



# TALKING POINT

*"In caring & sharing  
In living & learning  
So shall we all grow"*

## Coal Point Public School

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### 2011 NEWSLETTER -21<sup>st</sup> November TERM FOUR WEEK SEVEN

Term Dates: Monday 10<sup>th</sup> October – Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December

Uniform Shop Open First Thursday of the Month 3:10pm – 3:20pm

**ORDERS FILLED EACH WEEK THROUGH THE OFFICE.**

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

CONGRATUALIONS Talayna!! Talayna Best, in Year 5, attended the 2011 Connected Learning Awards ceremony last Friday along with Mrs Newman and Talayna's family. What a wonderful surprise for us all when Talayna was announced the WINNER of this year's Greeting Card competition. Talayna utilised the Project Dogwaffle art program to design a greeting card to be used by the Director General of Education. Talayna received a beautiful trophy and certificate and has won over \$800 worth of prizes for our school. We are so proud of you Talayna.

Please return your Annual Surveys to school this week. So far we have 46 returned out of 170. It is imperative that we have as many surveys returned as possible to ensure a true reflection of school needs as we write our new Three Year Management Plan.

Special congratulations and thanks to Mr Gaden and our cricketers who attended the Gala Day last Friday. By all accounts, a wonderful day was had by all.

As of the Stop Work meeting, there has been an anticipated full day strike which is to be held for all Teachers on Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> November. The official call has not been announced, but I would like to allow all families enough notice to plan before this date.

**Band Solo night is coming up on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> December.** All band members will need to arrive around 6.15pm to set up and be ready for a 6.30pm commencement. Our Year 6 students will need to keep up with their practise over the next few weeks to be ready for their wonderful solo performances on this evening.

On **Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> November (regardless of the strike action)** the **Year 7 Parent Information night** will be held at the **Toronto High School**. This is an important evening where students and their families will discover more about expectations for 2012 and also find out classes for next year.

### Dates for the Diary

22 <sup>nd</sup> November	Yr6 Linkages Program
21 <sup>st</sup> Nov – 2 <sup>nd</sup> Dec	Yr 2 Swimming Scheme
24 <sup>th</sup> & 25 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Stage 2 Camp Myuna Bay
29 <sup>th</sup> November	Toronto High Parent night
2 <sup>nd</sup> December	Kinder Orientation
2 <sup>nd</sup> December	Band Solo Night
6 <sup>th</sup> December	Yr 6 Farewell
9 <sup>th</sup> December	K-2 Party Day
13 <sup>th</sup> December	Celebration Day
16 <sup>th</sup> December	LAST DAY for Students

### NOTES/PAYMENTS TO BE RETURNED

Celebration Day  
Yr 3-6 Movie Day  
K –Yr 2 Ice Skating  
Yr 5/6 2012 Gold Excursion Deposit  
School Contribution  
Stage 1, 2 & 3 workbooks  
School Band Fees and Choir Fees

### ENROL NOW FOR KINDERGARTEN 2012

Parents and caregivers wishing to enrol students for Kindergarten in 2012 are asked to complete an enrolment form and return it to the school office. Information will be sent next term to families who have completed enrolment forms regarding dates for orientation sessions.

## 2012 Weetbix Kids TRYathlon - A positive and rewarding experience for your children

The Sanitarium Weet-Bix Kids TRYathlon inspires children to get moving in a friendly and supportive environment where the emphasis is on enjoying an active lifestyle. Kids of all abilities cross the finish line a champion and everyone who participates takes home a medal. The focus is on participation and health benefits of being active, and just having a go. Next year, the date set is 22 Jan 2012 on the Central Coast, and there is the opportunity to sign up your school and enter a school team (even though its in the holidays)at[www.tryathlon.weetbix.com.au](http://www.tryathlon.weetbix.com.au)

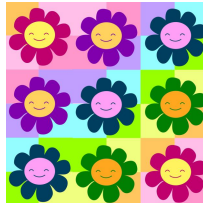
If you would be interested in participating in this activity please let Ms Creswell know and if there is enough interest there is an opportunity to sign up a school team. Mr Fardell has said he would be happy to organise this if needed. Please take the time to have a look at the website to find out a little more about this wonderful event.

Quote of the week.....

**It is never too late to  
be what you might  
have been.**

George Eliot (1819-1880)

Best Regards,  
Kim Creswell  
Principal



**YOU CAN DO IT!**  
Student Voice

Life is too short to sweat the  
small stuff! Peri

Be yourself and everyone will  
accept you for who you are.  
Holly.

### Home Reading Program

The last week for home reading program will be Week 8, week commencing 28/11/11. Please ensure you return all home reading books during this week. A big thank you to all the helpers who assisted with the exchange of the readers each week. We appreciate your time and effort and would not be able to continue the program without you.  
Mrs Pring



**LIBRARY:** - Please return all school library books as soon as possible as Library Stocktake is about to start. Thank you.

### PRINCIPAL'S AWARD

Gabby Nayler, Jamie Calnin, Ava Rae, Jake Callen, Isabella Groves, Alex Macdougall, Luke Fairs

### QUALITY WORK AWARDS

**CONGRATULATIONS** to the following students for their outstanding efforts:

Oliver Wrigley, Jacob Scully, Keegan O'Loughlin, Miranda Kaar, Bree Short, Grace McCallum, Baylee Nightingale

### K-2 SPECIAL AWARDS

**CONGRATULATIONS** to the following students for their outstanding efforts:

KP – Ava Rae

KJ – Bailey Cooper

1/2M – Holly Cashin

1/2L – Georgia Sullivan

1/2W – Kallam Kiely

Mrs Murdoch – Annie Roskell

Special Duties: Ella Winterbine and Kobe Nightingale

## PRIMARY STUDENT MERIT AWARDS

### CONGRATULATIONS to the following students for their outstanding efforts:

Talanya Best, Jacqueline Maskiell, Daniel Boggs x 2, Alexandra Cullingford x 2, Emma Roughley, Gabe Ellis, Jasper Offen, Heath Penfold, Mae Anagnostis, Miranda Horne, Catherine Mackay, Bronwyn Pierson, Jack Dickinson, Harrison Frew, Jaiden Gemmell, Connor South, Isabella Bate, Sienna De Costa, Chelsea Kirby, Kira Morris, Miah Rae, Hayley Soltau, Luke Croquett, Flynn Fardell, Seton Griffis, Alyssa Bousles x 2, Grace Cashin, India Shume, Grace Williams, Declan Ford, Kennan Groves, Adam Killian x 2, Max Kozlik, Ryan Turier, Taylor Wood,

## Academic House Points

Hunter: 106

Macquarie: 87

Phillip: 116

Shortland: 86

## Canteen News

\*\*\*\*\* LOOK AT ALL OF THE GAPS – CAN YOU HELP? \*\*\*\*\*

If you haven't done canteen before, now is a great time to help fill one of our vacancies.

Thank You to the following volunteers for working in the canteen in the next two weeks:

MONDAY	21 Nov	Helpers Please	Helpers Please	Kylie-Ann Lysaght
TUESDAY	22 Nov	Lynlea Boggs	Hayley Chappell	
WEDNESDAY	23 Nov	Helpers Please	Helpers Please	Kylie-Ann Lysaght
THURSDAY	24 Nov	Chris Bathman	Michelle Fisher	
FRIDAY	25 Nov	Sharon Nayler	Dawn McNamara	
MONDAY	28 Nov	Jindra Satarill	Kellie McMurray	
TUESDAY	29 Nov	Colleen Jones	Kath Leahy	Lyn Gillespie
WEDNESDAY	30 Nov	Warren Pickles	Julieanne Walpole	
THURSDAY	1 Dec	Chris Bathman	Michelle Fisher	
FRIDAY	2 Dec	Melanie Pickles	Selina King	

Canteen contacts are [kylieannlysaght@gmail.com](mailto:kylieannlysaght@gmail.com) or 0438662484.

\*\*\*\*\* CANTEEN HELPERS LUNCH \*\*\*\*\*

Canteen helpers are invited to lunch at Hughzies from midday on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> December.  
Please RSVP to Chris Bathman on 0413362801 if you would like to attend.

## End of year specials

Cobs of Corn ~ whole fresh cob \$1 ~ while stocks last

Fruit Salad ~ small 50c ~ large \$1

Chicken Tender Wrap with lettuce and mayo ~ \$2.50

Chicken Burger with chicken tenders, lettuce and mayo ~ \$2.50

Watch this space for more End of Year Specials each week

# Coal Point Public School Canteen

## Are you able to volunteer for canteen next year?

Our 2012 roster is currently in the canteen waiting for names to fill in the gaps. Your canteen is very flexible and you can volunteer from as little as one hour.

Some suggestions are:

- One hour on one morning per week (much like reading groups etc)
- One day or morning per month or fortnight on a set day of the week

Anyone who volunteers at the school canteen is entitled to their lunch for free whilst they are there. It is a great time to socialise with other parents, have a cup of tea and get to know your children's friends when they come to the canteen to say hello. It is always very special for the children when they know that their mum, dad, nanna or grandpa is on canteen. You will never be left alone when you are a beginner as we will make sure an experienced person is there to assist you.

Canteen is not difficult. There are a variety of tasks including sandwich making and cooking. The recipes are all very simple and easy to follow. Our new parents always comment how easy and fun canteen is.

It is also great to know that while you are helping on canteen, you are fundraising valuable money for our P&C to spend on important equipment for your children. No one is paid to manage our canteen, and every cent raised goes back towards your children's education. Our canteen contributes about \$20,000 to our school every year.

As we are losing quite a few year 6 parents, we estimate needing 20 new volunteers next year to be able to keep our canteen open every day.

Lunch bags are taken in from 8.45am until 9.15, lunches are prepared until 11am and lunch is served from 11am until midday. Recess is 1.30pm until 2pm

If you have any questions about volunteering for canteen, please speak with our coordinator Kylie-Ann who is there most mornings until bell time, or email [kylieannlysaght@gmail.com](mailto:kylieannlysaght@gmail.com)

Please complete the form below and hand it in at the canteen or office. We will contact you with your 2012 canteen roster towards the end of term four. Alternately, call into the canteen and you can choose your dates on the roster.

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile: \_\_\_\_\_

Childs Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Current class: \_\_\_\_\_

### I am available on the following days and times:

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Time available:					
Frequency: Weekly Fortnightly Monthly					

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

A friend I would like to volunteer with \_\_\_\_\_



## Calling for volunteers - we need your help!

The Commonwealth Bank School Banking program includes an exciting new Rewards Program designed to encourage children to get into the habit of making regular savings.

Every time students make a deposit at school they receive a Dollarmites token which can be redeemed for a range of exciting reward items in recognition of their regular savings. Students will have lots of fun saving their tokens for these cool gifts.

All we need to get this great program started is a volunteer parent or grandparent to be the School Banking Co-ordinator. This only takes a small amount of your time one day a week. Your help with the program will greatly benefit students as they develop vital financial literacy skills and also help our school with fundraising.

Our school would really like to actively participate in this program that will teach our children how to save regularly - an important habit to get into!

The Commonwealth Bank provides support to our School Banking Co-ordinators with the running of the program.

Please indicate your interest in volunteering for this great program by filling in the tear off section below and returning it to **the office**

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**Yes, I would like to help with School Banking!**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Availability: \_\_\_\_\_