



Newsletter Term 2 Week 6

Relieving Principal's Message

On Sunday morning, a group of 93 enthusiastic students, parents, and teachers from Coniston Public School gathered to participate in the Wollongong Running Festival held at Stuart Park. We would like to extend our heartfelt congratulations to everyone who took part, whether by running, jogging, or walking the 2km course.



Additionally, we are proud to acknowledge the efforts of our dedicated teachers, with three of them also competing in the 10km run and two in the 5km event. Despite the morning starting off a bit chilly, the day was marked by a fantastic atmosphere and the enthusiasm of all participants. Thank you to everyone for making this event a memorable and successful occasion!

Our stage 3 students head off to Canberra next Thursday morning for an overnight stay. Have a great time exploring the sites of Canberra and pack your winter woollies.

Remember to fill out your pie orders ready to return on Tuesday 11 June. All funds raised go towards supporting our students at school.



Have a lovely long weekend.

Mrs Nicole Flynn
Relieving Principal

Coming Events

SCHOOL HAT EVERY DAY

HEALTHY LUNCHBOX EVERY DAY

Regular Events

- School Assembly - Mondays Week 4 & 8
- Running Club - Wed & Friday 8:30am
- Community Gardening: Tuesdays 9:15am -10:45am: call in via the office.
- Playgroup - Tuesdays 9am - 11am

Term 2

Week 7

- Monday 10 June – Public Holiday
- Tuesday 11 June – Pie orders due
- Thurs 13 – Fri 14 June: Stage 3 Canberra Overnight Excursion

Week 8

- Monday 17 June: Whole school assembly Item presented by Year 1 and 2
- Tuesday 18 June – Pie orders delivered
- Friday 20 June – Spelling Bee Final

Week 9

Week 10

- Friday 5 July – Student Semester 1 Reports Issued
- Friday 5 July – Last Day of term 2

What's due?

- Pie Drive Orders

Dates for your diary

- Friday 5 July – End of term 2



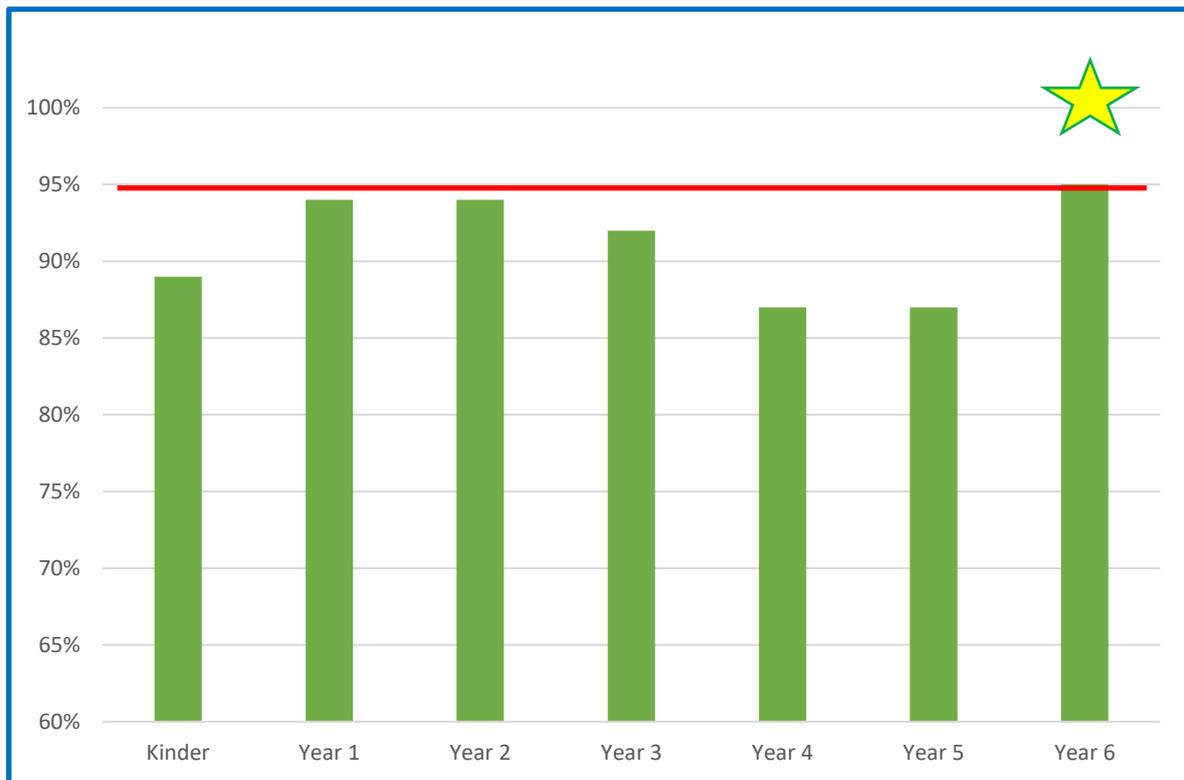
Attendance – Everyday counts!

This year we are really striving to have every grade over 90% attendance every fortnight.

The attendance graph below is for 22 May – 5 June 2024. The red line is the NSW Department of Education's expected 95% attendance marker.



Congratulations Year 6 95% and
Year 1 Boys 98%



P & C News

Today our P&C served up delicious Hot Dogs to our students. Thank you to everyone who ordered and supported our school. We can't run these days without our parent's helpers. Thank you to everyone who came along to help cook and serve.

Coming events

Tuesday 11 June – Last day for orders

Tuesday 18 June – Pie Drive delivery

Please contact the school office or email the P&C if you can come along and help sort the pies and cakes on delivery day from 8am on Tuesday 18 June

Next P&C Meeting: Monday 5 August 7pm in the library.

Kind regards

Coniston P&C

conistonps.pandc@gmail.com

Communication

Please use the school's email address for non-emergencies in the first instance or phone the office. Our staff will respond to your queries **within 2 school days** under normal circumstances.

For longer discussions or complex matters, we ask parents and carers to make an appointment to speak to teachers directly, at a time that works best for everyone.

For emergencies, please contact the office on 4229 1117. Emergencies include serious student health, safety and wellbeing issues.

School email: coniston-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

Student Representative Council – Network Meeting

Student Representative Council (SRC) - Term 2 Network Meeting

On Wednesday morning, we went to an SRC network meeting at Lindsay Park Public School. It started off with a speech from Tess, a former captain of Figtree High School. Tess talked about her life story and being a leader. Being a leader isn't always a straight line, we will have troubles here and there. After that, a captain of Lindsay Park Public School asked each table to read a scenario and find their opinions of it.

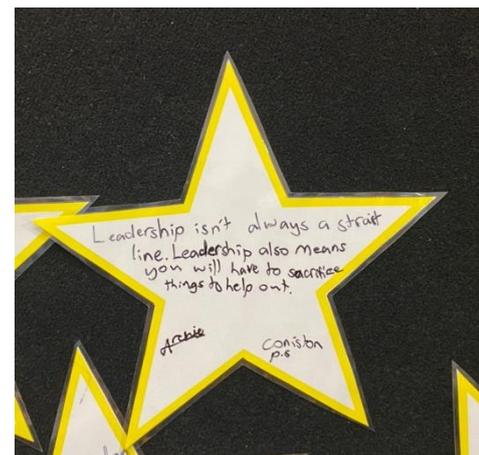
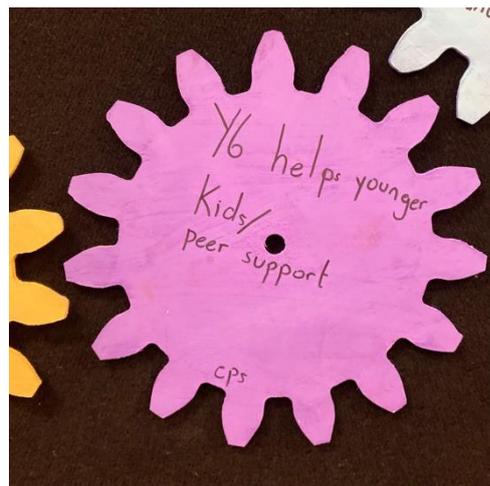
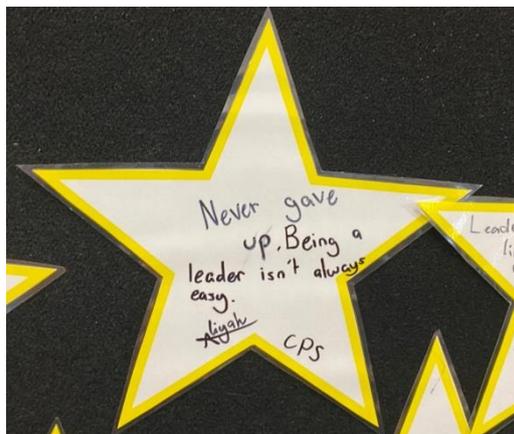
We got a scenario stating, "The school decided to have a fundraiser, but they all needed flyers, the person who was assigned to do it never arrived at the scheduled meeting, and always said that the situation was under control but they have to send out the flyers in about a week. The person who was supposed to do it is also a very skilled artist, what should they do?" We wrote "We'll give them a few more days to do it, if they are unable to do it, they are not fit for the job. We will make a flyer with contributions from the whole team."

The second activity was to set goals for the school. We wrote, "Our goal for year 6 is to help younger kids in learning/peer support. The purpose of this is to make learning easier for the younger kids and giving them support."

Then, Mr Lamb gave us an SRC badge.



Aliyah & Archie
Yr 6 Vice Captains



Photos from Wollongong Running Festival

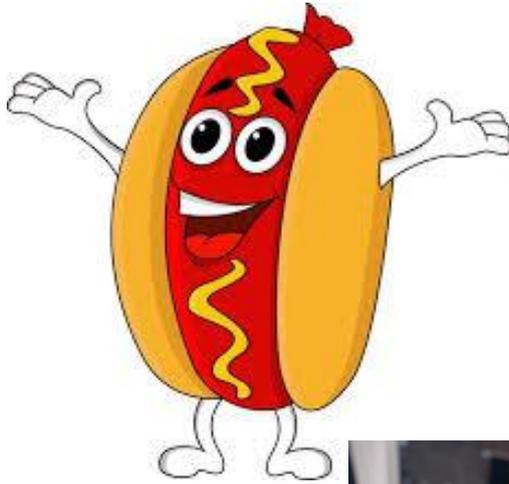


Photos from Wollongong Running Festival



Hot Dog Day

A huge thank you to the P&C for organising another great meal deal day. Everyone loved their hotdogs!





Dear Parents/Guardians,

We know our students are amazing, so we're giving them the opportunity to showcase and celebrate their talents in the world-renowned ICAS competition this year.

What is ICAS?

ICAS is an online academic competition that gives students the opportunity to challenge their higher order thinking and problem-solving skills in English, Mathematics, Science, Writing, Spelling Bee, and Digital Technologies.

Every student who participates is celebrated and recognised with a printed certificate in each subject area, and an online results report to track development each year. Top performers are eligible for one of the highly coveted ICAS medals.

To learn more about this year's exciting ICAS competition, visit: [\(icasassessments.com/products-icas/\)](https://icasassessments.com/products-icas/)

How to participate in ICAS

If you wish for your child to participate in ICAS this year, please:

1. Read about ICAS subjects and prices [here](https://icasassessments.com/products-icas/): [\(icasassessments.com/products-icas/\)](https://icasassessments.com/products-icas/)
2. Read the Privacy Collection Statement below.
3. Read the terms and conditions [here](https://icasassessments.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/04/2023-ICAS-Assessments-Schools-TsCs_S2023.V6-1.pdf): [\(icasassessments.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/04/2023-ICAS-Assessments-Schools-TsCs_S2023.V6-1.pdf\)](https://icasassessments.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/04/2023-ICAS-Assessments-Schools-TsCs_S2023.V6-1.pdf)
4. Go to the Parent Portal to sign up to chosen subject areas [here](https://shop.icasassessments.com/pages/pps): [\(shop.icasassessments.com/pages/pps\)](https://shop.icasassessments.com/pages/pps)
5. Enter our school's access code – **RXY092**
6. Enter your child's details, select the subject areas your child would like to participate in, then proceed to payment.

After payment is made via the Parent Payment System, you will receive an order confirmation email, please keep this for your records.

ICAS Sitting Windows per Subject

Digital Technologies	5 – 9 August
Writing	5 – 9 August
English	12 - 6 August
Science	19 – 23 August
Spelling Bee	19 – 23 August
Mathematics	26 – 30 August

ICAS results and certificates

All assessments will be conducted online, at school. We will notify you of the date(s) that we will run ICAS assessments, and when your child's ICAS results are ready. Your child's ICAS certificates will be delivered to school. Once we have received them, we will present them to your child to bring home. The back of the certificate will show your child's ICAS results and the login details, "TAP ID and Pin". - Use these to enter the [Results Portal](https://orti.icasassessments.com/ortiStudent) orti.icasassessments.com/ortiStudent

Privacy collection statement

The following information is a privacy notification about how your child's data is kept private and secure.

ICAS Assessment is owned by Janison Solutions Pty Ltd (**We, Us, Our**).

To deliver assessment products, Janison will require your child's School to obtain your consent to provide Janison with certain personal information of students. Janison will collect, store, use, disclose and otherwise deal with such personal information in accordance with its privacy policy (below). We are aware of our responsibility to protect personal information related to children and students from being disclosed when we deliver an ICAS Assessments product. Unless you, as the child's legal guardian consents, we **will not**:

- collect any personal information or data of children other than the information we need for the successful completion of an assessment, test, or exam.
- transfer any personal information we obtain from a child in the delivery of assessments and tests to any jurisdiction outside of Australia.
- share any personal information relating to children with any third parties (except for those third parties necessary for us to carry out our Services or provide our Products e.g., medal engraving).
- use any personal information or data relating to children for marketing purposes.

You can view our full privacy policy at <https://www.janison.com/privacy-policy/>.

We may retain personal information and data relevant to a child for their future purposes or for research purposes by Janison for the duration of the school life cycle of the child. However, if you or your child at any time wish to have their personal information or data removed from our systems, they or you may opt out by simply contacting our Privacy Officer at privacy@janison.com or by contacting icasassessments@janison.com.

We are excited to be offering ICAS to our students this year and look forward to celebrating their achievements. Please do not hesitate to contact the school office if you have any questions. Entry closes 29 July 2024.

Swap it!

swop it
everyday in the lunchbox

Simple sweet swaps

Have you already tried swapping?

Next week, why not challenge yourself to try one of these sweet swaps:

- Muesli bar to pikelets
- Dairy dessert to reduced fat custard
- Juice to water with fresh fruit

Making these sweet swaps can protect kids from tooth decay.

SWAP FROM

Dairy dessert

SWAP TO

Reduced fat custard

For more everyday sweet swaps visit: www.swapit.net.au/sweetswaps



Guiding children's growth

What is OSHC and why is it right for your family?

OSHC stands for Outside School Hours Care. Camp Australia's OSHC service provides enrichment and care for primary school-age children outside school hours and during the school holidays. Depending on your school, it can cover Before School Care, After School Care and Vacation Care.

At Camp Australia, our vision is *To support families in achieving their dreams* and our promise that is that *we will Guide Your Child's Growth.*

To do that we take a unique approach to OSHC based on over 30 years of experience.

Enriching experiences that children love

Our experienced educators involve your child in designing the experiences that make up our OSHC program. Our industry leading approach to program development ensures that your child is at the heart of what we do each day.

A place for friendships to form

OSHC is a great place for your child to meet new friends and bond over shared interests. We design programs that bring children together so they can connect and grow outside school hours.

Easy, hassle-free care

Our service is available to all families, no matter the need. Our extended hours offer peace of mind so you can manage work, health, study and more stress-free. Plus, our industry leading Parent Portal gives you unrivalled access to make and manage your bookings.



FREE to Register

Once registered, you'll be able to easily make and manage your bookings online via our Parent Portal at pp.campastralia.com.au

Are you eligible for the Child Care Subsidy?

The Child Care Subsidy can provide up to 90% off your fees. If you're unsure about your eligibility contact Centrelink on 13 61 50.



Make and manage bookings using the Parent Portal app for smartphone

We conducted customer focus groups to get direct feedback from parents regarding their experience with Camp Australia.

This research highlighted the need to have a streamlined way for parents to access their accounts and manage their bookings and enrolments; and informed the design for our brand-new Parent Portal app for smartphone.

- Easy booking features.
- Simple booking calendar overview.
- Track your spend.
- Contact your service Coordinator.
- Update your and your child's details.



Search for **Camp Australia Parent Portal** on the App Store or Google Play, to download the app and register free with us now.





Multicultural Supported Playgroups
PLAY, LEARN, CONNECT



Playgroups are back in 2024!

Tuesdays (School Term only)
9:00am - 11:00am (ages 0-5)

Coniston Public School
123 Auburn St, Coniston NSW 2500

To register your interest, please contact **Paulina!**
Mobile: 0431 123 389
Email: ppesavento@ims.org.au



Communities & Justice



ROCKY TRAIL ACADEMY
Wollongong Primary Schools MTB Event
ROCKY TRAIL ACADEMY
Cringila MTB Park
Wollongong
THU, 20 JUN 2024

More info

Where the mountain biking adventure begins!
Dedicated to nurturing the fundamental growth of mountain biking within school communities.

STUDENTS LOVE IT.

A FUN INTRODUCTION TO MOUNTAIN BIKING

Open to Y3-6 primary school kids, regardless of experience or skill level. The focus is on enjoying the sport, exploring nature, and making new friends.

HAPPY TEACHERS.

HIGHLY EXPERIENCED ORGANISERS.

The three tracks selected will be short, engaging, and designed for maximum fun. Results will be published, but no rankings to encourage participation over competition.

IMPRESSED PARENTS.

GREAT VALUE AND SAFE EVENT ENVIRONMENT.

Affordable entry fee of \$49 per child includes AusCycling insurance. Riders who do each track at least once are "finishers" and get a fun reward prize.



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