From the Principal

Proud: definition - feeling deep pleasure or satisfaction as a result of an achievement.

Proud is the #1 word that keeps playing over in my head time and time again when I walk through the gates each morning. From the classroom achievements, the respectful nature of staff and students, the dedication to learning and many more are the reasons why I am so proud to be associated with Coolabunia SS. Last night was no exception. The performances that the students showcased for you last night was nothing short of amazing. The students had been working so hard to produce lasting memories for you all and to finish the year on a high. The behaviour throughout the night was exceptional and the celebratory vibe that ran through the school just proves how tight-knit this community truly is. Thank you again to the lovely ladies and gentlemen who assisted with preparing lights, power cords, projectors and chairs yesterday afternoon. We certainly weren’t short on food for supper so thank you to all who brought along a share plate. Lastly, CONGRATULATIONS to our graduating 2015 Year 6 students. I think deep down they are proud of their efforts, knowing that they have successfully finished their primary years. We are all so very proud of you!

Rewards Day

Congratulations to 124 students who participated in our rewards day celebrations yesterday. These students continue to demonstrate great behaviour choices each and every day. Thank you to our amazing teachers for running the following activities: Mrs P (messy play – goop and slime!), Mrs K (sports and water play), Mrs Moseling (cooking class), Mrs Steff (art class), Mrs Coyne and Mrs Besson (movies and popcorn) and to all the other aides that assisted with this. Check out the photos to see how much fun they had!

Thursday 10th December – Annual End of Year Swim / BBQ

- Nanango Pool – 10:00 - 12:00am
- BBQ at school – 12:30 – families and students
  - Sausage in Bread - $2.00 each  (pre-ordered)
  - Steak Burgers - $5.00ea – (preordered)
- Games
- Book Presentations
  - P&C Book gift & Gold Good Behaviour Certificates

Any parents who cannot transport their child/ren to or from pool are asked to arrange with another family OR contact the school for help.

Caught Being Good – Term 4 Award

Congratulations to Talitha Lanham on being the lucky winner of this term’s Caught Being Good Award.

All Round Student Award – 2015

The All-Round Student Award, donated by the Sommerfeld family in 1997, was established to identify and acknowledge the most outstanding student of the year. The all-round student is a person who gives his/her all to all aspects of school life.

Congratulations to this year’s winner – Royce Jensen.

Friday 11th December

School is open. This is the day we ensure everything is clean, tidy, packed away and ready for 2016. Students quite enjoy this day and help enormously.

Instrumental Music - 2016

In week 2 Term 1, Mrs Hopkins will be testing students from Yrs 3–6, who are interested in commencing instrumental music. Mrs Jo Hopkins is a private music teacher – lesson fees will be advised when student numbers are known.

Tennis Lessons – Commence Wednesday 4th February 2016

Students who wish to commence / continue before school tennis lessons with Mr Brad Boynton are advised that lessons will begin the second Wednesday of school in 2016.

New players – please contact Mr Boynton prior to the starting date 0409 895 527.

As this is private tuition – lesson fees are paid directly to Mr Boynton.

School Uniforms

School uniforms (shirts, hats, skorts, socks, chairbags) will be available for purchase on Friday 22nd January 2016 from 9:00 – 12:00.

Maths Student Workbooks and Handwriting Books will also be available for purchase.

Thanks to Fiona Coyne for providing this service

LIBRARY BOOKS - OVERDUE

Families of students who still have library books NOT RETURNED will have receive an overdue letter. There is a charge of $15.00 per item if not returned / damaged.

Please look in bookcases, homework area and under beds!

2016 Class Book List

Book Lists for next year have been included in today's newsletter. Please ensure your student/s have all their items to begin the school year, as it is difficult to start classes without the necessary requirements.

- Text books as per student list – will be available to purchase from P&C.
Year 6 Class -

We farewell our Year 6’s of 2015 as their sights are now firmly fixed on entering high school and challenges that lie ahead. They are all well skilled and capable of performing at high level.

Good Luck!

2016 Staffing UPDATE

Mrs Marion Whiteford will be replacing Mrs Amanda Turner as our Inclusion Teacher. Marion has been on staff at Kingaroy SS is a very experienced inclusion teacher.

Thank you Mrs Turner for your contribution to our school during 2015.

Staffing 2016

- Prep Mrs Pegrem Block D
- Yr 1 Mrs Tanya McGilvray Block D
- Yr 2 Mrs Kleinhanss
- Yr 3 Mr Newton Block B Upstairs
- Yr 4/6 Mrs Steffensen-Grant Block C
- Yr 5/6 Mr Johnston Block A

Goodbye & Thankyou

Once again, thank you to each and every one of you for supporting me this term. I have learnt so much and enjoyed every minute of it. Have a safe and relaxing break, and Merry Christmas to the big Coolabunia family!

Amy O’Keefe
Acting Principal
You seldom offend a person by returning a smile.

Rewards Day