



Coniston Connection

Newsletter Term 1 Week 2

Welcome to the 2025 school year!

We had a lovely morning yesterday with lots of smiles as the children passed under the balloon arch. We are off to a great start with all our classes settled into their rooms with their teacher.

Our staff are also off to a wonderful start with a range of professional learning topics covered on the first four days. For the first time, the teachers were provided with two days to engage in professional learning of their choice and preparation for the year ahead.

Coming Events

Week 4

- Monday 17 February 2:15pm: Whole school assembly

Week 5

- Tuesday 25 February 3:15pm: Class information sessions and P&C Welcome BBQ (details to come)

Dates for your diary

- Friday 2 May: Photo Day



Staff for 2025

Welcome Miss Abby Mawassi (support teacher), Miss Melissa Cook (Cedar), Mrs Malak Zeini (sharing with Mrs Jacobs at the commencement of the year) and Ms Melanie Madsen (Counsellor M, Th).

We also welcome back Mr Paul Abba, General Assistant.

Mrs Flynn and Mrs Morton will be sharing the Principal's role throughout Term 1. At present, Mrs Flynn is Principal Monday – Wednesday with Mrs Morton returning Thursday and Friday. Mrs Jacobs will continue in the Assistant Principal K - 2 & Wellbeing role during this time.

While parents/carers will have the opportunity to meet their child's class teacher at the Class Information Session on Tuesday 25 February, it's always handy to know our staff are.

Assistant Principals

- Mrs Flynn / Mrs Jacobs (K-2, Wellbeing), Mr Whittaker (3-6) and Ms Thompson (Cedar)
- Mrs Risi - Assistant Principal, Curriculum and Instruction

Teachers

Eucalypt 1 (Kinder) – Miss Fist	Miss O'Brien – Learning Support Teacher
Darwinia 1 (Year 1) – Mrs Rodgers	Mrs Hill – Release from Face to Face (Th, F)
Darwinia 2 (Year 2) – Mrs Jacobs, Mrs Zeini	Mrs Smith – Library (Th, F)
Acacia 1 (Year 3) - Mr Whittaker (M, T, Th, F), Mrs Hargreaves (W)	Mrs Watt – Strategic Student Support and Teacher Release for Curriculum (M, W)



Acacia 2 (Year 4) – Ms Daly	Miss Mawassi – English as an Additional Language / New Arrivals support for specific students
Acacia 3 (Year 5/6) – Mrs Piljevic	Mrs Hargreaves – additional programs, including Ganugan (our no-dig garden) (T)
Banksia 3 (Year 5/6) – Miss Aroney	Miss Cook – Cedar Release from Face to Face (W)
Cedar 2 – Ms O'Keefe (M – W), Miss Cook (Th – F)	
Cedar 3 – Mr Formica	

School Administration Support Staff

Mrs Marczan – Administration Manager	Mrs Jara-Vidal – Administration Officer
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School Learning Support Officers

Mrs Petkovski - mainstream	Mrs Reh – Cedar	Ms Duffy – Cedar
Mrs Arnold – Cedar (Wed), mainstream (M, T, Th)	Mrs Brown – Cedar (M, T, Th, F)	

General Assistants

Mr Abba	Mr Hiscocks
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Class requirements

Once again, the school has purchased stationery items for all students. This is to ensure they all have access to the equipment relevant to their stage of learning. It is also in recognition of the continued increase in the cost of living that may be affecting our families. Teachers will let you know if there are any additional items of equipment required for the classroom. If you have already organised equipment, your child's teacher will work with your child regarding items for school and items for home.

Swimming Carnival

Congratulations to our swimmers who competed in the carnival today! Well done, Miss Aroney for having everyone organised so quickly. Thank you to the parents/carers for transporting the students and Mrs Risi for supervising.

Wishing everyone a happy, healthy and safe 2025!

Lost Property



Just a reminder to label all your children's clothing and items, especially school jumpers. This is what we had in lost property at the end of last year.

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