Welcome back to Term two. Once again we had a smooth start to the Term. We have a new school logo which now incorporates the Hub. This will be incorporated into all of the schools uniforms, stationery etc once the old stock is depleted. It is very rewarding to now have a symbol that clearly shows how we are united as one. Shane McLaren has spent many volunteer hours designing our Logo as well as sourcing badges, materials, brochures signs etc, for us all at no charge. We are most grateful for his generous assistance.

With the money raised from the school fete we have purchased 30 new iPads, 24 Apple TV’s which are used to project the iPads to the Interactive whiteboards, cases, lockable sync trolleys and the appropriate education apps. Once again we thank everybody for supporting the fete and helping us raise enough funds to cover the costs of our new iPads.

Some senior grade children have been involved in either receiving or sending inappropriate social media messages to / from their peers. I would encourage all families to be very aware of what your children have been sending or receiving via social media sites and to strongly encourage only accepting people as “friends” that they know well and preferably to check with you first. Please report any inappropriate messages.

Over the past two weeks all grades have been learning about The ANZACS. Grades 1 to 6 have visited the Cultural Centre to observe and interact with the ANZAC display. CPS will be represented at the ANZAC Day ceremony at the Cenotaph this Saturday by our school Captains Max Walton and Paige Bennett and our Vice School Captains; Will Taylor Eagles and Jordan Reiter.

Congratulations to our students who represented our school in the State Swimming Competition held at MSAC last week. It was an outstanding achievement to swim at that level. The 10 year old girls relay team were placed 4th and swam 13 seconds faster than previously recorded. Jude Grace was placed 3rd in the breaststroke and Matilda Grace was placed 10th in the 10 yr old freestyle.

Thank you to all the parents who assisted with the school athletics which were held on Monday. The District athletic Competition will be held this Friday. A new crossing point has been installed on Settlement Road on the corner of Douglas Road, just down from Mitre 10. This new crossing point has been installed to encourage children that are traveling down Settlement Road to cross there rather than at the roundabout. Council Safety Officers have been manning the point over the last two weeks.

Amy Luke is running the Mothers’ Day stall this year. She is seeking assistance. If you are able to help assist Amy with this we all would be most grateful. Please contact Amy on 0408 420 933.

It is Education Week, May 17 – 23, the theme this year is Numeracy Cracking the Code.

Sue Becker
Principal

| Fri 24 Apr | District Athletics WSC |
| Sat 24 Apr | Anzac Day |
| Mon 27 Apr | Assembly 9am School Day |

| Mon 5 May | WALA Incursion Whole School |
| International Compositing Week Wonthaggi Secondary College |
| Information Evening for Year 5/6 students 7pm at CPS. |
| Thu 7 May | Mothers’ Day Stall |
Cowes Primary School Values
This fortnight’s social skill we have been focusing on is ‘Doing your best”. This means putting 100% effort into everything you do. It is important to persevere and stick with something even when it is difficult.

Wonthaggi Secondary College
Year 7 Information Night for current Year 5 & 6 students.
Wonthaggi Secondary College invites Parents and Carers of Students entering Year 7 in 2016 & 2017 to attend an information evening session about Wonthaggi Secondary College and the transition process from Primary School to Secondary school.
When: Monday 4 May
Where: Cowes Primary School
Time: 7pm
For further information please phone Dudley Campus Principal & Transition Coordinator Ross Bramley on 5672 0900.

Head Lice Volunteers
Our school is planning to hold Head lice checks. If you would like to be part of the team please contact the school office or return the slip below to the office.
Name........................................
Student name..............................
Room number..............................
Contact number...........................
Days available ............................

Book Club
Please remember that orders are not being taken at school. All orders for books must be done through the Scholastic Book Club Website as explained in the letter sent home with each catalogue. If you have any questions you can leave your details with the office and I will give you a call.
Thanks Kevin Love.

Important Dates for 2015
♦ Friday 21 August - Pupil Free Day.
♦ Monday 2 November - Report Writing Day

Active After School
The Federal Government funding has ceased for Active After School Program. The Federal Government is working on a new initiative which may start mid year.

Announcements and Messages
A reminder to parents that we no longer make afternoon announcements. Please ensure your child/ren know what to do at the end of the day. If you feel a reminder is needed please write it in your children diary.

Welcome to Camp Australia
After School Care
Our operation hours are -3.30pm-6.00pm
After school care contact number- 0424 483 477.
Camp Woorabinda

In the last week of term 1, a group of students attended a five day camp to Camp Woorabinda in Yallourn North. Camp Woorabinda focuses on the values of the three C’s - Courtesy, Cooperation and Consideration. The students had wonderful stories to share about their unique experience. Activities the students participated in included Bush Art, Cookout (bush lunch), Zip Wire, Archery, High Ropes Course, Canoeing and Animal Handling. One of the most challenging activities the students participated in was Hut Building. The huts needed to be strong and waterproof. In the evening there was a games night and a disco where new dances were learnt. One of the campers said “I felt nervous but it was great fun to get through each challenge.”

Front row: Nate Waters, Charlotte Nolan-Jones, Annie Dempsey, Yves Robertshaw, Rory Niven, Leon Matthews, Jake Johnston.


Back row: Ethan Murdoch, Jacob Timmermans.

Absent: Jye Christie
**Earth Hour at CPS**

For the first time in 2015, the popular Earth Hour campaign held a schools event. Students were encouraged to turn off nonessential lighting for the whole day at school. There was also a competition for under 18 year olds. Young Australians were asked to shine a light on the impact of global warming on Aussie food and farming.

At Cowes Primary, Grade 3-4 hosted an 'Old Fashioned Games Day'. Each grade played some old favourites to remind them how much fun can be had without the use of computers, lights or lots of equipment. The students rotated through activities like elastics, corn hole, Klop and coin soccer. Mica Geronimo, Chloe Schumacher and Charlotte Nolan-Jones entered an Earth Hour competition and were lucky enough to be selected as finalists. Their poster was about how climate change will affect the diary industry and how it would impact on some of their favourite foods such as ice-cream and yogurt.

Prep classes also took part using the opportunity to explore and discuss their environment whilst using minimal lighting. They talked about how you can care for your environment and drew pictures of themselves making positive choices that affect their world.

**Westernport Water excursion**

At the end of Term 1 all the grade 3-4 classes visited the water treatment plant at Ventnor. This excursion provided an amazing insight into what goes into keeping our urban water cycle flowing. Most people are familiar with how we catch and treat water for our needs as humans, but what we often forget is what goes down the drain when we have finished with it. The reality is that to keep our homes beautiful the waste we flush and wash away has to go somewhere. On Phillip Island that place is the treatment plant at Ventnor. There is no need to go into the things we all know need to be flushed away, what was fascinating was what ends up there and shouldn't. Everything from mobile phone, underwear and toys has been flushed and washed away. As a follow up activity the 3-4’s have created posters to help us all make better choices for what can go 'Down the Drain'.

![Westernport Water excursion](image_url)
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Down the drain poster prepared by Kayla Carpi & Ruby Taylor
Mothers’ Day Stall
on
Thursday May 7

Looking for helpers to assist with wrapping prior to the stall and to help on the stall on the day.

Wide range of assorted gifts
Gifts from $1.00 to $10.00.
Lily Huther’s winning football jumper design which will be worn in the 2015 Indigenous Round.

Phillip Island Pony Club
Combined Training Day at Ventnor

Gracie Newman, Lilly Woolley, Chloe Woolley, Gisele Smith, Sarah Eldridge who enjoyed their training day on Sunday 19 April.
FREE Q & A Panel Event @ The Royal Children’s Hospital

The Asthma Foundation of Victoria, in partnership with The Royal Children's Hospital and Royal Melbourne Hospital, is very excited to announce that once again it will be holding a FREE Q&A Panel Event in June 2015.

This year’s event will be focused on ‘Managing Asthma and Allergy’. An Expert Panel, consisting of respiratory and allergy specialists, will address key questions and concerns you may have in regards to asthma and allergies. The event is open to all ages, those recently diagnosed or with life-long struggles in managing their asthma and allergies.

The panellists will be available to answer all of your questions.

Date: Sunday 28 June 2015
Time: 4pm to 6pm
Venue: Ella Latham Auditorium, Royal Children’s Hospital, Parkville
Cost: FREE

To register visit asthma-and-allergy.eventbrite.com.au or contact The Asthma Foundation of Victoria on advice@asthma.org.au or 03 5326 7000.

Asthma Education for Parents and Carers

A reminder that Asthma Foundations across Australia are able to provide free asthma education sessions to parents and carers.

These sessions can be conducted either at the school or at a convenient location for a group of parents or carers. For more information, please contact us on 1800-ASTHMA or schools@asthma.org.au

News from The Asthma Foundation of Victoria’s Training Department

We are a Registered Training Organisation, which delivers accredited courses under the trading name of Learn It. Live It.

That’s what we want people to achieve from our courses:

LEARN new skills and knowledge and help themselves and others.
LIVE a healthier life particularly in managing asthma, anaphylaxis and first aid emergencies.

To find out more about our nationally accredited training go to www.learnityour.org.au

The Asthma Foundation of Victoria

www.asthma.org.au
1800 ASTHMA (279 462)
Penguin Parade car park, Phillip Island, Australia

This newsletter has information for each of the new target groups under the Australian government funded Asthma Child and Adolescent Program that funds training and resourcing for schools and their staff. Please share these as appropriate with your school community.

You Care We Care campaign

Asthma Australia and the Asthma Foundations receive Federal funding to deliver improved care to people with asthma and their carers. To help ensure this vital service continues, we are asking parents of children with asthma to sign up to our You Care We Care campaign. Parents can register as Asthma Ambassadors to show their support.

Parents are also encouraged to share stories about their experiences looking after a child with asthma. This can be done by going to #breathingtogether on social media. These stories will be collated into a digital storybook and provided to the Prime Minister, Premiers/Chief Ministers and their Health Ministers in National Asthma Week (1-7 Sept), along with the list of Asthma Ambassadors from around Australia. We encourage stories about the successes as well as the challenges. Find more information on the Asthma Australia website.

Asthma Kids

As reported in the last newsletter, a new online resource for all primary aged children will be available soon. This resource provides asthma information for all children, with or without asthma, via ‘Chester’s asthma trail’.

Asthma Kids can be done at home (with a parent for younger children) as well as in classrooms. The site is interactive with students collecting blue balloons as they progress, leading to a certificate and going into a prize draw. Teachers will need to provide contact details at this point to comply with online requirements for children.

Facebook page for young people with asthma

A new Facebook page has recently been established for 13-25 year olds with asthma. The page is titled Young People With Asthma – Australia. Secondary aged students (must be 13yo & over) and other young people can share their experiences, hear about latest developments and get tips on asthma management. Regular sessions will be held for young people to have their asthma questions answered by an asthma expert.

There will also be chances to provide input to our directions and resource development for this age group.
In early December 2014, a marquee was set up for the community to come along and have their say about the future of Cowes Town Centre. As the marquee was successful and community input strong, Council are setting up a second marquee to exhibit the draft Cowes Activity Centre Plan. Everyone is invited to drop-in to the marquee and view the draft Plan.

**Drop-in Times**
- Saturday 25 April 1.00pm - 4.30pm
- Sunday 26 April 9.00am – 4.00pm
- Monday 27 April 9.00am – 4.00pm

**Presentation Times**
Formal presentations will run each day from 2-3 pm. Retail traders are invited to an evening presentation from 7 – 8 pm on Sunday 26 April in the marquee.

**Feedback**
The draft Plan will be on exhibition from Monday 20 April to Tuesday 19 May 2015. You can view the Plan on Council’s website or a hardcopy is available for viewing at any of our Customer Service Centres in Cowes, Wonthaggi, Inverloch or Grantville.

I encourage you to take this opportunity to inspect these documents and to provide Council with any comments you may have in relation to the draft Plan. Submissions can be sent to strategicplanningadmin@basscoast.vic.gov.au or Robyn Young, Bass Coast Shire Council, PO Box 118, Wonthaggi 3995 by 5.00pm Tuesday 19 May 2015.

Submissions without contact details including name and address (either email or postal) will not be accepted.

A survey requesting feedback will be available on our website from Monday 27 April. You can complete the survey online through our website or a hardcopy of the survey can be requested by contacting strategicplanningadmin@basscoast.vic.gov.au. The survey can be treated as general feedback of the draft plan and consultation process or as a formal submission.

For further information please contact me on 1300 BCOAST (226 278) or via email at robyne.young@basscoast.vic.gov.au.
Need help spelling, reading and writing?

English and Maths Tutoring
Primary and Secondary
Corina Suidgeest 0435 502 693
B.A. Vis Arts, Grad Dip Ed
corina.suidgeest@gmail.com

Teaching literacy using the Spalding method.
We can de-code the English language by learning phonograms, (letters and groups of letters) and the sounds they can make.
Learn spelling and the rules of English systematically.
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Tutoring

Tutoring

Dean Luke Guitar School
Phillip Island guitar lessons designed to achieve musical goals, cater to musical preferences and help each student become the guitar players they want to be.
Call to book a FREE, no-obligation guitar lesson.
Dean 0490 137 621 phillipislandguitarlessons.com

AusKick
For Girls and Boys turning 5 this year to 12 years old
Commencing - Friday 24th April 2015
Friday Nights - 5pm – 6pm
Phillip Island Football Club, Church St, Cowes
Registrations must be completed and paid for online at http://www.aflauskick.com.au/register/
Parent helpers required – if available please email swalton@bigpond.net.au

YMCA Phillip Island Leisure Centre

YMCA Kids Fit (with Mel)
Mondays 10.30am – 11.15am (10 week term based development program for preschool)
3 to 5 years inc: gymnastic and multi sport skills & games

YMCA Kids Kickboxing (with Piotr)
Tuesday 6.00pm – 7.00pm 11 week term based program
6 years to 14 years inc: boxing and kickboxing technique and fitness

YMCA Kinder Soccer (with Fybian)
Tuesday 2.30pm – 3.00pm 11 week term based program
4 to 5 years inc: ball skills and social games program

YMCA Social Junior Soccer (skills & games with Fybian)
Thursdays 4.00pm – 5.00pm 11 week term based program
Primary Years YMCA managed soccer skills and social games program

YMCA Aussie Hoops
Fridays 4.00pm – 4.40pm (learn the skills of basketball) Term 2 commenced 17th April
Prep to Grade 2 inc: skills training, games, fun & fitness
Also available for kids: Junior Basketball - Mondays & Tuesdays, Kung Fu – Wednesdays

Market on Chapel
Uniting Church Cnr Warley Ave & Chapel St, Cowes.
Is on this Saturday April 25. (Anzac Day 1pm to 4.30pm)
Home-baked goods. Rugs etc. Proceeds raised support the work of the Uniting Church Local, Australia and Overseas.
For more information phone Faye Haslam on 5952 5905 or 0407 815 087 or Graham Sim 5952 5213 or 0417 541 820.