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# NEWSLETTER

## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

This year, 2021 National Reconciliation Week has been held from 27 May to 4 June with the theme '*More than a word. Reconciliation takes action.*' Reconciliation Week is a time for Canberrans to learn about shared histories, cultures, and achievements, and to explore how each of us can contribute to reconciliation in Australia. Across our school, students and staff have engaged in reflective conversations about what Reconciliation means to each of us and what action we still need to take as a community to engender Reconciliation. In the coming months you will see many of these ideas actioned; including the installation of components of the senior campus playground which evolved from key learnings from Country. We look forward to taking action within our community to ensure that Reconciliation is more than a word for the CCS community.



### **Congratulations Charlie!**

One student who is taking action is Charlie L in year 9. Across the last two years, Charlie has worked alongside local contemporary Aboriginal artist and Wiradjuri man Eddie Longford - Contemporary Indigenous Art. Charlie has dedicated many hours to learning Aboriginal art techniques from Eddie, and most recently has contributed to a mural at Bonython Primary School. The mural design (below) represents the area surrounding the school-the Murrumbidgee River, Pine Island and Point Hut and the school itself, while students and teachers are all represented through symbols. The mural includes interactive symbols which learners can engage with to tell their own story of their place and people they are connected to. Congratulations to Charlie for her incredible leadership; we look forward to sharing more of Charlie's wonderful achievements in the coming years.



Friday 4 June 2021  
TERM 2 WEEK 7

## DATES TO REMEMBER

### JUNE

- 7 SC World of Maths:  
Year 7 to 10
- 7&8 Birrigai Camp:  
class OUM-101
- 11 Scholastic Book Club  
Issue 4: Last day for  
orders
- 16 JC Crazy Hair Day
- 16 Cookie Dough: Collect  
orders from 2pm @ JC  
Hall
- 16 Actsmart Schools  
networking event @ CCS
- 18 Last day:  
Student Banking @ CCS
- 21&22 Birrigai Camp:  
class OUM-103
- 25 Year 9/10 Drama:  
7<sup>th</sup> Stage of Grieving  
Theatre Production



## Playground Updates JC and SC

You might have noticed that our JC playground has some temporary fencing around it. This is because we are installing a solid shade cover over the playground. The cover will allow us to offer additional sun protection to our students and also will provide options for play during wet weather. We anticipate that this work will be completed in the next fortnight and we look forward to sharing the outcome with you all!

Our SC fence is going ahead as planned with the same design features circulated in 2020. We anticipate that due to the size of the project, it is likely to be installed over the December/January holidays at the end of the year. The exact timeframe will be shared with families as the tender process progresses.

Additionally, our SC playground project which our students designed in 2020 in collaboration with ACT Health and the University of Canberra is also coming to fruition. ACT Health has continued to be incredibly supportive, sourcing additional funding options for the school and liaising with a number of ACT Departments to ensure the project is well supported. While we don't yet have a timeframe for installation, it is important that families know this project is progressing and we look forward to updating you with firm timelines in the coming months.



## SEA\*ACT Science Fair

All of our JC classes are working with science specialist Karon Campbell to design, investigate, and submit a science and engineering fair project for 2021. Participation in the SEA\*ACT Science & Engineering Fair provides opportunities for students to demonstrate their understanding of science inquiry processes as outlined in the Science Inquiry Skills strand of the Australian Curriculum.

Objectives of the SEA\*ACT Science & Engineering Fair include:

- To encourage active involvement and interest by students in science.
- To encourage students to pursue their interests in science beyond the boundaries of the classroom.
- To encourage students to undertake planned and controlled investigations in science and report their results in an appropriate manner.
- To encourage students to apply these processes to scientific enquiry to topics that interests them.
- To encourage students to record and present their work for others and in so doing, develop the various skills used in scientific communication.
- To enable the community, including other students and teachers, to see project work done by students in the ACT colleges, schools and preschools.



For more information:

<https://seaact.act.edu.au/science-fair/>

We look forward to sharing their investigations with you in the coming months!

Thank you for your ongoing support!

Jen

## COVID-19 reminder

A reminder that the COVID-19 pandemic is still with us and while many restrictions have been eased since last year, some restrictions are still in place in our school.



It is important that students stay home and get tested if they are unwell.

Visitors to our school, including parents and carers, should sign in using established processes, meet density requirements of one person per two square metres, and maintain physical distancing of 1.5m from other adults. Students and visitors also need to practice good hand and respiratory hygiene.

You can find [more information](#) on COVID-19 and ACT public schools on the Education Directorate website.

YEAR 7 TO YEAR 10: WORLD OF MATHS WORKSHOP MONDAY 7 JUNE



Please see attached note.

YEAR 9

The Year 9 cohort have now settled into Senior Years, and what a busy time it's been!

In Humanities and Social Sciences (HASS), students are exploring Geography through our food insecurity unit. Students have gained a new understanding on the food production process, as well as the amount of food the average citizen wastes each year. In the last week students have begun their assessment of working with their partner in creating a podcast that explores a possible solution in reducing food insecurity.



In Dance, Miss Croft organised the internationally renowned Sydney Dance Company to come in and lead a workshop for our Year 9 and 10 students as they were promoting their new show in Canberra, *Impermanence*. The dancers took our students through repertoire from the show, and led creative improvisational activities that allowed students to explore new movement possibilities.

Last week, students were given the opportunity to attend a seminar presented by the Australian Police Force around cyber safety. Students were asked to consider the security of their social media accounts and the possible dangers that can occur in the online world.

It is hard to believe that the term is almost over already!

We have been learning about poetry for the first half of this term. We have learnt about using alliteration and Onomatopoeia in poems and the reason why poets use these devices. We have experimented coming up with our own Alliteration using the first letter of our names and demonstrated a variety of words which imitate sound such as "BANG" for a door and "Pitter Patter" for rain drops. We have also looked at the purpose and context of why poems are written.



In maths we are currently learning about mapping. We are looking at a variety of maps and using the compass points to determine the direction in which we navigate around a map. We have covered topics such as money, number patterns, subtraction, number lines and multiplication strategies.

Inquiry has seen us learning about the Indigenous Australians and recognising their culture and history. We have created acknowledgements of country based on paying respects to land and acknowledging the first people on the land. We have also investigated some of the language of the Ngunnawal people.



Technology has been very exciting this term as we created paper planes, our goal was to effectively design a paper plane model and to trial the run of our plan. We made adjustments needed to our plane to deliver an efficient fly to move a great distance. We all went to the hall to fly our planes in a paper plane competition. Jack received the Gold award for the furthest distance, Martin received the Silver award and Paige received Bronze award.



This term in Inquiry, we are learning about the natural, constructed and managed features of places. We have been looking at different types of landscapes, features of local places in our community and features of Australia's closest neighbours.

In literacy we are currently focusing on procedural texts. Students are exploring the importance of steps when giving instructions or directions to someone when playing games or making things. We have been very busy in our reading workshops, working hard to understand the books we read in different ways. We have been determining important details when reading fiction and non-fiction texts and retelling our stories using main ideas and supporting details. We joined in with National Simultaneous Story Time with reading where an astronaut read us Give Me Some Space! by Phillip Bunting.



In Maths we have been partitioning two and three-digit numbers, skip counting by 2s, 5s and 10s and finishing and creating repeating patterns. We have also been exploring the corners and sides of 2D shapes and the different features of 3D objects.



For HPE, Miss Kristie is teaching the students how to play basketball. They are practising their bouncing, throwing, passing and catching skills and working as a team. Students are focused on the ways we can be healthy and safe, and are exploring choices related to food, physical activity and hygiene. In week 5, we had a visit from Kenny Koala to talk to us about making health, safe and kind choices.



For student absences please send an email to:  
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## AN UPDATE FROM THE CCS SUSTAINABILITY SQUAD

This Saturday is World Environment Day. There are a huge range of ways you can celebrate – head to this article to find ways to reconnect <https://canberraweekly.com.au/whats-on-for-world-environment-day-5-june/>.

CCS is also about to have two industrial worm-farms installed by GlobalWorming. These will be able to capture the nutrients of all food waste produced on each Campus. If you have any small buckets with lids (5-15L) please consider donating them to the SC or JC offices so we can deploy them in classrooms and across the school to divert our food waste from landfill. Based on our waste audit data, we should be able to save up to \$4000/Yr in landfill fees and create a closed nutrient loop for improved garden spaces across CCS.

Term 2 is the time to get all your biodiversity plans in place ready for spring! Together with Actsmart Schools, Caroline Chisholm School are hosting a teacher and community networking session on June 16 2021. Come meet the Caroline Chisholm School team, check out all the amazing work we are doing and meet some of the people who are helping us along the way. During the session you will hear from the Actsmart Households and Schools teams and learn how to build a wicking bed (save water, money and time throughout the year!) – The first 25 booking will even get to take one home! Places are limited – register here:

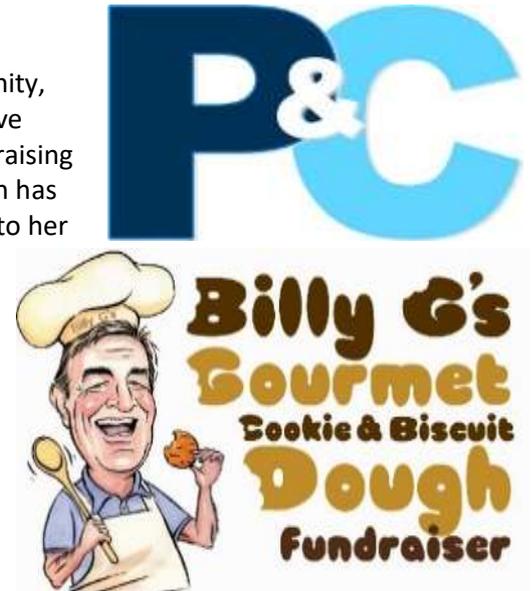
<https://bit.ly/ActsmartSchoolsNetworking16June>

Sustainably yours,  
Mr Taz and the Sustainability Squad



Hi All,

I'd like to start with some Thank You's! First to our whole school community, we have sold collectively over 500 tubs of Cookie Dough!! This is a massive effort, thank you everyone for your continued support for our P&C Fundraising efforts! Secondly, to both our Canteen Managers. Emily in the JC Canteen has been with us for over a year, but has accepted another job, much closer to her home and better for her work/life balance. Emily has been an incredible Canteen Manager, and we thank her for everything that she has done for us, menu changes, special lunches, and keeping our canteen healthy for our little people. We will miss you terribly, good luck! And Tania, while it isn't goodbye for Tania, it's a see you later. Tania is going on maternity leave for the remainder of the year. Tania has been with our school for over 5 years, first on JC, now on SC. Our school won't be the same while you're gone, but we appreciate all that you've done for us while you've been here. We wish you luck and a safe, healthy delivery, but we will miss you! Thirdly, we liked to thank all the applicants for the positions of Canteen Manager, you all certainly made it a tough choice. However, we'd like to welcome Janelle to the JC. Janelle was our Canteen Assistant a couple of years ago, and since has been a volunteer in both canteens. We are excited to have you with us Janelle. And welcome to Toby, who will be filling in for Tania for the rest of the year. Toby was a professional chef but took time to stay at home with his young children, they have now started school and we are lucky to have Toby on the team for the time we do. Make sure to make our new Canteen Managers feel welcome, and wish Tania and Emily the best of luck!



Remember this term is the last term for school banking!

There will be a fete meeting soon! Keep an eye and ear out for when that will happen! We need to get planning to make sure that this is the fete we've all been waiting for. All are welcome, no need to volunteer at the fete to be part of the planning.

Not long to go, only 3 weeks left!

P&C Committee

## COMMUNITY NEWS

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