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Central Mangrove Public School

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TERM 3

WEEK 8

Principal's Message

Mrs Cunningham has started her maternity leave. We wish Mrs and Mr Cunningham all the best as they start the next chapter of their lives together. We welcome Mr Graham back to our school. He will be teaching CM2 for the remainder of this term. We are in the process of recruiting another teacher for term 4.

Swimming and Water Safety

We are very excited to be able to offer swimming and water safety lessons to our students in years 2-6 in week 10 of this term. We have secured funding from sport in school's to cover the cost of transport and entry. The lessons are offered through the Department of Education.



Central Coast Public Speaking Competition

Four students will represent our school at the Central Coast Public Speaking Competition next Wednesday, 13th September. Chandra – Horses, Charlotte – Fairies, Sheng – How planets are formed and Lilly – Brooklyn Bridge. We wish them well at the competition.

Small School's Spring Disco

Our P&C are hosting a Small School's Spring Disco on Saturday 14th October. It will be held at the Mangrove Mountain Hall and all students are invited. Further details and ticket information has gone out this week. Please support this great initiative of our P&C.



Mangrove Mountain Country Fair

Each year our school P&C supports the Mangrove Mountain Country Fair by running the cake stall. We ask that you help support this event by donating cakes and other baked goods to the stall and volunteering a small amount of time on the day to sell the goods. The Fair will be held on Saturday 21st October. Further information about donating goods and volunteering will be sent out.



Dates

The last day of term 3 is Friday 22nd September. Students will return on Monday 9th October. There will be **no** staff development day in term 4.

Home Reading

We encourage all our students to get involved with the Home Reading Program sponsored by Central Coast Select Properties, Lisarow. Students are asked to read for at least 20 minutes 4 nights a week. Parents / carers are asked confirm reading by signing off each reading session. Those students that have read at least 20 times over 5 weeks will be entered in a class lucky draw to earn a \$20 scholastic gift voucher to purchase a book from the next Scholastic Book Club. The Home Reading Cards are due back next week, Thursday 21st September.

Check-in assessment for Year 3 to 6

The Check-in assessment is a NSW Department of Education online literacy and numeracy assessment available to support schools to assess and monitor student learning. Students in year 6 will participate in the Check-in assessment during weeks 8-10 this term and year 3-5 in weeks 1-4 term 4. Students are asked to have headphones or earbuds that plug into a computer to enable them to hear audio during the assessments and other learning tasks.

Kindergarten Enrolments for 2024

Enrolments for our 2024 Kindergarten cohort are now open. If you have a child starting school next year please visit our web page and fill in the online enrolment. You can also call or drop into the office to collect an information pack, ask any questions and organise a time for tour of our wonderful school. Kindergarten orientation sessions will take place in Term 4.

KMHS Illustrators Workshop

Lilly, Jamal, Kadence and Charlie had the opportunity to participate in Matthew Lin's workshop on Monday at Kariong Mountains HS. The students learnt a lot about how small changes to an illustration can change the mood and character you are trying to portray. I encourage them to continue experimenting with their drawing techniques.



Stage 2 & 3 Camp

The students had a wonderful time at camp and all students demonstrated our values of safe, respect and personal best throughout. They had the opportunity to participate in a challenge course, rock climbing, raft building and archery. It was great to see the students taking up the challenge and supporting each other in these tasks. The students also connected with the other students from the small schools.



Arrangements For Upcoming Bushfire Season

A letter was sent home this week informing parents and carers of these arrangements. Our school is in a bushfire prone area and is listed as Category 1 on the NSW Department of Education's bushfire risk register. To ensure the health, safety and welfare of students and staff, the department has determined that on days when NSW Rural Fire Service declares a Catastrophic Fire Danger Rating for Central Coast Local Government Area, our school will temporarily cease operations for the following day. In addition, schools may be made non-operational due to changing higher risk conditions and advice from emergency services and the State Emergency Operations Centre. Please contact the school if you require further details.

Tell Them From Me Survey

This Term, our school will be participating in the Partners in Learning parent survey, another part of the Tell Them From Me suite of surveys (student, teacher and parent surveys) on student engagement. The survey asks parents and carers questions about different factors that are known to impact on student wellbeing and engagement. This valuable feedback will help our school make practical improvements. The survey is confidential, voluntary, and participants may skip any questions they are not comfortable answering. The details on how to access this survey will be sent out in a letter and emailed to you over the next week.

Good luck Mrs Cunningham



If I am thinking correctly, a new baby is probably, undoubtedly the grandest gift that could ever be.



Term 3 Week 5 Assembly and Home Reading Award Winners

TEACHER AWARDS TERM 3 WEEK 1

CM1

Annabella	Finding the area of shapes
Cohen	Fantastic effort in reading
Charlotte	Great use of colour in painting

CM2

Aubrey	For being a happy camper
Relena	For being a happy camper
Lilliana	For being a happy camper

PRINCIPAL AWARD TERM 3 WEEK 1

CM1

Samuel	For being able to identify the sentences in his writing
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CM2

Ayesha	Excellent attitude towards challenging tasks at camp
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CONGRATS

CALENDAR DATES

WEEK 9 - TERM 3 2023

Wed 13 Sep Public Speaking Final

WEEK 10 - TERM 3 2023

Mon 18 Sep Swim school years 2-6

Tue 19 Sep Swim school years 2-6

Wed 20 Sep Swim school years 2-6

Thur 21 Sep Swim school years 2-6

Fri 22 Sep Swim school years 2-6
LAST DAY OF TERM 3

Libby Cullen
Principal

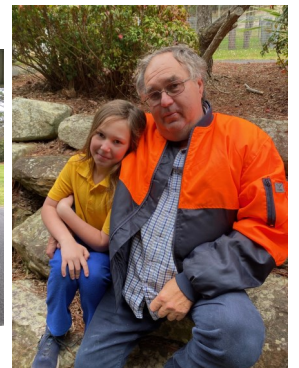
The Great Aussie Bush Camp Fun







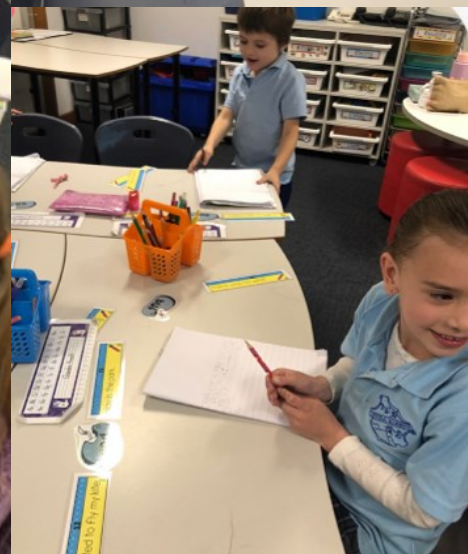
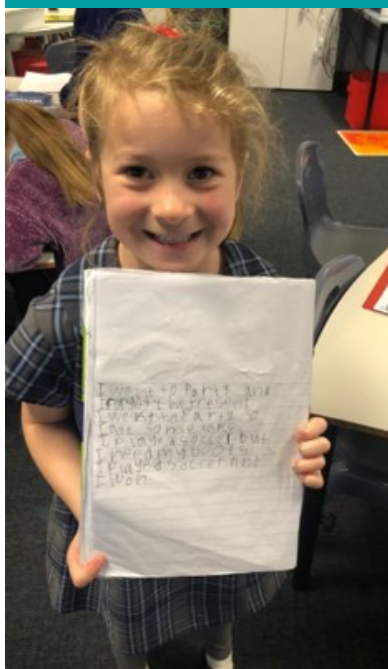
Father's Day Breakfast



Healthy Harold CM1



EM1 Working Hard





KINDERGARTEN TRANSITION 2024



Tuesday 7 and Wednesday 8 November 2023
Tuesday 14 and Wednesday 15 November 2023
9:30am — 11:00am

At Central Mangrove Public School, our Transition Program is all about the students being ready and feeling comfortable in preparation for our school.

Transition reduces feelings of anxiety for both parents and children through familiarising your child with their new school.

During the Transition sessions, your child will participate in a range of fun and educational activities similar to the activities that occur in a Kindergarten classroom.

- Rotation groups
- Independent activities
- School tours

Central Mangrove P&C are providing morning tea Tuesday 7 November

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Positive Behaviour for Learning

The school's discipline code is built on the fundamental beliefs that our school will be a safe and happy learning environment when all students learn to accept responsibility for their own learning and behaviour within a caring and supportive environment. Student responsibilities at our school are to follow these values: safe, respect and personal best.

Expectations: All Settings

How we show: RESPECT

Be kind and considerate

Listen and speak politely

Value the environment

High 5



How we show: SAFETY

Hands and feet to yourself

Right place, right time

Walk on hard surfaces

Be sun smart



How we show: PERSONAL BEST

Follow instructions

Wear correct uniforms

Be responsible for your belongings

Be your best



Welcome to the Central Mangrove Public School HOME READING PROGRAM

Kids can get so much fun, adventure and ideas from reading books. We're asking kids to get into books by reading for at least 20 minutes each night for 5 weeks. We invite them to join the Central Mangrove Public School Home Reading Program with a chance to win a book voucher.

Central Coast Select Properties is proud to partner with your school. The kids that join the program will be entered into a class draw for a \$20 Scholastic Book Voucher.

We are proud to support the school by sponsoring the Home Reading Program initiative, and welcome all the kids to pick up a book and start reading.

Yours Sincerely,

Tony Gilmour
Principal | L.R.E.A.

Kate Kerslake
Sales Agent

Meet our team

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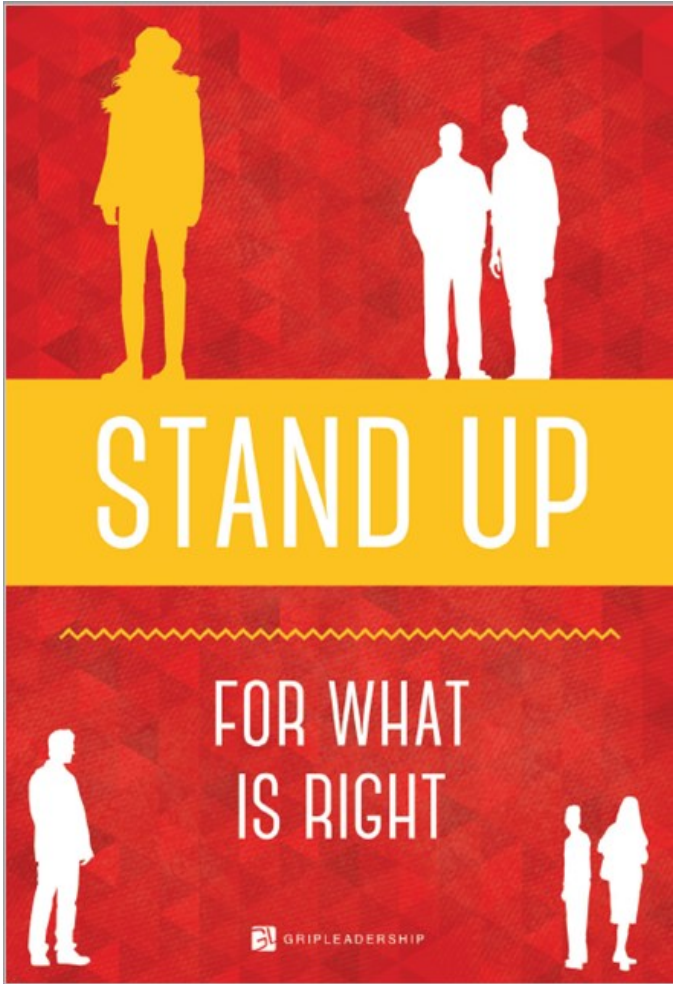
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Attendance Matters

Missing a day here or there may not seem like much, but absences add up and can negatively impact your child's learning and wellbeing. When your child misses one day a week that's 40 days of school and 8 weeks of learning in one year. Over an entire school journey this adds up to 2.5 years of lost learning.

Days missed = years lost

A day here and there doesn't seem like much, but...

When your child
misses just...

they miss weeks
per year

and years over their
school life

1 day per fortnight
M T W T F
M T W T F
= **4** weeks
= Over **1** year missed

1 day per week
M T W T F
M T W T F
= **8** weeks
= Over **2.5** years missed



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6 September 2023

ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE UPCOMING BUSHFIRE SEASON

Dear parent/carer,

I am writing to advise you of bushfire emergency arrangements for our school this bushfire season.

Our school is in a bushfire prone area and is listed as Category 1 on the NSW Department of Education's bushfire risk register.

To ensure the health, safety and welfare of students and staff, the department has determined that on days when NSW Rural Fire Service declares a Catastrophic Fire Danger Rating for Central Coast Local Government Area, our school will temporarily cease operations for the following day.

In addition, schools may be made non-operational due to changing higher risk conditions and advice from emergency services and the State Emergency Operations Centre.

We recommend that you download the [Parent App](#) and select to monitor advice from our school which will push notifications to you advising that the school is non-operational. We also recommend that you stay up to date with bushfire and grassfire activity by using the [Hazards Near Me](#) app (set a watch zone for your school area), and by monitoring local media. You can also review fire activity and alert levels on the [RFS](#) website.

The Fire Danger Rating does not mean there will be a bushfire, but rather weather conditions that could pose a high risk for a bushfire event. The measure is proactive to ensure staff, students and the community remain safe.

To ensure that we continue to support student learning on these days, I have put the following arrangements in place:

When our school is not operating due to a catastrophic fire danger rating students can access and choose one of the departments online learning packages provided in 2022. <https://sites.google.com/education.nsw.gov.au/learning-pack-2022-year1-2-t1/home>

Our school will inform our school community after 4pm if there is a change to the operational status of the school for the following day. To assist the school in contacting all families please ensure that you have provided us with up-to-date contact details.

Further information on up-to-date communication of school operations, can also be found through:

- our school website, Facebook page and Sentral app.
- NSW Department of Education's School Safety website: education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/school-safety
- NSW School Updates app: education.nsw.gov.au/parents-and-carers/nsw-school-updates-app, and
- social media.

We recommend that all of our families follow the advice of the NSW Rural Fire Service and ensure that your family knows what to do if there is a fire.

It can take as little as five minutes to make your plan. Discuss it with your family so you know what you will do in the event of a fire. www.myfireplan.com.au

Please contact the school on 02 43731156, if you would like any further information about this matter.

Yours sincerely,

Libby Cullen
Principal

**Central Coast
Spring Holiday
Junior Chess
Tournament
(ages 6 to 17)**



**Rated by
NSWJCL**

Entry fee \$10

For full entry details
please email, not text:

Gary Losh

glosh6090@gmail.com

0432 453 726

**For NSW country players. Limited to 140.
Please don't pay until entry confirmed.**

Friday 6 October

Must pre-enter by Wednesday 4 Oct.

Central Coast Grammar School

9.30am – 4.00pm

**Minimum ability: Must know how to move the
pieces and complete games independently.**