have any questions or concerns, including concerns about financial hardship please do not hesitate to contact the school on 8676 2388.





#### **Easy Graphical Comparison**

To help parents choose the right device we use easy to understand graphic icons to help parents compare units using a side by side comparison of key specifications to help their choice.



#### **Hassle Free Quick Onsite Servicing**

The student environment often leads to a higher number of repairs. Onsite support at the school greatly reduces frustrations for parents. Getting a retail device repaired usually takes weeks and quite often requires the parent to take time out of their day.



#### \$100 Deposit to Secure a Device

We offer parents a \$100 deposit option to secure a device and let them pay much closer to the delivery date.



#### 12 Month Interest Free or 36 Month Payment Plans

We recommend 36-month payment plans that are approved online via Latitude. These plans not only help spread the cost for parents but are designed so the device is fully paid for at the end of the 36 month period.



#### **Quick Delivery**

Many education devices are considered to be a special build and often have lengthy lead times. LWT work with our suppliers and bring in thousands of devices upfront so students can have them in a week rather than months.



#### Pick up close to home or work

Our site lets parents pick their Auspost Collection Point so they can choose to pick the device up near home or near their work. which ever is easier for them (must be decided by the school).



#### **Dedicated BYOD Hotline**

To ensure parents calling us get to the right person, we have a dedicated hotline just for BYOD related calls. Parents can call us with ordering, payment and delivery enquiries on 1300 839 605



#### Wide range of payment options

We provide a wide range of online payment methods. Pleas note Credit Card and PAYPAL payments incur a 1% surcharge.









### UNIFORM POLICY



**POLICY UPDATED** 8 August 2023

At Cummins Area School we encourage all students to wear the school uniform with pride and in an appropriate manner. Wearing our uniform provides a sense of connection to the school community, assists in the provision of a safe school environment and promotes equality.

#### Our school colours are Maroon, Dark Grey and Black.

Students are to wear the following uniform:

ops: Maroon Embroidered School Jumper Maroon Embroidered School polo shirt

**Bottoms:** Dark Grey or Black pants

Dark Grey or Black Shorts

**Dress:** Grey/Maroon Check

Footwear: Enclosed shoes or sandals to be worn

Please Note: Wearing of Grey bottoms is to be reviewed in 2025 with potential to phase out to only black bottoms.

Enclosed shoes or sandals are to be worn. Thongs or backless sandals are not acceptable. Shorts are to be an appropriate length for school, as are dresses.

It is school policy that hats are to be worn during Autumn, Spring and Summer seasons. Maroon broad brimmed hats are available for purchase through the Front Office and are worn by students in years F-6. For Students in years 7-12, a bucket hat can also be worn.

Interschool Sports uniforms & Show Team uniforms are owned by the school and loaned as appropriate to participating team members.

Classes involved in activities such as PE, Ag, or Tech may be able to change into clothes appropriate and safe for that activity. Students are to take direction from the teacher of that class.

All uniform items are available through ACE Merchandise and Apparel (36 Napoleon Street, Port Lincoln). ACE has uniforms in stock for trying on, or can order items in. An online shop is also available at **www.aceuniforms.com.au** 

Families can choose to purchase the dark grey or black bottoms from any retailer, however they are to be the same colour as the school's online options and have no commercial logo's larger than a 50c piece.

## **UNIFORM POLICY**



## ACE MERCH & APPAREL UNIFORM OPTIONS 36 Napoleon St, Port Lincoln SA 5606 Phone: 0421 797 612 Website: aceuniforms.com.au

Order by phone or on directly from the website

