From the Principal’s Desk

Bravehearts
The visit by Bravehearts was a great success. The students learnt a great deal about personal safety and tell tale signs when something is wrong.

Bravehearts 3 rules are
- We all have the right to feel safe with people
- It's OK to say no if you feel unsure or unsafe
- Nothing is so yukky that you can't tell someone about it

These rules are aimed at providing children with confidence and resilience skills in any situation.

Children learned that often their bodies automatically react with signs that something may not be right. If they experience these signs, they should listen to them.

The signs were
- butterflies in stomach
- jelly legs
- heart beats faster
- need to go toilet
- stuck in the mud feet

All children will be receiving an activity booklet shortly. I encourage parents to use this book as a chance to discuss safety issues with your children. It's so unfortunate that shows of this nature have become necessary, but our children's safety has and always will be our number one priority.

ANZAC Day
A big thank you to those students, staff, parents, carers and community members who participated so respectfully in both our school ANZAC ceremony and the march through Rockhampton. We have once again endeared ourselves to the Rats of Tobruk Association.

A big thank you to Sensei, Mrs Murphy, our dedicated aides and of course the students for the outstanding rendition of "In Flanders Fields", and how good were our students reading the poem 'ANZAC Day'. Thank you also to our VIP guests, Chris Chase and Stan and Georgena Diplock for supporting our school commemoration.

Home Reading Tip 3
When reading books, allow children to ‘read on’ to work out unfamiliar words (not just with spelling but also meaning). It is important that readers develop many different reading strategies because we are always going to come across
unfamiliar words. Quite often, if we read the whole sentence, maybe even the sentence straight after as well, we can identify what word fitted in. If someone is constantly filling in the gap for the child, these independent reading strategies will take much longer to develop.

Andrew Orr
Principal

Playgroup

Students and staff will need to use their school email address to sign in. Microsoft Office 2016 is available for personal devices only, not devices owned by the department or part of a school network. The Office subscription lasts for as long as the student is studying at a Queensland state school, or the staff member is employed by the department.

Headlice
Parents please continue to check your child's hair each week for headlice. For treatment advice, consult your local pharmacist or hairdresser.

Lunches
Lunch is an important part of our day at Coowonga and impacts greatly on how students function for the remainder of the day. We would like to encourage parents to please take into consideration what they are packing in their children's lunch boxes.

Attendance
School attendance and student achievement are directly related.
Attendance at school every day is absolutely necessary in ensuring your child has the opportunity to engage in quality education. Every day counts! If your child is unable to attend school parents are asked to phone or email the school with details of the absence.

School starts at 9:00am and finishes at 3:00pm!
Just a little bit late doesn’t seem that much but..........................

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Free Microsoft Office 2016 for students and school staff
All Queensland state school students and staff can now download multiple free copies of Microsoft Office 2016 to their personal home computers and mobile devices.
Bell Times

Congratulations to those students who continually make an effort to arrive at school on time.

Please note the bell times:
8:50am — School warning bell
This gives the students time to go to the toilet and get ready for the day.
8:55am — School commencement
Students are expected to be in the class for roll call.
9:00am
Any students that arrive after the roll has been called, without a note, will be written down as unexplained late.

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Visit our school website at www.coowongass.eq.edu.au to view the latest newsletter, more photos and other school related events.

Community Notices
Please note: the following notices may be included in the school’s Newsletter, they are published in good faith and do not necessarily have the school’s endorsement.

CAR BOOT SALE - BOOK YOUR SITE NOW: Saturday 11th June 7am - 11am. Anglican Parish of Keppel Car Park, 18 Housden Place, Taranganba. Only $15 a site or $25 for two. Bric a brac, loads of treasures and a sausage sizzle - Something for everyone. Come and grab a bargain from the great variety of stalls. To book your site please phone Lyndall on 0418 392 303.

They’re Hatching at Koorana

DON’T MISS OUT

For the next 4 months our baby crocodiles will be hatching at Koorana - an event all children should witness. “THE BIRTH OF A DINOSAUR”

To make a booking or for more information please contact Koorana Crocodile Farm on:
Phone: 4934 4749, 4934 4703
Fax: 4934 4702
Email: kooranacrocfarm@gmail.com

We look forward to seeing you soon.

EXPECTED 2016 HATCHING DATES:
These are the current dates. Further dates will be available soon.

Wed 13/01/16 Mon 21/3/16 Wed 06/4/16
Fri 12/2/16 Tues 22/3/16 Thurs 07/4/16
Thurs 25/2/16 Thurs 24/3/16 Sat 09/4/16
Sun 06/3/16 Fri 25/3/16 Mon 11/4/16
Tues 08/3/16 Sat 26/3/16 Tues 12/4/16
Sun 13/3/16 Mon 28/3/16 Sun 17/4/16
Thurs 17/3/16 Fri 01/4/16 Tues 19/4/16
Fri 18/3/16 Sat 02/4/16
Sat 19/3/16 Mon 04/4/16
Sun 20/3/16 Tues 05/4/16

Other dates will be available soon – please contact us.
Media Release

CTC Rocky River Run gives back to schools

The CTC Rocky River Run is a running event that takes place in Queensland, Australia. It is open to all ages and offers prizes to the winners. The run is sponsored by the CTC (Coowonga State School). This year's event took place on Sunday, 5th June 2016.

The CTC Rocky River Run is a fun and challenging event for runners of all abilities. Participants can choose to run in teams or individually. The run is held in a picturesque location, providing a beautiful backdrop for the runners.

The event is open to anyone who wishes to participate, regardless of their age or level of experience. The run is also open to schools, with prizes being awarded to the top-performing teams.

CTC Rocky River Run is sponsored by the Coowonga State School, and proceeds from the event are used to support the school's community outreach programs.

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