It is hard to believe that this Friday will represent half way through the second term. So much has already occurred but there is still plenty to come. Last week was a huge week, with NAPLAN for our Year 3 and Year 5 students, Life Education and a visit to Happy Harold for all students K-6, Public Speaking finalists presenting their speeches, as well as 40 students attending the District Cross Country Carnival, in Bulli, to compete against the best runners in the North Wollongong District.

I would like to congratulate our Year 3 and Year 5 students for their wonderful attitude in approaching the NAPLAN testing. I spoke with all students and teachers throughout the three days of testing and was very impressed by the confidence and "I tried my best" attitude that was very evident. Now we play the waiting game, as results are not released until September of this year. Parents will receive documentation, when this occurs, in the form of a report on how their child performed in each assessment area.

Life Education was another success and I again thank our hard working P&C for covering the cost of this important visit. Harold is always a favourite for students and the message that he brings is even more important. Feedback from Jackie (the Life Ed teacher) was very positive. Jackie made the comment that "I love coming to Corrimal because the students are so well behaved and this year has been no different". Considering Jackie goes to one or two different schools each week, I think this is a nice reflection on the standard of behaviour that the students at our school display.

I can't express how proud I was of the students who presented their speeches to the remainder of the school at our recent school assembly. From our youngest Kindergarten students to our Stage 3 students, the speeches were outstanding. The confidence in which they were delivered, the voice projection and content of each speech was amazing. You couldn't wipe the smile off my face! Well done to all students, you should be very proud of your efforts.

Congratulations to the 40 students who, on Friday, represented our school at the District Cross Country. From all accounts, our students were very enthusiastic, tried hard and were well behaved; all the things we expect from our school representatives. A report follows, with pics, later in this newsletter, but a special congratulations must go to Ruby-lee who finished 2nd in the 12/13 year girls. Ruby-lee will now represent North Wollongong District at the Regional Carnival in Nowra in two weeks - Go Ruby-lee!!

This week and for the next four weeks, you may notice three new faces around our school. I would like to welcome Mr Joe English (Arinya), Mr David Gibson (Birrung) and Miss Fiona Wrightson (Tulan) who are University of Wollongong Prac students. These trainee teachers will spend the next few weeks working with their classes and supervising teachers. I am sure they will have a fantastic learning experience at our school.

This Friday will mark the first 3-6 PSSA sport session for the year. I look forward to hearing the positive reports as our students have the opportunity to participate in Touch (Boys) and Soccer (Girls). The main focus of PSSA is participation and I am sure that those students attending will be fantastic representatives of our school and enjoy competing against other schools in a fun, competitive sporting session.

This Sunday is our P&C Bunnings BBQ. Thank you to all those who have volunteered to help out by cooking or serving. If you haven't volunteered, you can still support the school by going down and buying a sausage sizzle...I hope to see you there!

Mr Tim Fisher
Principal

IMPORTANT DATE CHANGE
Due to a clash, with our photographers, our school photos date has had to change. School photos will now take place on 29th July. We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause.

CANTEEN CLOSED THIS FRIDAY
Unfortunately it is now at the stage where our canteen is being closed some Fridays due to a lack of volunteers. Sadly, being the last day of the week, this is also generally the busiest day for orders.
If you are able to assist on Fridays, please notify the school ASAP.

The canteen will be closed this Friday, 22nd May.
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### UPCOMING EVENTS

**Week 5**
- 19/5/15 - ICAS Testing - ICT
- 21/5/15 - School Assembly
  2:15pm - 3:00pm
- 22/5/15 - School Banking
- 22/5/15 - 3-6 PSSA
- 24/5/15 - Bunnings BBQ

**Week 6**
- 28/5/15 - School Assembly
- 29/5/15 - School Banking

**Week 7**
- 3/6/15 - ICAS Testing - Science
- 4/6/15 - Choral Festival - Cluster Rehearsal
- 4/6/15 - School Assembly
  2:15pm - 3:00pm
- 4/6/15 - 3-6 - Interrelate
- 5/6/15 - School Banking
- 5/6/15 - 3-6 - PSSA

**Week 8**
- 8/6/15 - Queen’s Birthday Public Holiday - NO SCHOOL!
- 9/6/15 - Book Fair Begins (2 weeks)
- 9/6/15 - P&C Meeting - 6:00pm
- 10/6/15 - 12/6/15 - Stage 3 at Camp - Cataract Scout Camp
- 11/6/15 - NO ASSEMBLY
- 12/6/15 - School Banking

**Week 9**
- 15/6/15 - ICAS Testing - Writing
- 16/6/15 - ICAS Testing - Spelling
- 17/6/15 - School Athletics Carnival - Beaton Park
- 18/6/15 - School Assembly - 2:15pm - 3:00pm
- 19/6/15 - School Banking
- 19/6/15 - 3-6 - PSSA

**Week 10**
- 23/6/15 - 2/7/15 - Stage 3 at Camp - Cataract Scout Camp
- 24/6/15 - 3/7/15 - Stage 3 at Camp - Cataract Scout Camp
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- 30/7/15 - 31/7/15 - Stage 3 at Camp - Cataract Scout Camp

### KINDER 2016

Our school has already had a number of visits regarding parents wishing to enrol their child for Kindergarten 2016. This is great news! I have also had the pleasure of meeting with some parents and walking around the school to show what Corrimal Public School is all about. If you are planning on enrolling your child next year, or know of someone who is thinking about it, please come to the office and collect an enrolment form.

If you know someone who is yet to decide where they are sending their child, please encourage them to organise a meeting with me.

I am a big believer that parents should make an informed choice when sending their child to school. Decisions should be based on going to the school, meeting with the Principal and seeing if this school is the best fit for your child.

### Year 6 get their very own “selfie” with Happy Harold the giraffe to celebrate seven years of visiting the Life Education Van!
MERIT AWARDS

Congratulations to the following students for displaying excellence during Week 4:

**KINDERGARTEN** - Lucas, Madelyn, Zan and Akasha

**AKAMA** - Elsie and Davina

**BIRRUNG** - Taya and Tahlia

**ARINYA** - Milly and Shekira

**ILLUKA** - Seth and Joshua

**TULANG** - Ruby-Lee and Chloe

BRONZE

Baden, Archie, Riley, Nikita, Lara, Amelia, Tyla and Jack

SILVER

Nikita and Harrison

UPCOMING ASSEMBLY ITEMS

- Week 5 - Junior Choir
- Week 6 - Senior Choir
- Week 7 - Kindergarten
- Week 8 - No Assembly (Stage 3 Camp)

VALUES FOCUS

In Week 5, teachers are looking for students using the rules.

VALUES TOKENS

Well done to all students for your efforts!!

In Week 4, students achieved 395 tokens! This has taken our whole school tally to 1938!!

We are now working towards our next 5000 tokens, with the whole school reward this time being an additional PE session for every student.

Congratulations to the following classes for gaining the most “Values Tokens” in Week 4:

1st - TULANG - 104
2nd - KINDERGARTEN - 79
3rd - ILLUKA - 73

BONUS VALUES TOKEN DRAW

Congratulations to Josh, from Year 4, who was our most recent winner. Josh chose a Dragons hat as his prize!

SCHOOL FEES

Our voluntary school contribution fees can now be paid at the office. School fees are completely voluntary, but are highly valuable to the running of our school. This year we are asking for $40 per family. Fees go directly to the purchase of books ($35) and paper ($5). Your support of our school is appreciated and goes directly back to providing a quality education for your child/children.

Stop the Press!

District Cross Country

Last Friday, a team of 40 children represented our school at the District Cross Country Carnival at Bulli Park. All of our students represented our school with pride and displayed exceptional behaviour and manners.

All of our students did well to finish their races around the challenging course.

One of our students has progressed to the next level and will represent our school at the Regional Cross Country Carnival. Ruby-lee came second in the girls’ 12/13 year old race; a wonderful achievement!

Huge congratulations are extended to all our students who participated and successfully completed the course.

A big thank you is extended to Janice Paterson for being a wonderful parent helper.
BUNNINGS BBQ - MAY 24th
This Sunday 24 May, from 9am-4pm we will be hosting the Sausage Sizzle at Bunnings Wollongong. Come on out and support our school by dropping by and buying a sausage and drink anytime during the day (rain or shine). You may even find a great Bunnings bargain as well! All money raised on the day will go towards our goal of new computers for the school.

Below is a reminder schedule for our volunteers. We ask that all volunteers please remember to wear appropriate attire, if possible school colours and comfortable, closed in footwear (no thongs). Note no children under the age of 16 are allowed behind the BBQ/operate any equipment. Thank you.

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FROM THE UNIFORM SHOP….
Help keep the kids nice and warm outside during the cold winter season by purchasing one of our Red Winter Beanies ($6ea) or a Red Scarf & Mitts Set ($10 for set) that we have in stock.

Girls’ white winter Skivvy/Turtleneck (sizes 4-14) now in stock. Come on in and purchase one for only $11.

The uniform shop is open every Tuesday mornings (8:45am-9:15am) and Friday afternoons (2:45pm-3:15pm). If you are unable to attend at these times you can also place an order (to be delivered to your child’s classroom) using our order form; available to download from the school’s website or grab a copy outside our shop’s entrance.

HELPING OUT
Volunteers are always needed, especially in our Canteen and Uniform Shop. We know you are busy and we appreciate any help that families are able to offer. So if you are a mum, dad, grandparent, aunt or uncle please consider volunteering even a small amount of your time (like one day a month) at our school. It will benefit your own children and other children in the school community.
When kids ask “the” questions...
Interrelate has the answers!

Interrelate's high-quality Sexuality and Relationship Education program is coming to your school!
With over 85 years’ experience in this field, Interrelate has a reputation for providing excellence in sexuality and relationship education. Today, over 41,000 students and family members participate in Interrelate School and Family programs each year.
Many parents find it hard to discuss questions relating to sexuality education. We know how to help break the ice. Interrelate programs are interactive and family focused, and are conducted by highly trained and experienced educators, who adhere to a strict code of ethics.

Session 1: Where did I come from? (1-hour session, years 3-6)
This session educates children more about how their bodies work and the differences between males and females, including their understanding of conception, fertilisation, foetal development and the birth process.

Session 2: Preparing for puberty (1-hour session, years 5-6; years 3-4 at parent’s discretion)
This session prepares children and parents/caregivers for the physical, social and emotional changes associated with puberty, and addresses changing emotions and relationships with families and peers.

Interrelate School Services Presents
a Special Evening Program

Family cost*: 1 session $25 per family | 2 sessions $30 per family
*GST exclusive – GST is payable / claimable by the school or organising body

Where: CORRIMAL PUBLIC SCHOOL
When: Thursday, 4th June 2015
Time: Where did I come from? – 6:00pm sharp | Preparing for puberty – 7:15pm sharp
Specialty books are available for purchase on the night

- Please complete and return to the school office, with payment in an envelope labelled with child’s name and class -

A Special Evening Program

Name of family: ________________________________

No. attending: ❑ Session 1: Where did I come from? ❑ Session 2: Preparing for puberty

Amount enclosed: $ ________ ❑ Cash ❑ Cheque (payable to school)

Tel: (02) 8882 7875 | Fax: (02) 8882 7890

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SAFE PEOPLE, SAFE PLACES

In the last few weeks there have been a number of children across Wollongong approached by strangers (as was reported in the Mercury). It is important to reinforce with children the correct action to take if they are placed in a situation where they feel unsafe. Below are some key messages for children to be aware of in ensuring their safety. I would encourage parents to reinforce the ‘Safe People, Safe Places’ messages with their children, including:

- Make sure your parents or another adult you know, knows where you are at all times.
- Always walk straight home or to the place you are walking to. Walk near busier roads and streets, or use paths where there are lots of other people.
- Know where safe places are – a shop, service station, police station, library or school. If you are ever frightened, you should go to one of these places and ask them to call the police.
- Learn about safe adults you can look for and talk to if you need help – police officers, teachers at school, adults you know and trust.
- Don’t talk to people you don’t know and never get into a car with someone you don’t know. If a car stops on the side of the road and you don’t know the person inside, do not stop.
- If you are scared and can use a phone, call 000 and tell them you are scared.
- If someone tries to grab you, yell out, ‘Go away, I don’t know you’. This lets other people know you have been approached by someone you don’t know.
YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE
BECOME A CARESOUTH CARER

CareSouth supports vulnerable children and their families across Southern and Western NSW through a range of programs including FOSTER CARE, FAMILY CHOICES and AUNTIES & UNCLEs.

Foster care provides support and care for children and young people who can no longer live with their families. Carers can provide short-term, long-term or respite care depending on their circumstances.

CareSouth’s Family Choices program supports children with a disability and their families by providing respite care. We provide our Foster Carers and Family Choices carers with exceptional support, training, caseworker visits, 24/7 on call support and a tax free allowance.

CareSouth Aunties & Uncles are volunteer carers who share a small amount of their time to put a little sparkle in a child’s life by becoming a role model to a child in their community. We provide quality support and training for the duration of their involvement.

There are children and young people in your community who could really benefit from your support today. Call us for an obligation-free chat about what program would best suit you and your family.

For more details see Carol Esdale in the playground or contact her on 0401647942

Under the Influence~
Protecting our children

Almost 1 in 8 deaths and 1 in 5 hospitalisations of people aged under 25 is due to alcohol.

Parents play a key role in building resilience in young people and help them to navigate decisions through the bombardment of media and social cues that saturate our community.

These workshops aim to provide parents with:

✓ Increased understanding of factors that impact on consumption (and non-consumption) by young people.
✓ Strategies to assist in protecting young people against factors that encourage alcohol misuse.
✓ Opportunities to contribute to a community that can support our young people to grow and develop in an environment which actively supports reducing alcohol related harm.

Shellharbour Monday 15th June
12:30pm-2:30pm Centenary Hall, Tuggeranong Rd, Albion Park
Wollongong Monday 18th June (followed by a Community Forum)
6:00pm-8:00pm Salvation Army Hall, level 2, 11-13 Burelli St Wollongong
Parking entry via Stewart St
NOWRA Tuesday 16th June
9:30am-11:30am Showground Meeting Rooms West St, Nowra

All workshops are FREE

A $2 donation at the door will support activities that reduce alcohol related harm.

Professor Sandra Jones is the Director of Centre for Health and Social Research at the Australian Catholic University in Melbourne. Sandra has worked in academic and industry roles in marketing, social marketing, social and public health. For over a decade her research has focused on influences on young people’s alcohol consumption, including media, marketing, social norms around underage drinking.

Amy Ferguson is a Senior Policy Officer at the Foundation for Alcohol Research and Education. Amy is the coordinator of the NSW ACT Alcohol Policy Alliance. She has a Masters in Public Health. Amy has worked on health and social-policy development in both the public sector and not-for-profit sector.

Bookings Essential - Book directly by pressing the BOOK NOW link beside the event you wish to attend alternatively - contact (02) 4254 2794 or email info@health.wollongong.nsw.gov.au