Calendar of Events

Don't forget, every Friday the Student Leaders host Parent coffee & chat in the MPC from 2.35pm. Come along and meet with other parents.

Thursday 10th March
Book Club orders due

Friday 11th March
Assembly item M5

Monday 14th March
Public Holiday

Wednesday 16th March
Parent Group Meeting
9am in the staffroom
School Council Meeting 4pm

Friday 18th March
Assembly item S14

Tuesday 22nd March
Harmony Day celebrations
Assembly at 12.35pm in the MPC.
Lunch in classrooms 1.15-1.45 feel free to bring a long a plate to share

School Photo Day
Wednesday 23rd March

Harmony Day
22nd March

The message of Harmony Day is our diversity is our strength. Our diversity is our strength because together we can...

Our Australian Story is diverse. We come from many countries around the world. Sharing a story is a way we can learn and understand each other.

Come along to our Harmony Day celebrations on Tuesday 22nd March

Students are invited to dress in their cultural clothes, colours of the flag of their heritage or orange - the colour of Harmony Day.

On this day we will hold our assembly for the week (this means no assembly on Friday afternoon).

Parents are invited to our assembly to watch the concert performed by students at 12:35 in the MPC.

Then join your child’s class for lunch between 1.15-1.45. Bring along a plate of food to share.

School Photo Day is Wednesday 23rd March. Envelopes and payment must be returned to the school office by Thursday 17th March.

Book Club orders are due to be returned to the school office by TODAY

Raffle tickets have been sent home with families to sell to family and friends to help raise funds for our school.

3 tickets for $1.00 or 50 cents each.

Help us put together some great prizes by donating an Easter Egg for our raffle and receive a free raffle ticket for your efforts.

Please return all tickets and money by Friday 18th March.

The raffle will be drawn on Tuesday 22nd March during Harmony Day Assembly.

HOP TO IT AND SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL
Are you in grade 5 or 6? We would like to invite you to an Easter Holiday High School Experience!

When: Wednesday 30th March 2016
From: 9.00am to 3.00pm
At: Hampton Park Secondary College, Fordholm Road, Hampton Park
A BBQ lunch will be provided

If interested please complete the permission slip that was sent home with year 5/6 students and return it to Coral Park school office by Friday 18th March.

Choosing a ‘just right’ book.

Children make progress in reading by spending time independently reading while applying reading strategies. For younger children it begins with decoding strategies. Decoding strategies help students know what to do when they come to a word they don’t know.

Such strategies consist of:

- Get your mouth ready
- Look at the picture
- Say all the sounds
- Ask: Does it look right? Does it sound right? Does it make sense?
- Look for chunks

In order for students to be applying these strategies they need to be reading a ‘just right’ book. Students can learn how to choose a just right book that matches their reading level by using the five finger rule. In her book, ‘Reading with Meaning,’ Debbie Miller says, “It’s difficult to apply strategies when you know every word and understand everything; it’s equally difficulty when you know hardly any words and understand very little.” Miller suggests that students are provided with a choice of just right books. Our goal at Coral Park is to create independent readers, so we believe that teaching children how to choose a ‘just right’ book is important.

If children are unsure if the book they are reading is ‘just right’ then they can use the Five Finger Rule to help them decide.

1. Open to a page of the book.
2. Begin reading.
3. Each time you come to a word you don’t know, hold up 1 finger.
4. After you finish reading the page, check to see how many fingers you are holding up.
   - Too easy: 0 - 1 fingers
   - Just right: 2 - 3 fingers
   - Too hard: 4 - 5 fingers

It’s a well-researched fact that young children who are read to every day do better at school SO.....start reading.
School banking has started. Don’t forget to encourage your child to send in their bank book to get fantastic rewards and be in the draw to win a trip to Australia Zoo to meet Robert and Bindi Irwin.

If you have misplaced your child’s book, leave a message at the office and a book will be sent home with your child.

If you would like your child to join CBA Dollarmites school banking, go to any CBA branch or ask for an application form at the school office.

Congratulations on teaching your child how to save.

THUMBS UP to the following Coral Park STARs:

All the parents who check their child’s hair for head lice every day.

All the students who have not missed one day of school so far this year.

All the parents who park safely before allowing their children to exit or enter the vehicle.

Matt for getting our new parking signs implemented at the front of the school.

Linda at the front office for always having a welcoming smile.

Bike Education

This week middle & senior students completed the four week Bike Education program run through term one at Coral Park. Students focused on road laws for cyclists and bike safety.

We have seen over 24 students learn to ride for the first time.

It’s great to see students’ joy & happiness when they ride successfully for the first time. For any students wishing to continue riding, Matt, Katrina & Gill will be running a bike club in terms 3 & 4. I hope you are all keeping fit and making the most of daylight savings by getting out in the great outdoors be it on a bike or for a walk/run.

Regards, Bill Hains

S14 Maths

In our Measurement and Geometry Maths lessons, S14 have been learning about various types of lines, 2-D and 3D shapes. We put our new knowledge together to come up with some fun creations.

We made a rocket ship it has lots of cubes and sticky tape but you can’t actually fly it. It has 1 cylinder, 1 hexagonal pyramid and 3 squares. Suneth and Erwin.

Hi my name is Ashraf and I built a rocket with Teariki and Johnny. We used cubes, a cuboid, a square based pyramid and lots of sticky tape. We had lots of fun and I wish we could do it again.

Hi my name is Aaron my friend Tyler and I made a robot with a cube, cuboid, dodecahedron, icosahedron and a pentagonal prism. The 2-D shapes were a rectangle and a circle and we had parallel and intersecting lines.

Mustafa and I made a rocket robot and we made it with cubes, pentagonal based pyramids and pentagonal prisms. There are squares, triangles, rectangles and parallel lines. By Orchard.

Hello my name is Natalia, I created a rocket ship with my friend Leilani. We included a cone, a cylinder, a square, a circle, a rectangle, and an intersecting parallel and straight line.

We invaded Mr. Baker’s desk.

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Birthday Books

Thank you to Riley, Lilyanne & Atifa for donating birthday books to our library.
We wish you a very happy birthday.

If you would like to donate a birthday book to the school, please see the Linda.

Contact Us:
Direct: 9799 6182
School office : 9702 8398

Session times:
Before SC- 6:30am-8:45am
After SC- 3:30pm-6:00pm

Please ensure your child arrives in class by 8.55am.
Late arrivals are a disruption to everyone and to learning time!