We certainly celebrated Education Week in style at Corrimal Public School last week. What a busy and enjoyable week. I would like to congratulate the students and staff for your flexibility and enthusiasm and thank our parents, families (especially grandparents!) and community for your support of our school.

The highlight of the week without a doubt was our Open Day. Children love sharing their educational experience and it gives them a great sense of pride and enjoyment to show family their classroom, share work completed and talk about their learning. Thank you to all of our families for supporting the day. The smiles on students’ faces in their classes reflected their pride, while the atmosphere in the playground was one of family, fun and friendship. I couldn’t wipe the smile off my face!

I personally found it so enjoyable taking time to spend talking with our families, of which many don’t get opportunities to visit our school often. It is also not expected, but certainly very appreciated by the staff, with many of these visitors expressing their thanks for the wonderful job that our school does in caring and educating their little ones. Being a teacher is certainly not an easy job, but is truly rewarding and it is days like this that make you realise the just how lucky we are to be in such a privileged position.

I would like to make special mention of a few extra special guests that joined us at our Open Day. The theme for Education Week 2015 was “Celebrating Local Heroes” and we thought it would be wonderful to invite the Corrimal Diggers to join us at such an important event. We were grateful that they accepted our invitation for our open classes and sausage sizzle. Of these special guests, the very vibrant 104 year old Nell, stood out. Her enthusiasm in engaging with our students was truly touching and will be an experience that I am sure will be remembered by many. The other guest, Kevin, while only a very young 86 (compared to Nell) very proudly announced to me on arrival that he had attended Corrimal Public School between 1934 and 1940. His memories of the school were spot on, as he reflected where the different classes used to be, where they attended assemblies, that the Camphor Laurel was a bit smaller when he was here last and that he didn’t get school shoes until about Year 10! I could have listened to him for hours. I have of course extended an invitation for him to attend our 125th celebration, which he has very pleasingly accepted!

Last Friday, our 3-6 PSSA teams had their first opportunity of the term to be involved in cross school competitive sport. I heard wonderful reports that our students approached this opportunity with a great attitude, by being outstanding representatives of our school. Well done! The next PSSA session will be on Friday, 14th August.

Today was the first day of the District Athletics Carnival for the North Wollongong PSSA. I hope that all our students who represented our school enjoyed themselves and were great representatives of Corrimal Public School. On Friday of this week is the second day of this carnival. I wish all 34 students who will be attending all the best as they battle it out against the best runners, jumpers and throwers in our District.

Have a fantastic week!

Mr Tim Fisher
Principal
Library News

Book Week is coming in Week 6! We will be doing some fun activities so stay tuned for more information.

Our Scholastic Book Fair last term was a great success! A huge thank you to all the families and students that purchased books and items from the fair. Due to this support we have been able to get $860 worth of free books for our school library.

If any students have been participating in the NSW Premier’s Reading Challenge, your online reading records need to be completed by Friday, 21st August. This can be done by logging in on the PRC website using your portal name and password. I will then validate them. If there are any problems, I am able to enter the student’s books if they give me their written list. For K-2, 30 books have to be read to them or by them (5 free choices). For 3-6, 20 books have to be read (5 free choices). The lists are found on http://www.premiersreadingchallenge.nsw.edu.au and any books read since September last year count.

Parents/caregivers must understand that if students enter the PRC they will receive a certificate and their name and school may be publicised.

Mrs Scard (Teacher/Librarian)

Woolworths Earn and Learn Is Back!

Woolworths Earn and Learn is back and it is now easier than ever to earn valuable resources for Corrimal Public School.

From Wednesday 15th July until Tuesday 8th September 2015, when you shop at Woolworths you can collect Woolworths Earn and Learn Stickers from the checkout operator and place them on an Earn and Learn Sticker Sheet. There’ll be one sticker for every $10 spent. Once completed, simply place the Sticker Sheet in the Collection Box located in the School Office or at the Corrimal Woolworths.

PLEASE NOTE: These dates are subject to change. The school will endeavour to contact the community should this be the case.

Grasshopper Soccer

A note for Grasshopper Soccer was sent home last week with your child. Grasshopper Soccer ran the soccer program at Corrimal Public School late in Term 2 and would like to run an after school program, starting Thursday, 6th August. If you would like your child to be involved, please fill in the form and return to Grasshopper Soccer (not the school) ASAP. They will then be in touch with further information.

Night Closure of Memorial Drive between Sunday 2nd and Thursday 6th August

A closure of Memorial Drive between North Wollongong and Bulli is required for Roads and Maritime Services to carry out maintenance work. Memorial Drive will be closed between 8:00pm and 4:00am on the above dates.

Respect Safety Learning
CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING STUDENTS FOR DISPLAYING EXCELLENCE DURING WEEK 3:
KINDERGARTEN - RILEY, LILY, LARA AND TRAJAN
AKAMA - SARAH AND SONNY
BIRRUNG - TEAGAN AND DANIEL
ARINYA - JAYDEN AND KATE
ILLUKA - SUZANNE AND LANA
TULANG - RONIN AND HARRY

IN WEEK 4 TEACHERS ARE LOOKING FOR STUDENTS

VALUES FOCUS
In Week 4, teachers are looking for students

VALUES TOKENS
In Week 3, students achieved 489 tokens! This has taken our whole school tally to 2632!!

THE NEXT WHOLE SCHOOL REWARD WILL BE A MOVIE, DRINK AND POPCORN. STUDENTS WILL RECEIVE THIS AWARD WHEN THE WHOLE SCHOOL TALLY REACHES 5000 TOKENS!

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VALUES TOKEN DRAW
Congratulations to TAHJ, who was our most recent winner. TAHJ received a Dragons Hat for his bonus prize!

CONGRATULATIONS
AKAMA
FOR BEING BEST CLASS OF THE WEEK 3 ASSEMBLY

BONUS VALUES TOKEN DRAW
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UPCOMING ASSEMBLY ITEMS
Week 4 - Senior Choir
Week 5 - Akama
Week 6 - Book Week
Week 7 - Junior Choir
Week 8 - Illuka
Week 9 - Tulang
Week 10 - TBC

On Wednesday, 22nd July, the senior choir performed in front of an audience of approximately 400 people. The choir is to be commended on their performance and effort. Two terms of practising paid off and many principals that attended commented on how wonderful they looked and sounded. Mrs Veljanovski, Mrs Holland and Mr Humphery would like to thank all the students that performed on the night and also the parents who supported such a worthy experience for their children.

Regards,
Stage 2 and 3 Teachers
1890-2015
Corrimal Public School

CELEBRATES
125 YEARS!
16th & 17th October 2015

Come and join in the festivities!
Families, former students, staff and the community are all welcome.

FRIDAY 16th
Open Day 9am-1pm
Tour of the school, special assembly, lunch & old school activities
P&C Twilight Fete 4pm-8pm
Rides, food, raffles, live music, and kids activities
Entrance via Wilga Street

SATURDAY 17th
125th Anniversary Celebration from 7pm
Finger food, drinks and a night of reminiscing at Woonona Bulli RSL in the Auditorium room
Tickets for entry $42.50pp
Buy tickets online now or from the school

For more details contact 4284 4231
or visit www.cps125.weebly.com
P&C MEETING – 11th Aug
Our next P&C Meeting is on Tuesday 11th August at 6pm in the School Administration Building (enter via Wilga St driveway). Everyone is welcome!

If you have something you’d like the P&C to consider and you can’t make it in person on the night, we’d still love to hear from you. You can leave a note at the office or email us at cpsnsw.pandc@gmail.com with a brief explanation of your ideas.

P&C membership is open to everyone; parents, caregivers, grandparents, teachers, and members of the whole community interested in the welfare of Corrimal Public School.

FROM THE UNIFORM SHOP...
Tights In Stock! It took a while but finally Girls’ Grey Winter Tights (closed toe) are now in stock at the uniform shop for only $10 each.

Stock Clearance Sale! All of our Grey track pants (from sizes 4-16) are now marked down to $5 each; Hurry now and grab a bargain before stock runs out. Once gone we will not be ordering anymore more.

The uniform shop is open every Tuesday morning (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.

KINDY STARTERS PLAYGROUP - 12th Oct
Do you have a child starting kindergarten in 2016? Then you’ll want to attend our Kindy Starters Playgroup. It is open to any child who is starting Kindergarten at Corrimal PS in 2016 and their parents or carers. Younger siblings are also welcome to come along. Our program is free and will be held in the school hall every Monday morning from 9:15-11am, starting 12th October 2015. Enjoy some school-oriented activities and making some new friends in an informal setting. For more information visit our website www.cpskindyplaygroup.weebly.com

We are also looking for additional helpers to assist in the running of our playgroup. If you are interested in helping out please see co-ordinators Lenora C or Michelle W or email cpsnsw.pandc@gmail.com

P&C ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING – 8th Sept
On 8th September the P&C will be having our Annual General Meeting. By regulation, all 5 positions on the executive committee (president, 2 vice presidents, secretary, and treasurer) become vacant at the AGM. Descriptions of these positions can be found on the school’s website in the P&C Section. Why not consider joining our P&C and making a positive contribution to our school. Our P&C can only function effectively if you (the parents) actively participate.

In order to run for a position and vote at the AGM you must be a financial P&C member. To do so you need to apply for membership, at any time before August 11th and pay a membership fee of $1. Please note if you help in the canteen then you are already considered a financial member. For more information or you wish to join please see Lenora or email us at cpsnsw.pandc@gmail.com

CPS 125th CELEBRATIONS - 16th & 17th Oct
Only 11 weeks until our 125th festivities hits Corrimal Public School. Hopefully everyone has Friday 16th & 17th October blocked in their diaries. It’s a “not to be missed” fun filled two day celebration where we remember our school’s long history and acknowledge our recent achievements.

Day one starts with a School Open Day followed by our Twilight Fete. Day two is our evening celebration for former staff, students and the Corrimal community (Note: Must be 18 or older to attend). Visit our official website at www.cps125.weebly.com for more information.

We can always use more help so if you are interested in joining our 125th Committee or volunteering some of your time to help at one of the events please leave your name at the office.
FETE UPDATE 3rd Edition

Friday 16th October 2015, 4pm-8pm - ONLY 11 WEEKS TO GO!
That’s right folks; it’s only 11 weeks until our Twilight fete at Corrimal Public School. We are now in full swing in the planning and preparation for our fete. Over the next few weeks this will be the place to look for all the latest information about this year’s twilight fete.

FABULOUS FOOD AT THE FETE
The fete will have a variety of food, at reasonable prices, which everyone in the family can enjoy.

P&C BBQ STALL
Our popular P&C BBQ is back and even better than ever. Besides the usual selection of drinks, sausages and steak sandwiches, we will also be adding chicken and corn on the Cob to our menu this year!! We still need a few more helpers to serve so if you have a spare 30 minutes or more and want the satisfaction of knowing you have quelled the hunger of the masses, we would love your assistance at our barbeque. Please contact Lenora or put your name on our sign-up sheet at the office.

CAKE STALL
Always a popular stall with everyone, our teachers will be running our Cake Stall again this year. It is now time to alert all bakers that we will be calling for volunteers to bake the usual array of cakes, slices, muffins, cupcakes and other baked goodies to be sold at the fete. At this stage, we ask that you note the date of the fete – 16 October in your diary and keep some time aside before then to do some baking. At the beginning of Term 4 watch for a letter and cake boxes to go out to families seeking volunteers to bake items to sell. We would really appreciate it if each family could make at least one item for the Cake Stall.

FAIRY FLOSS STALL
A fete is not complete without the mouth-watering flavour of fairy floss. Freshly made on the stick, you can’t go wrong. Inspired by Sydney’s Vivid Festival come and visit our stall to see how you can get your floss to cast a pretty glow in the evening light. We are still looking for a few helpers for this stall so if you are handy twirling floss onto a stick and can spare an hour or more contact cpsnsw.pandc@gmail.com or leave your name at the office.

NORMIE’S SOFT SERVE ICE CREAM
Normie’s Ice cream Van is back! He has been providing delicious ice cream at Corrimal Public School fetes and Carols by Candlelight evenings for over 5 years now.

Do you know what we are raising funds for? Funds raised from the Fete will go towards our P&C goal of upgrading the computers in all the classrooms.

FETE PHOTOGRAPHER(S) WANTED: Looking for some keen photographers (professional or amateur; adult or student) to capture all the events of the day on October 16th. Photos may be used for future promotion, wrap up of the event and help with future fete planning. Please see Lenora or contact cpsnsw.pandc@gmail.com

MARKETING: If you could help with asking at local shops if they can place a poster in their shop or letter box drops of flyers please leave your name at the school office or email cpsnsw.pandc@gmail.com

VOLUNTEERS!
Have fun, meet new people and support a great cause! We need parents and friends of CPS to help out on stalls and activities on Fete Day and/or in the lead up to our Twilight Fete. Whether you can offer 1-2 hours or several days we would be grateful for your assistance. Register your interest via email cpsnsw.pandc@gmail.com or leave your name on the signup sheet at the school office.

Thank you to the following businesses/companies that have joined our long list of Fete donors

- Powerhouse Museum
- Sam’s Crusty Bread
- Beaton Park/Lakeside Leisure Park
- Novotel North Beach-Windjammers Restaurant

For our full list of donors visit our website www.cps125.weebly.com

PROMOTE YOUR BUSINESS!
If you have a business how about considering donating your product or services as a prize! Donations will be used for our raffles/chocolate wheel at the Fete. Goods, services, vouchers, and financial contributions made to the fete will be greatly appreciated and acknowledged. Donations can be dropped off at the school administration office. If you would like more information please contact Lenora at cpsnsw.pandc@gmail.com
The Commonwealth Bank School Banking program includes an exciting Rewards Program designed to encourage children to get into the habit of making regular savings. Every time students make a deposit at school they receive a Dollarmites token which can be redeemed for a range of exciting reward items in recognition of their regular savings. Students will have lots of fun saving their tokens for these cool gifts.

Our school actively participates in this program that will teach our children how to save regularly - an important habit to get into! All we need to continue this great program a volunteer parent or caregiver. If you would like to volunteer it only requires 1-2 hours a week to collect and process the student’s deposits.

Involvement in the program will greatly benefit students as they develop vital saving skills and also help our school raise funding at the same time. The first time they bank the school will receive $5 and the School Banking program will match 5% of any additional deposits and donate that to the school too. You will also be on your way to receiving a statement of attainment in financial services after 12 months in the school banking coordinator role.

Please indicate your interest in getting involved with this great program by filling in the tear off section below and returning it to Simone, care of the office.

I would also like to volunteer to assist the program once a week:
Name: ______________________________
Contact number: ______________________________
Email: ______________________________
Available days: ______________________________

Under 8s and Under 9 players required.

Still 6 games to go in season.
Playing on Sunday mornings.
Training at Ocean Park, Woonona on Weds at 4.30pm.
Assistance can be arranged for transport if required.
Great opportunity to give rugby a try at a family orientated club.
Come down on Wed arvo and meet the coaches (dads), and teammates.
Players of other age groups welcome.
No fees, come and try rugby out.

Call Andrew on 0432944543 for information.
For parents and carers of children with a disability aged from Birth to 6 years

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ECIC Parent Information Day
Run by qualified and experienced practitioners

The day will cover the following:

- Goal setting and planning towards NDIS
- Behaviours and supports
- Inclusion in the early childhood setting
- Communication
- Speaker presenting from NDIA
- Parent speakers

Date: September 1st 2015
Time: 9 am  Registration, 9.30 starts to 2.30pm
Where: Salvation Army, 11-13 Burelli St Wollongong.
Cost: NIL

Register at: https://ecicpillawarra.eventbrite.com.au
Or Contact 42839936

LIMITED PLACES RSVP by

Free Morning tea and Lunch provided

Presented by the Illawarra Early Childhood Intervention Coordination