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Culburra Public School Mission Statement
 ‘The mission of Culburra Public School is the delivery of high quality education and teaching outcomes which are responsive to the needs of all students and enhance the aspirations and expectations of the total school community’

ISSUE 3 / TERM 3

DATES TO REMEMBER

- FRIDAY 31ST July
- MONDAY 3RD August
- TUESDAY 11TH August
- WEDNESDAY 12TH August

Whole School Assembly 9.05am in the hall
District Athletics Carnival
University of NSW Maths Assessment Test
Combined Book Week & Education Week activities

PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

The cake stall and mug day held last week raised $470 to support Sam Wright Smith’s participation in the State Hockey team. I am pleased to share with you the news that Sam has been successfully appointed as captain of the team – congratulations Sam, and many thanks to everyone for your support of this recent fundraiser, I know it is greatly appreciated - we wish you all the best Sam.

This week is officially Education Week – we will be combining two important celebrations - Education Week and Book Week on Wednesday 12th August. We will kick off with classroom visits at 11:40 a.m. followed by a whole school book parade in the Hall at 12:00 and finishing with a whole school sausage sizzle – we hope to see you there!

Students should have received notes for the District Athletics Carnival (a separate note has been handed out for the High Jump) and Southern Stars rehearsal. Due dates for these notes are as follows:

District Athletics note (blue): Friday 31st July
Southern Stars (purple): Friday 31st July

A permission note for the 5/6 students participating in the basketball gala day to be held at Bomaderry on Friday 7th August will be sent home today (yellow note) and is due back by Wednesday 5th August.

Many thanks to all parents who support these extra-curricular activities through helping with transport – we couldn’t do it without you. Please remember that permission notes will not be accepted the day of the excursion for organisational reasons. Assistance is available for excursions should you require it, please contact me during office hours to make these arrangements and remember that the permission note is the most important item that needs to be returned to the school, payment alternatives and support can occur after the excursion date.

I have been asked to send out the attached letter from NSW Health (included at the end of this newsletter) there are no new reports of whooping cough but please be vigilant in this regard. Please contact the school immediately if your child is diagnosed with whooping cough.

Kind Regards
Melissa Day

SPORT NEWS

The District Athletics Carnival will be held on Monday 3rd August 2015.
Please ensure all notes are returned.
Yours in sport,
Mr Evans

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Celebrating a birthday this week:
Buna
Nicholas
Emma

We hope you have a great day!

LIBRARY NEWS

Book Week is celebrated nationally this term, where students immerse themselves in authentic Australian literature and celebrate reading of all flavours. We have decided to celebrate this event in Week 5, with a character parade scheduled for Wednesday 12 August. It has been wonderful to see all students participate in this fun day for many years now, with some very creative costumes on display! Children are invited to come dressed as their favourite book character for the parade, with class and individual participation awards handed out at the event. More information will be sent home in due course. Also a reminder that all book club orders need to be received by lunchtime this Friday.

Happy Reading,
Mrs Robertson.
Culburra & Districts Preschool
20 Otway St Orient Point
Ph: 4447 2505
Community Managed Not-for-Profit Preschool
Catering for 2-6 year old children
Early Childhood + School Readiness Program run daily
Occasional Care Available
Open Mon-Fri 8am to 4pm
8 hours care for all children
Come and visit our preschool and meet our qualified, caring staff.
ENROL NOW!!

CULBURRA BEACH PRESCHOOL
4447 3838
Ages 2 to 6 years Sunshine Street
Culburra Beach 8am-4.30pm
Families can receive CCB (Child Care Benefit) PLUS the 50% Child Care Health Rebate

- Families that have a Health Care Card or receive "Family Tax Benefit Part A" will pay as little as $12.85 per day after receipt of 100% CCB plus the 50% cash rebate
- Awarded "High Quality" rating on six out of six occasions by the National Child care Council
- Qualified staff working in a happy environment
- Individualised early childhood learning program preparing your child for Kindergarten
- Morning & afternoon tea are provided FREE
- Open 48 weeks of the year
- No charge for Public Holidays and
- No fundraising
- Enquiries & visits welcome
- Please call in to see "Maureen"

Recreational Screen Time and Health
Children spend more time in front of screens than any other activity apart from sleeping. Research shows that children who spend over 2 hours in front of screens each day are more likely to be overweight, are less physically active, drink more sugary drinks, eat more 'sometimes' foods and have fewer social interactions. Try to limit your child’s recreational screen time to 2 hours a day.

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It's on again the Earn and Learn Promotion. Stickers and/or completed cards may be posted in the box located in the front office or at Woolworths, Culburra Beach. Whilst we support this promotion we are in no way asking parents to change their regular shopping habits. Please continue to shop at your usual place but if you do shop at Woolworths remember to collect the stickers.
Thank you for your continued support.
Culburra Public School
Combined Education Week and Book Week Activities

Wednesday 12th August 2015
11:40 - 12:00 Classroom Visit
12:00 - 12:45 Character Parade - Hall
12:45 - 1:45 Whole school BBQ - Please bring a picnic blanket and/or fold up chairs
Dear Parent or Guardian and staff,  

A child from the Culburra Public School has been diagnosed with pertussis (whooping cough). I am writing to provide advice and to ask that you watch out for the symptoms of pertussis in your child, especially over the next 3 weeks.

What is pertussis?

Pertussis is an infection of the respiratory tract that can cause bouts of coughing, sometimes breathing difficulties and vomiting. It can be a very serious infection in small children. The illness can last for many weeks. It usually starts with a snuffle or a cold.

What should people who are sick with pertussis do?

If your child or a family member develops symptoms, contact your family doctor as soon as possible and take this letter with you.

This is extremely important if there is a baby less than 12 months of age living in your household.

Your doctor can advise whether pertussis is likely and arrange for early treatment if needed. Treating people who have pertussis with antibiotics can stop the infection spreading, but is more effective if started early.

To help prevent this infection spreading, people who have been diagnosed with pertussis should not attend child care, school or work until they have completed the first 5 days of a course of the recommended antibiotics. If antibiotics cannot be taken, then they must stay away for 3 weeks after onset of the cough.

How is it prevented?

Vaccination is the most important way of reducing pertussis in our community. It is important to double check that your child is fully up to date with his or her immunisations against pertussis. If in doubt, please ask your doctor to check.

NSW Health recommends adult booster vaccine every 10 years to protect from Diphtheria, Tetanus and Whooping Cough.

Need more information?

For more information, please see the Pertussis Factsheet, or call the Public Health Unit on 02 4221 6700 or visit the NSW Health www.health.nsw.gov.au

Yours Sincerely,

Curtis Gregory
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