**DATES TO REMEMBER**

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**Allergy AAA School**

This means that children, parents, carers and visitors are asked **TO NOT WEAR anything scented** as we have children with severe allergies in our school.

Please: NO nuts (including nutella)

**Principal’s Report**

Over the next couple of weeks, parents and carers are invited to participate in Personalised Learning Plan (PLP) meetings with class teachers and students. These brief meetings will allow teachers to learn more about their students and what parents and carers would like for their children in 2016. Students are encouraged to participate in these meeting.

If you have not made an appointment as yet, please contact your child’s teacher to organise a suitable time to meet.

**Sports Update**

Mrs King will be accompanying students from our school and across the Lachlan Zone as they participate in the Western Area swimming trials this Friday. Students who participate in these trials may be selected to swim at the State Swimming Carnival in Sydney on 6 – 7 April.

Our boys cricket team will play students from Middleton Public School next Tuesday, 8 March, as part of the PSSA Knockout competition in Parkes. The team has been developing their skills with Miss Richards since last year.

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**Attendance Award - Class 3/4C and KO**

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**Bronze Awards presented at last week’s PBL Assembly**

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At Condobolin Public School we are STRONG, SMART & PROUD
Assembly

Parents and carers are invited to attend our formal assembly this Friday in the hall starting at 1pm. The students in 1J will be leading this assembly.

Head Lice – have you checked this week?

It is important that children’s hair is checked weekly and follow-up treatments completed. It is only through vigilance that head lice can be kept under control.

Helmets required

Students need to wear a helmet when riding a bicycle to and from school. This is a legal requirement. Anyone not wearing a helmet will not be permitted to ride to school and bicycles may be locked away until they have their helmet or an adult collects the bicycle.

P&C AGM

All parents and carers are invited to attend the Annual General Meeting of the P&C on Thursday, 10th March in the school library. The meeting will be held from 7.00 pm.

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**EVERYONE2DAY**

*Why is regular attendance at school important?*

Regular school attendance will help your child to succeed in later life. Attending school every day makes learning easier for your child and helps build and maintain friendships with other children.

If your child misses learning the basic skills in the early years of primary or high school, they may develop learning problems in later years.

- 1 day off a week = 10 days a term (2 weeks - gone!)
- 1 day off a week over the period of 1 year = most of 1 term - gone!!
- If this pattern starts in Kindergarten and continues through to Year 6 almost 1 and a half years of learning is gone!!
- If this pattern continues through high school students will miss nearly three years of learning.
- If students miss days of learning they reduce the chance of achieving to their academic potential.

**Missing school leaves gaps in your education**

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**PBL NEWS**

Focus this week:  Following Instructions

Strong  Smart  Proud
LACHLAN PSSA Selection Trials for U11’s & Opens Rugby League 2016
Venue: Spicer Oval, Parkes
Date: Thursday 17th March 2016
Time: 10.00 am to 12.30 pm

If any students are interested in trying out for the team, please see Mrs Fyfe before Wednesday 9th March for more information.

Condobolin Garden Festival invites children, parents and carers to take part in creating and entering a scarecrow to be displayed in one of the open gardens on Saturday 2nd and Sunday 3rd April.

There are three Categories:
1. Comical
2. Traditional
3. Depicting a character.

There is also a Photography competition depicting “In and around the Garden”

Sections: Open; Primary School; Senior School. Entry is Free

Further information:
Pat Hurley 6896 2219

CANTEEN NEWS

Wednesday Special

Chicken Subway Roll
(Chicken, Homestyle bbq Sauce, choice of Salad, Coleslaw and cheese)
Full - $5.00
Half - $2.50

Please check the 2016 pricelist when ordering lunches as these have changed from last year.

Junior Soccer
Condobolin Junior Soccer Association is in desperate need of parents to run the competition this year.
At this stage only a limited number of parents have expressed interest to keep the kids soccer competition afloat for the 2016 season.
It would be a massive shame for the Juniors to miss out on a game that many of them love to play.
I’m more than happy to provide assistance with training or explanation of the rules of soccer.

Dale Gallagher (Condobolin High School) 6895 2333
Below are the days that students need to bring their library bags and books:

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The following awards will be presented at 1J’s Assembly on Friday 4 March 2016

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Family, friends and community members

Please come along and be entertained by students of Class 1J performing an item for their Formal Assembly

Friday 4th March 2016 to the school hall 1.00pm

**SRC Captains Corner:**

**COME AND TAKE A GUESS AT THE JELLY BEAN JAR**

20c every guess or 50c for 3 guesses

Good Luck  SRC Captains
Snapshots from Year 3 – Class 3K

Mrs King is enjoying her return to the classroom after many years teaching Reading Recovery. She has a Year 3 class full of STRONG, SMART and PROUD students.

Last week Mrs King was particularly impressed with the great book reviews written by Jaydon and Emma. Students were asked to review the book “Stellaluna” by Janell Cannon. They needed to provide a summary of the story, comment about a favourite part of the book and write whether they would recommend the book for others to read.

**Stellaluna**

The book Stellaluna is about friendship. One night a mother bat was out flying and an owl starting attacking them. Stellaluna, (the baby bat) dropped from the sky. She landed in a nest. The birds soon adopted her. Her bat ways disappeared. She acted like a bird very well.

My favourite part of the story is when Stellaluna found her real mum. I like this part because it is nice to see them back together.

I learned that bats eyes shine like torches in dark so they can see at night. (So they don’t crash into trees).

I recommend this book because it is about friendship.

**Stellaluna**

The book Stellaluna is about a mother and daughter bat.

One night an owl strikes the innocent mother and daughter forcing them to separate.

Stellaluna fell from the sky! Her wings were as weak and useless as wet paper. Stellaluna fell on a branch, then fell into a birds nest. The three little birds were curious of Stellaluna.

The mother bird soon came back to the nest and Stellaluna hid all day. Stellaluna watched mother bird fly in with juicy bugs.

Stellaluna ate bugs and became like a bird.

My favourite part was when Stellaluna ate bugs!

Draft – Written by Emma

Draft – Written by Jaydon

Google “Stories Online” to listen to this story on an electronic device at home!
Year 3 students in Mrs King’s class, have been inspired by the famous artist, Andy Wahol, to create their own colourful ‘pop art’ portraits. These make a beautiful classroom display. More artwork can be seen by parents and caregivers during Personalised Learning Plan (PLP) meetings across the next two weeks.
2016 UNSW ICAS International Competitions and Assessments for Schools

All Condobolin Public School students who enter the NSW ICAS competitions will receive a certificate and an individual student report that is suitable for your child to include in a portfolio. ICAS competition provides an opportunity for students to gain a measure of their own achievements in an external testing situation.

All entries and money collection is due by Friday 1st April 2016. See Miss R Richards if you have any questions.

The entry fee per student is as follows:

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Please return permission slip, entry form & entry fee.

I give permission for my child .................................................................

class .................. to participate in the 2016 ICAS in the following subjects:

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Amount enclosed: $ .................................................................

Parent/ Carer Signature: ..................................................................................

Date: .................................................................
Garden Club News

The Garden Club has been busy weeding and digging up the garden beds in preparation for planting some new vegetable seedlings.

Any donations of lucerne hay would be most appreciated as we are hoping to mulch around our new plants. We have already started composting our fruit scraps from ‘crunch n sip’ together with shredded paper from the office, some sheep manure and old plant matter. Please contact the school office and leave a message for Mrs Dargan if you are able to help.

Mrs Dargan and Miss Wykes.