

# Collarenebrí Central School Newsletter

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### STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Tyrell



Tyrell has been participating well and trying his best in all lessons. Great Work Tyrell.

# Principal's Report Mr Adrian King

The 2010 ESSA written test will be held on Tuesday 23 November. Parents are asked to ensure that their child arrives at school on time ready for the test. Essential Secondary Science Assessment (ESSA) is a mandatory science assessment program for Year 8 students.

As the weather warms up there has been a number of students bringing soft drink to school. Soft drink is an unhealthy option for children given the high sugar content. Water, milk and juice are healthier choices. There is also the issue of shaking and squirting cans of soft drink. The school does not sell soft drink in the canteen and would prefer that it does not come to school.

The students going to the Schools Spectacular have been busy rehearsing this week. They are working hard and are coming to grips with some fantastic dance moves. They head off to Sydney next Tuesday and I am sure that you join with me in wishing them well. The ABC records the whole Schools Spectacular so we should be able to get a copy to show the community.

A reminder, that enrolments for our Adult Education Classes are now open. If you have not already registered your interest please complete the form at the back of this newsletter and give it to Jenny in the office.

### Whole School News

The time has finally come for students to head to Sydney to perform at this year's School Spectacular. Students have been very busy this week preparing and rehearsing with Katie for three items. We have students representing our school in the "Aboriginal Dance Ensemble", The Harmony Rap - "You + Me = US" and the Finale - "Colour My World".

On Monday students were very fortunate to have Kirsten Dickinson fly out from Sydney from the Arts Unit to work with them on the finale for this year's School Spectacular. She is the person who actually choreographed it and from what she told us, we are the only school to have her train students for half a day in the finale. How lucky are we!. Katie has also returned to us to work with students to prepare student for performances. She has worked really hard with all dances with a large focus on the school item "You + Me = Us". It looks totally deadly.

Reminder: Students leave the school at 6:30am on Tuesday morning to go to Sydney. All students need to meet the coach at school and will be returned to the school the following Sunday Night.

A big thank you to everyone who helped make the costumes, it is greatly appreciated.

We wish all students the best and hope that they enjoy the experience of performing with so many other students in front of such a large audience, Good Luck guys.

Finally, what all the excursion helpers don't want you to know is that they also have to sing and dance to the song 'Lean on Me' just before the Finale. The kids are very keen to see this performance, but the adults aren't so sure. Aunty Ros tells us that she will only get up and sing if all the children put in 100% for the week. Mr. Kirkland said: "I can't wait to get up and shine on stage".

School Spectacular will be on ABC for a 90 minute special in the next few weeks. The full show will be aired in mid December. Please make sure you watch out to see if you can see the children from Colly.

#### **Homework Centre**

Homework Centre will be finishing in week 7 this term. The final Homework Centre day will be Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> of November. On that day students who have attended Homework Centre throughout the year, we will be having a celebration at afternoon tea after. Parents and Guardians are welcome to attend. Special treat donations for the afternoon tea would be greatly appreciated.

### Secondary Report Ms Julee Hunt

#### **Head Teacher**

Week 6 has seen a flurry of activity for secondary students. Exams are mostly over with catch-up exams providing students the opportunities to demonstrate their knowledge of course content for the semester and in time for end of year reports.

Year 6 Transition is well underway. At present Year 6 students are attending secondary classes in English, HSIE, Technology Mandatory and Science averaging seven hours per week in the secondary. Many Year 6 students are spending lunchtime in secondary as part of the transition programme

Extension and Skills Development Units focusing on student particular interest are being run in many classes, particularly for Year 10 over the next four weeks. These units of work allow students to refine their research and analysis skills in readiness for the challenges and demands of the next stage in their education and are of particular value in preparing students for senior study. It is essential that all students regularly attend classes to make the most of these consolidation and skill extension activities.

#### Assessments that are due in the next two weeks are:

Catch-up exam: as required.



There is much excitement amongst students in primary who are getting ready for School Spectacular next week. They have worked hard all week with Katie and we thank her for her support and effort that she has made to make sure the kids are ready for their big performances. We hope parents will catch them on ABC TV.



Last Friday students participated in a bike safety day at school. We had over 50 bikes at school which students shared to ensure everyone got to have some fun and complete the road course which took over all of the playgrounds at school. The local Ambulance officers Lisa and Hannah came in and spoke to students about the importance of wearing helmets and gave the students a tour of the ambulance.



Thank you to all the people behind the scenes who made the day a success for all students. We really hope that parents encourage their children to wear a helmet to ensure they are safer on bikes.





### **Assembly**

The primary assembly will be back in the library next week.

### **Captain Speeches**

On Wednesday the 8th of December Primary School Captain Speeches will be held at 10am in the library. All parents and community members are invited to come and support our year 5 students who will be

giving their speeches to the gathering. Students will be voting in the election in classrooms immediately after the speeches. If you have any questions please don't hesitate to speak to Mr. Baum.

#### **Library**

There are many students who have overdue books at the moment. It would be great if parents could give their kids a hand to look for the library books and remind them to bring them back to school prior to the stock take which will occur shortly.

### 2/3/4 Report

Although we only have about four weeks left in term we still have a very busy few weeks ahead. After School Spectacular we will be starting Intensive Swimming for two weeks. Class will continue as normal while students are not at the pool.

As the weeks have passed it has been pleasing to see more students in 2/3/4 getting onto the Merit List. There is still time to make it before the trip to Lightning Ridge Pool. Students need to make sure that they are handing in their homework each week and getting to school on time.



November 22<sup>nd</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup> School Spectacular

December 14<sup>th</sup> Presentation Night

## **Community Notices**

### Dates to Remember

December 11th: Carols by Candlelight at the



Collarenebri Hospital

#### **Community Engagement Officer Weekly Report.**

We continue to have a regular number of children attending Playgroup.

We have nine children with their parents attend on Monday.

The children really like playing with the toys. The play dough is the favourite activate, each week as is playing with other children.

Playgroup Monday 10.00 am - 12.00 midday.



#### Yarn Up

At Yarn Up this week we had Suzanne Mahoney Hospital Manager come along to discuss the Doctors hours and when we may be getting a permanent Doctor. Suzanne reassured us that if needing any medical attention please go to the Hospital.

Also we had Clair Jon attend from the Mental Health team. She talked little about Demetia and Alzheimer's and said that she would be willing to come back later in the year and do a workshop if there is interest.

Alicia Hurley and Jessica Brennan attended from Youth Connections.

If you are interesting in starting and attending a Men's Group please come to Yarn Up on Tuesday we would be interested in any ideas you may have.

Yarn Up Tuesday 10.00am - 12.00 midday if needing transport please call the school on 67562204





### **Hot Chickens Christmas Day**

Order your Christmas chicken before the December, to be picked up between 9.00am and 11.30am Christmas morning. Price \$13.00 each cooked and ready for your Christmas celebrations.

Contact: Collarenebri Service Station, 67562220



Would like to announce that they will be holding a Book and Magazine Footpath Sale in front of the Collarenebri Newsagency

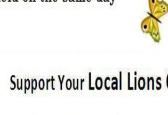
### SATURDAY 20th NOVEMBER

Anybody who would like to donate any new or secondhand books please contact President Margaret Moore. Lion George Kable or Lion John Randall

> There will also be a Street BBQ all held on the same day









# Lets Yarn Up and talk about change

FREE! Colly Women's FREE! Healing Day

When: Thursday 25th November 2010

Time: 10.00 am - 3.00 pm

Where: Colly Community Hall (The Red Shed)

Earl Street, Colly

Lunch Provided - FREE

### Activities For the Day!

- · Make your own piece of jewellery to keep
- · Make your own Christmas Decorations to keep

### What will we talk about?

- · Change in our community
- Change in our lives
- · What helps us feel better
- · What can we do for ourselves

RSVP: Let us know your coming please!

Phone: Tanya 02 6756 2089 or Kylie Pitt 0428 655 576



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# **Expression of Interest Adult Education Classes**

### **Contact Details**

Name	
Address	
Phone	
Course (Tick the appropriate box or boxes)	
☐ Baby Dreamers - Technology and Applied Studies (Life Skills)	Daytime only
<ul> <li>□ Information Technology (TVET Cert 1 &amp; 2)</li> <li>○ Word Processing and Computing on Tuesday evenings</li> </ul>	
<ul><li>☐ Fashion Fundamentals (TVET Cert 1 &amp; 2) (Sewing)</li><li>○ Evening only</li></ul>	
<ul><li>Industrial Technology (Timber) (Woodwork)</li><li>Day time and evening places available</li></ul>	
☐ Children's Services (Cert 1 & 2)  ○ Daytime or evening	