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# Copacabana Public School

Term 4 Week 6 2022

## Effort Earns Success

*Remembrance Day 11.11.2022*



## Coming Events

### TERM 4

#### Week 7

25 Nov—Colour  
Run 2-2.45

#### Week 8

29 Nov—AGM  
PSSA

1 Dec—Volunteer's  
Morning Tea

2 Dec—Mini Fete


#### KEY DATES

13 Dec —  
YR 6 Farewell

Motivate Sports —  
15 Dec - S2/3  
16 Dec -ES1 & S1

LAST DAY FOR  
STUDENTS —  
16 Dec

NSW DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION



*Copacabana Public School  
Helpers Morning Tea*

The staff at Copacabana Public School would formally like to welcome you to attend our 2022, Helpers Morning Tea.

We truly appreciate all you have given this year to our school and community.

**Where:** Copacabana Public School Library.  
**When:** Thursday 1st December, 2022  
**Time:** 11am

*We hope to see you there!*





**Swim School**



**Kindergarten Head Start**







**Tjudibaring Local AECG Recognition Awards Night**



## Principal's Message

*"Learning is a treasure that will follow it's owner everywhere". Anon*

Dear Parents and Carers,

### Tjudibaring Local AECG Recognition Awards Night

The Tjudibaring Local AECG annual awards presentation was held last night at Kincumber HS. It was a wonderful community night and it was so nice to see so many of our families attend the awards night. A sincere thanks to Jade Bush (Tjudibaring Local AECG, President) and the Tjudibaring AECG for your hard work and everything you do for our students.

Congratulations, to our Stage 2 and 3 Aboriginal dancers who performed on the night. You were simply amazing and we are very proud of you. Congratulations to all students who were nominated for an award in the following areas: academic achievement, dedication to learning or sporting achievements. Congratulations to George for receiving the 'Dedication to Learning' award and to River L for receiving the 'Sports Award'.

I would like to thank Mrs Wilson who has actively led our school's Aboriginal Education team this year and has been the school contact liaising with the Tjudibaring AECG to ensure our students are provided with the best educational opportunities and experiences. Thank you to Mrs Isbester for helping with the floral arrangements on the night.

### Student Leaders 2023

Congratulations to all our Year 5 students who nominated themselves for a 2023 leadership positions (Perfects, Sports Captains, Library and Technology monitors). Teachers and students that were in attendance were extremely impressed with the calibre of the candidates. Our 2023 School Captains will be announced on Presentation Day. Congratulations and best wishes to our incoming student leaders.



### Remembrance Day

Every year on the 11<sup>th</sup> November at 11am we observe a minute's silence to remember the service and sacrifice of our veterans. Thank you, Mr Mensforth, Mrs McCarthy and the school leaders for your organisation of the school's Remembrance Day service. Thank you, to Mrs Isbester for making the wreath for our special service.

### Intensive Swimming School

Congratulations, to our super swimmers who attended Swim school over the past two weeks. The NSW Department of Education School Swimming and Water Safety program is for all students from non-swimmers all the way to squad swimmers. For non swimmers the program develops water confidence and provides students with basic skills in water safety and survival. For strong swimmers, the programs develop confidence in deeper water and works on technique correction and confidence with a variety of strokes.

Thank you, to Mr Mensforth for your organisation of swim school and to Mrs Sutton, Ms Butler and Mrs Gilmore for supporting our students through the program. We also thank our wonderful P&C who have subsidised the cost of this very valuable program.

### 2022 Presentation Day

The school's annual Presentation Day will be held on Thursday, 8<sup>th</sup> December 2022.

### Volunteers' Morning Tea

Invitations have been sent home to the many, many volunteers and helpers in our school community, inviting them to attend our 'Thank You' morning tea. This will be held on Thursday, 1<sup>st</sup> December. This is an opportunity for us to thank our volunteers 'officially' for their tremendous support and help throughout the year. Our school is so much richer because of them.

## School Planning for 2023

As we commence the process of formulating classes for 2023, it is very important that if you have a student at Copacabana who is **NOT** in Year 6 and will not be returning to us next year that you let us know. It is vital that we have accurate information about our student numbers for 2023 to assist us in planning. I am asking that you let us know in writing if your child is not returning to Copacabana Public School in 2023. Please email the school at [Copacabana-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:Copacabana-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au)

If you are having an extended holiday and your child intends to return in 2023, but not in the first two weeks of school, we need this information in writing for auditing purposes. This helps the school let the Department of Education know the exact number of students who will be with us in 2023 to ensure we can form the correct number of classes. We can't count students in our numbers who are on holidays without the written notice from parents indicating their return. If this applies to you, please send the school an email or notify in writing by the last day of term.

## End of the year

The last day of the school year for students and staff will be **Friday 16th December**. Teaching staff will be at the school on Monday 19th December and Tuesday 20th December to engage in curriculum reform professional learning and planning in readiness for the 2023 school year.

## Thank you

It is an incredibly busy time in schools. I would like to thank the children for all their hard work and dedication to learning. Furthermore, I'd like to acknowledge the hard work of staff who are doing an exceptional job ensuring that our children have the best educational experiences. Finally, I would like to personally thank our parents and carers for their ongoing support. The return of annual events such as, the Yr. 6 mini-fete, swim school, Presentation Day and Yr 6 Farewell have been welcomed back into our school calendar. We are looking forward to the upcoming P&C COLOUR FUN RUN on **Friday, 25<sup>th</sup> November**.

Yours in education,

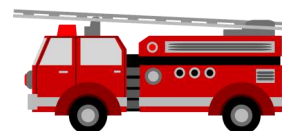
Mary Hunt





## Excursions

On Thursday the 16th of November Kindergarten walked down to the Copacabana Rural Fire station to learn about fire safety. The students had a wonderful time learning, exploring the fire trucks and using the water hoses.



## Science & STEM News

This term to culminate our Science learning for the year, we are studying Physical World, which covers lessons about forces, motion, electronics and why things do what they do.

Kindergarten have begun discussing how and why things can move. We have talked about Push and Pull and how this can lead to other motions and change the shape of objects. We played with playdough and drew pictures of how it changed.



Stage One have been discussing how our senses help us to identify things in the world around us. The students were very excited to use their five senses to investigate both unpopped and popped popcorn. They asked lots of great questions and examined the popcorn closely.



In Stage Two we have been learning all about heat energy and where it can be found. The students also investigated conduction and how heat can be transferred from one object to another. We examined which type of spoon was the best heat conductor when trying to melt butter.



**Mrs. Peta Mumford**  
**Science & STEM Teacher**



## A Message from the P&C



### Crazy Colour Day Fun Run

Our Crazy Colour Day Fun Run is fast approaching (25<sup>th</sup> November) there's not long left for students to fund-raise, so make sure your child has created their profile at [www.schoolfunrun.com.au](http://www.schoolfunrun.com.au) and has forwarded their fundraising link to friends and family. All students who raise over \$10 will be able to order a prize, but prizes need to be ordered no later than 23<sup>rd</sup> November so there's no time to waste!

All children will be able to take part (regardless of whether they fundraise or not) and parents/carers are encouraged to come along and watch the fun. It all starts with our Kindy and Stage 1 students who will run the course at 1:30pm sharp.

Mr Goaty Gelato will also be at the school for the afternoon, selling their delicious gelato in cones for \$6 – bring your cash or card. \$1 from every cone sold comes back to the school. We look forward to seeing you all there.

### Santa Photos

Santa Photos at Copacabana Beach are back for a second year. This year, we are holding the photos in conjunction with the Copa Christmas Carols on Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> December from 4pm – 7pm.



### Canteen

Everyone loves sushi day and it's happening again this term. Stay tuned for more information – it will happen in the last week of term.

### Uniform Shop

The Uniform Shop is open Thursdays only, from 8:30 – 9:00am.

Don't forget to donate any good-quality second-hand uniforms for us to resell through the Uniform Shop – all money raised goes back to the school through P&C funded projects. Simply drop donations to the shop on Thursday mornings or to the school office any day.

### Facebook

To stay up to date with everything happening at the school and with the P&C, make sure you like the school Facebook page, and our [P&C Facebook page](#).

### Next Meeting

There are no more meetings this year, but we look forward to welcoming you at our first meeting of 2023. It will be Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> February at 6:30pm. Everyone is welcome.

If you have any questions about the P&C, don't hesitate to contact us at [copapandc@gmail.com](mailto:copapandc@gmail.com)

Lucy Wenzke - President







A reminder that our school P&C are holding a Crazy Colour Day Fun Run as a major fundraising event this year. The event will be held on Friday the 25<sup>th</sup> of November. We are raising money to go towards school technology upgrades and resources.

Notes outlining the event details have been sent home with students. Thank you to all of the children who have created a profile page and started fundraising. We are well on our way to reaching our school target of \$10,000! If you are yet to start fundraising, it's not too late! You can sign up and begin fundraising at [schoolfunrun.com.au](http://schoolfunrun.com.au). Remember, students who raise \$10 or more will receive a reward and the more money you raise the better the reward and the more you help the school!

We're looking forward to all students participating in the colour run and we're organising a great day for our community, so we'd love everyone to come down to support the students. The colour run will begin at 1:30pm on the school oval.

Mr Goaty Gelato will be visiting on the afternoon of the colour run. Parents are able to purchase gelato in a cone or cup for \$6.00 per scoop for their children. No need to pre-order, just bring along cash or card on the day. Please note, children will not be allowed to purchase their own gelato during school hours or while the colour run event is taking place.

Thank you for supporting the school and we hope to see you at the event!

Mrs Danielle Bryson—Classroom Teacher

## News from the office

**Are your details you to date?** Have you moved, changed phone numbers or email address? Please inform the front office with any changes in your living situation so we can contact you if the need arises. We particularly need to keep phone numbers up to date for emergencies. Your assistance is greatly appreciated with this matter.

## Wellbeing

**Regular Attendance = Better Outcome Regular and punctual attendance at school is important.** Attendance patterns affect students learning. Students miss out on valuable content which includes valuable information, discussion and skills development that are the pathways to success and the development of high self-esteem. The following chart highlights the impact of non-attendance and partial attendance over time. Viewed in this context, the implication of regular absenteeism is startling.



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## VALUES

### Democracy

Class	Student
KL	Louie P
KW	Michael K
1C	Mila G
1/2M	Baley W
2R	Jude E
2/3S	River M



Class	Student
3/4J	Zara L
3/4M	Curtis M
4/5S	Banjo W
5/6K	Ziggy F
5/6W	Finlay S
5/6F	Jack H





**AVOCA VACATION CARE****19<sup>th</sup> December- 22<sup>nd</sup> December 2022****16<sup>th</sup> January – 27<sup>th</sup> January 2023****Daily hour's holiday: 7am-6pm****PARENTS PLEASE NOTE:**






- *Once you book, the fee will still apply even if you cancel.*
- *Children are to bring lots of healthy food & water as they get very hungry.*
- *Covered in foot wear must be worn at all times, no thongs. Bring a hat to play outside.*
- *Sunscreen is supplied by the centre; please bring towel & extra clothes for water play.*
- *Please arrive 20 mins prior to departure of all excursions.*

**Bookings: [Avocaschoolcare@gmail.com](mailto:Avocaschoolcare@gmail.com)**

	<b>Monday</b> <b>19th December</b> <b>\$80</b> <b><u>Water slide day</u></b>	<b>Tuesday</b> <b>20th December</b> <b>\$90</b> <b><u>Niagara Park stadium</u></b>	<b>Wednesday</b> <b>21st December</b> <b>\$90</b> <b><u>Woy Woy indoor pool</u></b>	<b>Thursday</b> <b>22nd December</b> <b>\$80</b> <b><u>Christmas baking</u></b>
	 <p>It is the perfect weather for some water fun.</p> <p>A double water slide is coming for maximum fun for all children.</p> <p><b>Bring some spare clothes and a towel, just in case!</b></p>	<p>Today the children will be playing all day. Wheel chair basketball, trampolines and foam pit.</p>  <p>A sausage sizzle and an ice block are included in this day</p> <p><b>The bus leaves at 9.30 sharp, please don't be late!</b>  <b>Returns at 3.30 pm</b></p>	<p>Today the children will swim indoors, we will eat our lunch outside undercover.</p> <p><b>Children that attend this day must be able to swim and follow instructions.</b></p> <p>This day is governed by Strick ratios to ensure all children are safe. Limited places available.</p>  <p><b>Bus leaving at 10 am, back at 3pm</b></p>	<p>Today the children will enjoy making edible Christmas treats to take home.</p> <p>This day is always fun and gets everyone into the Christmas spirit.</p>  <p>All children will have an interactive day in the kitchen!</p> <p><b>The Service will be closing at 4 pm, to give the educators a chance to get organised for Christmas too!</b></p>

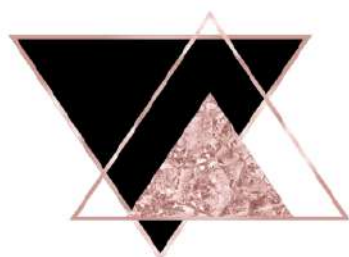


Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> January \$90	Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> January \$90	Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> January \$80	Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> January \$90	Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> January \$80
<b>Niagara Park stadium</b>  This day is always so popular we booked it again. A sausage sizzle and an ice block are included in this day    The bus leaves at 9.30 sharp, please do not be late. Returns at 3.30pm	<b>Bubbsocc</b>  Something new to try. Bubble soccer is action packed. The children will feel invincible as they bounce around the oval.    Google: <i>Ultimate bubble soccer Sydney</i> to find out what this is all about.  Adventure fun for everyone.	<b>Bike and skate board Day</b>  Bring you bike scooter or skate board. A  Helmet and safety gear must be worn.  Depending on the number of children we may take small groups of children to the skate park.  	<b>Let's go iceskating</b>    Today the children will have the opportunity to stay cool whilst skating at Erina Ice Arena.  We will travel by bus to the Arena.  Bus leaving at 11 am, back at 3 pm	<b>Freaky Friday</b>  It's creepy and it's spooky, The games we play are kooky....  Come in if you dare!!!    Dress up, watch a movie and enjoy the ghostly fun!!!!

Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> January \$90	Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> January \$80	Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> January \$90	Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> January	Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> January \$80
<b>Seeing Sound</b>  The Sonic Kitchen will conduct science experiments where children can see sound and interact with it.    Seeing Sound involves 1. discussion about vibration 2. making slime 3. making the slime dance using loud speakers 4. making sand pictures using a Chladni plate and iPads.  <i>" Seeing Sound takes children from ecstasy to awe! It also demonstrates the unbreakable link between movement and sound and is guaranteed to surprise!!"</i>	<b>Reptile man - afternoon</b>  At 2 pm, we have Kym the reptile man visiting us with some pretty special creatures.    <i>"Over 16 years of experience captivating the imaginations of children by displaying a variety of wildlife in a fun and safe hands-on environment. Learn, connect, explore".</i>	<b>Woy Woy indoor pool</b>    Let's head back to the pool for some wet and wild fun.  Children that attend this day must be able to swim and follow instructions.  This day is governed by Strick ratios to ensure all children are safe. Limited places available.  Bus leaving at 10 am, back at 3 pm	<b>AUSTRALIA DAY</b>  <b>PUBLIC HOLIDAY</b>  	<b>Mystery day</b>    Depending on the number of children we will make a decision closer to the day.



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