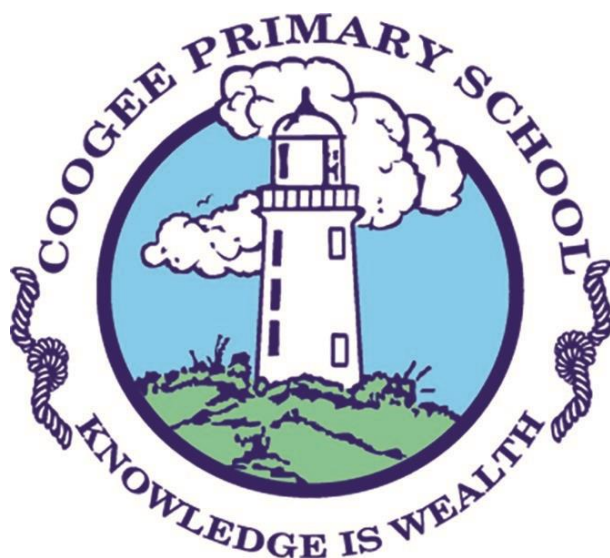




Coogee Primary School Newsletter Issue 8 2026



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Upcoming Events



- *School Board Meeting Tuesday 8 September*
- *Open Night 4 to 5pm Wednesday 9 September*
- *Assembly Room 14 Thursday 10 September*
- *800m Race Yrs 3 to 6 Monday 14 September*
- *Triple Jump and Throws selected students Yrs 3 to 6 & Long Jump. Selected students Yrs 3 to 6 400m Race Tuesday 15 September*
- *200m Race selected students Yrs 3 to 6 Thursday 17 September*
- *Sports Carnival Friday 18 September*
- *P&C Meeting Tuesday 15 September*
- *Massed Choir Festival Rehearsal Wednesday 23 September*

- *Massed Choir Festival Thursday 24 September*
- *Assembly PP1, PP2 & PP3 Thursday 24 September*
- *Last Day Term 3 2026 Friday 25 September*
- *School Development Day Monday 12 October*
- *Students Return Tuesday 13 October*

From the Principal



A message from the Principal

Congratulations to our most recent certificate recipients. Like I say often, the citations on these awards capture the growth, effort and responsibility of our students as they work toward short and long-term improvement goals. Very impressive work folks!

Thank you to Rooms 8 and 16 for leading our last two assemblies. The commitment of both classes to highlighting our values (the benefit of them to individuals as well as teams and the whole school) in different ways was fantastic. Multiple exposures is a high impact teaching strategy, and I applaud the time, effort and work that went into these high-quality performances that reinforced what we collectively continue to strive for.

Open Night (afternoon)

*You are cordially invited into your child's class for our **2026 Open Night (afternoon)**. The details of this opportunity are:*

- **Date:** Wednesday 9 September 2026
- **Time:** 4.00pm - 5.00pm
- **Purpose:** *Provide an opportunity for students to engage their parents/carers in a walkthrough of what they have been doing/learning in class. I accept for families of more than 2 children the hour allocated will create a challenge to get around. That said it is envisaged your child(ren) will be able to give you a very clear and concise window into their learning journey in a relatively short time. I thank the staff in advance for supporting their students to map out an informative and engaging snapshot of life in class. Please note this is not the time or place for parent/teacher in-depth chats about student achievement or progress. Parents/carers wanting to have a chat about these matters, or to do a deeper dive into curriculum matters are encouraged to contact their child's teacher to organise a mutually agreeable meeting time.*

Staff Carpark Upgrade update

What are the benefits of this upgrade?

The staff carpark upgrade will deliver several significant benefits to the school community.

- Up to 14 additional staff parking bays, enabling up to 14 staff vehicles to be relocated from the Roma Street carpark and creating additional parking capacity for parents and carers.
- The upgrade will also establish a dedicated on-site area for safe bus access and staging, improving the safety and efficiency of student and staff movement when attending excursions and other school activities.
- In addition, a dedicated footpath will connect key access points near the staff carpark, directing students and parents/carers around, rather than through, the carpark. This

will enhance pedestrian safety while also providing secure access to on-site buses for school-related activities.

What impacts will the construction period have?

The construction will have an impact on a range of school operations and processes. In particular from Monday 24 August 2026:

- The staff carpark and associated work area will become a construction site, with temporary fencing installed. The affected area is shown on the diagram opposite.
- Staff will be required to park on grassed areas outside the school, including the grassed area adjacent to the Covered Assembly Area.
- Two classes will be relocated for part or all of the construction period. Parents and carers of students in these classes have been contacted directly today with further information about these arrangements.
- Movement around the school site may change over time as different stages of the construction progress.
- Students and families will be asked to follow any short- or longer-term adjustments to arrival, departure and transition arrangements as they arise. These will generally be communicated in advance.
- Access to Camp Australia (drop off and pick up). More information from their team will be sent out.
- Bus access for excursions and the like will be impacted. We are engaging our provider in developing a plan for this.

And in particular what impact will the construction time have on parking and traffic around the school?

The school recognises that changes to the staff carpark may create some additional pressure around parking and traffic at the beginning and end of the school day. The school does, and will continue to, take reasonable steps to limit the impact of school operations on parent and carer parking. Our established before and after school supervised periods, which have been in place for many years, together with the decision for the majority of staff to park on the grassed areas at the front of the school until further notice, are examples of the school adapting arrangements to make this work as effectively as possible within our context.

In return, it is my expectation as Principal that the construction works are not used as an excuse for poor parking, unsafe driving or inconsiderate behaviour that compromises the safety of students, families and staff or the school's reputation within our community. We ask everyone to continue to park legally and responsibly, follow staff directions and be respectful of other road users and members of our community.

I appreciate that construction works of this nature may create some temporary inconvenience and disruption. I will continue to work closely with the contractor to prioritise the safety and wellbeing of students, staff and families, while minimising the impact on learning and school operations wherever possible.

Thank you for your patience, understanding and cooperation.



P&C Disco

I would like to sincerely thank our P&C volunteers for the significant time and effort they dedicated in the lead up to, and during, the recent school disco(s). Their commitment and support provided a wonderful opportunity for our students to come together, have fun and enjoy a memorable event. It was pleasing to hear that the vast majority of students making the most of the evening, demonstrating our school values and contributing positively to the atmosphere of the event.

Unfortunately, it has been brought to my attention through feedback from the P&C and several staff volunteers that the conduct of some students at the Years 4 to 6 disco fell well short of what most people would consider reasonable behaviour. This is disappointing, particularly given the considerable efforts of volunteers and staff who gave their time to make the event possible. We ask families to reinforce the importance of respectful behaviour at all school events so that future opportunities can be enjoyed safely and positively by all students.

Faction Athletics Day(s); Respectful space for staff and students to run the event; Social Media and Sharing Photos

Proud Mums and Dads (and extended family members) our Faction Athletics Carnival is later this term. Like our assemblies, this event provides a great opportunity for parents and loved ones to take and share photos. If you plan on taking, photos please do your bit to show courtesy and respect to others by:

- *Just taking photos of your own child(ren)*

- *Taking a moment when framing your photo not to include other groups of kids (that may be able to be identified) in the background*
- *Using private messaging applications to share with friends if they ask you to take photos for them – this lets them make a decision on what goes ‘public’. I ask all of our spectators to respect the space our staff need to run an event such as the Athletics Carnival. It is my expectation that if you are asked to remain in a spectator zone that you do that so the carnival can run safely and fairly.*

Not Returning in 2027

Believe it or not it is that time of the year again. If you are not returning to Coogee Primary next year I ask that you contact our office staff by phone, in person or by email. This information plays an essential part in ascertaining anticipated staffing and financial allocations for the school for the coming year. I thank you for your support in this matter.

regards

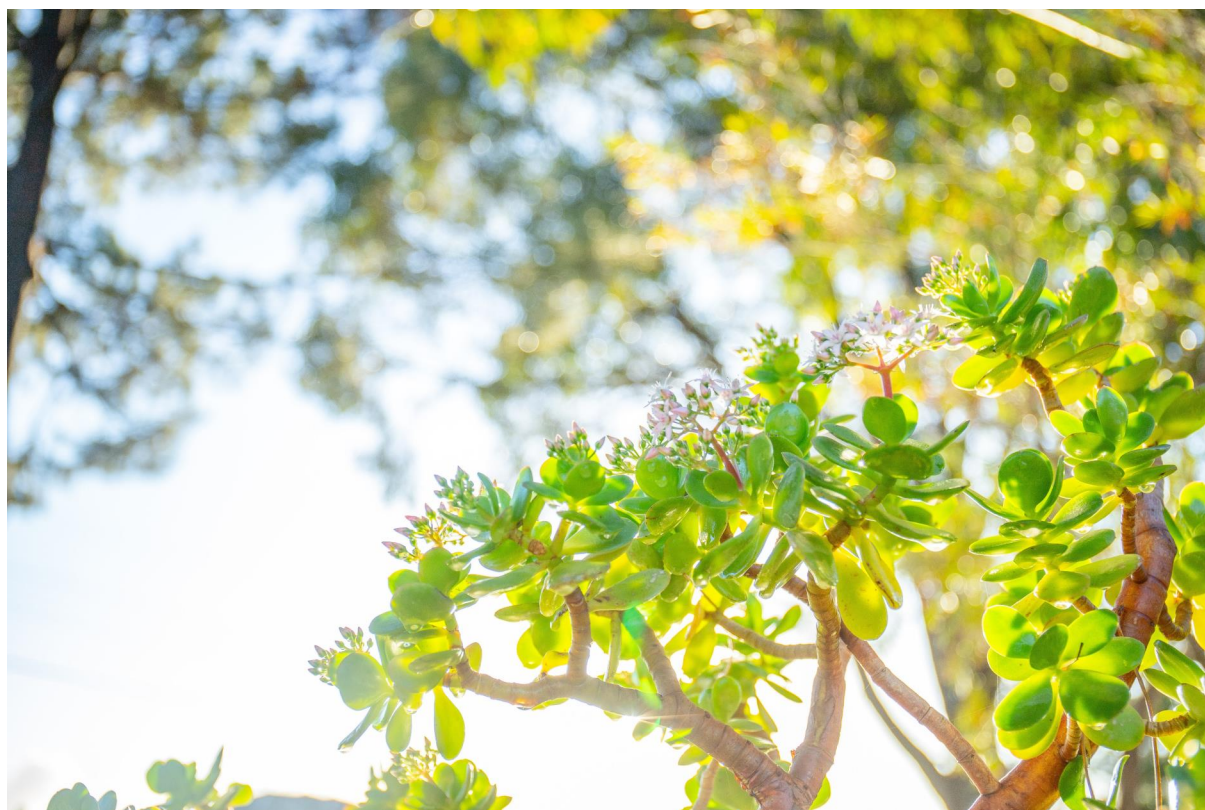
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Principal

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Commemoration of Hiroshima 2026



On Thursday, 6 August, eight of our Student Councillors proudly represented Coogee Primary School at the City of Cockburn's Hiroshima Day Commemoration.

This year marked the 41st year that the City of Cockburn has commemorated this important event and the 81st anniversary of the atomic bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki.

The day began with a Tree Planting Ceremony at Goodchild Park in Hamilton Hill. Students then attended an informal morning tea and participated in activities at the Cockburn ARC Function Room.

Throughout the morning, our students had the opportunity to listen to several speeches and learn more about the importance of peace, remembrance and the connections between Australia and Japan.

It was a wonderful opportunity for our Student Councillors to represent Coogee Primary School and participate in such a meaningful community event. We are very proud of the way they conducted themselves throughout the day.

Thank you to the City of Cockburn for hosting this special event and providing our students with such a valuable and memorable experience.



Massed Choir



At the end of Term 3 the Coogee Primary School Choir will join together with 14 other public primary schools from the Perth metropolitan area to perform in the Massed Choir Festival. This is a rare and exciting experience to be part of a massed choir of 500 voices and to have the opportunity to work with an exceptional choral conductor.

The CPS Choir and Mr Lian have been busily rehearsing for their upcoming performance and last Tuesday 18th August, they travelled to Churchland's Senior High School for a full day rehearsal.

The Massed Choir Festival will be held at the HPC stadium in Mt Claremont on Thursday the 24th of September, tickets are available from <https://www.ticketmaster.com.au/wa-massed-choir-festival-mt-claremont-24-09-2026/event/130064EDB98B3B6F>

Congratulations to the choir members for their hard work and dedication and thank you to Mr Lian for supporting their efforts and The Arts at Coogee Primary School.



Sports News



CDSSA Interschool Cross Country

*Congratulations to our selected students from Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 who recently represented Coogee Primary School at the **CDSSA Interschool Cross Country** held at Manning Park, Hamilton Hill.*

The students competed against participants from a number of other schools and demonstrated wonderful determination, resilience and sportsmanship throughout the event. Our students should be very proud of their efforts as they tackled the challenging course and supported their teammates.

We would also like to acknowledge those students who attended as reserves and were ready to step in if required. Their positive attitude and support for the team were greatly appreciated.

*A special thank you goes to **Mr Maatman and Mr Jones** for their time, preparation and support in getting our students ready for the event.*

Well done to all of our Coogee Primary School cross country runners on a fantastic effort!

Champions Cup Netball

*Congratulations to our fantastic **Years 5 and 6 Netball team** who recently represented Coogee Primary School at the **Champions Cup Netball Carnival** held at the Perth Netball Centre in Jolimont.*

After winning the A Division earlier this year, our team earned the opportunity to compete in the Champions Cup against some of the best school netball teams. The students played a number of challenging games throughout the day, demonstrating excellent teamwork, determination and sportsmanship.

*We are incredibly proud to share that our **Coogee Primary School team finished 3rd overall!** This is a fantastic achievement and reflects the students' hard work, commitment and dedication to their netball.*

*A special thank you to **Mrs Speijers** for coaching and supporting the team throughout the carnival and for helping prepare our students for this wonderful opportunity.*

Well done to all our players on an outstanding result! We are very proud of you!

Year 3 Christmas Craft material donation requests



*This year, our Year 3 students will be creating their very own **individual Christmas fabric wreaths** as part of our Christmas craft activities.*

We are seeking donations of any of the following materials that you may have at home and no longer need:

- *Christmas fabric – red or green plain fabric, Christmas prints, old Christmas clothing, or fabric offcuts*
- *Ribbon*
- *Small bells*
- *Small Christmas baubles*
- *Cheap, bendable wire coat hangers*

Donations can be brought in at any time over the coming weeks and dropped off at any of the Year 3 classrooms or onto the trolley at the front office.

We greatly appreciate any donations, big or small, and thank you for helping make this a fun and creative Christmas activity for our Year 3 students.

Many thanks,

Year 3 Class Teachers



P&C Updates



Post event updates

Community clothes and book week clothes swap

An update from our community clothes swap afternoon. So many of our community left with some new clothes and we helped reduce the amount going to landfill! The items that were left over were donated to women's shelters and the good Sammie's! Thank you Clarisse Moncrieff for organising such a special event!

Thank you to everyone who got involved with our book week costume give away!!! It was so lovely to see the costumes get a second chance of life! The leftover costumes have been stored away ready for the next year!

School disco

*Another wonderful afternoon/evening was held on Saturday 15th August with lots of fun, laughter and dancing to be had! All while raising funds to improve the ground paintings (world map etc) at the school! An amazing **\$4,900** was raised!*

A huge thank you to those students who came along to have a wonderful time, but also remembered to respect others and to demonstrate our school values.

Thanks too to all those who volunteered their time to support such a huge event, especially the disco subcommittee team! You rock!

Special shout out to Mrs Mauri, Mrs Butler and Mr Huntington for attending the disco and supporting the students and the P&C.

Upcoming events

Father's Day breakfast

Get in quick and book your bacon and egg roll at our Father's Day breakfast!!!

Sports carnival - 18th September

The P&C will have hair spray and zinc available for purchase as well as a new initiative! A raffle to win a VIP package!!!

FACTION CARNIVAL ULTIMATE VIP EXPERIENCE!

Want to experience the Faction Carnival like absolute royalty? The Coogee PS P&C is giving you the chance to win the ultimate upgrade for the big day on Friday, 18th September!

Quiz night

Don't forget to get your table ready for a fab night of quizzing and catching up with friends!!! 6 tables booked already... can we beat last year's number of tables?

COOGEE PRIMARY SCHOOL P&C
FATHER'S DAY BBQ

FRIDAY 4 SEPTEMBER
7:30AM - 8:30AM
UNDERCOVER AREA

ALL PARENTS WELCOME!
Dads and other carers encouraged to come down for drop-off and enjoy breakfast with the kids.

\$5 BREAKFAST DEAL
INCLUDES:
• Egg & Bacon Roll
Plus ONE drink of your choice:

SCAN HERE TO PRE-ORDER!

Pre-orders essential. Cutoff Wednesday 2nd September 5pm

Together we make our community strong

FACTION CARNIVAL VIP RAFFLE!

WIN THE ULTIMATE VIP EXPERIENCE!



PACKAGE INCLUDES:

- VIP GAZEBO in prime position
- VIP Parking bay
- Table & Chairs for 2
- 'First in line' coffee voucher for 2
- Delicious Grazing Board
- Esky with cold refreshments
- Sunscreen to stay protected
- VIP Lanyards
- Pom Pom's in your faction colour

Imagine rolling up to school with no stressful parking hunt, no crowd dodging and your own luxury setup to cheer on your faction in style!

BUY YOUR TICKETS:
\$2 each or 3 for \$5
 Before School Assemblies,
 Father's Day Brekky and
 during Class Open Night

P&C fundraiser
 Drawn Mon 14th Sept
 Carnival is Friday 18th Sept

QUIZ NIGHT

Coogee Primary School P&C

👤 Tables of 8 • \$240 per table

24TH OCTOBER

Check the P&C Facebook Page to buy tickets



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SATURDAY

Thank you

Coogee PS P&C

Community News



WHAT'S ON THESE HOLIDAYS!

ROCKETEERS

▶ TAKE-OFF ON AN ADVENTURE

MOVIE
Dreamworks Animation
FORGOTTEN ISLAND

SPECIAL EVENT
GRAND FINAL FEVER
with Coles Healthy Kicks

SPECIAL EVENT
ULTIMATE NINJA CHALLENGE
by Proactivity

▶ GET STUCK INTO A DIY PROJECT

PROJECT
SPINSTORM SHOWDOWN

PROJECT
REALMZ KINGDOM BUILDERS

BIG ART DAY
WILD WILD WEST

SCHOOL HOLIDAY BOOKINGS NOW OPEN

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