

Students attending a motivation speech by Anthony Mundine

COLLARENEBRI CENTRAL SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE - MR ROB MALCOLM

As you will note the building works are progressing on the two sites, one in Herbert St and then again in High Street. Please be aware of these as potential hazard areas particularly at night and particularly for young children. Small changes have been negotiated along the way and if you would like an update at any time please drop into the school.

A big thankyou to Mr Kelly Smith who has taken some time out to help with a fencing project at the Agriculture Facility where students were able to gain some insight into the current best practice in Fencing and all on their own school site. Thanks Kelly and Good Luck in Dubbo!!

It is that time of year where we do our evaluations of 2013 and planning for 2014 and so if you feel you would like to share or be a part of any of these processes, please contact me at the school on 67562204. With that in mind I will be making some announcements soon with regards our staffing changes for next year.

I have been thrilled with the upcoming transition group who will be our Kindergarton in 2014. Attendance has been strong and many of the children are already showing a high degree of academic readiness. I can publically thank the Collarenebri Pre-School for preparing the children so well. Well done Melissa and team!

Many of the Secondary students have been away in Sydney this past week. By all accounts they have been extremely busy so do not be surprised if they need a few days sleep to catch up. Back to school on Monday though!

Only 4 weeks to go but plenty to do.

Regards,

Rob Malcolm

Secondary Student of the Week Angelique Murray



<u>UPCOMING EVENTS</u>

Monday 25th: Pre School Transition Monday to Friday 8.50 to 3.05 Thursday 28th: Year 6 Transition Friday 29th": Year 6 Transition 17th December Presentation Night Angelique is to be congratulated for her learning achievements and excellent engagement at school. Her attendance has improved considerably as has her positivity towards schooling. Angelique also attended the NASCA excursion to Sydney this week and as you can see by the picture had an absolute ball. Well done Angelique and keep up the great work.

SECONDARY REPORT Mr. Scott Shephard

It has been an exciting, rewarding and extremely successful week in secondary with 15 students from Years 8-12 attending the National Aboriginal Sporting Chance Academy (NASCA) all week. As you can see by the images the students were provided with a wide range of educational and extracurricular opportunities. This included but is not limited to a Water Polo training session at the NSW Aquatic Centre, Darling Harbour walk and ferry trip, a careers expo, surfing lesson at Maroubra Beach, resume and interview support, NSW Fire and Rescue visit and a motivational speech by Anthony and Tony Mundine just to name a few.

NASCA staff rang today to congratulate the school and community on very well behaved students who appreciated the efforts and organisation of the entire week. We look forward to hearing all the stories and continuing our partnership with NASCA over the coming years.

Year 6 Transition for 2014

Our current Year 6 students will have a high school experience next week as part of their transitioning up into secondary. This will involve a number of taster lessons in different subjects and will also involve a parent/student information afternoon to best prepare your child for the step up to secondary schooling. Taster lessons will occur on Thursday and Friday with the information session planned for 2pm on Thursday in the Community Room.

The outline of the taster lessons is below for parents and students:
THURSDAY 28TH NOVEMBER

Period 1 Man Tech (Cooking)

Period 2 PDHPE

Period 5Year 6/7 Information Afternoon (2pm start)

FRIDAY 29TH NOVEMBER

Period 1 Visual Arts
Period 2 English/Science
Period 3 Maths/HSIE
Period 4 Man Tech (Cooking)
Period 5 Secondary Sport

Attendance and Engagement

At this time of the year students along with staff become pretty exhausted. It is important to remember that there is still over three weeks of school left and attending regularly and on time gives you the best opportunity to develop your learning, be involved in some end of year activities and also through good behaviour and achievement to attend the Secondary Merit Excursion.

All students are reminded to be at school on time, attend class and respect their teachers. Verbal abuse, consistent disobedience including truanting or derogatory comments towards each other will not be tolerated at Collarenebri Central School. We all appreciate your support on this and finishing 2013 off on a fantastic note like it deserves to – plenty of amazing things have been achieved this year.

PRIMARY REPORT

Ms. Allyson Hynch

Transition to Kinder program will be running again next week from 8:50am till 3:05pm. All students are encouraged to bring a hat to school as some days are very hot. Parents are always welcome to the school, please come in and watch your child in the big school environment.

Sport this week is at the swimming pool. Students are encouraged to bring swimmers, towel and money for entry into the pool for sport.

Parent Information evening (Primary Reports).

There will be a parent information evening on Tuesday the 10th of December in regards to students Reports. Teachers will send out slips with allocated times for parents to come in for interviews. These times will run from 3:20pm until 6:00pm in the Kindergarten and connected classroom. During the interview teachers will explain comments made in student's reports and give parents

ideas on what students will need to cover next year.

Kinder Transition

The Preschool to Kinder transition program has been running at school this week. Thirteen Preschoolers have been with us for the morning and middle sessions in preparation for kindergarten next year. They have had a great time learning all about 'big school', interacting with the Smartboard for literacy and numeracy, reading books, doing craft and playing games. Next week will be their last week of transition, and they will be at school all day! All primary students should be commended on how they have interacted with the preschoolers over the last few days. Their support and help has made all our new students feel very welcome!

Miss Arndell

COMMUNITY NEWS



CODS PICK UP THE POINTS AGAINST SERVICES CLUB

With only two rounds remaining leading into the elimination final The Colly Cods are in fine form after defeating Services Club by 5 wickets and over 15 overs to spare. The Cods lost the toss (no surprises) and Services, with a strengthened line up, chose to bat first. They put on 163 all out with great bowling performances from Ashley Shepherd (3-13) and Chris Peters (3-28). The Cods did put some catches down, however have worked hard in the field at training on Tuesday to improve.

In chase the Cods Openers in Mark Stewart and Scott Shephard put on a 70 run partnership before Shephard departed for 25. Stewart was unreal with the bat compiling a well played 84 to steer the Cods to victory with plenty of overs to spare. Contributions from Chris Peters and Ashley Shepherd helped Stewart pick up a convincing win.

The Colly Cods will take on The Stallions this weekend in what will be a match up most likely to take place in two weeks for the elimination final. With upgraded works still taking place at our home ground the match will be over at Moree. Can the following players please meet outside the post office/service station at 10.30.

M. Stewart, S. Shephard, A. Jakitsch, A. Shepherd, L. Walford, B. Walford, C. Peters, C. Bardon, J. Shepherd, C. Mason, P. Adams, L. Adams, T. Biddle.

Collarenebri Cods and Community Cricket Club would also like to take the opportunity to thank Collarenebri Club Ltd, Colly Butchers, Biddles Auto and Ag Supplies, Chowny's Cafe and the Tattersall's Hotel-Motel along with the community for the ongoing positive support. It is very much appreciated.

Community Action Group

On Monday night the community action group met to discuss a number of issues including the development of new projects.

In the next coming weeks the social golf club is hoping to have a sign up and taster afternoon. All levels of golf players are welcome to come down for a hit and a social afternoon at the golf course for ages 12 years and up.

The importance of restoring the light fixtures over at the oval is to be addressed hopefully before the end of the year so that the possibilities of having a twilight touch competition and so that the football club can train after dark during their season.

The garden competition will soon come to completion with a number of towns people picking up a spade or gardening fork and impressing judges with their enthusiasm and creativity in their gardens.

The community action met every 3rd Monday of the month. Our next meeting will be Monday 16th December.

Collarenebri Pony Club News

Collarenebri Pony Club is due to run the Jamboree for the year 2015. We are going to be holding a meeting on Saturday the 14th Dec at 11am at the Tattersall Hotel so as to be able to discuss this.

The meeting is open to anyone in the community who is interested and available on the day to attend. The main purpose of the meeting is so that we can toss around ideas and feelings in regard to the club taking on Jamboree. With just those people who are club members this would be a massive task so we are taking this opportunity to consult with you all & see if we can receive any input or assistance to help make this event possible.

We would really appreciate if you can spare us a little time to join us for this meeting and any past members you think may be interested. The club is required to notify the Zone in February of our decision so there is a certain amount or urgency associated with this.

We will follow the meeting with a bit of a Christmas Celebration taking advantage of having everyone e all together.

