

## Effort Earns Success



### Principal's Message

*"We are the shapers of culture, the workers for change, the dreamers of dreams"*

Welcome to Week 8. It is so lovely to walk around each day, speaking to students on the playground and visiting classrooms. It's been fantastic to have our classrooms full once again with the chatter and laughter of students.

### Head Start

We have enjoyed a wonderful time welcoming our Kindergarten students for 2022 through the Kindergarten Orientation program. It was sensational to see so many little smiling faces and we are very proud of our new Kindergarten Superstars. It was lovely to briefly meet parents during the drop off and pick up. I would like to warmly welcome our new Kindy students and their families to our school and hope that their visits are the start of a wonderful learning journey and relationship with Copacabana Public School.

### Leaders 2022

A big congratulations to all the Year 5 students who presented their posters and speeches as part of the Student Leadership Election process for 2022. It was heartening to hear how all our young leaders exemplify kindness, respect, responsibility and pride. All the speeches were of a very high standard and I was extremely impressed with every candidate. Thanks to Mrs Woodham for her support of our future leaders and her organisation of the process. Our School Captains for 2022 will be announced on Presentation Day.



Congratulations, to our newly elected school leaders. Students will receive their leadership badge on our school presentation day assembly.

### Congratulations



Congratulations to Mrs Woodham who has been acknowledged for 30 years service to Public Education. Thank you, Mrs Woodham for your passion and commitment to the children of Copacabana Public School.

### 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. All decisions regarding our end of year celebrations are guided by NSW Health and the Department of Education and made to safeguard all our students and staff.

This year, our student achievements will be acknowledged and celebrated in two presentation assemblies – K-2 and 3-6. Both assemblies will be held outside under the COLA and will be recorded. Recording of this special occasion will be uploaded on the school website shortly after the conclusion of the Presentation Day assemblies.

### Coming Events

#### Week 9

**1st December**

**Red and Yellow  
day—No cost**

**Head start 9.15-  
10.45am**

#### Week 10

**9th December**

**Presentation Day**

#### Week 11

**14th December**

**Year 6 farewell**

**16th December**

**Students last day**





## Semester 2 Student Reports

The Semester 2 student reports to parents will look different to previous years as it has been modified to reflect the impact of COVID-19 and the Learning from Home period. It will be simplified to reflect the adjustments to learning this semester, focusing on English and Mathematics. Semester Two reports will go home on Thursday, 9<sup>th</sup> December.

## Student Attendance/ Sickness

All students are expected to be at school unless they are unwell. Students cannot attend school if unwell, even with mild symptoms. If your child has any COVID-19 symptoms, they will be sent home and must not return to school unless they have either:

- isolated for 10 days, when no medical certificate is available
- had a negative COVID-19 test result and are symptom free.
- In circumstances where a student has other medical reasons for recurrent symptoms, a letter from your GP is sufficient to negate the requirement for a negative test.

## End of the school year

The last day of the school year for students will be **Thursday, 16 December**. Staff will attend on Friday 18 December for professional learning and then we will all be on holidays until school resumes in 2022. Students (Yrs. 1-6) will return to school on Tuesday February 1<sup>st</sup> except for Kindergarten. Information will be sent home to kindergarten (2022) parents about the Best Start interview and starting dates and times.

Yours in education,

Mary Hunt

Principal

## News From the Office...

### 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.

## Reminder



Please make sure children bring a drink bottle to school each day.



## Cyberwise - Social Networking

Social networking is a large part of the social identity of young people. They are avid users of a range of social networking services including Facebook, YouTube, Snapchat, Instagram and Twitter. Many children also network through playing online games

All these services provide fun and engaging ways to:

- stay connected and interact with friends and family
- post information and updates about themselves and their activities
- share photos and videos
- chat and play games

comment on other people's photos, posts and profiles.

It can be difficult to resist the 'pester power' of your kids when it comes to allowing them to engage on social media, especially when their friends may be allowed. Whilst there is a risk they may feel alienated, there is increasing research showing the negative impacts of children accessing social media when they are not emotionally ready. Ultimately you know your child best and whether they can handle the responsibilities and pressures of being on social media.

Here are some tips to follow when making the choice:

- Get in the know. Research time 'terms of use' and age requirements on social media services and explain them to your child.
- Keep it private. Show your child how to use privacy settings to control what others can see.
- Play nice. Encourage your child to respect others online and to always think before posting.
- Report. Show your child how to report inappropriate content and cyberbullying.
- Beware of bad eggs. Teach your child that not everyone that they meet online can be trusted.
- Join in. Create an account yourself and find out what your child is likely to encounter.
- Talk. Maintain open communication with your child so they feel safe talking to you about any concerns.

Learn more. Keep up to date with popular social media sites at <https://www.esafety.gov.au/>

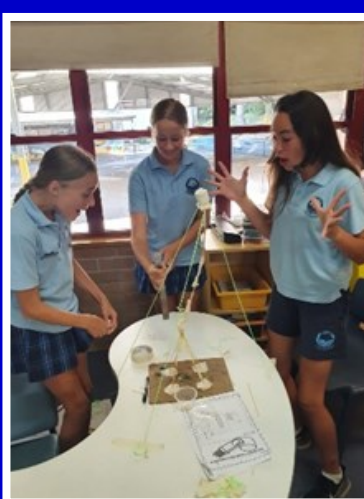
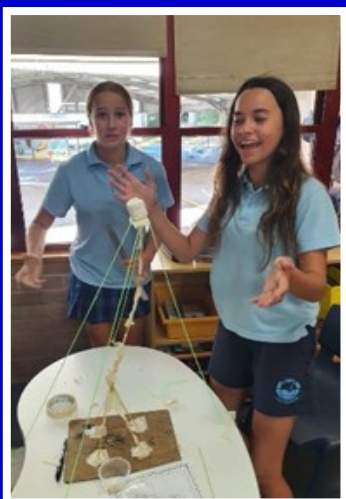


## STEM News

We've had a fun few weeks with Stage 3 and we have been completing a variety of fun challenges and exploring having a growth mindset.

5/6R did a fabulous job of their spaghetti marshmallow towers.

*Check out their wonderful creations!*





5/6F are aiming to spread positive vibes to all the students and teachers in our school. They designed some positive affirmations and then created some fabulous chalk art for everyone to enjoy.



Mrs. Peta Mumford  
STEM Teacher



## Tjudibaring Local AECG Awards

The Tjudibaring Aboriginal Education Consultative Group awards were held on Wednesday 17 November via live stream. This night celebrated the achievements of Aboriginal students across a range of categories and acknowledged the work of community members and teachers. Congratulations, to George H who was acknowledged for his dedication to learning.



# RED AND YELLOW DAY

WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 1<sup>ST</sup>

CELEBRATING  
NATIONAL WATER SAFETY DAY

REGISTER NOW!



All this involves is the students wearing **Red** and **Yellow** clothes to **Celebrate National Water Safety Day** as a mufti. We have registered for the event and will be sent out learning activities to work on with the classes. No money is required just a fun day to remind students about the importance of being safe near water.

When : Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> December

Cost : Nil



## END OF TERM **SUSHI DAY**

**Wednesday December 15th**

No normal lunch orders, sushi only

All orders need to be placed on Qkr!  
before Monday 13<sup>th</sup> December, 8:55am

Find the sushi in the Special Food Menu (instead of in the usual Lunch Menu)

Order now on:

Large Rolls **\$4.00**

- Chicken & Avocado
- Salmon & Avocado
- Cucumber & Avocado

6 Mini Rolls **\$4.00**

- Tuna
- Cucumber
- Avocado



## A Message from your P&C...

### Santa Photos



We are excited to announce that Santa Photos at Copa Green will be happening on Friday 17th December from 4pm – 7pm. For a minimum donation of \$10, you and your family can have a beautiful, professional Santa photo taken with Copacabana Beach and the headland in the background. The image will be sent directly to your inbox. Start a new, Covid-safe family tradition and have your Santa photo taken in the fresh air with a stunning backdrop. Our Santa photos will also coincide with the Copa SLSC Christmas Week-enders so you can combine having your Santa photo taken with live music, dinner and drinks at the Surf Club – make an evening of it! A big thank you to Change Property for sponsoring this event.

### Canteen

Sushi Day is happening on Wednesday 15th December (the last week of term). Sushi orders will open up on Qkr! in the two weeks prior – so keep an eye out for it when you are doing your lunch orders.



The Canteen continues to operate for lunch orders only and we greatly appreciate your patience in relation to this. If you have any questions about the Canteen, don't hesitate to send Kim an email at [copacanteen@gmail.com](mailto:copacanteen@gmail.com) or message her on Remind (class code @copasnacks).

### Uniform Shop

Have your children had a growth spurt during lockdown, or are their uniforms just looking a bit worse-for-wear? If you need new uniform items, don't wait for the late January rush – order everything now on Qkr! and enjoy your holidays.

Furthermore, if you have a girl in Year 4, now is the time to order her senior skirts to ensure she is all organised for 2022. Order online on Qkr!

Our physical uniform shop is not open at the moment, due the current Covid restrictions, but Beckie and Jem are working hard to fill all the online orders and have them delivered to your child's classroom.

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

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

Lucy Wenzke - President







## Values Education Assembly Respect

Class	Student
KB	Isaac C
K/1W	Indyana A
1M	Annika D
1/2LP	Alexander D
2C	Taj L
2/3R	Luna W
3/4M	Flint M
3/4S	Eddy K
4/5S	Chloe O
5/6F	Samuel B
5/6R	Ashiel C
5/6W	Blake B

## K-2 Assembly Week 6

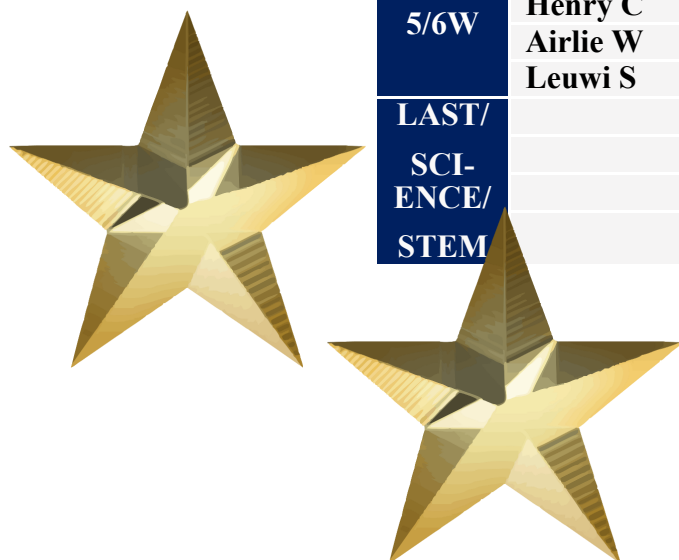
Class	Student
KB	Kiki S
	Felix T
	Jettie B
	Isaac C
K/1W	Evie S
	Alice B
	Isla R
	Lewis D
1M	Baley W
	Airlie O
	Elijah K
	Orion C
1/2LP	Imogen P
	Elkie F
	Tom C
	India S
2C	Ezra T
	Joshua W
	Ethan B
	Isabella W
2/3R	Ryder M





## 3-6 Assembly Week 6

Class	Student
2/3R	Scarlett S
	Jessica K
	Phoebe E
	Hana A
	Daphne B
3/4M	Flint M
	Frankie K
	Kael G
	Adele R
3/4S	Sienna C
	Finn B
	Leo M
	Bailey B
4/5S	Jack H
	Kaj K
	Jonah W
	Fraser M
	Samuel B
5/6F	Dean S
	Vera T
	Sadie C
	Roan M
5/6R	Millah M
	Kye G
	Serena K
	Jake K
	Henry C
5/6W	Airlie W
	Leuwi S
LAST/ SCI- ENCE/ STEM	



# GET ORGANISED FOR 2022

Did your kids grow a foot during lockdown?

Are their hats faded or falling apart?

In need of any other uniform items?

Avoid the late January rush  
and get organised now.  
Order all uniform items on  
Qkr! and support your school.



# ORDER SENIOR SKIRTS NOW

Are you the parent or carer of a  
girl in Year 4?

If so, get organised for 2022 by  
purchasing her senior skirt now.

Order online on Qkr!





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- \* **Landline:** 02-43826601
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- \* **Facebook:** Julee Dean (Avoca School Care)
- \* **Blog:** <http://avocaschoolcare.blogspot.com>



## COME MEET SANTA AT COPA GREEN!

Create Christmas memories with a COVID safe Santa photo by a professional photographer in the fresh air with Copacabana Beach and Headland as a backdrop!

Avoid the long queues at the mall and support your local school community.

**FRIDAY 17TH DECEMBER 2021**  
**4PM – 7PM**

**\$10 MINIMUM DONATION**  
**FOR A DIGITAL PHOTO EMAILED TO YOUR INBOX – CASH ONLY**

This fundraiser will run in conjunction with Copacabana SLSC Christmas Week-Enders.

Celebrations will include:

- Live & Local Band - Three of Everything
- Gourmet BBQ from Copa Smoke
- Bar open from 5pm



Wet weather back up date will be Sunday 19th December  
Organised by Copacabana Public School P&C Fundraising Committee

This event is proudly sponsored by:

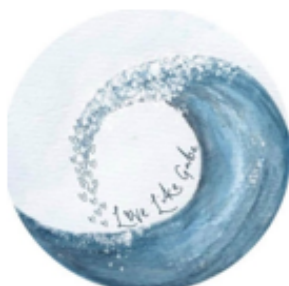


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"Change - Reclaiming the Personal Touch"



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.



**YOU COULD WIN A Macoy SURFBOARD WORTH \$899**

**And loads of other amazing prizes in our \$10,000 prize pool**

**WINNER TAKES ALL RAFFLE**

**When you buy a ticket in the [Love Like Gabe Charity Raffle](#)**

**To get your tickets, simply scan below**



### **Just Some Of The Other Prizes Include**

A weekend for a family of four at Mollymook South Coast – 3 X LED Treatments at Glamazon Beauty Avoca Beach –

\$500 Rug Voucher from Flooring Xtra - \$250 Voucher at Salt Hair Collective Avoca Beach – 2 x \$50 Meal Vouchers from Waves Café at Avoca Beach – Framed & Signed Central Coast Mariners Jersey – Yoga Classes at Happy Hot Yoga Woy Woy and Modern Organic Long Jetty - \$300 Voucher at Sojo's Mechanic & Tyre Service – 3 x 10 Class Passes from Mix Fitness at Copacabana

## Thank You to our 2021 Gold Sponsors



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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>)

## Central Coast Summer Chess Tournament for ages 6 to 17



**New venue...  
previously  
at Mingara**

**Entry fee \$20**

**includes lunch-pack**

Payment details and food  
options on contact with...

Gary Losh

[glosh6090@gmail.com](mailto:glosh6090@gmail.com)

**0432 453 726**

**Monday 10 January**

**Must pre-enter by Wednesday 5 January**

Coast Community Church, Adelaide St, Tumby Umbi  
9.30am – 4.00pm

With an educational chess puzzle competition  
and lots of prizes. Practice puzzles provided on entry.

**Minimum ability: Must know how to move the  
pieces and complete games largely unassisted.**