TERM 3
WEEK 5
12th August 2014

AUGUST
Wed 13th

Book Fair 9.15am – 12 noon
Open Classrooms
10am – 11.15am

Morning Tea 11.15am – 12noon
Scripture
Mobile Library
Book Fair 3.15pm – 4pm
P&C Meeting 7.30pm

Thurs 14th/Fri 15th

Mrs Moore – Principals Conference

Fri 15th
Yr 6 Transition to Narrandera High

Stage 1 – History
Riverina Athletics Team
Healthy Lunch – Yum!
Morning tea with the Mayor

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We are most excited to have access to the expertise of our lovely CSU SpICE students. Amy and Tessa have been a wonderful addition on Mondays and yesterday we welcomed Dominique who is a speech therapist. In addition to their specialist areas, the SpICE students provide additional learning support in the classroom.

The students are excitedly preparing for the Book Fair and open classroom tomorrow. They have visited the book fair and should have brought home their 'wish list' and preparing their classroom for your visits. Thank you again to Cathy Booth and Michelle Rudder for their assistance with the fair this year.

Everyone enjoyed a lovely day last Wednesday with visiting parents and students enjoying tree planting, and a very tasty, fresh salad wrap in the beautiful sunshine. The wraps were such a success that we are planning on offering them again later in the year. Thank you to our parents who joined us for the day, and thank you again to Cathy Booth. Very delicious!!

Our students have been out and about again. Our students enjoyed outstanding success at the recent Riverina Athletics Carnival. The Stage 1 students had a fabulous outing around the local area, thank you to Miss M for making this possible. Our Captains enjoyed a lovely outing on Friday for morning tea with the Mayor and council staff. Well done also to George Hatty who had an outstanding day at the Leeton Eisteddfod. Congratulations!! What a fabulous message our students are sending out into the community about our wonderful school.

One of the best ways you can assist your children with reading is to talk to them about the books they are reading. Please find included in the newsletter some tips to support your students reading at home.

Looking forward to another great week of learning at Matong Public School.

Anne-Maree Moore, Principal
STAGE 1 NEWS

Last Monday we learned about communication. We played charades and we had to communicate without talking.

STAGE ONE CHILD PROTECTION HOME TASK

All Stage One students are asked to bring in a photo of themselves with their relatives, friends and acquaintances in situations such as family celebrations or other special events. Please bring in photos by Monday 18th August. Please ensure photos are labelled with your family name. All photos will be returned.

STUDENT REPORT

Stage 2/3 have been doing pieces of writing and art for the Ganmain show. In class stage 2/3 have been doing fun learning like math games, class games like 'around the world' and 'heads down thumbs up'.

We had yummy healthy wraps last week with grated carrot, cheese, lettuce and chicken. Thank you to Mrs Booth for organising the healthy wraps.

Stage one have been doing have been communicating with others, playing charades, working hard, science and other fun activities.

By Ted Hatty

LEETON EISTEDDFOD

Congratulations to George Hatty on his wonderful success at the Leeton Eisteddfod on Monday.

George received the following awards:

1st - Character song in costume 10yrs and under
1st - Folk song
1st - Sacred vocal solo
2nd - Vocal solo
AWARD WINNERS

NATIONAL SCHOOL'S TREE DAY

Last Wednesday, all new students to our school in 2014, ten altogether, planted a tree in the NOLA as part of our participation in National School's Tree Day. Thank you to the Lucas family whose donation to the school continues to fund this environmental initiative.

BORAMBOLA EXCURSION

Medical and Consent forms and Travel Note are now overdue. Please return as soon as possible. Final payment for Borambola excursion is due this Friday 15th August.
### 2015 ENROLMENTS

Matong Public is now taking enrolments for 2015. If you have a child to enrol please contact the school for an enrolment pack.

### FOR SALE

Bark Chips for your garden. $20 per trailer load.

All money raised will go to our P&C.
EDUCATION WEEK CELEBRATIONS – BOOK FAIR, OPEN CLASSROOMS, MORNING TEA

Our school will be celebrating Education Week on Wednesday. The highlight of our celebrations will be a book fair and open classrooms. The book fair will be open from 9.15am until 12 noon and then again after school from 3.15pm until 4pm. Parents and community members are invited to join us in the morning from 10am to participate in classroom activities followed by a shared morning tea at 11.15am while the children enjoy their packed lunch. We look forward to seeing you there.

The Day I Died

A Recount by A. Wolf

One day I was hungry for pigs so I went out in the woods for pig.

A bit later, I found some pigs’ homes. I knocked on the first pig’s home. I said, “Little pig, little pig, let me in”. The pig said, “Not by the hair of my chinny, chin, chin”. I blew his house down and gobbled him up. “Ha ha, little pig!”

I went to the second little pig’s house. I said, “Little pig, little pig, let me come in”.

“No, no, not by the hair of my chinny, chin, chin”, said the little pig. So I snuck behind the back of the stick house and I lit it on fire and had roast pig!

Then, when I finished, I went to the brick house. But ninja pigs and police pigs shot me down with a rocket launcher.

Written by Sam Booth – Year Two
LEARN A LOVE OF READING

How can parents help their children to love reading?

1. Let your children see you reading – for enjoyment, for news, and for information in cookery books, directories, manuals etc. In this way children will see that reading is important to you for many reasons.

2. Read to your child often. Try to set aside a short period each day for this. Choose a quiet special time – for instance, bedtime. Reading aloud together should continue, even when your child can read well.

3. Take the time to talk about the books you read with your children. This helps establish the fact that books are things to talk about and that reading generates ideas, opinions and questions.

4. Build up your child’s personal collection of books. Give books as presents on special occasions. Take your child to book shops and browse together.

5. Visit your local library on a regular basis to choose books and encourage your child to get involved in the library’s activity programs.

6. Write your supermarket shopping list clearly and ask your child to help you read it in the shop. This can be fun, and it helps your child to build a sight vocabulary based on familiar things.

7. Consider a subscription to a children’s magazine. Magazines can be good reading for pleasure and information, and children enjoy receiving their own post.

8. Reading is what makes better readers. Do all you can to make reading a pleasurable and useful activity – and watch your child respond.
P&C NEWS

P&C Meeting will be this Wednesday 13th August at 7.30pm. All welcome!

COOLAMON LIBRARY NEWS

Our next Storytime will be Friday 22nd August @ 10.30am. The theme is “It’s Bear Time”. Come and join in the fun of stories and songs; we welcome new families to come along.

Our next “Heart and Soul” gathering is on the 26th August @ 10.30am at the library. The session is called “Introduction to law for Seniors”. Matt from Commins Hendricks Solicitors will offer helpful and practical legal advice. Everyone is most welcomed.

Book Week celebrations will begin next week, several schools are visiting the library during the week.

It still not too late to come in and sign our petition to support our funding issue in NSW Public Libraries, we need your support. It will be debated in the Legislative Assembly later in the year. We are approaching 40,000 signatures statewide which is an amazing result; however we still need some more signatures. Call into the library, your support will be very much appreciated.

The Coolamon Library is on Facebook! News, pictures, events and opportunities are regularly uploaded – join us now!

NSW Rural Women’s Gathering
12-14 September 2014, Coolamon

Program: Heritage with Heart
1. Which fast food company has been criticised for trialling a home delivery service in an area that already has weight issues?
   a. KFC
   b. McDonalds
   c. Subway

2. Which country has announced it will be banning food imports from Australia, the United States, the European Union, Canada and Norway?
   a. China
   b. Russia
   c. Japan

3. In which Japanese city was the 69th anniversary of an atomic bomb attack commemorated last week?
   a. Osaka
   b. Fukushima
   c. Hiroshima

4. Baby Gammy has featured in news a lot in the last week. What country is he from?
   a. Thailand
   b. India
   c. Malaysia

5. True or false, the Government wants to introduce laws requiring telephone and internet companies to keep records on the internet sites customers use, and the phone numbers they call, for security agencies to access?

6. Why was Francesco Schettino, the captain of the stricken Costa Concordia cruise ship, in the news last week?
   a. He was sentenced to three years in prison for abandoning his ship
   b. He gave a seminar on best emergency practices at a university
   c. He announced he was writing a book about the Costa Concordia sinking

7. Why was Adelaide Zoo in the news last week?
   a. It has been criticised for the choice of ice creams it has on sale
   b. The first twin baby giraffes were born there
   c. A keeper was attacked by a chimpanzee

8. In which country did a strong earthquake claim over 400 lives last week?
   a. China
   b. India
   c. Brazil

9. How many African delegates that attended the international AIDS conference in Melbourne have stayed on to seek asylum in Australia?
   a. 5
   b. 10
   c. 25

10. Why was John Cartwright, the coach of the Gold Coast Titans, in the news last week?
    a. He has announced he will retire as coach at the end of the season
    b. He has been accused of making racist remarks during an interview
    c. He has announced he will be coaching the Parramatta Eels next season

11. Why has Tiger Woods withdrawn from the Bridgestone Invitational golf tournament?
    a. He is busy acting in a Hollywood movie
    b. He has a back injury
    c. He has a stomach bug

12. True or false, all Australian flights to and from West Africa have been temporarily postponed due to the Ebola threat?

13. In which country has President Obama agreed to carry out air strikes if required?
    a. Syria
    b. Iraq
    c. Ukraine

14. With 4.5 million people, where would New Zealand rank in population if it were a state of Australia?
    a. 3rd highest population
    b. 4th highest population
    c. 5th highest population
    d. 6th highest population

15. What is the mission of the Rosetta spacecraft?
    a. To map and land on a comet
    b. To measure the radiations levels put out by the sun
    c. To deposit organisms on the moon that scientists hope will survive the conditions
1. In which city was this photo taken recently?

2. Which country is shown in the centre of this satellite image?

3. Which war’s 100th anniversary is being commemorated in this photo from last week?

4. Which country has this flag?

5. Of which state is this man the Premier?
1. Which fast food company has been criticised for trialling a home delivery service in an area that has weight issues?
   a. McDonalds - The Australian Medical Association (AMA) Queensland has questioned a decision by McDonald’s to trial a seven-days-a-week home delivery service in Hervey Bay. McDonald’s said population growth in the region was a key reason for its selection.

2. Which country has announced it will be banning food imports from Australia, the United States, the European Union, Canada and Norway?
   b. Russia - The decision follows a decree signed by president Vladimir Putin ordering the government to ban or limit food imports from countries that imposed sanctions on Moscow for its support of rebels in eastern Ukraine and the annexation of Crimea.

3. In which Japanese city was the 69th anniversary of an atomic bomb attack commemorated last week?
   c. Hiroshima - About 45,000 people stood for a minute of silence at the ceremony in Hiroshima’s peace park near the epicenter of the 1945 attack that killed up to 140,000 people.

4. Baby Gammy has featured in a news a lot in the last week. What country is he from?
   a. Thailand - Baby Gammy was a twin born to a surrogate mother in Thailand. His Australian parents allegedly abandoned him because he has Down Syndrome and a congenital heart condition. They took his twin sister back to Australia. The surrogate mother has been raising baby Gammy but now faces the possibility of child trafficking charges.

5. True or false, the Government wants to introduce laws requiring telephone and internet companies to keep records on the sites customers use, and the phone numbers they call, for security agencies to access?
   True - The Government has been criticised for impacting on an individuals right to privacy but Tony Abbott has been quick to assure the public that the information gathered will not include content.

6. Why was Francesco Schettino, the captain of the stricken Costa Concordia cruise ship, in the news last week?
   b. he gave a seminar on best emergency practices at a university - dubbed Captain Coward after allegedly abandoning ship before his passengers were safe, he spoke for two hours at a seminar linked to Rome's La Sapienza university, despite being on trial for the deaths of 32 people in the 2012 disaster.

7. Why was Adelaide Zoo in the news last week?
   a. it has been criticised for the choice of ice creams it has on sale - Pressure is continuing to mount on the Adelaide Zoo to reverse its decision to dump a local ice cream company in favour of another supplier that includes palm oil in its product. South Australia Senator Nick Xenophon has begun collecting signatures outside the zoo in an effort to force a special meeting.

8. In which country did a strong earthquake claim over 400 lives last week?
   a. China - At least 300 people have died and more are missing after a strong earthquake struck south-west China’s Yunnan province. The quake left residents searching for survivors beneath the rubble of toppled buildings and communications and power lines.

9. How many African delegates that attended the international AIDS conference in Melbourne have stayed on to seek asylum in Australia?
   c. 25 - The delegates are staying in crisis accommodation, saying they are fleeing persecution at home. They say they receive death threats for their work with people with HIV.

10. Why was John Cartwright, the coach of the Gold Coast Titans, in the news last week?
    a. he has announced he will retire as coach at the end of the season - John Cartwright has resigned as Gold Coast Titans coach amid the club’s disappointing season. Cartwright will remain with the Titans in an “administrative role”.

11. Why has Tiger Woods withdrawn from the Bridgestone Invitational golf tournament?
    b. he has a back injury - Woods says the back injury that caused him to withdraw at the Bridgestone Invitational was not related to the pain that required surgery on March 31.

12. True or false, all Australian flights to and from West Africa have been temporarily postponed due to the Ebola threat?
    False - authorities say the death toll has risen to at least 932 people in four West African countries. Emirates which carries Qantas passengers to the area have suspended flights to Guinea but still flies to Lagos, Nigeria and Senegal.

13. In which country has President Obama agreed to carry out air strikes if required?
    b. Iraq - US president Barack Obama has vowed to continue airstrikes against Islamic State insurgents if needed to protect American diplomats and military advisers in Iraq.

14. With 4.5 million people, where would New Zealand rank in population if it were a state of Australia?
    b. 4th highest population - NSW has 7.4 million, VIC has 5.7 million and QLD is just ahead of NZ with 4.6 million people.

15. What is the mission of the Rosetta spacecraft?
    a. to map and land on a comet - Launched by the European Space Agency, Rosetta has become the first spacecraft to catch up with a comet. It was sent out ten years ago in hibernation mode and has now been fully activated after catching up with the comet.

**VISUAL ANSWERS**

1. Glasgow - Kylie Minogue was singing at the Closing Ceremony of the 2014 Commonwealth Games.

2. Japan

3. World War One - the conflict started on 28th July 1914 and lasted 4 years, 3 months and 1 week

4. Denmark

5. New South Wales - Mike Baird

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