



# Newsletter

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## Soon@CCS

- 2/6 State Cross Country
- 7/6 Netball Tournament
- 8/9 Secondary Assembly
- 9/9 Kindy Info Dinner

# Blast from the Past



*Students and staff using inspiration from the past to dress up. See more on page 5.*

# Calendar & Notices

## JUNE

- 2.6.17 State Cross Country
- 7.6.17 Secondary All Schools Netball Tournament -Lismore
- 8.6.17 Secondary Assembly 1:20pm in MPC
- 8.6.17 Kindergarten Information Night Dinner 6:30pm
- 9.6.17 Athletics 800m and 1 event (8-18yo) during secondary sport
- 9.6.17 Primary Assembly - **11:50 am in A5** \*Note Change of Time\*
- 12.6.17 Queen's Birthday Holiday (no School)
- 15.6.17 Zone Soccer at Tweed Heads
- 16.6.17 Athletics 1500m (8-18yo) during secondary sport
- 19.6.17 Long Jump (8-18yo) coming out of class to complete
- 21.6.17 School Athletics Carnival
- 23.6.17 Primary Assembly
- 27.6.17 Staff, Parents & Senior Students Girls Volleyball (Lunchtime)
- 30.6.17 Last day for Term 2 - End of Term Assembly 2-3pm in MPC



## JULY

- 18.7.17 Term 3 Commences (note Monday 17th July is a staff day)

For all events please see school webpage calendar:

<http://ccs.nsw.edu.au/events/>



## CANTEEN

**2.6.17** - Regular Canteen

Helpers: K Boyd, K Farrugia, M Macdonald

Cooking: K Farrugia, M Macdonald

**9.6.17** - Regular Canteen

Helpers: K Boyd, K Farrugia, Volunteer

Cooking: K Boyd, K Eadie, Volunteer



## Uniform shop Opening Hours

**Monday 8am-11am**

**Wednesday 1pm-4pm**

All uniforms are to be purchased through the school's Uniform Shop. **Note:** there is a selection of second hand uniforms avail-



## VILLAGE HALL PLAYERS PRESENT

*Cinderella*  
The Pantomime

**Sunday 18th June 2pm - Kyogle Hall**  
**Sunday 25th June 3:30pm - Casino RSM**

Tickets available at Casino RSM Club  
\$10 Adults | \$5 Children | \$25 Family (2+4)

The Performance will include several CCS students.

# From the Principal

## Notice to Volunteers

Dear CCS Volunteers,

I wanted to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support of the school through volunteering your time. Your efforts have a valuable impact on the learning and well being of the children. I thought I should point out some information that may help you when you are here:



- Please feel free to use the staffroom and make yourself a cup of tea or coffee. If you need the toilet you are most welcome to use the staff toilet located in the office or the toilets in the staffroom.
- You will need to familiarise yourself with the evacuation procedures by reading one of the posters around the school. At its most basic, if you hear the evacuation alarm, it means that we evacuate the building and meet down on the far corner of the oval. Any person on the school grounds at the time of an evacuation must proceed to the evacuation point to be accounted for. If you hear the lock down bell the school is going into lock down. Proceed to the nearest lockable room, lock the door and stay there until you are given the okay.
- When working with children in the school, you have an obligation to report to me any concerns regarding child welfare. That is, if you feel a child is at risk of harm you must tell me. If you have not read or received the school's Child Protection Policy please ask the front desk for a copy or download one from the school website.
- As we do have a varied student population with gifts and abilities in different areas, you may at times work with children who are very able academically or children who really struggle. It is important at all times, that we protect the integrity of all children. That is, we don't speak about other parent's children to other people. If you feel the need to "debrief", please talk to the class teacher or come and see me.

Once again, thank you for your effort with the children. Your contribution is greatly appreciated.

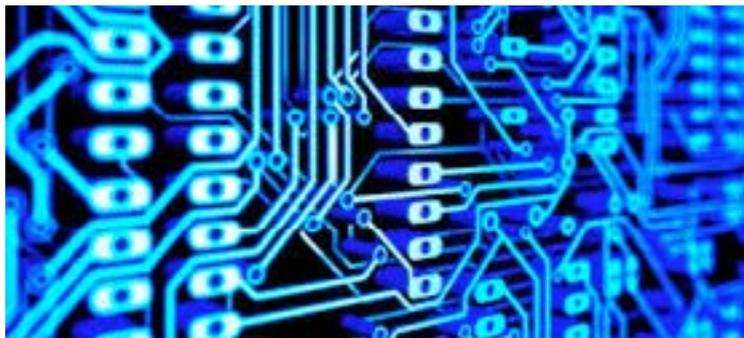
Respectfully,  
*Peter Spence*  
**Principal**



## *Kindergarten Information Dinner*

**Casino Christian School invites you to attend our Information Night Dinner. This is for parents with children enrolled in Kindergarten in 2018 and prospective Kindy parents. The dinner will be held in the current Kindy Classroom in the Primary Block**

**8th June 6:30pm  
RSVP 6th June**



## Electrical Circuit Challenges

*Angus, Caitlin, Hannah and Heidi recount their Science Investigations*

In Science last week, Year 8 used our brilliant minds to conduct and solve numerous electricity challenges. In groups of 2 and 3 we created our own circuits and solved problems to deepen our knowledge in 'Electrical Energy' (the current topic we are learning in class).

First, we did an electromagnet challenge where we made an electromagnet and used it to see how many paper clips it could pick up

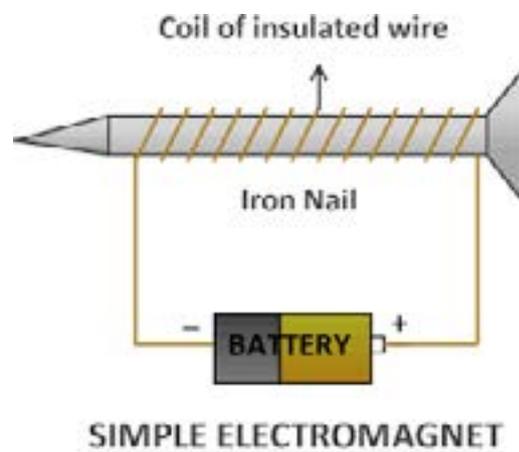
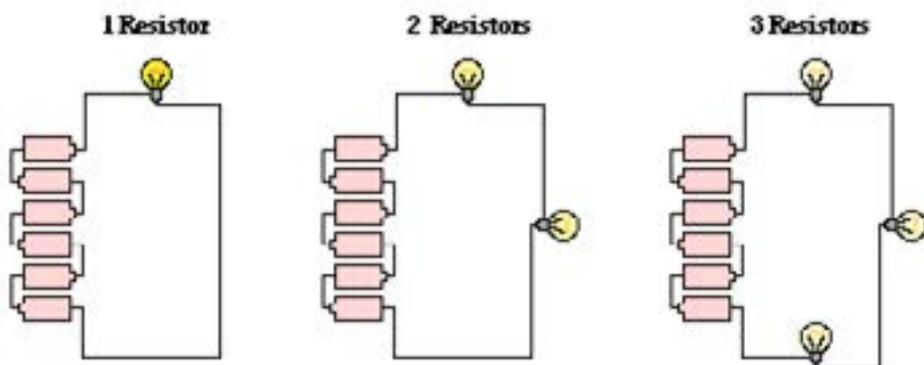
on 2 volts compared to an electromagnet on 4 volts.

Once complete, we moved on to the circuit building challenges. The first circuit had to have two light bulbs that were switched on with only one switch. The second circuit had to have two bulbs that could be switched on individually; and the final circuit had to have two bulbs – one that was on all the time and the other had to be controlled by a switch. There were a few set backs, but we worked out that you can 'piggy back' the wires so that multiple bulbs and switches could be connected from the same point.

We learned that the 4 volt electromagnet could pick up a total of 24 paper clips and then, with the power pack on 2 volts, we could only pick up 12 paper clips. After we had completed the challenges we had to draw a diagram of what we had created using circuit symbols.

We really enjoyed this practical. We had great teamwork in that everyone had a go at solving each problem.

Series Connection of Light Bulbs



# Beef Week Festivities



Donations from the Dress-Up event went to CCS's sponsor child in Educador

## Book Club



**Book Club Issue 4** has been handed out this week. The due date is **Friday, 9th June 2017**. Orders to the school office before the due date to avoid disappointment.



## National Simultaneous Storytime

Here is a link to the ALIA website. The Australian Library Information Association co-ordinate the NSS. We have uploaded some more photos of our students enjoying the day to their website:

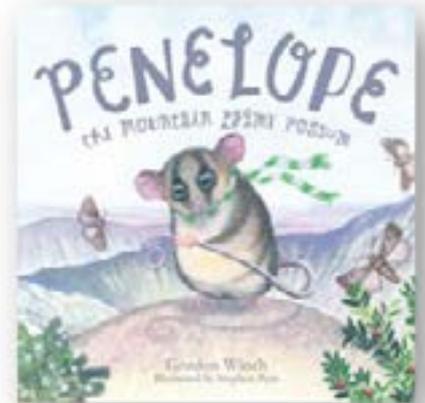
<https://www.alia.org.au/casino-christian-school>



## Penelope The Mountain Pygmy Possum

By Gordon Winch

Much of Penelope's story is true. Penelope is a Mountain Pygmy Possum who lives in the Snowy Mountains in Australia. She hibernates throughout the winter in her home under the boulders while her mate Percy and the other male possums spend the cold months further down the mountain where snow and ice do not reach. When spring arrives, Penelope hungrily snacks on Bogong Moths, but then her thoughts turn to Percy and she wonders why he has not made his way back to her yet.



This is a lovely story which finds the balance between make-believe and fact. It is a story about these tiny endangered marsupials and the impact humans have on their environment. But it is also a hopeful story which shows that, with a little thought, humans and animals can exist together well and demonstrates how these little animals help to keep the environmental balance in check.

The illustrations in this book are wonderful; especially the expressive eyes of the Pygmy Possums which will make you fall in love with these adorable little creatures. The beautiful colours used enhance the Australian setting and emphasize the quiet humour in Percy's brightly striped socks or the unexpected shock of the yellow bulldozer. Learn about the true story of the building of the 'Tunnel of Love' for male Pygmy Possums to safely leave and return to the Snowy Mountains during the colder months, while the female possums remain on the mountain and hibernate.

Penelope and the Mountain Pygmy Possum is a great story for 4 to 8 year olds and even adults.

# Year 3/4 Excursion Review

Last Thursday afternoon was nothing like normal; we stayed at school! You may think of this as a punishment but it was *actually the best Thursday afternoon of my life.*

I **excitedly** jumped out of the car and ran to my classroom. I was so late, everyone was already setting up their beds. Kass and I enthusiastically tried to set up our bed. Ten minutes later everyone ran to the bathrooms to get changed. After that the whole class sprinted out for afternoon tea.

Next we played our favourite game - chair soccer. We were all **screaming** and having the best time. Around 45 minutes later we had an amazing treasure hunt. Everyone was looking **very mysterious**. It was so hard that some kids were getting furious.

It was now 5pm at night. "**Time for Games**" everyone yelled at the top of their voices. The games we played were 'Duck, Duck Goose', 'Hit the Bottle' 'Bang' and a lot more. After the games we had devotions for about 10 minutes.

Next we all got our stuff for showers. Later on we had **yummy pizza** for tea. Later on we all got a sugar rush but we still played a game of *spotlight*, which was everyone's favourite part of the night.

After that the girls went into the boys room for a mysterious movie and delicious supper... warm milk and **cupcakes**. "Yay," everyone yelled in excitement. Mr. Robinson just had to ruin the afternoon, "Bedtime," he yelled. "Oh!" everyone else yelled. We all laughed.

I winked my eye as I woke up. I just had to wake Carys and Jorja up as well. We were so excited for all of the **INCREDIBLE ACTIVITIES** we were going to do that day. Two hours later we realised that we fell asleep again, but luckily we were in time for breakfast; toast, "Yum!" Jorja and I yelled at the top of our voices. After breakfast we read some of God's Word. It was interesting.

Yay. It's finally time, bowling time. Everyone ran to the bus because it was **DREADFULLY RAINING**. Luckily all of our activities were inside.

"We're here, finally," Kass and I screamed while running into ten pin bowling. At the end Kass, Carys and Jorja were looking at the marvellous bowling balls. Oh I wish I could have bought one.

We next headed to Maccas. Kass, Jorja and I all ordered a burger, fries and a perfect ice-cream, that made my **TASTE BUDS DELIGHTED**.

"Finally we're at the aquatic centre," my friends and I said while walking up the stairs to the most fun slide I've ever been on. After we went on the slide, Jorja and I made up a gymnastic routine.

"That was an **AMAZING DAY**," I said as the bell rang. "Home time," Mr. Robinson told us, as we ran to the bus.

by Ellie Bower (Year4)



# Year 3/4 Excursion Review

Thursday was one of our most **unexpected days of the year** you could possibly imagine! We were having a sleep over at school!

By the time school had ended we were already changed into our clothes in less than the **BLINK OF AN EYE**, racing out the door eating our afternoon tea.

After that we were all joining in playing **enjoyable games** while some of us were taking showers in turn. When it was time for dinner we were all eating pizza. I believe that I even ate half a pizza. **I FELT STUFFED AFTERWARDS.**

When we were done we had a great game of spotlight. I never got spotted except for at the end, when I was so close to winning that round.

Later we dressed into our PJ's and watched a **cool movie** about a cute dog who was being hunted by the **FBI** but was kept safe by some children. When lights were out we all slowly drifted off to sleep, but apparently some boys didn't bother to sleep.

When the *light of dawn* shone through the window we were all told to get dressed and pack up all our gear. By morning girls flooded the room taking up all the boys space leaving Mrs. Lili's classroom empty. In the morning we lined up to go to the food centre and some of us were just discussing with people what they were going to get for lunch.

While some people were happily eating their cereal others chatted to the person next to them.

When we got our swimming bag and wallet we quickly hopped on the bus and drove off to the Lismore **TEN PIN BOWLING CENTRE**. Dozens of people were going great including me for my third time playing bowling.

Afterwards we headed over to McDonalds where anyone could order anything they wanted. I ordered a McCheese Burger and a strawberry flavoured thick shake. *It was delicious!*

Straight after we headed to the pool where the **HUGE WATERSLIDE** was. Some of us stayed in the warm relaxing pool and the rest went down the slide. By the way, this was at Goonellabah. On my last go I came **crashing down** and bumped my head badly on the very end of the slide on the hardest part.

After that we were all told to get changed. We jumped on the bus to head straight back to school. So there you have it - **Year 3/4's excursion.**

by Angus Dowe (Year 3)



# SPORT - What's On

**State Cross Country - Friday 2nd June, 2017. Sydney International Equestrian Centre**

## **Netball Schools Cup Far North Coast Competition**

**Wednesday 7th June, 2017. Lismore Netball Courts, Ballina Road**

Please note: Leaving from Casino Presbyterian Church at 8.00am and returning to Casino Presbyterian Church by 3.30pm. Please return the permission note and money (\$20) TO THE OFFICE by Friday 2nd June 2017

## **ZONE Soccer (Tweed Heads) - Thursday 15th June, 2017**

Please note: The bus will leave Casino Presbyterian Church at 6.30am. The students will arrive back at the Casino Presbyterian Church at 5.30pm. Please return the permission note and the money (\$20) TO THE OFFICE by Thursday 8th June 2017

## **Casino Christian School Athletics Carnival -Wednesday 21st June, 2017 (Week 9) - Queen Elizabeth Park, Casino**

As there are so many Athletics events, not all of them will be held on the day of the Carnival. Some will be held over the 2 weeks leading up to the Athletics Carnival. Please see the calendar and information notes that were sent out for details.

### **Frequently Asked:**

- Track and Field events are for students turning 8 years and up in 2017. Students who are 7 years and under (in 2017), will have some novelty events on the day of the Carnival (organised by the Infants teachers).

- With the exception of the 400m, 800m & 1500m Track Events, it is expected that ALL students will participate in EVERY event.

- Age Groups - Students participate in the age group they turn in 2017 not the age you currently are if you haven't had your birthday yet.

- Canteen - There will be a canteen running at the Carnival for students and families

### **TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS TO QUEEN ELIZABETH PARK (MORNING)**

Buses: Those students who normally catch the bus to school will be dropped off at Queen Elizabeth Park

Everyone else: If you don't normally catch the bus to school then you will need to make your own way to Queen Elizabeth Park.

### **TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS TO SCHOOL (AFTERNOON)**

Every student will have to catch a bus back to school in the afternoon unless they:

- 1) Are picked up by a parent/guardian before 2.25pm
- 2) Have a note to leave from Queen Elizabeth Park. This note needs to be brought to the Carnival and not handed in at school. If the child has no note they must go back to school on the bus. No exceptions.

Everyone is Welcome!

Family and friends are welcome and encouraged to cheer on the students at the Athletics Carnival.

