

Effort Earns Success



Principal's Message

“Learning is a treasure that will follow its owner everywhere”. Anon

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to Week 6! Once again, I would like to take the opportunity to congratulate our students on their successful return to school. It has been wonderful to see happy students interacting with their friends and their teachers in the playground and in classrooms. The school is once again a hive of activity. Next week, we will welcome our Kindergarten 2022 students to Head Start for their first face-to-face Kindergarten Orientation morning session. How exciting!

On Monday, 8th November, all schools in NSW moved to Level 3 guidelines. No doubt you have seen some of the changes mentioned in the news. Opportunities for outdoor assemblies and sport have fallen in line with community guidelines. As always, the safety of our students, staff and community remains our priority. There is a lot of updated information for families, and this continues to be available at <https://education.nsw.edu.gov.au/covid-19/advice-for-families>. Once again, we thank you for your ongoing support.

2022 School Leadership Speeches

Congratulations to the Year 5 students who presented their leadership speeches throughout the week. I was very impressed with the outstanding quality of each student's speech. Being a school leader is an excellent opportunity for students to showcase and develop their leadership skills and to work collaboratively with their teachers and student. Thank you, to Mrs Woodham for your organisation of this very important event.

Coming Events

Week 7

15th November

Prefect Elections

17th November

*Opportunity class
placement test*

*Head start 9.15-
10.45am*

Week 8

22nd November

*House Captain and
Library tech
elections*

24th November

*Head start 9.15-
10.45am*

Week 9

1st December

*Head start 9.15-
10.45am*

9th December

Presentation Day



Remembrance Day

Every year on the 11th November at 11am we observe a minute's silence to remember the service and sacrifice of our veterans. This year, students will learn more about the significance of this time in their classes. Thank you, Mr Reid and the school leaders for your organisation of the school's Remembrance Day service.



Children unwell at school

Parents and carers are reminded that students must not come to school if they are unwell-even if they have mild symptoms. If students have any COVID-19 symptoms, they will be sent home and must not return to school unless they have either:

- a negative COVID-19 test result and are symptom free.
- Isolated for 10 days, when no medical certificate is available.

We thank all our parents and carers for the following advice and for continuing to support our school to implement these guidelines for the safety of all.

Year 6 Farewell

We are delighted to be able to hold the Year 6 Farewell on **Tuesday 14 December** on the school grounds. Further details will be provided to Year 6 parents regarding organisational details.



Presentation Day

Our Presentation Day will be held on **Thursday 9th December**. Unfortunately, we are unable to invite family and community members to the event due to Department of Education (DoE) guidelines and NSW Health regulations. Recording of this special occasion will be uploaded on the school website shortly after the conclusion of the assemblies.

Planning for 2022

Shortly, our teachers will be commencing the lengthy process of considering class groupings for 2022, taking into consideration number of students, gender balance (when possible), the placement of students with special needs, friendship groups and identified learning needs. Classes will be formed with a focus on achieving the best possible learning outcomes for students, informed by Department of Education staffing formula and guidelines.

If you have additional information that you would like staff to consider when forming classes for 2022, it must be in **writing to Stage Supervisors** (ES1/S1 – Mrs Walters, S2 Mrs Sutton and S3 Mrs Woodham) by **Friday, 19th November** through the school email- Copacabana-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au. Where possible teachers will consider your information, however there are many aspects to consider which may mean your request **cannot** always be accommodated. Please note that requests for specific teachers will not be met.

End of the school year

The last day of the school year for students will be on **Thursday 16 December**.

Yours in Education

Mary Hunt

NAPLAN Readiness Test

The school readiness test is for schools transitioning to NAPLAN Online in 2022 and is designed to check a school's readiness to conduct NAPLAN Online. The school readiness test will be available for schools to schedule at their convenience between 16 August and 15 December 2021. The readiness test consists of two 40-minute assessments: an omnibus test with reading, conventions of language and numeracy items, and a writing task. Students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 participate in the school readiness test. Year 3 students do not participate in the writing assessment. This will take place Tuesday, 23rd November

Opportunity Class Placement Test

The OC Placement test for students who have already applied online will take place on **Wednesday 17 November 2021** at school. Families should have received an email which outlines the latest updates and information on the test.

Students must bring a printed copy of their 'Test authority' letter to the test room on test day.

NSW Department of Education

Term 4 roadmap

From 8 November

- All schools will operate on updated Level 3 settings for the rest of Term 4.
- School sports allowed
 - Inter-school sports allowed outside of school hours
 - Assemblies and presentations allowed outdoors on-site
 - Excursions allowed outdoors
 - Dancing and some music classes allowed
 - Fully vaccinated visitors allowed on site to support curriculum delivery, wellbeing programs and school operations
 - Community use allowed (including P&C meetings)

From Term 1 2022

We can look forward to more freedoms as schools return in 2022.

Keeping us all safe

A combination of layered safety measures allow us to prioritise student and staff wellness while we keep schools open.

Stay home if unwell

- Do not attend or participate if unwell, even with mild symptoms.

Vaccinations required

- All adults must be fully vaccinated.

Always check in

- All staff and visitors must check in when attending a school site or gathering.

Wear masks indoors

- Masks are required indoors for all staff, visitors and students in Year 7 or above, and strongly recommended indoors for primary students.
- You can take your mask off when eating or exercising.

Physically distance

- Maintain 1.5 metres physical distancing wherever practicable.

Maximise ventilation

- Activities and events should be held outdoors where practicable.
- Indoor spaces will be well ventilated and as large as possible for the number of attendees.

Stick to your cohorts

- Avoid mingling with other groups when moving around the school.



For the latest information, refer to education.nsw.gov.au/covid-19.

From the Office

Application for Selective High School Placements for 2023

Applications have now opened for parents and carers of 2021 Year 5 students who wish to have their children considered for placement in Year 7 Selective High Schools for 2023. Applications will close on **17 November 2021** and parents must apply online. Detailed instructions on how to apply online are available at: <https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7>.

Please read the instructions carefully. Late applications will not be accepted. All applicants will be required to sit the Selective High School Placement Test on **Thursday 10 March 2022**.

Kindergarten 2022 and Student Enrolments for 2022

We are still receiving enrolments coming in for kindergarten 2022 and we are trying to finalise numbers in the coming weeks. Thank you to the parents/carers who have advised us of their plans for 2022. We are taking many enrolment enquiries at the moment, and it is very important that we have accurate information about our student numbers for 2022 to assist us in planning.

A Message from your P&C...

Santa Photos



Stay tuned for the details of our latest fundraiser – **Santa Photos at Copacabana Beach**. For a small donation you and your family will be able to have your photo taken with Santa in front of a stunning Copacabana Beach backdrop (so much more appropriate than fake penguins and polar bears, don't you think?). Start a new and Covid-safe family tradition this year – it will be outdoors and away from the crowds. More information to come soon.

Canteen

The canteen is open for **lunch orders only** on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays with a simplified menu. Drinks are available to order and are sent out to students in the lunch order baskets. We are still unable to offer frozen treats or over-the-counter sales. Please remember to **place your orders on Qkr! by 8:50am** on the day.

We are planning a **Sushi Day** for the last week of term – more information will be provided closer to the day.

If you have any questions about the Canteen, don't hesitate to send Kim an email at copacanteen@gmail.com or message her on Remind (class code @copasnacks).

Uniform Shop

Our **online Uniform Shop** is open on **Qkr!**. You will notice a separate uniform menu in Qkr! along with our canteen menu. If you haven't yet downloaded the Qkr! app, it is completely free and there are no additional costs to parents for ordering using the app. Orders placed by Sunday evening will be delivered to your child's class on the following Tuesday and orders placed by Wednesday evening will be delivered on Friday.

Due to Covid restrictions, we are still unable to open our physical store at school and we appreciate your patience and understanding.

Please note, if you are new to the school, or have a Kindergarten child starting in 2022, we will be offering a face-to-face uniform sale later in the term. This will be by appointment only and more details will be provided directly to the families involved.

If you have any questions about the uniform shop, please don't hesitate to contact Beckie and Jem at copauniformshop@gmail.com.



If you ever have any questions about the P&C, please don't hesitate to contact me at copapandc@gmail.com. I look forward to hearing from you.

Lucy Wenzke - President



Working at School



**Welcome
back!**

STEM News

I have had the pleasure over the last few weeks of teaching some of our Stage 3 classes. It has been wonderful to welcome back all the students and get them involved in some fun and creative challenges.

Firstly, we talked about gratitude and what we have to be thankful and grateful for. The students had some interesting conversations and were able to offer some insightful ideas and thoughts. The students wrote these down on cards and were then challenged in small groups with creating the tallest free standing gratitude tower using only 50 cards and 50cm of masking tape.

Check out their wonderful creations!



We then continued with the theme of towers but this time the students were more challenged and had to think about how weight has to be distributed on a skyscraper.

This challenge was a freestanding tower using 20 pieces of uncooked spaghetti, 50cm of masking tape, 50cm of string and one large marshmallow that had to be the top of the tower.

The students enjoyed the challenge and were able to reflect and evaluate effectively.

I wonder if any other students or parents could try this challenge at home?

How great are they!



Mrs. Peta Mumford
STEM Teacher

News from the Library

A huge thank you to the P and C for the wonderful donation of new books to our school library. The books are being processed and will be ready when we are able to borrow again. I am missing seeing the children in the library borrowing reading and being creative.

If you have any library books at home they can be returned and placed in the tub outside the library door. I will be preparing the library for stocktake and all books will need to be returned by the end of week 6.

Thank you again to the school community for your support of our library.



Mrs Shearer

3-6 Assembly Week 4

Class	Student
2/3R	Max B
	Lucky V
3/4M	Maddie A
	Aiden C
	Frank F
	Jude H
3/4S	Eli D
	Rudy B
	Lewis M
	Sophie C
4/5S	Maya T
	Archie M
	Levi C
	Hallie P
5/6F	Alara T
	Rhys H
	Kai H
	Ayla G
5/6R	Zoe E
	Kai D
	Luca C
	Marx G
5/6W	Iluka C
LAST/ SCI- ENCE/ STEM	Isabella W
	Lexi B



K-2 Assembly Week 3

Class	Student
KB	Mabel H
	Khalisha O
	Jonah G
	Drew M
K/1W	Indyana A
	Harmony W
	Alice B
	Bella S
1M	Saige M
	Lulu B
	Eric H
	Leilani R
1/2LP	Sunny V
	Rose C
	Koby K
	Micah W
2C	Drew C
	Nikita T
	Lyla P
	River M
2/3R	Jack M



Tjudibaring A.E.C.G

RECOGNITION AWARDS

The 2021 Tjudibaring AECG Recognition Awards will be live streamed at 5:30pm, 17th November.

You have TWO options to watch the live stream:

Watch via the Tjudibaring AECG Facebook. Join the Tjudibaring AECG Facebook group at

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/130597042244921/>

Facebook users are encouraged to comment and react in support of our amazing students.

OR

Follow the link to the Brightcove stream at

<https://bcove.video/3BCQXeg>

You may need to click the play button to start the stream.

Brightcove does not offer comments or reactions



Please see below our new Price list for the uniform shop. Please order through the QKR App.



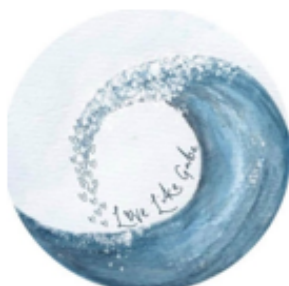
Copacabana Public School Uniform Price List

Any queries please contact the School Office or the Uniform Shop Managers at
copauniformshop@gmail.com

GIRLS		PRICE
Senior skirt* (year 5 & 6 only)		\$35
Junior Option 1 Dress (Kindy – year 4)		\$44
Junior Option 2 Skort* (Kindy – year 4)		\$30
BOYS		
Button up short sleeve shirt		\$25
Grey cargo shorts		\$30
Grey cargo Pants		\$38
UNISEX SPORT UNIFORM		
Polo shirt		\$25
Navy sport shorts		\$25
JUMPERS & TRACKSUIT PANTS		
Hoodie jumper		\$42
Hoodie with zipper		\$46
Navy tracksuit pants		\$25
MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS		
Navy broad brim school hat		\$12
Calico library bag		\$5
Navy canvas chair bag		\$18
Navy school bag		\$45

* Senior skirt & junior skort are worn together with the unisex polo shirt

Gabe Smith was a former student of Copacabana Public School and in honour of his memory, The Love Like Gabe Foundation is running a charity Raffle. 100% of the profits raised through the Love Like Gabe Foundation will be going to the following charities; Bear Cottage, Brain Cancer research, Central Coast Kids in Need and families in crisis. If you are interested in supporting the project please feel free to buy some raffle tickets by following the instructions below.



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Vacation care: 7 am – 6 pm

Please contact us with your needs and we will send you an enrolment form and an information package.

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How you can reach us:

- * **Landline:** 02-43826601
- * **e-mail (preferred):** avocaschoolcare@gmail.com
- * **Facebook:** Julee Dean (Avoca School Care)
- * **Blog:** <http://avocaschoolcare.blogspot.com>

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Learn more about the Child Dental Benefits Schedule

Call our friendly team at **02 4367 7500** to discuss whether your kids are eligible for the Child Dental Benefits Schedule (CDBS). The CDBS is a Government initiative that covers up to \$1000 worth of basic dental services over 2 years to help prevent and treat dental diseases. For full T&Cs read [here](https://www.servicesaustralia.gov.au/individuals/services/medicare/child-dental-benefits-schedule) (LINK <https://www.servicesaustralia.gov.au/individuals/services/medicare/child-dental-benefits-schedule>)



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