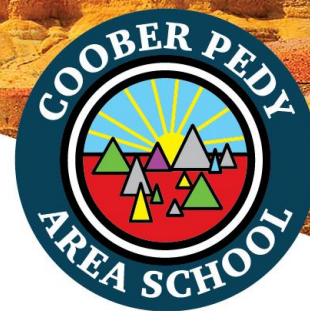


NEWSLETTER

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK



We have had a great start to the term and we are very pleased with the engagement levels of our students and staff.



We wish to thank you all for your work in making our school a centre of **quality teaching and learning**.

We wish to thank you all for the excellent Principal recognition day event you all put up for Veronika and I. Thank you all for the cards. We really feel valued and appreciated. We look forward to another exciting term of effective teaching and learning for all our students.

Hon Blair Boyer, Minister for Education, Skills and Training visited our school on Wednesday, 7th August, 2024.

Hon Blair was accompanied by **Mr Peter Kelly**, Deputy Chief Executive- Preschools, Schools & Partnerships) and another staff (Josh) Please see the **next page** for more details about the minister's visit.



Ms Deb O'Neill (Education Director) was on site during the minister's visit.

Enjoy the read of our captured teaching and learning moments in the next few pages.



We wish all our students and staff all the best for the term and keep the bar very high!

Mr Maurice Saah
Principal



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Minister's visit

Hon Blair Boyer (MP), Minister for Education, Skills and Training visited our school on Wednesday, 7th August, 2024.



Hon Boyer was here to announce updates to the Country Education Strategy of which our school has been a prime beneficiary. He also visited classes/lessons and interacted with some students and staff.

Link to the Country Education Strategy:
[Country Education Strategy – supporting improvements in country education](#)



Hon Boyer was very impressed with the level of student and staff engagement and commented positively on this.

Thank you all for making the minister's visit a success.



TEACHING AND LEARNING SPOTLIGHT

Preschool



In celebration of Principal's Day and SSO Week, our preschoolers have been busy creating heartfelt cards to thank our Principal and Deputy Principal and School Support Staff for their work, including behind-the-scenes efforts such as maintenance, bus transportation, and IT support.

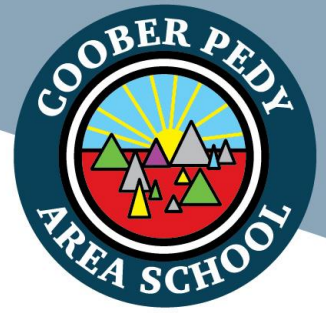
EYLF Outcome 2: Children are connected with and contribute to their world.

We acknowledge the diverse efforts that help our learning environment thrive. Through meaningful card-making, we develop a sense of belonging and appreciation within our learning community.



Well done to all our students in the preschool.

Ms Vicki
Mr Yi
Ms Anna
Ms Comer
Ms Effie
Ms Sandra
 Preschool Staff



Alternate Learning Centres (P-ALC & S-ALC)

Our students have observed and recorded the growth of seeds as an investigation into the lifecycles of plants during science lessons.



See other Learning activities below:

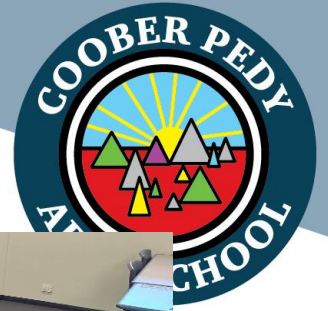


Mr Smith, Mr Fitzpatrick & Ms Lyn
P-ALC & S-ALC Teachers

Reception Class- Ms Laura Hardbottle



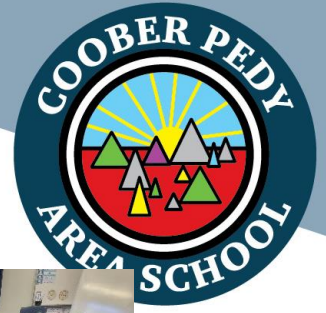
Ms Laura Hardbottle
Reception Class Teacher



Year 1 Class- Ms Tegan Jones



Ms Tegan Jones
Year 1 Class Teacher



Year 2 Class– Ms Laura Brooks

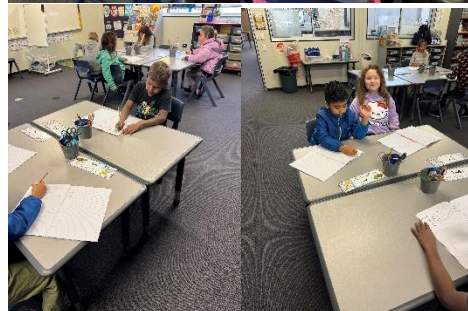
Our students have been working very hard in both Literacy and Mathematics. In Maths, students have been exploring 2D and 3D shapes, their names and attributes and created shape monsters to show their understanding.



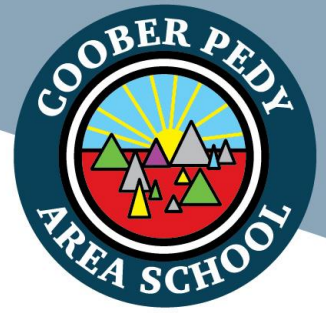
In literacy, students have been learning and creating texts with dialogue and using different emotions in their writing to show how characters are feeling.



We also had book week where all JP students went to hear some of the wonderful stories our library has and learn about this year's theme- reading is magic.



Ms Laura Brooks
Year 2 Class Teacher



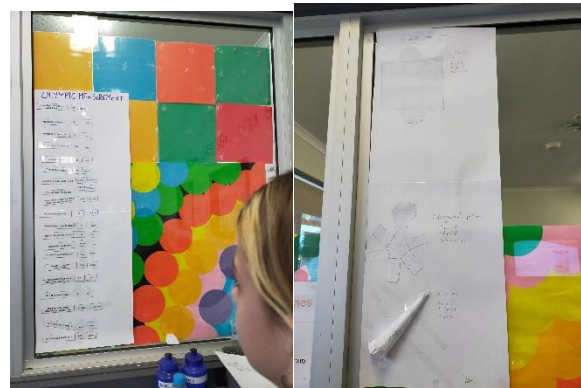
Years 3/4B Class HPE– Mr Fitzpatrick



Mr Joshua Fitzpatrick
Years 3/4B HPE Teacher

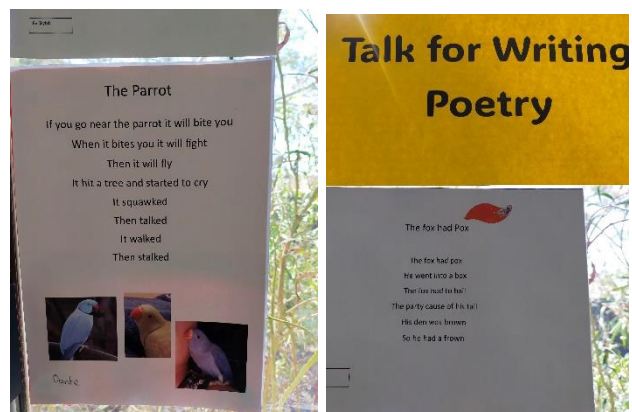
Years 5/6A Class– Ms Sue Lange

In Maths, our students have been applying their knowledge of number and shape to create nets and then making the corresponding solid shape.



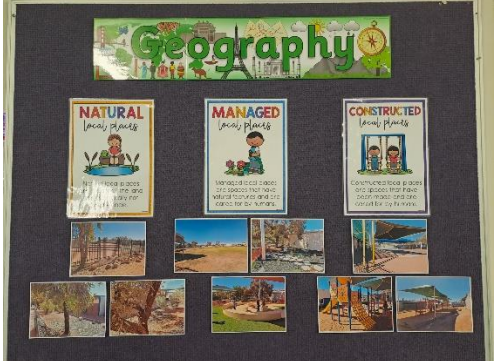
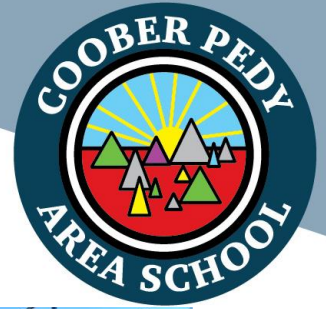
We also used our understanding of various sports to match an Olympic sport with its achievement and unit of measurement.

In literacy, we have been analysing and creating original poetry as an alternate way to communicate ideas.



Ms Sue Lange
Years 5/6A Class Teacher

NAIDOC Week

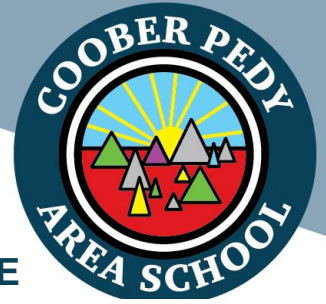


Staff Recognition



Congratulations to **Ms Sue Lange (Teacher)** for receiving her 10 years' service recognition from the Department for Education.

We wish you all the best and thank you for all your work.



IMPORTANT DATES- Term 3 2024

Term 3 Week 6

Monday, 26th August, 2024- Friday, 30th August, 2024- Artist in Residence visit – All Students

Tuesday, 27th August, 2024- Thursday, 29th August, 2024- Doorways to Construction Block- Years 11/12

Term 3 Weeks 6/7

Wednesday, 28th August, 2024- Monday, 2nd September, 2024- STEM Aboriginal Learners' Congress- Some Primary/Secondary Students

Term 3 Week 7

Tuesday, 3rd September, 2024- Thursday, 5th September, 2024- Clontarf Camp

Term 3 Week 8

Monday, 9th September, 2024- Friday, 13th September, 2024 – Wellness Week

Thursday, 12th September, 2024- Student Free Day- No School for Students

Term 3 Week 9

Tuesday, 17th September, 2024- Thursday, 19th September, 2024- Doorways to Construction Block- Years 11/12

Term 3 Week 10

Monday, 23rd September, 2024- Friday, 27th September, 2024- Years 5/6 Camp to Melbourne- Years 5/6 Students

Tuesday, 24th September, 2024- Parent-Teacher Interviews

Friday, 27th September, 2024- Last day of Term 3 2024- School finishes at 2.00pm

STAFFING UPDATE

Congratulations to **Ms Veronika Witham** for winning and accepting our **Deputy Principal** for a 3-Year Tenure commencing from **2025**.

The panel processes for our **Student Wellbeing Leader** and **Assistant Principal (Secondary/SACE/VET)** positions for 2025 are ongoing and an announcement will be made by the end of this term about the outcomes.

Congratulations to **Ms Marissa Lockhart** for accepting our Secondary HASS/SACE teacher position for Terms 3 & 4 2024

Our Secondary Technologies teacher position will continue to be filled temporarily until we are able to find a long-term teacher. We will keep you updated in due course.

Our Year 1 Class teacher position will continue to be filled temporarily until we are able to find a long-term replacement teacher.

The process for the appointment of a long-term teacher is still ongoing.

We will keep you updated in due course.

All our ongoing teacher positions for 2025 have been advertised on Edujobs and will be closing shortly.

We are also looking forward to recruiting some teachers through the Teach First In Country program initiated by the Department for Education

Permissions and Consent Forms- Update-2024

Dear Parents/Caregivers

The Department for Education has updated the Media Consent Form for child/student.

Please come into the front office of the school if you would like to update the existing consent form. Please contact the school if you require any further details or clarification.

On another note, if you would like to update any of the permissions for your child/children, please visit our front office/reception and get this completed for you.