

CUMMINS AREA SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

- Term 1, Week 11 **-**

BUS DRIVERS

Warrow

Ben McCracken - 0466 618 786

Mt Hope

Kym Griffiths - 0400 667 472

Karkoo

Susan Hughes - 0477 088 043

Wanilla

Mick Carr - 0410 087 406

Cockaleechie

Leon Seaman - 0429 703 030

Douglas Well

Vince Diment - 0427 7<u>62 428</u>

Koppio/Yallunda Flat Helen Robinson - 0428 885 017

Brimpton Lake

Barry Boyce - 0418 762 319

Parents must contact the bus driver at least 24 hours prior to travel being required on an alternate bus.

UHF channel 10

CONTACT US

- A. McFarlane St Cummins SA 5631
- P. 8676 2388
- E. DL.0754_info@schools. sa.edu.au
- W. cumminsas.sa.edu.au



PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Here we are, at the end of Term 1 already. In some respects, it is not surprising – it has certainly been filled with action and events, as well as a lot of learning for our students and staff. There have been many highlights, including, but in no way limited to:



- Flinders winning both Swimming Carnival and Sports Day, with the Sports Day win breaking a significant drought for this proud house
- The appointment of our Social Worker, Rachelle, and the growing influence her presence is having on our ability to provide wellbeing support for our students.
- Our fabulous Foundations have settled in beautifully under the care and guidance of Miss Georgia and their amazing Yr. 12 buddies.
- Watching our staff and students across the site building solid relationships that will only improve outcomes for our students.
- The smooth completion of NAPLAN testing
- An immensely popular visit from some key Adelaide Crows players
- Our Dux Assembly, including an inspiring speech from our Dux, Noa Gerber, the recognition of our House Captains and Student Voice Representatives, and the welcoming to school of our Foundation students by their Yr. 12 Buddies
- Fabulous weather for Swimming lessons
- A range of new members for our Governing Council, building the membership and increasing the voice of our very important stakeholders, families
- Our Meet and Greet night where we saw an increased attendance by families, and we hope that this continues to grow.
- An intriguing and entertaining BMX bike performer
- Yr. 11 and 12 students being invited to the airport by our local Council to engage with the RAAF pilots.
- Hosting of two RST workshops to support students across Lower EP completing their Certificate 3 in Agriculture
- Hydrogen Car racing
- Winning Interschool Sports Day at Cleve!

Staff have attended a range of Professional Development activities around many topics – the Public Education Strategy, SACE, Augmented Communication, Phonics and Reading Intervention spring to mind. We have also worked in staff meetings on elements such as building Learner

CAS DATES TO REMEMBER

TERM 1

WEEK 11 Wed 10/4

 SAPSASA Track & Field, Pt Lincoln

Fri 12/4

 End of term 1, 2.20pm finish

TERM 2

WEEK 3 Mon 13/5 - Tues 14/5

Parent/teacher/student interviews

Wed 15/5

School Photo Day

Agency in our students and rewriting our Behaviour Support Policy. These are big pieces of work which are in their preliminary stages, and we will be engaging with not only students, but also families on what these items look like at Cummins Area School.

On Monday 13th and Tuesday 14th May we invite ALL families to participate in our Three Way Interviews. These are a critical part of our Assessment and Reporting procedures, and I cannot encourage you enough to make a booking and come along with your child to take part. The students are an integral part of this process, and it is important that they are there to participate in this conversation about their learning. Please save the date and expect information re booking through Daymap to come out later this week.

Regarding Daymap, thanks to those families who are engaging with this format and letting us know when there are any issues. It is important that you let us know when you encounter challenges so that we can pass them on to Daymap to investigate. At the moment we are aware that some people are finding that they are being logged out of the app and need to log back in, which also impacts notifications. We have passed this on to the Daymap support team. Please let us know if there are any other concerns that you have. As we use a different app as staff, and generally the website rather than the app, we are not immediately aware of anything that is frustrating you or impacting our communication channels. It is particularly important to us to get this right.

Have a fabulous break – the weather is certainly reminding us that seeding, and all its craziness is awfully close. We look forward to collaborating with you all again next term.

Regards, Mel

2024 TERM DATES

Term 1

 Monday, 29 January - Friday, 12 April

Term 2

- Monday, 29 April Friday, 5 July **Term 3**
- Monday, 22 July Friday, 27 September

Term 4

 Monday, 14 October - Friday, 13 December

PLEASE UPDATE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION WITH THE FRONT OFFICE IF ANYTHING HAS CHANGED



HOME/RESIDENTIAL ADDRESS?



MOBILE NUMBERS?



EMAIL EMERGENCY
ADDRESSES? CONTACTS?



FAMILY

FAMILY INFORMATION?

Governing Council Update

At our last Governing School Council meeting we welcomed three new enthusiastic members, Jessica Jolly, Mark Modra and Vanessa Boehm. We now have a group which includes many parents of both primary and secondary students. I'd also like to thank exiting member Ashley Lawrie for her service on the Governing Council.

We have had some wonderful news regarding our Canteen redevelopment, with a start date of May 22nd given. Leanne Vigar, Cathy Haarsma, Carrie Speed and Sandy Eldridge have been working tirelessly to see this project come to fruition, and finally there is light at the end of the tunnel. This upgrade means the canteen will be closed in its current state for several weeks. During that time there is a possibility for a scaled down version of food for purchase, please keep your eye on communication from the school for updates.

Our meeting also included a presentation from Boyd West regarding the new Behaviour Support Policy and from Mel Degner the updated Sun Protection policy.

The next Governing School Council meeting will be held on the 14th of May, 7:00pm at the Cummins Library. Governing School Council can be contacted as casgoverningcouncil@gmail.com or chat to any of our members.

Bec Habner Chairperson



Cummins Area School is seeking expressions of interest for a pool of casual **Student Support Officers (SSO)** to undertake relief or short term cover work. This role would mainly involve classroom and student support across the school.

Successful applicants must:

- hold or be willing to obtain a Working with Children Check, Responding to Risks of Harm, Abuse and Neglect - Education and Care (RRHAN) certificate
- hold a Provide Emergency First Aid Response in Education/Care Setting

For further information or to register your interest please contact Lauren Foster or Anna Richardson.

8676 2388



order your school photos now

to order visit: www.advancedlife.com.au



or collect a cash order envelope from your school office





School photo day has been booked for **Wednesday 15th May (Term 2, Week 3)** and is fast approaching!

Order envelopes have been distributed between students however, AdvancedLife Photography would prefer if orders were submitted and paid for via the secure online AdvanceOrder web portal.

This portal is specifically set up for the school using the unique 9-digit online ordering code **(LQ6 3N6 PYT)** The code can also be found on your order envelopes, and on the AdvanceAccess dashboard.

Parents who choose to place their order via the online portal do not need to return the order envelope. Only families who still wish to pay with cash will need to return the order envelope on the day.

Family photo envelopes are now available for collection at the front office.

March 2024

Dear Cummins Area School,

As some of you may know, I am on a 12 month student exchange in the US, and a few teachers have encouraged me to write some letters back as this is a tradition with past exchange students. I live in Port St. John in Cocoa, Florida, with my host

family, a high school teacher at another school and an Italian student who has been here since August. I attend Space Coast Jr/Sr High, only a 20-minute drive from the NASA space centre, and 40 minutes from the Disney World parks. I can even hear all the rockets launch from NASA and Space X, and sometimes even watch them out the window.

I've currently been here for 2 months, and I've been really enjoying school (much more than the Americans do I think), and the school is much bigger than I'm used to. I even had to be escorted by security to most of my classes in my first week because I was always getting lost. There is breakfast and lunch served in the cafeteria, and the class schedule is the same every day, with one class of each subject. Some of the classes I take at the moment are Biology, Concert Band, Algebra, US history, English, Career Research and Marine Science.

Every few weeks my local co-ordinator from my host organisation organises exchange student gatherings for students in our area. We've been to an ice hockey game in Orlando, mini golf & go karting, and we're going to SeaWorld in a couple weeks time.

There are definitely some things I'm getting used to, like driving on the other side of the road and tipping at restaurants. Whenever we're out somewhere, and I ask for "water", either they don't understand me or they look at me really funny and ask where I'm from. But I've been asked some pretty interesting questions about Australia, like "Is kangaroo boxing a real sport?", and "Isn't Australia in Europe?".

I hope to keep in touch at least once a term over the year.



Cummins takes home the shield at Interschool 2024









CUMMINS SCHOOL COMMUNITY LIBRARY



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IN CONVERSATION WITH...

Darry Frager

Wed. April 10 @10.00am RSVP to 86762476



Baby Bounce at Miroma Place

Our last Baby Bounce for the term will be at Miroma Place this Friday at 9.30. Looking forward seeing you and your little ones.

Just a reminder, that in the interests of the valued residents, if you're feeling unwell, give this one a miss and join us next time.



School holiday hours

Feel free to enjoy our community space with your family, with plenty of activities for all ages.

Week 1, Tues-Thurs: New Science Fun

Trialing 'Tick Tock, I Spy a Rock'. A new STEM initiative from Libraries SA. Family led activity stations for budding, young Geologists and Paleontologists!

Plus giant board games, colouring, puzzles, tea and coffee









DoFoodSafely



Cummins Area School Canteen Compulsory Food & Safety Training

Due to the introduction of Standard 3.3.2a – Food and Safety Management Tools our school Canteen is identified as a Category 1. This requires us to have all our valued Canteen Volunteers to complete the free online food and safety training – **Do Food Safely.**

The online course can be found at the following link or by scanning the QR code.

https://dofoodsafely.health.vic.gov.au/index.php/en

Do Food Safely provides the required course content, and once completed food handlers will receive a certificate which will be required to be sighted by authorised officers and we can keep a record of your certificate also at the canteen. The course is approx. 40 minutes with 2 parts - 7 Topic/Information slides with quick questions and then a 30-question assessment at the end. The course is valid for 5 years and can be used for all sporting and community groups handling food which will also be required.

Certificates can be emailed Catherine.Haarsma312@schools.sa.edu.au

We are very grateful and appreciative of all our Canteen volunteers and indebted to your many hours given to support Carrie and Sandra each term and your contribution ensures the Canteens' great success.

SCHOOL ID CARDS FOR SECONDARY STUDENTS ARE NOW AVAILABLE AT THE FINANCE OFFICE AT A COST OF \$4.00 EACH.







Preschool Enrolments

Now taking expressions of interest for Mid-year Intake 2024 & Term 1 2025.

If your child/ren are turning 4 this year, we invite you to register your interest for Preschool.

Eligibility criteria:

- Term 3 2024: Turns 4 years of age between 1 May and 31 October of that year
- Term 1 2025: Turns 4 years of age after October 31 of that year
- Aboriginal children, and children who are or have been in care after their 3rd birthday

Children who start mid-year will complete 6 terms of Foundation when they start school.

Children who start at the beginning of the year, will complete 4 terms of Foundation.

To enrol for the Term 3 2024 intake, register your interest now.

For further details

Please reach out to Dinah Lance, Preschool Director, Mondays - Thursdays. Dinah.Lance631@schools.sa.edu.au or 8676 2272

WHAT DO I DO IF MY CHILD TESTS POSITIVE TO COVID?

If your child tests positive to COVID, they must stay home from school for at least 6 days. Day Zero being the day they tested positive. Therefore, they must stay home for a further 5 calendar days. There is no need to keep testing, the initial test is sufficient. Any questions please phone the school.

| CUMMINS AREA SCHOOL CANTEEN ROSTER TERM 1 | | | | | | | | |
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| | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | | | |
| | 08/04/2024 | 09/04/2024 | 10/04/2024 | 11/04/2024 | 12/04/2024 | | | |
| WEEK 11 | | Ali Ward | | Ashley Lawrie | Ali Coventry *Cathy Haarsmo | | | |
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| | 29/01/2024 | 30/04/2024 | 01/05/2024 | 02/05/2024 | 03/05/2024 | | | |
| TERM 2, WEEK 1 | Amy Fuss | Sherie Watson | Sheree Mills | Ashley Lawrie | Leanne Vigar *Sophie Blacke | | | |
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| TERM 2, WEEK 2 | Tammy Dunbar | Gemma Crettenden | Jenna Hughes | Madeline Farrelly | Bernie Crettende *Sara Doudle | | | |

JUST A REMINDER TO ALL CANTEEN QKR USERS TO PLEASE UPDATE YOUR QKR APP INFORMATION OF NEW CLASSS WITH YOUR CHILDREN'S PROFILE SO THAT THEIR LUNCHES CAN BE DELIVERED TO THE CORRECT CLASSROOMS.

Thank you for volunteering to work at the Canteen. Please note shift times have changed.

Monday and Tuesday will now start at 12:00 pm

Wednesday and Thursday from 11:30 am to 2:15 pm

Friday will begin at 11:30 am and finish at 2:00 pm

Friday * starting time is 12:00 - 2:15 pm

Our CAS Canteen now has a great range of various Gluten Free Options available to purchase for lunch. We have Gluten free hot savoury Pies, Pasty's n Sausage Rolls along with Wraps and some of our Weekly Specials are also Gluten free. Check them out on our QKR APP or on our 2023 Price List.





CUMMINS AREA SCHOOL

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We have plenty of stock available from the Finance Office for any new 2024 students and replacements for any current students.

Please see either Anna Richardson or Cathy Haarsma to purchase any of the school stock.

CAS MAROON HATS \$13.00

CAS MAROON SCHOOL BAG SML \$50.00

LGE \$75.00

ART SMOCK, MAROON \$18.70

PENCIL CASE, MAROON \$6.50

CAS LIBRARY BAG \$10.00

CASIO FX-82AU PLUS II (REQUIRED FOR YR 7 – 10 STUDENTS) \$39.50

HEADPHONE MOPO M831HP \$20.50



WWW.ACEUNIFORMS.COM.AU

Cummins Area School Uniform Supplier

Ace Uniforms offer FREE shipping to the school for collection at the Front Office.

Alternatively choose "Ship to shipping address" and pay postage fee to have the order go direct to your chosen address.

PRICE LIST

| SUMMER DRESS | \$65.00 |
|-----------------------|---------|
| CAS SCHOOL JUMPER | \$60.00 |
| CAS POLO SHIRT | \$34.00 |
| SCHOOL PANTS (BLACK) | \$40.00 |
| SCHOOL SHORTS (BLACK) | \$22.00 |
| BUCKET HAT | \$11.00 |

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Achieve a savings goal for 10 months and ANZ will match it up to \$500. You need to:

- ✓ Be 18 years or older
- → Have a current Health Care Card or Pensioner Concession Card
- Have a child in school, starting school next year, or be studying yourself
- Get a regular income

(can be you or your partner)





Student Lunch Passes

Students leaving the school grounds during the lunch break must carry a LUNCH PASS. There are two types of passes.

1. REGULAR LUNCH PASS: These will be issued at the beginning of each year on the written request of parents.

These passes are for students returning to their own home for lunch regularly. This pass is not to be used to access local shops to purchase lunch.

They may be issued to cover one or more days each week.

2. SPECIAL LUNCH PASS: Students are sometimes required to leave school for particular reasons on isolated occasions e.g. hair cuts, personal shopping, lunch at a friends, or a birthday party.

For each occasion, the student requires **a written** request from parents through Daymap. Students will not be permitted to phone home during the day to access a lunch pass.

Students in Year 6 or younger must be accompanied by an adult when they leave the school grounds and have the written consent of their parents if the adult signing them out is not their parent.

Students in Year 7/8/ 9 must have written parental consent and be accompanied by another student the same age or older.

Students in Year 10 - 12 are able to leave the school grounds by themselves provided they have written parental consent. Our preference would be that they don't leave the school grounds alone.

All students who leave the school at Lunch time must sign out at the computer located at the Front Office. They must sign in on their return. This is an WHS requirement and applies to students with both Permanent and Daily Lunch passes.

SAVER PLUS

Could you use an extra \$500 towards school costs in 2025?

The Saver Plus Program is about boosting financial skills, to develop (and keep) good savings habits.

You can put money towards education expenses including:

- Computers, laptops, and tablets
- Books, uniforms & shoes
- Sports & music, camps, excursions, and more...

If you save up to \$50 a month for 10 months, Saver Plus will double it. \$500 saved + \$500 matched = \$1000 (in 10 months).

Visit www.saverplus.org.au for more details

BYOD LAPTOP PROGRAMFOR YR 7–12 STUDENTS



https://cummins.orderportal.com.au

All students from Year 7 to Year 12 are required to supply their own laptop for use at school.

We ask that ALL purchases of new laptops for school use, for all year levels, be made via the School Ordering Portal. This alleviates the current issue of the many varied devices being purchased which do not meet the required minimum specifications for use at school.

The online Order Portal provides families with a variety of suitable devices which meet the required specifications, including some accessories, insurance and finance options. The devices found on the portal have been chosen for their battery performance, durability of cases, network compatibility and based on recommendations from industry experts.

Other considerations when purchasing a device for your student:

- Insurance: check your home contents insurance to see if the device will be covered
- Transport between home and school: device should be carried in a sturdy protective bag away from food & water bottles
- **Charging:** Students must charge their device at home and bring it to school every day fully charged. (Personal power adapters are not to be used at school unless Tag Tested).
- Students have access to **Microsoft Office 365** via their School email account at no cost, providing access to Word, Excel, Powerpoint, One Drive etc. There is no need to purchase this software separately.
- Whilst enrolled at school, students are connected to the school provided internet and are protected by a significant Departmental filtering system that prevents access to many harmful or malicious sites. According to Cummins Area School ICT Acceptable Use Policy, students may use the internet only for learning related activities that are approved by a teacher.
- It is the responsibility of the student / parent / caregiver to setup the Home-Internet connection on the device.
- Students must perform 'Software Updates' on the device as they become available in order to install the latest virus definitions and security patches.
- Students will use OneDrive provided through Office 365 which safeguards work from being lost on a USB etc. Students are also strongly encouraged to backup necessary files in numerous locations, including via email where appropriate. Technology failure is not an approved circumstance for extensions at Cummins Area School.

*Device chosen must take into consideration the types of subjects the student is studying eg; Design related subjects may require an i7 (Senior High School students)

**Please note; Apple devices are not recommended for use in our school environment as they are not compatible with our school network and will impact your child's ability to access school services such as printing. Apple devices will not be supported by the School IT Department.

If you have any questions or concerns, including concerns about financial hardship please do not hesitate to contact the school on 8676 2388.

LWT PARENT OFFERINGS



BETTER DEVICES

We only sell education specific and commercial grade devices. Retail devices aren't built for school.



BETTER SERVICE

In LWT Service areas we can have devices repaired onsite in days, not weeks. Keeping your child up and running.



INSURANCE

Accidents at school are common. Our Accidental damage Cover means that you can get devices fixed with minimum cost.



PAYMENT PLANS

We can offer 36 month payment plans from Latitude Finance approved online, or Laybuy options.

COMMUNITY NEWS



Please text if your children are meeting at School Shelter for pickup. Collect at Uniting Church Hall at 5.30pm

We are a Kids Club for reception to year 7's Full of FUN, FOOD, & FAITH Based lessons. Please feel free to contact Amy Maddern 0429090276 for more information



Wk 2, 10th MayLive Life Loud Road Trip!

Wk 5, 31st May Wk 8, 21st June

Youth Group is for year 7-12 All welcome! Please Contact: Jordy Wilksch 0428865055 For more information



UNFORM REMINDER

Please remember that the correct school uniform is to be worn to school at all times.

Football or Jogging Shorts are not part of our school uniform.

Appropriate black shorts can be purchased through our uniform supplier, Ace Uniforms.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Community Group advertising in the newsletter is available at a minimum cost of \$6.00 (inc. GST) for up to 5 lines. Larger items of 1/4 page size cost \$22 (inc. GST) which is the maximum size for an article or notice.

Payment needs to be made to the finance Office prior to inclusion by Cash or Bank Transfer to our School account. No invoices will be issued for payment – a tax invoice / receipt can be issued upon request.

BSB - 633 000, ACC - 112 105 770 REF - Newsletter & Entity Name.

Only Advertisements or notices of community interest or noncommercial value will be published.



CUMMINS AREA SCHOOL CANTEEN ROSTER TERM TWO 2024

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| | 13/05/2024 | 14/05/2024 | 15/05/2024 | 16/05/2024 | 17/05/2024 |
| 3 | Marika Giddings | Emma Gale | | Rachel Dennis | Cathy Haarsma Ali Coventry |
| | 20/05/2024 | 21/05/2024 | 22/05/2024 | 23/05/2024 | 24/05/2024 |
| 4 | Alicia Laube | | | | Lucy Pedler *Claire Mickan |
| | 27/05/2024 | 28/05/2024 | 29/05/2024 | 30/05/2024 | 31/05/2024 |
| 5 | | | | Hayley Ness | Hannah Mickan *Abby-Lee Minhard |
| | 03/06/2024 | 04/06/2024 | 05/06/2024 | 06/06/2024 | 07/06/2024 |
| 6 | | | | Tamara Modra | Kathy Modra *Tegan Modra |
| | 10/06/2024 | 11/06/2024 | 12/06/2024 | 13/06/2024 | 14/06/2024 |
| 7 | PUBLIC HOLIDAY | | Brooke Pugsley | | Coral Wagner *Amanda Puckridge |
| | 17/06/2024 | 18/06/2024 | 19/06/2024 | 20/06/2024 | 21/06/2024 |
| 8 | | | Simone Murnane | | BJ Moroney *Paige Minhard |
| | 24/06/2024 | 25/06/2024 | 26/06/2024 | 27/06/2024 | 28/06/2024 |
| 9 | Jess Wedd | | | | Cathy Haarsma *Katrina Phelps |
| | 01/07/2024 | 02/07/2024 | 03/07/2024 | 04/07/2024 | 05/07/2024 |
| 10 | | | | Kirsty Koch | *Alisha Elliott Tegan Stephens |

Thank you for volunteering to work at the Canteen. We would like to bring to your attention some time changes to volunteer rosters. Please take note of the following:

• Monday and Tuesday will now start at 12:00 pm

• Wednesday and Thursday from 11:30 am to 2:15 pm

• Friday will begin at 11:30 am and finish at 2:00 pm

• Friday * starting time is 12:00 - 2.15 pm

If you are able to work more than one shift per term, please let us know. In the event that you are unable to work on your rostered day, please arrange a replacement or even on your row. We are grateful for your assistance. swap on your own. We are grateful for your assistance.

Please be aware that all volunteers are required to have a current Working with Children Check, which is free of charge. Please visit www.sa.gov.au/.../screening-checks/screening-wwcc. Additionally, it is recommended that all volunteers complete the Do Food Safely Assessment course and forward their certificate to Catherine.Haarsma312@schools.sa.edu.au.

Contact numbers: Carrie Speed 0427 765 029 or Sandra Eldridge 0400 800 346