



COBURG NORTH PRIMARY SCHOOL

Newsletter 19 16th November (pdf)

Dear Subscribers Name,

Welcome to the Coburg North Primary School's Newsletter we hope you find it an interesting and informative read. Below you will find all of the newsletter's articles; you can do a quick read or click through to read the full article.

Each newsletter article is posted as a 'Recent News' article on the [website](#) and can be read at any time. Newsletters, in pdf form, can also be downloaded from the school app or website. You'll also find the 'Event Quick View' on the school app and front page righthand side of the website this is useful for reminders about upcoming events.

If you have any feedback or suggestions about what you'd like to read in the newsletter, please contact us at coburg.north.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au.

If you would like to read the Community News please go to the [website](#).

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Dear Parents,

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Beginning 2019, Compass will be Coburg North Primary School's only method of communication. All newsletters, notices and payments, as well as event information organised by the Parents and Friends Association, will be made via Compass.

Compass will allow you access up-to-date and meaningful information about our school and your child's progress. Compass includes the ability to:

- View communication (newsletters, mid week news, alerts)
- Receive sick bay notification when your child has attended sick bay
- Enter explanations for absences (or future absences) or lateness
- Pay and provide consent for events and school fees
- Download and view your child's Semester reports
- Book parent-teacher conferences
- View the school calendar
- Update your family contact details

What You Will Need to Do

- Install the Compass app on your phone/computer
- Check notifications
- All payments to be made via Compass – no cash will be expected at the office#

Support Needed?

For any support needed, please visit the school's website and read the Compass Parent Handbook.

Thank you for your patience during this transition. This will prove beneficial for both the school and the school community.

Monika Gruss
Principal

#exceptions can be made for families that do not have access to internet/compass

#exceptions to minor fundraising events. (E.g. \$2 popcorn day)

#CSEF (Camps, Sports & Excursion Fund) for concession card holders can be arranged via the office.

#Lunch Orders will still be made via QKr

Parents and Friend's News

In this Parents and Friends news: Rolling in it, Democracy cakes, Mangoes are go and Christmas presence.

Election Day cake stall

The P&F is running a cake/craft/plant stall at the Coburg Special Development School on election day, Saturday, November 24. You can help out by baking something and dropping it off to us on the day, or you can help out at the stall on the day. Cakes/biscuits should be homemade, wrapped and with a list of ingredients. Ideally, nothing that requires refrigeration. You can use this sign-up/roster application if you're able to help: <http://signup.com/go/Qcecuqm>

Sushi lunch

Thanks to the platoon of volunteers who rolled sushi and made honey popcorn for the last special lunch which generated \$1400 for the school.

Christmas Stall

The P&F's annual Christmas stall will be held on the final Wednesday of term, December 19. Anyone with ideas or who can help on the day, please contact either [Mandy Gordon-Lee](#) or [Kirrily Noonan](#), or email the P&F at cnps_pf@hotmail.com

Mangoes

The school has reached the minimum order for the mango drive (with about 160 ordered) generating \$1400 for the school. Mangoes should arrive at the school, ready for pick-up, around December 10.

Outside School Hours Care - New enrolment for 2019

From 2019 Coburg North Primary School's Outside School Hours Care will be using [My Family Lounge](#) to manage enrolments and bookings. More details are on the [OSHC page](#) under PROGRAMS navigation on the website.

School Council Meeting 24th October 2018

School council met on Wednesday October 24, read more for items discussed. The next school council meeting is on Wednesday November 28 at 7pm in the staffroom. All are welcome to attend.

School council met on Wednesday, 24th October. During the last meeting, items discussed included:

- Traffic update – Monika and Kate met with the Moreland Mayor and traffic engineers. Discussion took place around parking restriction changes outside the school grounds on Jersey St, Bishop St and O'Hea St, as well as the installation of a crossing point in Jersey St.
- Building update – The building is continuing to progress and meetings are taking place to ensure this is being kept on track
- JSC Ice-cream fundraising initiative – Two students, Nikoletta and Romany (Year 5) presented their idea for a fundraising initiative to help offset camp and excursion costs. Ice-creams have been donated to the school and will be sold over a number of weeks with each grade level getting a turn. More information is available in a separate newsletter item.
- Sustainability Policy – This policy is being updated and reviewed.
- Remembrance Day – JSC representatives will lay a wreath on behalf of the school at Pascoe Vale RSL on Remembrance Day and the 100th anniversary of the end of WW1
- Reports – reports were presented from Finance, the Principal, Education sub-committee, Buildings Grounds and Development sub-committee, and P & F. A report was also presented from the Communication and Building People Power, and Sustainability working parties.
- Sub-committee and Working Party meeting dates are as follows, (all are welcome to attend):
 - Education: 21/11 at 6pm in the staffroom
 - Finance: 15/11, 13/12 at 4.30pm in the principal's office
 - Buildings and grounds: 20/11 at 5.30pm at Paul Sutton's house.
 - Communication and Building People Power: 16/11 at 3.45pm in the music room (after pick-up)
 - Parents & Friends: 12/11 at 7pm in the OSHC room

- OSHC: 20/11 at 6pm in OSHC room

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Thank you - National Bandanna Day Fundraiser

We would like to thank the Coburg North community for your wonderful support and generosity during Bandana Day! We successfully raised \$2095 that will go towards CanTeen.

This year, Coburg North Primary School proudly celebrated National Bandanna Day, on Friday the 26th October. We would like to thank the Coburg North community for their wonderful support and generosity as we successfully raised \$2095 that will go towards CanTeen.

National Bandanna Day is CanTeen's largest fundraiser, this powerful campaign has generated over \$30 million to support young people affected by cancer. Bandannas play a significant role as a symbol of hope and empowerment for people who are affected by cancer, and are worn during their cancer journey. Money raised helps CanTeen provide both practical and emotional support for young people living with cancer and their families.

Thank you again for helping to make a difference!

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How you can help:

Step 1: Donate any unwanted books. You can do this by dropping them off in the donation box, provided in the front office.

Step 2: Bring some gold coins to purchase books. They will be sold during week 9, beginning on Monday 3 December.



Concert DVD

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Shortly after the performances I was informed the company who were engaged to video the concert made a mistake that meant the concert was not videoed as promised.

I know many parents and students will be disappointed considering all the time and effort that went into rehearsal, costume making and set construction but I can assure you the problem had nothing to do with our school and was totally out of our control.

Stephen

Meet our Volunteers

This week our feature volunteers is Kyra Smith, read more about Kyra and the great work she does to support Coburg North Primary School.

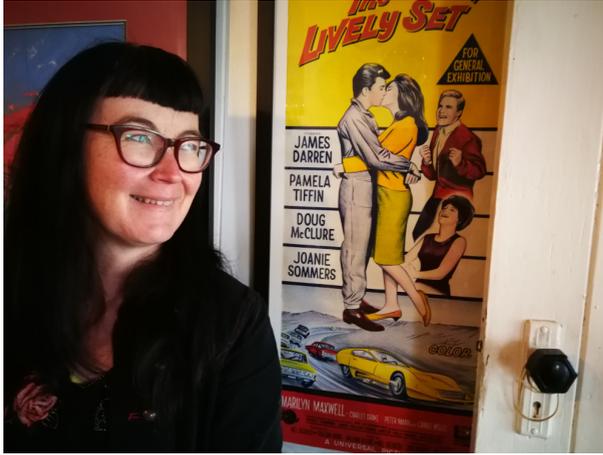
Name: Kyra Smith

Children @ CNPS: Baxter (Grade 2) Velvet (Grade 4)

How have you volunteered at CNPS? (Current and past)

Recently I made a lot of costumes for the school concert and helped cover books in the library. In the past I have worked at Make.Noise, helped out with spelling and reading, helped Michelle in the kitchen, done some work in the gardens and made things for craft stalls. I am on Friends of the Arts but I am not very good at turning up to meetings!

Why do you volunteer? I volunteer because I enjoy it, because it helps build community and because I want my children to know it's important to help and to contribute. I have also enjoyed getting to know the people my children spend their time with so I know who they are talking about when they tell me stories about their day.



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