



Congewai News

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Congewai Public School

- a proud member of the Cessnock Community of Great Public Schools



Diary Dates:

Education Week Awards - Wednesday 29th July @ Mount View HS 4—5:30pm

Education Week Open Day - Friday 31st July 9am to 11am

Student Leader Breakfast @ Cessnock Performing Arts Centre Tuesday 4th August

Congewai Clearing Sale - Saturday 22nd August

Father's Day Stall - Friday 4th September

Father's Day - Sunday 6th September

Terrigal Trotters - Saturday 12th September

Welcome to Week 3, of term 3.

It's **EDUCATION WEEK**, where public schools celebrate the great learning and experiences that occur in every single day in classrooms all around the country. We'd like to invite parents and family members to the Cessnock Community of Great Public School's Education Week Awards on Wednesday 29th of July, to support those students, school staff and acknowledgement of school programs from our school who have been nominated and will be receiving an award. Mount View High School will be hosting this year's awards which commence at 4pm.

We're inviting parents and family members to join us for literacy learning in the classroom on Friday morning. We'd like to show you just a small portion of the many learning experiences your children are involved in each week. We'll finish our OPEN DAY with a light morning tea and we'd ask our families to bring a plate of goodies to share.

Our students will be commencing gymnastics this week as part of the Sporting Schools program. We start tomorrow, Tuesday, and these weekly sessions will start at 9:30, for the rest of the term. Gymnastics teachers from the Kurri Kurri Gym will be the visiting coaches, providing all equipment and expertise. Students will need to wear their sports uniform on Tuesdays, making sure they're ready for tumbling, twirling, giggling and fun.

We're full swing into this term's Kitchen Garden program with the primary students cooking a dish from

a country around the world each week. This also ties in with our learning focus for the term. Last week, a dish from Egypt was put together and an eager school sampled the delicious dip, a commonly eaten dish in many Egyptian households. Our vege patches were planted with new seedlings, which will form a major part of cooking this term. As usual we garden on a Wednesday afternoon at 2pm, and would love some adult assistance if you're able to join us now and then.

As part of our Community Connections program, our school is participating in two excursions this term. One to the Army Base in Singleton later in the term and an 'incursion' by the Cessnock Police to our school in the near future. We'll be giving full information about both visits very soon.

*Until next term,
Donna Stackman*

Congewai Clearing Sale

Clear out your sheds and book a site.

20% of all proceeds of the auction to go to the school learning programs.

Phone the school for more info

Saturday 22nd August commencing at 9am



News from the classroom:

Speaking and Listening topic: The topic for this week is "If I had \$50 to spend, I would buy.....".

Friday - Library: Don't forget your library books this week.

Class Photographer: Cain did a great job as our first class photographer in the first week. Have a look on our school's Face Book for his photos. Unfortunately our last week's class photographer was away due to illness last week. We drew Sean's name as this week's photographer, he'll be busily taking pics all this week. Have a look on our FB page next Monday for a look at some of his great photos.

Special play time: Clayton is our lucky 'special play time' recipient for this week. He is able to choose a friend to do a special activity with him this week. He gets to choose from some great things such as science projects, arts activities, puzzle play, or iPad "free frenzy", just to name a few.

Country study: After visiting Egypt last week, this week we'll be taking a trip to China.

Video Conferences with Korea: The primary class is working this week on their preparations for the upcoming first video conference with their school in Korea. They'll be working on a presentation to show which tells the Korean school students a little about them, their school and its community. They'll also be sharing a little about Australia, and their experiences as a child in Australia. This will be the first in a series of conferences, sharing many things of interest including food and celebrations.

Tennis and sport: Due to the weather not playing fair, we were unable to play sport on Friday. Therefore we will be playing tennis on the first available fine afternoon when the courts are dry.

Road Safety Education: Mrs Beneke undertook professional learning in Road Safety Education last Friday. She'll be sharing these lessons with our students over the next few weeks of term.

L3: Mrs Stackman will be at L3 training on Wednesday. This great program has assisted our students remarkably with their reading, with our Kindergarten children roaring ahead with their skills.

SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL

Our clearing sale is on Saturday, August 22nd

Clear out the sheds and the junk rooms. Bring in the old tools, farm equipment and collectables.

Items to be bought to the school site by Friday 21st. Free sites.....20% of sale price payable to the school. Please call us at school for further details including site bookings