

# Congupna Primary School

## WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



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**Dear School Community,**

**Last Wednesday evening a story was aired on The Project on national television that featured current student Chase Adams.** The story was quite confrontational and delved into some of the issues that have been faced by Chase, Rachael and the school. I believe the story highlighted the importance of home and the school working together in the best interests of the child and I would like to congratulate Rachael on continuing to explore new methods constantly to make a difference and improve Chase's education, health and wellbeing. Chase started at Congupna Primary School on the same day as me and his growth since then can also be attributed to staff that consistently exercise patience, empathy and resilience while working with all children here at school. It would have been easy for the school to not want to be involved with such a confronting story, but I do believe there is a fantastic story there that paints the school in a positive light and if it helps Chase's confidence and outlook on school life, that we should participate. If you did not get a chance to see the episode, you can catch it on TenPlay or The Project's Facebook Page:

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**Our local Tallygaroopna/Congupna Landcare will be participating in National Tree on this Sunday 30th July at 10am in the Pony Paddock next to the School.** They will then be moving on to the Congupna Recreation Reserve after this. Everyone is welcome to attend and our aim will be to tidy up and replace any trees or shrubs that have died. We do not think this will take long and it could be a great chance to get the family outside and get our hands dirty! Thank you to Landcare for driving this and working with the school to keep our Pony Paddock looking beautiful!

**The time for our Parent Opinion Survey to be distributed has come around again and this year we are going online!** The survey is designed to assist our school in gaining an understanding of parents' perception of school climate,

student engagement and relationships with our school community. Our school will use the survey results to help inform and direct future school planning and improvement strategies. The survey will be conducted online by ORIMA Research Pty Ltd and only takes 15 minutes to complete. The survey can be accessed via desktop computer, laptop, tablet or mobile at any convenient time within the period from Monday 7th August to Sunday 27th August. All responses will be anonymous and all parents and carers will be invited to participate in this year's survey. We will be sending a confidential link home to you all next week in preparation for what we hope will be a good response rate. If you require further information, please visit:

<http://www.education.vic.gov.au/school/teachers/managementimprovementPagesperformsurveyparent.aspx>

**Our first Playgroup session took place yesterday and we have allocated a nice little indoor play area in the classroom that adjoins the senior classroom at the rear of the school.** Thanks to Bec Threlfall for driving this initiative. Please forward the attached flyer to anyone else that you know may be interested.

**Finally, can I remind all families that students arriving late to school need to sign in at the office.** As you all know, we have construction works on-site and the school grounds are unsupervised after the bell has rung. We would like to ensure that all students arrive safely at their classrooms and that if we were to conduct an emergency evacuation, that all students would be marked present either on the classroom roll or in the Late Arrivals Book. Thank you for your cooperation in advance.

**Thanks for Reading, Adam Cleary - Principal**

Thought for the week

Use your wit  
to amuse, not abuse.



## 2017 SCHOOL COUNCIL MEMBERS

**President** – Geoff Jacobson, **Secretary** - Wendy Sidebottom (DET Representative) **Members** - Adam Cleary (Principal), Andrew Fletcher, Narkea Rogers, Fiona Davis, Andrew Miles, Tracy Gauci (Parents & Friends Representative)

### 2017 SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING DATES

#### **TERM 3**

6:30pm on Tuesday 1st August 2017

6:30pm on Tuesday 5th Sept 2017

#### **TERM 4**

6:30pm on Tuesday 24th October 2017

6:30pm on Tuesday 5th December 2017

### **5 Cent Drive Fundraiser Winner!**

**Congratulations goes to our Prep/One class who collected the most five cent pieces!**

P/1 \$118.20 | 2/3 \$69.25 | 4/5/6 \$102.25

A reward for the P/1 Class will be decided in the coming days and a participation treat will be awarded to the other classrooms at assembly this Friday.

**Congratulations to the Bye Family on the safe arrival of William Henry Bye on the July 21st!**



## TERM 3 CALENDAR

### August

- 2nd Athletics Practice
- 4th Athletics Practice
- 7th **Goal Setting Conferences**
- 8th **Playgroup 9:30– 11:30am**
- 9th **Parents and Friends Meeting 6pm**
- 9th Athletics Practice
- 11th Athletics Practice
- 15th Athletics Practice
- 16th Athletics Practice
- 17th Congupna FC Footy Tea - **Volunteers Needed**
- 18th **Curriculum Day**
- 22nd **Playgroup 9:30– 11:30am**
- 24th Athletics Practice
- 25th Athletics Practice
- 25th Healthy Smiles sessions with GV Dental Group
- 28th **Athletics Day**
- 30th **Chess Tournament**

### September

- 4th CFA Van at school
- 5th **Playgroup 9:30–11:30am**
- 5th MACC Art Display at Eastbank Begins
- 10th **Working Bee 9:30am**
- 14th **AFL 9's Cluster Day**
- 19th **Playgroup 9:30– 11:30am**
- 22nd Last Day of Term (Early finish at 2pm)



# Students of the Week!



*From left; Haydn Uniacke, Brodie Kelly, Adalia Clark, Joshua Rogers*

## ***We are 'KIND' Award***

For displaying qualities at school that make this student a KIND person. Bravo!

**Brodie Kelly** - For being a kind and considerate student.

**Adalia Clark** - For continually being kind and inclusive in our classroom.

**Haydn Uniacke** - For getting past barriers and finding new friends by being kind.

## ***Kiwanis TERRIFIC KID of the Week***

**Joshua Rogers** - For his continued hard work in class. Well done!

# Congupna Cruisers Round 9 Wrap

## Under 6's

It was great to get back into soccer as the Cruisers played Guthrie St. The game got off to a flyer with our captain for the day Tate getting the first of his 3 goals in the first min. Teamwork and positive encouragement was at an all time high as our players put their body in front of the ball and saved goals. We scored heaps of goals and had fun. Awards went to Asim and Jesse for terrific effort as they got right into the centre of the contest and won the ball back for us lots. And Hamish got the other award for super teamwork. Training is on Friday at 4pm. Go cruisers!

## **Coach Jason**

## Under 7's

It was a cold start at 9am on Saturday morning and we were a couple of players short. Young Tate Thorn from the Under 6's stepped up though so that we had the required four players to take to the field. A well-drilled Guthrie Street Lions were our opponents and it was obvious from the start that they were organised and shared the ball around really well. Our three regular players Kai, Dayne and Thomas never stopped trying but the show was stolen by young Tate who was not intimidated at all by his older and larger opponents!

The game was played in very good spirits which is always lovely to see but our Cruisers this week were unable to capture victory with a 1-9 loss. The match committee is sure that the team will be 'better for the run' after the bye and that next week we will have a bench and be re-focussed on what had seen us be a successful team last Term. Thomas was the lone goal-scorer this week and the awards went to Tate, Kai and Thomas.

## **Coach Cleary**

## Under 8's

Coach Nic was away for the game against Gowrie St which meant the return of Coach Dazza to guide the team. The theme for the day was running to space and calling for a pass from a teammate. Cruisers took to it like a duck to water and dominated possession in the first half without scoring although James hit the post twice. Importantly, Lilly, Amaia, Lee and standing goalkeeper Lachie made sure we didn't concede. It was a tight tussle in the second half with former Cruiser Levi nearly scoring twice. Right on the final whistle a shot from Bodie slipped passed the defence and found the back of the net for a 1-0 win. Wild celebrations followed and Dazza is still crowing about his perfect record this season.

## **Darren Linton**

## Under 10's

U10 Cruisers had a wonderful start back after a 3 week break this week with a win against Kialla West Weapons with final scores 7 to 2. Well done everyone who came back this week with lots of energy and great teamwork. Our teamwork and passing of the ball enable our goal kickers this week to score 7 amazing goals. Goal kickers were Sean 4, Ethan 1, Hunter 1 and Midgee (Josh C) kicking his first goal of the season. Well done everyone. Again the coaches and parents on the sideline could really notice the amount of teamwork this week which is fabulous. Well done to our goalies Aden and Will, who both did a great job. Defence was awesome with Darcy and Lachlan not letting the ball get through and booting it right back to Cruiser's goals. Awards this week went to Darcy, Justin and Sean. GO CRUISERS

# CONGUPNA PRIMARY SCHOOL PLAYGROUP



COMMENCING TERM 3  
**(TUESDAY 25TH JULY)**  
ALL AGES WELCOME

@ CONGUPNA P.S  
**EVERY 2ND TUESDAY**

930-1130AM  
BRING ALONG A GOLD  
COIN & PIECE OF FRUIT

**PLEASE REGISTER YOUR INTEREST TO  
BEC THERE FALL 0438347593**

# Congupna Primary School Playgroup

