

# COCKATOO PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

## ***Cockatoo***

*A Great Place To Be!*

NO. 3

Friday February 21<sup>st</sup> 2020

### *Dates to Remember*

#### **February**

*Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> No school for ALL Foundation Students*

#### **March**

*Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> Foundation Students attend school*

*Monday 9<sup>th</sup> Labour Day \* NO SCHOOL TODAY \**

*Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> House Athletics Day – Whole School*

*Monday 16<sup>th</sup> School Dental Van visits begin*

*Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> Whole School PHOTO Day 9am Sharp*

*Friday 27<sup>th</sup> Last Day Term 1 Dismissal 2:30pm*

#### **April**

*Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> Term 2 Begins 9am*

*Monday 20<sup>th</sup> EDEC Athletics Carnival*

# PRINCIPALS REPORT

## School Council Elections

At the close of the nomination period on Thursday, the number of nominations for School Council exceeded the number of vacancies in the parent category only. Consequently, there will be an election held. Ballot papers will be sent home with the eldest in each family on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> February with the close of ballot on Thursday March 5<sup>th</sup> 2020 at 4.00PM.

Nominations have been received from:

Marcus Harris, Tina Raukola, Charlene Thomson, Sophie Duff & Kim Gilbert

In the DET category, there was the same number of nominations as there were vacancies and I am pleased to announce that the school councillors in the DET category, returning for another term of office, is Sarah Barnes and Meredith Smith.

## Parent Teacher Information Exchange

Special thanks to all the parents who came up to the school for the Parent Teacher information Exchange on Wednesday night.

These nights provide a great opportunity for parents to get to know their child's teacher, to find out how their child has settled into the year and to make the teacher aware of anything that may assist in catering for the educational needs of their child. How easy was booking it on UeducateUs!

## **PFA AGM Friday 6th March @ 2.00pm**

Dear Parents

The **Parents and Friends Association (PFA)** are holding their **Annual General Meeting on Friday 6th March at 2.00pm** in the Breaky Club. Friends or Grandparents are welcome to come along too. The **AGM** is the most important PFA meeting of the year. We need **EVERYONE who has been or who would like to be involved** in PFA to attend this meeting (we really need bottoms on seats). We **need to fill the following positions** in order for the PFA to run at our School – **President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer** and many positions for **General Members**. Unlike Kinder, parents are not “rostered” on to help at School, but we really need your help with the PFA to fundraise for our School. **All profit** raised by PFA **goes directly to benefit the students** at our great School. **Please return the attendance / nomination form to let us know if you will be attending. Everyone is welcome.** Toddlers or kinder kids are welcome to come with you, as we always have pencils, coloring pages, toys etc to keep them busy too. We have our own toddlers & kinder kids with us, so there's always someone to play with.....

Nomination forms are available at the school office.

Hope to see you on **Friday 6th March at 2.00pm.**

Sincerely  
The PFA Team



# PEER SUPPORT



My name is Marcus. On Tuesday I worked with Jayden and Damon. Jayden is drawing Pikachu and Damon is drawing a rainbow. I hope to learn how to be a good partner.



My name is Kaelan. On Tuesday I worked with Taj. He is really nice and friendly. I hope to learn more about Taj.



My name is Xavier. On Tuesday I worked with Hamish. He is really nice and he is really confident doing his work. I hope to learn how to be a leader.



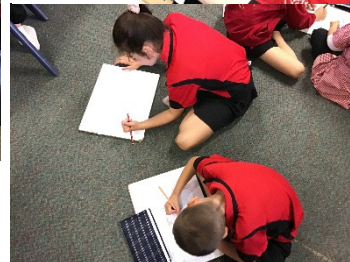
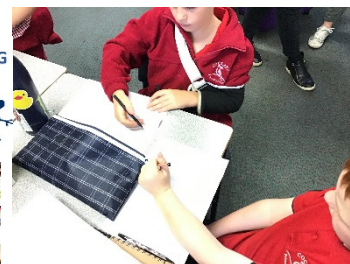
My name is Cooper. On Tuesday I worked with Kaden. Kaden plays basketball and he is funny. I hope to learn more ways to be helpful.



My name is Ruby. On Tuesday I worked with Noah and Ella. Noah is six years old. His favourite colours are green and blue and he really likes reptiles. Ella is also six years old. Her favourite colour is pink and she loves cats just like me.

This week, during Peer Support our groups continued to work on their masterpieces. I'm soooo impressed by their creativity, cooperation and enthusiasm to undertake tasks.

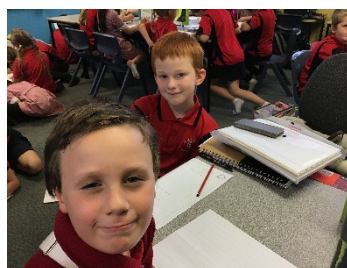
COOPERATIVE LEARNING



My name is Ciara. On Tuesday I worked with Mila. She always stays in the lines when she colours and is a really good writer. I hope to learn more organisation.



My name is Jasper. On Tuesday I worked with Grace. She is really good at drawing and she is nice. I hope to learn how to be a leader.



My name is Indie. On Tuesday I worked with Harrison. He is really good at drawing and he's really good at talking to people. I hope to learn more about confidence.





# *Birthdays of the Month*

# February

We would like to wish the following students a very Happy Birthday.

***Levi Askew***

***Declan Hamilton***

***Darcy Langhorne***

***Brianna Wallis***

***Mia Leitch***

***Ricky Clogg***

***Owen Harris***

***Reece Hodges***

***Noah Jozsa***

***Jasper Keen – Grunberg***

***Tori McKay***

***Sophie Keily***

***Ryan Kelly***

***Ollie Comrie***

***Ivy Martini***

***Ty Lutz***

***Zac Glasson***

***Jayda Blacha***

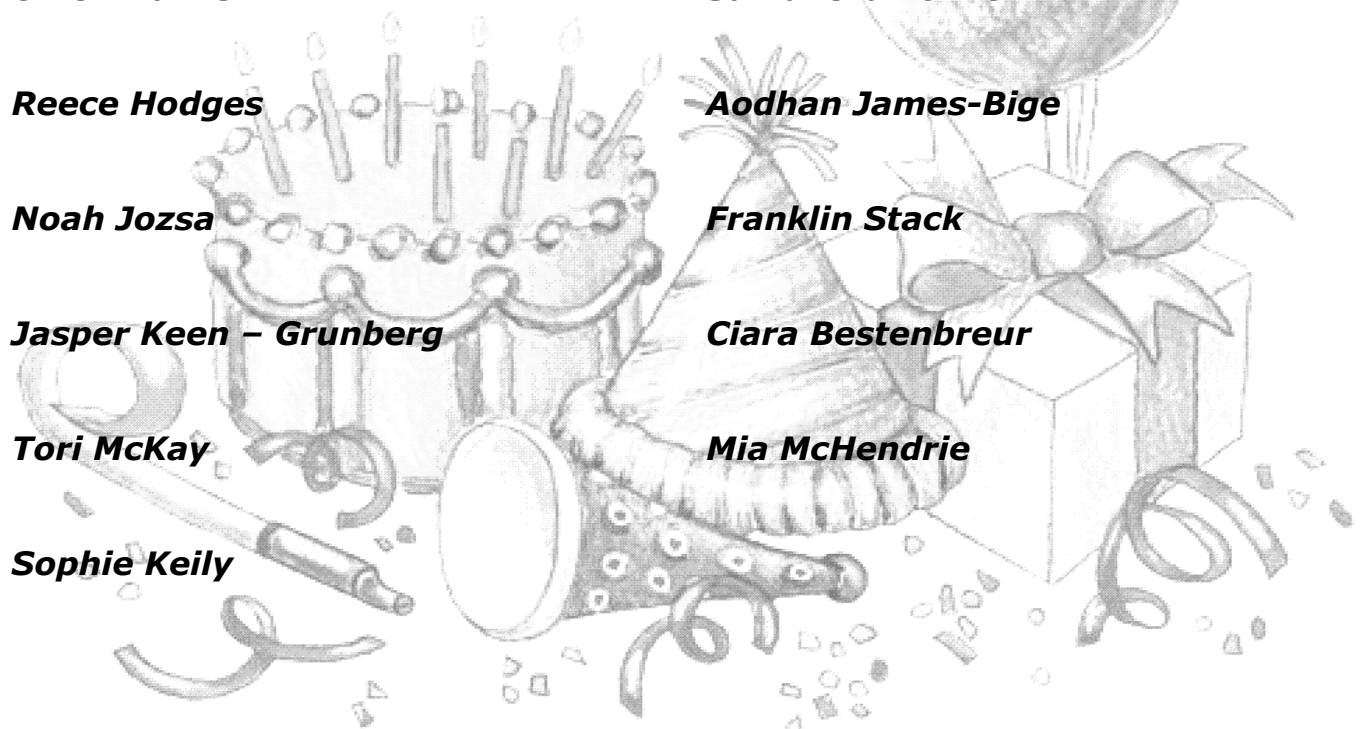
***Samantha Fowler***

***Aodhan James-Bige***

***Franklin Stack***

***Ciara Bestenbreur***

***Mia McHendrie***





**mar 5, 12, 19 & 26**

**TERM 1  
DATES**

**The activities  
may include;  
choc pig out  
water frenzy  
jumping castle craziness  
easter eggstravaganza**

KMOTION is an afterschool program for Foundation to Grade 6 children.

It includes games, craft, stories & afternoon tea. Each week is run by a HCSI Staff member & a team of trained volunteers who have Working with Children Checks & Police Checks (18yrs+). Kmotion Cockatoo is a Child Safe Program.

KMOTION has behaviour guidelines & expectations to ensure all children have a safe and enjoyable time.

Cockatoo Primary School provides a 'walking bus'. The children meet at the school office at 3:30 pm and are accompanied down to St Luke's Anglican Church by either the school principal or school chaplain. They are met by KMOTION volunteers for the remainder of the walk.



Forms can be collected from the Cockatoo Primary School office and brought along to the program. You can register any time.

**FREE**

**st luke's church,  
cockatoo.**

**thursdays  
3.30 - 5.30.**

**MORE INFO:**  
[lynda.prout@echo.org.au](mailto:lynda.prout@echo.org.au) or  
5968 8459

St Luke's Cockatoo & HCSI  
are both Child Safe  
Organisations



**HCSI STAFF MUST HAVE A  
COMPLETED FORM FOR YOUR  
CHILD/REN TO ATTEND KMOTION**

Kmotion will NOT run on days of EXTREME OR CODE RED fire danger days and/or days predicted 38 degrees or hotter at 8am that morning; regardless of what the temperature reaches. Please don't send your child/ren to the program on these days.





**HOLIDAYS?  
WHO HAS THE KIDS?**

**Camp**

**1st—3rd April**

**Grade 4-6**

**Cost \$300**

**SWIM**

**RIDE**

**PADDLE**

**TENTS**

*For more details, local discounts or  
booking contact:*

*Tim Dewar*

**t\_ndewar@hotmail.com**



*For more details or booking contact:*

**t\_ndewar@hotmail.com**

**Deposit \$50**

Name: 2 Rocks Education

BSB: 633-000 ACCOUNT: 698331337

**Activities:**  
Woodwork  
Cooking  
Art  
Craft  
Ride  
Swim  
Paddle  
Journal

This camp is designed to  
build a students  
confidence and provide  
many unique  
educational experiences

## FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

Every Victorian child should have access to the world of learning opportunities that exist beyond the classroom. The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund helps ensure that no student will miss out on the opportunity to join their classmates for important, educational and fun activities. It is part of making Victoria the Education State and the Government's commitment to breaking the link between a student's background and their outcomes.

### CAMPS, SPORTS & EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF)

School camps provide children with inspiring experiences in the great outdoors, excursions encourage a deeper understanding of how the world works and sports teach teamwork, discipline and leadership. All are part of a healthy curriculum.

CSEF will be provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. A special consideration category also exists for asylum seeker and refugee families. The allowance is paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

The annual CSEF amount per student is:

- \$125 for primary school students
- \$225 for secondary school students.

### HOW TO APPLY

Contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or download from [www.education.vic.gov.au/csef](http://www.education.vic.gov.au/csef)

### MORE INFORMATION

For the CSEF application closing dates and more information about the fund visit [www.education.vic.gov.au/csef](http://www.education.vic.gov.au/csef)

**THOSE WHO ARE ELIGIBLE  
FOR CSEF  
DON'T FORGET TO COME TO  
THE OFFICE TO COLLECT  
YOUR FORM**



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ZONE**  
MEMBER CLUB

**reach**  
gymnastics



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