



# TALKING POINT

*"In caring & sharing  
In living & learning  
So shall we all grow"*

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**2009 NEWSLETTER – 17th AUGUST**

**TERM THREE WEEK FOUR**

*Term Dates: Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> July – Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> October*

**Uniform Shop: CLOSED THIS TERM - ORDERS TO THE OFFICE TO BE FILLED PLEASE**

**Dear Parents and Caregivers,**

A very sad and disappointing occurrence has happened over the weekend. Two rocks have been thrown and have smashed the windows in Mr Steven's classroom. What a disgrace this is. Most staff members were shocked and upset and commented that this is the first act of vandalism we have had in many years. Please, I urge all families to call the School Security number on 1300 880 021 and Toronto Police if they see anyone in or around the school buildings.

As you may be aware, any students or families who wish to use the middle field for sports practice, games or just to kick the footy around need to come and see Ms Creswell for an access card. It is just a small laminated card that we ask those who are doing the right thing to carry with them when on school grounds. This way, we know who has been accessing the school out of hours and the security fellows have proof that permission has been given.

**Dates for the Diary**

August 26 <sup>th</sup>	7PM Parent Forum on Child Protection - Library
August 27 <sup>th</sup>	9.30AM Parent Forum on Child Protection - Library
Aug 27 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6 GATS Day THS
Sept 2 <sup>nd</sup>	K-2 Oakvale Farm excursion

**NOTES TO BE RETURNED**

- Term 2 Choir and Band Fees
- Gymnastics 5/6D 6T
- Gymnastics KS KP 1G 1/2L 2M
- Auskick

Huge thanks to Mrs Bunny and the two Mums (apologies for not getting your names) who gave their time to help in the gardens last week. The Tidy Towns inspectors will be here tomorrow.

As always, thanks to Mrs Groves, our staff and students for their hard work and dedication to our school environment.

Thanks to all for the wonderful Pyjama day held last Friday. Well done to the Student Executive for their organisation of the day and to the mums, dads and students who got into the spirit of the day with their wacky PJs and slippers. We have lots and lots of lollies for the fete.



\*\*\*\* Another suspected case of whooping cough has been reported to the school office. Please consider this when bringing little ones / babies into our school grounds. \*\*\*\*

### PRINCIPAL'S AWARD

**CONGRATULATIONS to the following students for their outstanding efforts :**  
Matthew Macdougall, Luke Croquett, Milla Bussey.

### QUALITY WORK AWARDS

**CONGRATULATIONS to the following students for their outstanding efforts :**  
Adam Killian, Declan Ford, Marley Eakin, Sandon Roberts, Ryan Turier, Thomas Dobson, Claudia Howard, Keenan Groves, Isabella Jones, Charlee Chappell, Remy Tidy, Flynn Fardell, Declan Muddle, Myles Geddes, Aponi Bruin, Samuel Wormald, Sam Brown, Georgia Jones.

### K-2 STUDENT MERIT AWARDS

**CONGRATULATIONS to the following students for their outstanding efforts :**  
Kobe Nightingale, Felix Bonus, Isabelle Jones, Charlee Chappell, Sandon Roberts, Alex Russell.  
**SPECIAL DUTIES:** Ryan Turier, Timothy Perry.

### PRIMARY STUDENT MERIT AWARDS

**CONGRATULATIONS to the following students for their outstanding efforts :**

Jacqueline Maskiell, Drew Pallister, Emma Roughley, Lucas Geddes, Gracie Dole, Sophie King, Robert White, Nataasha Balliana, Mikali Anagnostis, Liam McDonald, Bree-Anne McNamara, Bribie Stansfield, Toby Anagnostis, Brayden Nayler.

**CHILD PROTECTION FORUM**

Two meetings, of all interested parties, will be held to investigate the current practice of how CPPS deals with the Child Protection syllabus. The Child Protection syllabus is a mandatory document, but I feel we can take a look at the how and what, when it comes to this area of the curriculum.

**WHEN: 26<sup>th</sup> Aug – 7PM library & 27<sup>th</sup> Aug – 9.30am library**

**AREAS for discussion:**

Child protection education K-10 scope and sequence

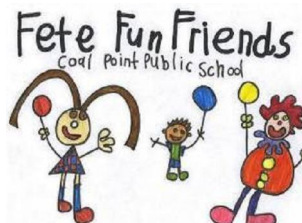
THEME	FOCUS AREAS				
	Early Stage 1	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	
1. RECOGNISING ABUSE	Protection	Protection	Protection	Protection	
	Body parts	Body parts	Body parts	Body parts	
	YES and NO feelings	Comfortable and uncomfortable feelings	Feelings and warning signals	Physical abuse and sexual abuse	
	Warning signals	Warning signals	Identifying safe and unsafe situations	Emotional abuse and neglect	
	Safe and unsafe situations	Safe and unsafe situations	Physical abuse	Indicators of risk	
	Touching	Kinds of touch	Sexual abuse	Identifying risk situations- people and places	
			Effects of abuse	Effects of abuse	
2. POWER IN RELATIONSHIPS	Relationships	Relationships	Relationships	Different types of relationships	
	Trust	Trust	Trust		Expectations of gender roles
	Rights and responsibilities	Rights and responsibilities	Rights and responsibilities	Personal rights	
		Caring for others		Rights and responsibilities	
	Privacy				
	Wanted and unwanted touching	Wanted and unwanted touch - permission	Abuse of power	Sources of power	
		Unwanted touch - saying NO	Bribes and threats	Coercion	
				Harmament	
3. PROTECTIVE STRATEGIES	Safety strategies	Safety rules	Safety strategies	NO GO TELL	
	NO GO TELL	Networks	NO GO TELL		Networks
	Networks		Networks		
	Standing strong- saying NO	Saying NO	Feel - think - act	Planning for safety	
		Assertiveness	NO GO- assertiveness		Responding to risk situations
Prepared to GO	Prepared to GO	NO GO- other strategies			
Happy and unhappy secrets	Happy and unhappy secrets	Secrets	Talking about it		
Telling - persistence	Telling - persistence	Skills for telling		Using personal networks	
My strategies	My strategies	Seeking help	Community support		
		My strategies	My strategies		

**Quote of the Week.....**

'You learn at your best when you have something you care about and can get pleasure in being engaged in.' Howard Gardner

**Our fete will be held on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> November from 11am – 2pm**

Best Regards  
Kim Creswell  
Principal



## Library News

### Premier's Reading Challenge

Congratulations to all those students who have completed the 2009 Premier's Reading Challenge. So far, we have had 45 students complete the challenge. Another 32 students who registered to complete the challenge have until Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> August to either complete their reading record online OR send their reading record in to school so they can be entered online on your behalf. No reading records can be accepted after that date. Students, teachers and coordinators have no access to online reading records from 31<sup>st</sup> August.

### Book Fair

To celebrate Book Week our school will have a Book Fair on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> August. Students, parents and teachers will be able to purchase books from the school library before and after school and before and after the book parade on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> August. Our school receives a generous commission on all books purchased which can be used to purchase more books or something else of benefit to our library. The book fair also benefits World Vision.

### Book Parade

To celebrate Book Week our student executive will assist in coordinating our annual Book Parade. Coal Point students always participate and it is a fun and exciting way of celebrating literacy in our school. Please support our students by helping them to think of a costume and coming along on the day. You will find out more about this in the next few days.

Mrs Kim Dowding (Teacher-Librarian)

**MISPLACED** – One size 12 microfibre school jacket belonging to Drew Pallister.

### COAL POINT SCHOOL UNIFORM SHOP

THE UNIFORM SHOP WILL NOT BE OPENING THIS TERM. ALL ORDERS WILL BE FILLED THROUGH THE SCHOOL OFFICE. PLEASE FILL OUT A FORM AND HAND IN AT THE OFFICE WITH PREFERABLY THE CORRECT PURCHASE MONIES. THE ORDERS WILL BE FILLED AND SENT HOME WITH THE STUDENTS.

## CANTEEN NEWS

Can you fill one of our vacancies? Please phone 0438662484 if you can help.  
Thank You to the following volunteers for keeping our canteen open every day.

Week 4			
MON 17 AUG	Leanne Beckhouse	Marnie Coulton	
TUE 18 AUG	Ros Evans	Betty Evans	
WED 19 AUG	Donna Cashin	Jeanette Fardell	Dawn McNamara
THU 20 AUG	Kylie-Ann Lysaght	<b>VOLUNTEER REQUIRED</b>	
FRI 21 AUG	Janice Roxburgh	<b>VOLUNTEER REQUIRED</b>	<b>VOLUNTEER REQUIRED</b>
Week 5			
MON 24 AUG	Maree Drayton	Angela Faithful	
TUE 25 AUG	Hayley Chappell	Lynlea Boggs	
WED 26 AUG	<b>VOLUNTEER REQUIRED</b>	<b>VOLUNTEER REQUIRED</b>	
THU 27 AUG	Colleen Johnston	Amy Bussey	
FRI 28 AUG	Melanie Pickles	Selina King	Kim

### This week's Specials ~ until sold out

Warm Apple Pies . . . \$1

Ham & Cheese Pizza Wraps \$1

Pasta Bolognese . . . \$2.50

*Specials must be ordered on lunch bags. Available only until sold out.*



## Volunteer Vacancies

Now is a great time to start volunteering at the canteen if you have not done so before.

We will roster you with an experienced person, so there is nothing to fear.

Anyone is welcome to volunteer at the canteen – mums, dads, grandparents, neighbours, friends.

If you require Community Work opportunities to satisfy Centrelink requirements you may use canteen time at our school.

Canteen management can be contacted via [CPPSCanteen@people.net.au](mailto:CPPSCanteen@people.net.au)

## **STEAMTRAIN RIDES ~ PICNIC DAY ~ Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> August**

**Lake Macquarie Light Rail, Onslow Rd, Toronto.**

A family fun day including unlimited rides on the steam trains and radio controlled model boats on the lagoon . Wangi Lions Club will be selling sausage sandwiches, kebabs, scones, tea, coffee, soft drinks and ice creams.

Visitors may also take their own refreshments for a picnic in the grounds.

**Tickets available at the canteen: Family of 4 \$20, Adult \$10, Child \$5**

Tickets must be purchased prior to the day. Refund guaranteed if weather causes cancellation.

Entry from 10.30am. Trains run 11am til 3.30pm

## COMMUNITY NEWS

### Fractures and Dislocations

Fracture is the term used when a bone is broken.

Broken bones are common in children and older people.

**A broken bone always requires urgent medical attention.**

#### **A bone may be broken if there is ...**

- Pain
- Swelling
- Deformity
- If the injured area cannot bear weight.



#### **What You Should Do:**

##### **Broken limbs**

- Stop any bleeding with a bandage.
- Cover any open wound with a sterile dressing.
- Support the injured limb in position you found it.
- Splint the fracture – immobilise the joint above and below the fracture site.
- Call an ambulance.

##### **Injured neck or spine**

- Keep the person as still as possible.
- Do not to move a person with a neck and spine injury, unless they are immediate danger of further injury.
- If the person becomes unconscious, gently place them in a recovery position and keep their spine in line at all times. Do not twist their neck or back.

##### **Dislocated joints**

- A dislocation occurs when the two surfaces of a joint are disrupted so they are no longer in contact. A dislocation often occurs with a fracture.
- Do not force a dislocated joint back into place. Support the limb and wait for medical assistance.

#### **Preventing Childhood Injuries**

- Fit safety gates at the top and bottom of stairs
- Always wear safety equipment when playing sports
- Wear a safety helmet when bike riding
- Always fit the child into a car seat or seatbelt in the car.

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