We would like to acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land on which Coledale Public School is situated. We pay our respects to the Dharawal people and to Elders past, present and the future.

Important Dates

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| - Monday – Assembly 9 am  
- Thursday - Band & Chimes | - NAPLAN Tuesday- Language Conventions & Writing  
- Wednesday- Reading  
- Thursday- Numeracy  
- Thursday- Band & Chimes  
- Friday – NAPLAN Makeup day  
- Friday- District Cross Country |
| 18 May Assembly 2PG  
20 May Kitchen Garden day 2  
22 May- PSSA round 1  
27 May- National Simultaneous Storytime  
3 June- Athletics Carnival Beaton Park  
5 June- PSSA round 2  
10 June Kitchen Garden day 3  
12 June- PSSA round 3  
15 June ICAS Test Writing  
16 June ICAS Test Spelling  
19 June PSSA round 4  
22 June Assembly 4/5 W |

Things requiring your attention  
- Cross Country notes & money  
- Voluntary Contributions

Principal’s Report

Welcome back to Term 2! After a wet week, the children have settled well in to school routines and expectations after the holidays. Every room is busy and engaged back in their new units for the term. A big thank you to the P & C, whose fundraising helps to resource our classrooms and library, and the many projects around our school. The children of Years 3-6 were busy in the garden in environmental lessons this week with Jo Chilton who is our garden guru for the term.

We wish the very best for the retirement of one of our members of staff, Rosemary Jackson, who was our Learning Support teacher. This week she donated a Rosemary bush to plant in our garden as her namesake and as a memorial to the ANZAC centenary. Thank you and best wishes Rose from all the kids who you have taught and supported in your career and time at Coledale!

On behalf of the staff and parents, I would like to convey our best wishes and condolences to Tanya, our principal, who sadly lost her father last week. She has been able to spend some quality time with her family as they prepare for a future without him.

Kind regards  
Bec Stone  
Assistant Principal
GENERAL NOTICES

Yr 5 Opportunity Class 2016
Opportunity classes cater for highly achieving academically gifted students who may otherwise be without classmates at their own academic and social level. These schools help gifted and talented students to learn by grouping them with other gifted and talented students, teaching them in specialised ways and providing educational materials at the appropriate level. Applications for opportunity class placement are considered mainly on the basis of the Opportunity Class Placement Test results and school assessment scores. The Opportunity Class Placement Test will be held on Wednesday 22 July 2015.
If you would like to have your child considered for Year 5 opportunity class entry in 2016, you need to do so soon. You will need to apply on the internet using a valid email address (not the student’s email address).
Detailed instructions on how to apply online will be available from 27 April 2015 in a printed application information booklet and at www.schools.nsw.edu.au/ocplacement. The application website opens on 27 April 2015 and closes on 15 May 2015. No late applications will be accepted.
There are no paper application forms. If you do not have internet access, you could apply at a public library. If you have a disability that prevents you from using a computer, you can contact the Unit for assistance after 27 April 2015.
You must submit only ONE application for each student.

Cross Country Carnival
The North Wollongong PSSA Cross Country Carnival will be held on Friday 15th May at Bulli Park (soccer grounds opposite Bulli HS/Waniora HS). It starts at 9.30am with a course walk at 10 am. The finish is expected at approximately 2pm. If parents are taking children home early they must see Mr Galvin to sign them out. There is a canteen available to all competitors and spectators.
8/9 yrs 2000 metres 10.30 boys 10.50 girls
10 yrs 2000 metres 11.10 boys 11.30 girls
11 yrs 3000 metres 11.50 boys 12.15 girls
12/13 3000 metres 12.40 boys 1.05 girls
1.30 Presentation- 1st, 2nd, 3rd place ribbons for events during day, Champion school trophy, Percentage trophy

Athletics Training
Starting next week, and when the field is dry, we will be starting our athletics training on Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays at 10.40 am. Students will need to wear appropriate shoes for fitness those days.

University of Wollongong Learning Labs
A reminder to those families who were interested in the UOW Learning Labs held in the next school holidays that the applications close on the 19th May. Applications are made online found at: www.uow.edu.au/in2uni-myway/learninglabsyr1-yr6

School Plan 2015-2017
Our new School Plan is now on our website for your perusal.

National Simultaneous Storytime
National Simultaneous Storytime is an annual campaign that aims to encourage more young Australians to read and enjoy books. Now in its 15th successful year it is a colourful, vibrant, fun event that aims to promote the value of reading and literacy using an Australian children's book.
This year NSS takes place on Wednesday 27 May at 11am (AEST) and we would love it if you could join us by sharing The Brothers Quibble written by Aaron Blabey.
Young Scientist’s Paper Plane Challenge
As part of our Science activities this year we will be involved in the Young Scientist’s Paper Plane Challenge. The Challenge is the finals of a statewide paper plane competition for all NSW schools. Part of The University of Sydney Open Day on Saturday 29 August and it includes a show by Dylan Parker and James Norton, the inspiration behind ‘Paper Planes’, the movie.

When: Saturday, August 29 2015. 12:00 PM to 3:00 PM
Where: The University of Sydney
Laws in front of the New Law Building, Eastern Avenue, Camperdown, NSW, 2006
Topic: Innovation and technology
Cost: Gold coin donation for student competitors.
Other: Wheelchair access

A statewide paper plane competition in all NSW schools during Term 2 and Term 3, culminating in the finals to be held at The University of Sydney Open Day on Saturday 29 August.
There will be three events
1. Furthest Distance K-6;
2. Furthest Distance 7-12; and
The event also includes a spectacular show by Dylan Parker and James Norton whose World Championship Paper Plane exploits inspired the hit Aussie movie “Paper Planes”.
We will be providing more details as to our school finals where we will choose our winners! For more details go to: http://www.paperplanes.youngscientist.com.au/

Kitchen Project update
Our plans for our kitchen build are on the way. We have now produced plans and they can be seen on our Kitchen Garden website http://sowwhatcoledale.edublogs.org/

Read our Smore flyer to see how you can help! https://www.smore.com/auwb3-coledale-ps-kitchen-garden-project

Kindergarten Enrolment for 2016
We are now accepting Kindergarten enrolments for 2016. If you have or know of anyone who has a child of school age (turning 5 before 31st July 2016) please call into the school office and pick up an enrolment form.
You can also download one from the school website or email the school.

Head Lice – Reinfestation Year 2
There seems to be an ongoing issue in this class with head lice. Can we ask that all children are checked tonight and treated if necessary. All it takes is for one child to not be treated and then the whole cycle starts again.
To see whether they have them just saturate the hair with a conditioner and comb through. If the lice appear here you need to treat with a pharmacy recommended product.
Thank you for your support on this matter.
WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING........

ANZAC Day 100th Centenary
On Friday we commemorated the 100th anniversary of the landing of troops on the beaches of Turkey. We held our 100th Centenary Anzac Service in the library with parents and students. Students from the primary classes share pieces of writing about the ANZACs and Jen Coleman-Stone showed some artefacts that she had collected from Gallipoli when she was 12 years old. Last year, I went to Gallipoli and was moved in a way that is unique to that place. I shared a movie that showed photos from my trip and related them to photos of old. The children sang two heartfelt songs that they then went on to sing as a small group of 50 students at our local ANZAC service. Thank you to Ms Gould for supervising the attendance of our school group at the service.

Children’s writing on the ANZACs
How an ANZAC legend was created -

Method
Melt three spoonful's of loyalty until it simmers.
Mix the bravery and add it to the loyalty.
Sift the powdered resilience into a tub of water and put it on the boil.
Crack open several capsules of friendship.
Mix the boiled resilience with the loyalty and the bravery.
Knead your sacrificial dough into medals.
Weigh three cups of determination and pour it into a blender and turn it to max.
Add a bucketful of pride in our country.
Cook it all for an hour and forty-five minutes.
Take it out and Bon Appetite- your ANZAC legend is ready for action.
by Toby Bartlett

Poem of a Poppy
There could never be such a copy
Of a big beautiful blood red poppy
You can see the big smiles
That our soldiers held for miles

As they arrive at the dreadful fight
They fought in it for Australia's right
Will they come back with glory
Or will this be the end of the story

Are they back at home now with their family
Are they eating soup happily
Are they putting their children to bed with a story
Are they coming back with glory

Spending time with family is still a dream
Well that is what it seems
They fire the gun over and over
Perhaps they need some luck of a clover
by Milla Goss Maher
ANZAC Day Poem
The bags were packed
We’d said our prayers
A face of joy was what he lacked
My father the brave

“Four years to go”
Kept ringing in my head
My father’s fate was soon to be mine
He who gave up his life and fought for us instead

My loved ones far behind
The end just up ahead
Mother says I’m brave as father, he
Who lives amongst the dead.

The stone that said “Lest We Forget”
Lingered in the field
The field that we once fought in
Side by side with no shield.

by Elke Guffogg

Awards

Bronze Award
KG      Oscar E, Ruby H N, Aston S
1PM     Finn O’C, Tom S

Book Club
Book Club went home last week and will need to be returned to school by Wednesday 6th May. If you haven’t already had a try, use the new LOOP system when ordering.
Thank you to all the families who have donated books to the library especially Joey N, Olivia R & Flynn M, the library is getting a great assortment of books.

Mrs Bartlett
Teacher Librarian
COMMUNITY NEWS

We would like to thank IGA Thirroul for their ongoing donations of food/drinks which are greatly appreciated.
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Learn new skills!
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Cubs (7½ – 10½ years) 6:30-8:00pm Wednesday Evenings
Scouts (10½ - 14½ years) 7:00-9:00pm Monday Evenings
Bring a parent, bring a friend, join and make new friends!
Come along to our Hall at 20 Moore Street Austinmer.
What have you got to lose?
For more info contact Steve on 4268 2004 or 0409 695 575
Look forward to seeing you there!

Planning a kid’s birthday party?
1st Austinmer Scout Hall is available for hire.
Cost: $60 per half day
Contact Ron on 0409399752