

"LIVE & LEARN"

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**Culburra Public School Mission Statement**

*We strive to walk together in developing strong learners, confident and creative individuals and active and informed members of the community.*

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**DATES TO REMEMBER:**

- **WEDNESDAY 30<sup>th</sup> APRIL**
- **FRIDAY 2<sup>nd</sup> MAY**

**First Day of Term 2 for students**  
**Cross Country**

**Principal's Report**

It was a fantastic finish to term 1 with our whole school ANZAC Assembly. A very big thank you to Leading Seaman AVN Charlie Blackstock from HMAS Albatross for joining us and sharing her commemorative address. Congratulations to our school leaders, our students in charge of our technology and the school choir admirably led by Miss Deys for contributing to a very moving assembly.

The Easter Hat Parade was also wonderful fun and a great way to finish the term. Congratulations to our student leaders who did an amazing job leading the parade, as well as all students who participated. A very big thank you to our wonderful P&C who organised the Egg Guessing Competition, the Hot Cross Buns fundraiser and Easter Raffle. Funds raised from the P&C Easter fundraisers contribute to the Stage 3 Canberra Excursion, contributing to the overall reduction of costs to 50% for our families. Finally, a note of thanks to the SRC for organising an Easter colouring competition and congratulations to the winners:

1. Kindergarten - Ronyx
2. Stage One - Isabel
3. Stage Two - Billie
4. Stage Three - Calai

**Term 1 Attendance**

Congratulations to all students who ended Term 1 with 100% attendance - this is an amazing effort. Students will be presented with their attendance certificate at our week 2 assembly.

**Community ANZAC Day Service**

Congratulations to all students who participated in the community ANZAC Day service during the school holidays. It was wonderful to see so many students from Kindergarten to Year 6 participate in the march as well as our school leaders and choir students contributing to the service- well done everyone! A few students attended both the dawn service at Greenwell Point and the Culburra Beach service as well - fantastic effort Kyron and Dallas!



## School Cross Country

The school cross country will be held this Friday 2nd May (Week 1 Term 2). An overview of the event is below. Please note that times are only an approximation. Parents and carers are welcome to attend but are required to remain on the oval and not on any part of the course.

2km Course – 8,9 & 10-year-olds. 3km course – 11 & 12 year-olds.		
9:05	Roll marking	Classroom Teachers
9:10	Competitors, staff and parents/carers gather in the COLA for messages.	Principal
9:15	Walk the course	2km course and 3 km course
9:30	Group 1	8 & 9 boys
10:00	Group 2	8 & 9 girls
10:15	Group 3	10 boys
10:30	Group 4	10 girls
10:45	Group 5	11- & 12-year boys and girls
11:00	Kindergarten, Year 1 & 7 year-old Year 2 students	Complete one lap
11:20 – 1 <sup>st</sup> Break – Student Hot Dog Orders will be delivered to classrooms.		
Student ribbon presentation in the Hall of 1 <sup>st</sup> break		

## Mother's Day

Wishing all families a wonderful celebration of Mother's Day on Sunday 11th May, celebrating the special maternal figures in our lives and remembering those who may not be with us. The P&C will be holding a Mother's Day Stall on Friday 9th May with prices ranging from \$2 to \$10. The P&C are open to any donations of crafts to add to the usual Mother's Day Stall items. Thank you Emily for your wonderful donation of handmade candles.

## Canteen

A very big thank you to Tegan C for taking up the canteen manager position and once again a huge thank you to Kel for all her hard work these past 12+ months. The canteen will be back in action next week.

## Election Day Cake Stall Fundraiser - Year 6 Farewell Dinner

In addition to the P&C sausage sizzle on election day we are asking all families for a donation of a cake or slice to sell with all proceeds going to the end of year farewell dinner for our amazing Year 6 students. Not only is it a great way to raise funds, cakes and slices sell very well on the day with many people buying a plate full to take home to have with a cuppa. If you are able to assist with this, you can send cakes and slices to school with your child on Friday or drop them off to the stall on Saturday. An ingredients list included with your cake/slice would be greatly appreciated.

## Student Report Update

The NSW Department of Education has recently released further guidance and support to assist with reporting student progress to parents and carers. From Term 2 we're introducing updated school reports.

The new format has been developed by the NSW Department of Education in response to feedback from parents and educators to make reports easier to read and understand.

Your child's report will still show their progress across all subject areas.

Teacher comments will appear in English and mathematics and the general comment section, in line with department policy.

The general comment for Kindergarten also covers all other key learning areas including, creative arts, HSIE, PDHPE, and science and technology.

A new achievement scale and descriptions are included to provide a clearer picture of your child's progress.

Parent teacher interviews remain an important way to discuss your child's progress and achievement in more detail.

We welcome your feedback or questions about the new report format.

Our school will adopt the templates provided by the NSW Department of Education without alteration. Reports will continue to be sent to parents via our parent portal.

Remember to vote on the weekend! Culburra PS is a polling place this weekend - the P&C is organising the BBQ for the ubiquitous democracy sausage.

### **Upcoming dates:**

Friday 2nd May - Cross Country/No afternoon assembly or canteen.

Thursday 8th May - Athletics Carnival

Friday 9th May - Mother's Day Stall, first assembly of the term @ 2:30pm.

### ***Mother's Day Weekend***

Yours In Education,  
Mrs Day  
Principal

- **Term 2:**
- Cross Country – Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> May.
- Tentative date for the athletics carnival - Thursday 8th May.
- Stage 3 Canberra Excursion - Wednesday 21st May - Friday 23rd May.
- Stage 2 Mogo excursion - Thursday 22nd May.
- **Term 3:**
- Book Parade - Friday 26th September (last day of the term).
- **Term 4:**
- STEM challenge and Grandparents Day – Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> October (New date)
- Art Show – Wednesday night 15<sup>th</sup> October (New date)
- Stage 1 Rock Platform Excursion - Thursday 13th November.
- Kindergarten Teddy Bears Picnic - Thursday 20th November.
- Presentation Day – Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> December
- Year 6 Farewell Dinner – Monday 8<sup>th</sup> December
- Silly Scientist Incursion – Monday 15<sup>th</sup> December
- Last day of the year – Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December

### **CHILD PROTECTION**

Notes have been sent home regarding the Child Protection Program for Kindergarten to Year 6 as part of the school curriculum. If you wish your child to **'opt out'** please complete the form sent home or contact your child's teacher.

### **BREAKFAST PROGRAM**

The Breakfast Program will run every Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday.



Celebrating a birthday this fortnight:

**Jagger**

**River**

**Taya-Jane**

**Sophie**

**Kai**

**Lakey**

**Ivy**

We hope you have a great day!

### **COMPASS EVENTS**

Please ensure consent and payment has been made on the Compass Parent Portal by the due date for the following future events:

Mogo Excursion – Stage 2 – due 13/5/25  
Canberra Excursion – Stage 3 –  
due 16/5/2025

### **PEER SUPPORT**

This week children discuss the importance of showing gratitude. Children reflect on positive aspects of their life, including people. Activities give children an opportunity to thank someone who helps them. During the week encourage your child to appreciate/thank people.

### **EXTERNAL SPECIALISTS**

**Parent/carers seeking to have external specialists work on our site with their child need to contact the school via email or a phone call prior to making any arrangements with the service providers.**

Spaces at our school are limited, and our individual class and overall school timetables are the top priority. If service providers contact our school directly, we cannot discuss any arrangement with them as the school has not been provided with consent from parent/carers to discuss confidential student information, I appreciate your assistance managing this process.

### **CANTEEN NEWS**

**CLOSED THIS FRIDAY 2<sup>nd</sup> MAY**

### **Burra Uniform Shop**

New & Preloved

OPEN FRIDAY'S 8.45am – 9.15am

### **Out of School Hours Care**

Monday – Thursday 3pm – 6pm

During the school term

Monday – Friday 8am – 6pm during the school holidays and pupil free days

Contact Jacinta on 4447 3069 and leave a message. Bookings are essential.