



CUMMINS AREA SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Term 2, Week 7

BUS DRIVERS

Warrow

Chris Letton - 0407 109 352
Kelvin Starke - 0428 852 246

Mt Hope

Kym Griffiths - 0400 667 472

Karkoo

Kelvin Starke - 0428 852 246

Wanilla

Wayne Bockman - 0487 824 854

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John Norton - 0400 087 616

Koppio/Yallunda Flat

Helen Robinson - 0428 885 017

Brimpton Lake

Barry Boyce - 0418 762 319

UHF CHANNEL 40

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

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Government of South Australia
Department for Education

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Hi Everyone

Congratulations to all of the Cummins Area School students and staff who represented their various sporting associations over the long weekend. It was exciting to follow all of their progress at the various Inter Association events that took place and to hear of how they represented the EP with such grit and determination.



We are officially in the last two weeks of Semester 1 at Cummins Area School. We change our timetable at the beginning of Week 9 to ensure a more even time allocation across the year for subjects. This is particularly pertinent for our Secondary students, but it will also impact the Primary timetable a little. Our mid-year Reception students will start transition next week and we look forward to welcoming them to our school journey.

As a site that is guided by students in many of their subject offerings, we are thrilled to have a number of new subjects occurring next semester, with Year 11 Ancient Studies, Geography and Nutrition opening up as options after they were chosen by a number of students. Photography has also proven to be a popular option for our Year 9 and 10 students.

Last week our students in Years 9 & 10 had the opportunity to attend the Explore Event in Pt Lincoln. This allowed students to explore a range of career and post-school pathways, and is a vital piece of the Pathways program across the Eyre Peninsula. Our students experienced a broad range of activities and many enjoyed the chance to meet Australia's latest astronaut, Katherine Bennell-Pegg. Katherine highlighted the many opportunities in the space industry, beyond the obvious, as did many other stakeholders in the day. It is vital that we access these events to ensure we, and our students, are aware of the range of possibilities that exist for them to pursue beyond school.

Our Year 10 Outdoor Ed students are currently bushwalking around the Sleaford area with Miss Cooper, Mr. Waite, Mr. Charlton and Miss Fette. Let's hope the weather holds out and they manage to carry their own backpacks throughout the camp. After a busy Mortlock weekend I'm not sure Mr. Waite and Mr. Charlton are up to helping everyone out too much...

Have a great fortnight
Mel

CAS WEEKLY SNAPSHOT

TERM 2

WEEK 7

Mon 8/6

- King's Birthday holiday

Tues 9/6 – Thurs 11/6

- yr 10 outdoor ed camp

Tues 9/6 – Fri 12/6

- year 11 exams

WEEK 8

Mon 15/6 – Fri 19/6

- Yr 11 Work Experience

Mon 15/6 – Wed 17/6

- yr 10 Science & Engineering challenge

WEEK 9

Mon 22/6 – Fri 26/6

- Year 10 Work Experience

WEEK 10

Sun 28/6 – Thurs 2/7

- Year 10 Careers Trip, Adl

2026 TERM DATES

Term 1

- Tuesday, January 27 – Friday, April 10

Term 2

- Monday, April 27 – Friday, July 3

Term 3

- Monday, July 20 – Friday, September 25

Term 4

- Monday, October 12 – Friday, December 11

Reconciliation Week Cookout

What a fantastic day we experienced in the Cultural Space on Thursday, 28 May for National Reconciliation week! This year's theme was "ALL IN." All teams engaged in prior learning about Aboriginal culture, sharing their insights around the fire. The event featured a delightful variety of bush tucker, an opportunity to contribute to a mural, and Our Town interviewing students about their learning experiences throughout the day.

A heartfelt thank you goes to Nauo Elder Jason Ramp for welcoming us to Country and performing the didgeridoo for each group. Nanna Lizzie also attended and thoroughly enjoyed witnessing the students' learning. We are especially grateful to our Indigenous students who spent the day outdoors assisting with activities.

Regrettably, no representatives from the invited Cummins community were able to join us for this significant occasion. We hope to see more participation next year.

This event would not have been possible without the generous support of Our Town in funding, Jodi Mickan for her help with organization and interviewing, and Home Hardware for donating the cement board for our school murals.

Thank you to everyone for your support of this event and for being "ALL IN" for reconciliation.



Students are not permitted on school grounds before 8:30 AM, as there will be no supervision available during that period. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.



Breakfast Club

Toast & Fresh Fruit will be available every morning from 8:30am at the canteen during the school term for our students.





Sapsasa Football

Congratulations to Zeb Doudle, Buddy Turnbull, Jimmy Crettenden, Jimmy Wedd, Beau Dunbar and Freddie Fitzgerald, who were selected to represent Lower Eyre Peninsula in Sapsasa Boys Football (AFL). The Lower Eyre Peninsula Football Team recently participated in the annual State Carnival, held at Barratt Reserve, West Beach. This event brought together a total of 800 footballers, representing 40 Sapsasa districts from across South Australia.



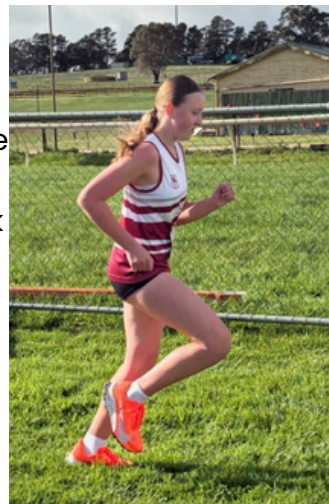
The carnival was conducted over three days and followed a 16-a-side format. Each team played nine matches against both Metropolitan and Country zones, with teams divided into divisions. LEP competed in Division 1, playing three matches per day under ideal, sunny conditions.

Throughout the carnival, LEP secured four wins from their nine matches, resulting in an equal fifth placing in their division. Each team member demonstrated continuous improvement and developed their skills as the carnival progressed. There was a strong team emphasis on fair play, maintaining a positive attitude, respect, and personal growth.

Thank you to Darian Treasure, Luke Schrapel and Shane Masson for their huge contribution coaching/managing the team and providing a fantastic Sapsasa experience for students and families.

Cross Country

Congratulations to Bonnie Shipard, who represented Cummins Area School in the Cross Country State Championships at Oakbank Racecourse last week. Once again, the wintry conditions at the annual Cross Country event were evident, with rain prior to the day creating a heavy track underfoot for runners.



Despite the challenging course, Bonnie performed incredibly well, finishing the 3000m event in a time of 14 mins 16 seconds and placing 49th out of a field of 212 runners in her age group! A fantastic achievement.

Year 9's explore career options at Careers Roadshow

Last Tuesday the Cummins Area School Year 9's had the opportunity to visit some businesses in Port Lincoln to find out about the various job opportunities and career pathways in ABC radio, The Port Lincoln Hotel, TAFE and The ACE Group. They also attended the Careers Roadshow at the Port Lincoln Racecourse and were able to visit 79 different exhibitors, including a variety of industries as well as further education pathways. A small number of the Year 9's were also invited to meet with Australian Astronaut Katherine Bennell-Pegg and had their photo with her. They learned how Katherine became an astronaut (lots of work and tests, she was 1 of 6 to get through from 23 000 original applicants) and the work she is currently doing and hopes to do in the future.

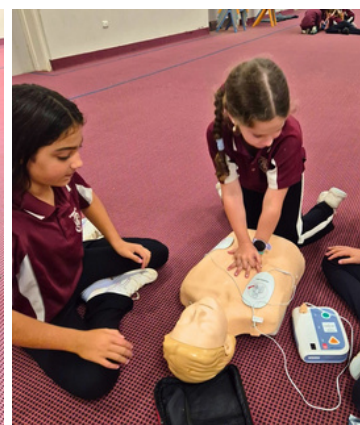
In the afternoon, some of our Senior Years students had the opportunity to visit the Roadshow and meet with Katherine. On Wednesday, the year 9's returned to Port Lincoln, to experience another 3 Explore sessions, these included EP Radio, Peter Kittle Toyota, Soil Contamination investigation, Dentistry NEVC, National Parks, Engineering, TAFE, Sleep Science and ADF Careers. The Year 9's feedback was very positive, and they expressed their thanks for the experience.

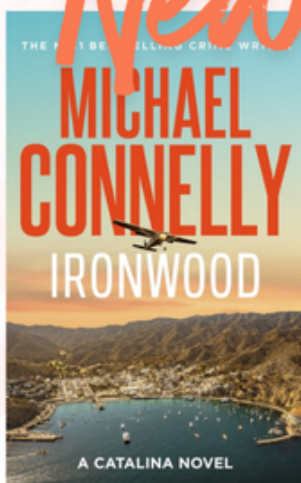
We sincerely thank all the exhibitors and businesses that gave up their time to share their knowledge and information with our students so that they could gain an understanding of the various pathways they can take in the future. I would also like to thank Mardi, Murray, Darryl, Ellie, Jacqui, John and Lauren for their support over the two days.



First Aid in Primary Schools

Last week, Shaun from St John Ambulance came to school to teach our primary students on essential first aid skills. Everyone engaged enthusiastically in the sessions, learning vital lessons such as how to call for assistance, perform CPR, and treat minor injuries. They practiced their CPR skills and gained experience using the defibrillator on the manikins. This valuable experience not only equipped our young learners with lifesaving skills but also nurtured a sense of responsibility and confidence in handling emergencies. Thank you to Susie Hansen for organising, and Shaun for spending the day with the students.





New Adult Fiction

Libraries SA CUMMINS SCHOOL COMMUNITY LIBRARY

STUDENT LUNCHTIME ACTIVITIES

MONDAY	STEM CLUB & QUIET READING
TUESDAY	DRAWING CLUB & QUIET READING
WEDNESDAY	CHESS CLUB & QUIET READING
THURSDAY	LEGO CLUB & QUIET READING
FRIDAY	QUIET READING

Students are welcome to attend the library at lunch times and join in our wide range of activities we have on offer.



Opening Hours

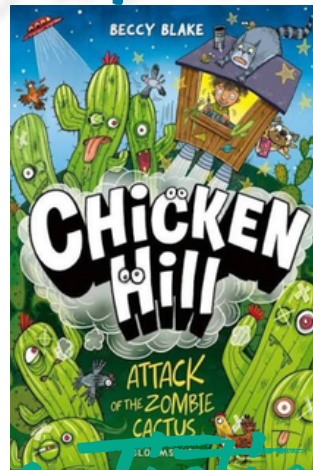
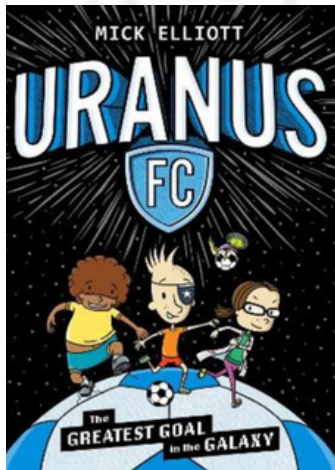
Monday - 9:00am - 5:00pm
Tuesday - 9:00am - 5:00pm
Wednesday - 9:00am - 5:00pm
Thursday - 9:00am - 5:00pm
Friday - 9:00am - 5:00pm
Saturday - 9:00am - 12:00pm



Libraries SA CUMMINS SCHOOL COMMUNITY LIBRARY



New Children's Graphic Novels



New Teen Fiction



CUMMINS AREA SCHOOL CANTEEN - ROSTER TERM 2 2026

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Wk 7	08/06/2026 PUBLIC HOLIDAY	09/06/2026	10/06/2026 Jenna Hughes	11/06/2026	12/06/2026 Katrina Phelps Claire Mickan
Wk 8	15/06/2026	16/06/2026	17/06/2026	18/06/2026 Hayley Ness	19/06/2026 Cathy Haarsma Alisha Elliott
Wk 9	22/06/2026	23/06/26	24/06/2026	25/06/2026	26/06/2026 Cathy Haarsma Sara Doudle

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



**HOME/RESIDENTIAL
ADDRESS?**



**MOBILE
NUMBERS?**



**EMAIL
ADDRESSES?**



**EMERGENCY
CONTACTS?**



**FAMILY
INFORMATION?**

CAS LESSON TIMES

Morning Crew	8.45am - 9.20am
Lesson 1	9.20am - 10.00am
Lesson 2	10.00am - 10.40am
RECESS	10.40am - 11.00am
Lesson 3	11.00am - 11.40am
Lesson 4	11.40am - 12.20pm
Lesson 5	12.20pm - 1.00pm
LUNCH	1.00pm - 1.40pm
Lesson 6	1.40pm - 2.20pm
Lesson 7	2.20pm - 3.00pm
Afternoon Crew	3.00pm - 3.15pm

KARKOO
play group

**Everyone welcome to
join us for some fun!**

Art, craft, singing, stories, music, play

9.30am - 12.00 pm every Thursday morning

Stay all morning or only part. For ages 0 - 4

Bring a piece of fruit and enjoy socialising your little ones
in a friendly, creative play space.

**For more information contact
Kate Murnane 0429 795 443**



Could Saver Plus help with your education costs?

Google

Q Saver Plus YouTube

to see our quick explainer video and find out if you're eligible.



Saver Plus was developed by ANZ and social justice organisation the Brotherhood of St Laurence (BSL).

It is delivered in partnership with not-for-profit organisations The Smith Family, Berry Street and BSL.

ANZ and the Department of Social Services fund it.

saverplus.org.au

Terms, conditions and eligibility criteria apply.



Late Lunch Orders

Any late lunch orders placed by phone or Daymap to the school after the QKR cutoff must be paid for using the IOU option on QKR before the order can be processed.

Remember: no payment means no order.



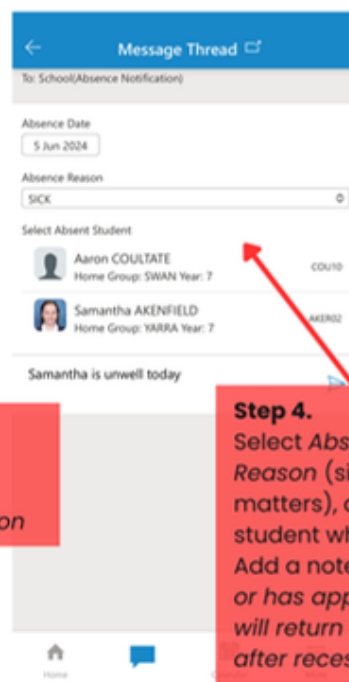
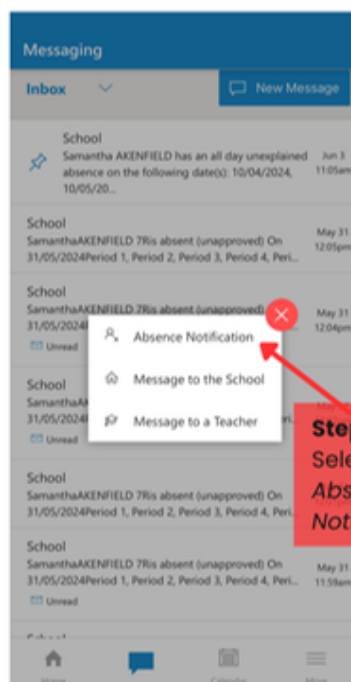
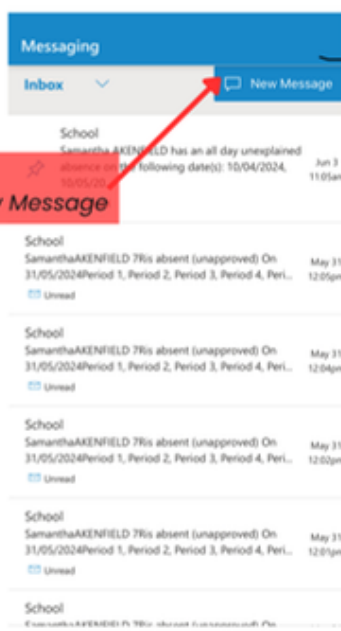
Notifying CAS of a student absence using the DayMap App

Step 2.
Select New Message

Step 1.
Select Messages

Step 3.
Select
Absence
Notification

Step 4.
Select Absence Reason (sick or family matters), and then student who is absent. Add a note i.e unwell or has appointment will return to school after recess.





CUMMINS AREA SCHOOL merchandise

We have plenty of stock available from the Finance Office for any new 2025 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	\$14.00
CAS MAROON SCHOOL BAG	SMALL - \$50.00 LARGE - \$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)	\$40.15
HEADPHONES (VERBATIM)	\$19.80
ATTACHE READING FOLDER	\$6.75
ZIPPER BINDER READING FOLDER	\$5.45
CASIO FX-CG50AU COLOUR GRAPHICS CALCULATOR	POA



WWW.ACEUNIFORMS.COM.AU

Cummins Area School Uniform Supplier

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	\$35.00
SCHOOL PANTS (BLACK)	\$40.00
SCHOOL SHORTS (BLACK)	\$22.00
BUCKET HAT	\$11.00
WINTER JACKET	\$75.00

**7 BLACKMAN PLACE, PT LINCOLN
PH: 0421 797 612**

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.

Cummins Area School Canteen

Stickybeaks Lunch Bags

Paper lunch bag alternatives



\$10.50 each

Our Canteen has available the Stickybeaks Reusable Lunch Wallets/Bags which are great alternative to using the Paper Bags and good for our environment too.

They are available in Pink, Green, Grey, Blue, Red, and Purple and can be easily ordered and paid via our Canteen QKR page under the heading of Lunch Bag, or you can collect and pay at the Finance Office.



2025 SCHOOL MAGAZINE

Copies of last years magazine are still available.

\$35 each

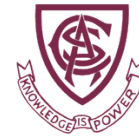
**Please phone the front office to secure a copy
8676 2388**



Responding to Peer Pressure

Peer pressure is a natural part of growing up. As children and adolescents place greater importance on friendships and belonging, the influence of peers can shape their choices, behaviour and sense of identity. While this influence can be positive, it can also create pressure to conform or take risks, particularly during adolescence.

In today's digitally connected world, peer pressure extends beyond face-to-face interactions. Social media and online communication expose young people to constant comparison and unspoken expectations about how they should look, act and perform. Understanding how peer pressure works, both on and offline, helps families support young people to build confidence, make healthy decisions and stay connected to their own values.



CUMMINS AREA SCHOOL MAGAZINE 2026

PRE ORDER FORM

PRICE TO BE DETERMINED – BETWEEN \$30 – \$35

Pre order now to avoid disappointment!

STUDENT NAME

PARENT NAME.....

2026 CLASS

QUANTITY **DATE**

Invoices for magazine pre-orders will be sent out in Term 4 and will include payment options.

Magazines are due for delivery in Term 4, Week 9 2026.

Support for your wellbeing

If you're feeling stressed, overwhelmed or finding it hard to cope with what is happening in your life, free mental health support is available.



We offer short-term confidential support for people aged 16 and over who live or work in Cummins and nearby areas.

We take time to:

- understand what matters
- explore support options that feel right for you
- support you to strengthen your connection with community
- identify strategies that are already working for you
- link you with services that meet your needs.

We provide flexible support and can meet you in the community, at home, at our service, by phone or video.

Contact us

Call our Community Care Coordinator

Monday to Friday, 9am – 5pm

Shane: 0488 145 922
Carrie: 0419 515 619

Walk-in service

No appointment necessary

Tuesdays, 10am – 4pm

SA Ambulance Service Building
Tumby Bay Road, Cummins

This is a Neami National service made possible by funding from Country SA PHN.

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national
Improving Mental Health
and Wellbeing

phn
COUNTRY SA
An Australian Government Initiative



Term 2 Dates, 2026

Come join us every third Friday after school for some fun!

Term 2
Week 3 - 15th May
Week 6 - 5th June
Week 9 - 26th June

We are a Kids Club for anyone from Foundation to Year 7 with afternoons full of **fun, food & faith**-based activities.

Give Amy Maddern a call on 0429 090 276 for more information.

If your children are meeting at the school shelter for pickup, please text Amy.

Finishes at Cummins Uniting Church Hall at 5.30pm



Term 2 Dates, 2026

Years 7 - 12

A fun & relaxed space for teens to **hang out**, **make friends**, play **games**, share **food** and **chat** about life and faith. No pressure – just good people and good fun.

Week 1- 1st May
Week 2- 8th Life Life Louder
Week 5- 29th May
Week 8- 19th June

Please contact:
Sandra Eldridge 0400 800 346 or
Jordy Wilksch 0428 865 055 for more info.

YOUTH HOT DESKS

GOT SOMETHING TO DO? COME GET HELP OR JUST USE THE SPACE.

- ASSIGNMENTS/STUDY/HOMEWORK
- OR
- RESUME AND COVER LETTERS
- APPLYING FOR PART-TIME JOBS
- LEARNER'S TEST PRACTICE
- FILLING OUT FORMS
- BOOKING TESTS / ORGANISING DOCUMENTS
- SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS
- UNI/TAFE APPLICATIONS
- FIGURING OUT OPTIONS
- ORGANISING A PORTFOLIO
- NEED TO PRACTICE FOR AN INTERVIEW... OR A SCHOOL PLAY
- OR
- JUST A QUIET PLACE TO READ

WHATEVER IT IS, WE'VE GOT YOU-DROP IN ANY MONDAY ARVO (TERM TIME) - 3:40-5:30.PM

Our Town

YOUTH MICRO-GRANTS

OUR TOWN CUMMINS

Our Town Cummins offers \$1000 microgrants for passionate individuals aged 12-25 with community project ideas. The grants aim to empower youth in improving community well-being and showcasing the value of their initiatives.

Projects for:
WELLBEING
CONNECTION
and INCLUSIVITY

\$1000

Applicants:
Microgrants will be offered within two categories:
• 12-18 year olds
• 18-25 year olds
Both individuals & small groups are welcomed

Project:
• The project should be situated in the Cummins Community area.
• The project needs to adhere to the grant guidelines, and a completed application form is required.

Under 18's:
• Youth under the age of 18 must have an adult who is prepared to support the project.

APPLICATION FORMS ARE AVAILABLE AT THE CUMMINS OUR TOWN OFFICE, OR YOU CAN EMAIL LIZ@OURTOWNCUMMINS.COM.AU OR SCAN THE QR CODE.

Lincoln Rural Our Town Cummins BBQ Fundraiser!

Come and join us on Friday 12th June 3:00pm-5:00pm @ Lincoln Rural, 14 Railway Terrace, Cummins.

All proceeds go to Our Town Cummins to support the important work they do in our community.

The Our Town Cummins crew will be there on the day to have a chat and talk about the services they have on offer.

EFTPOS and cash available.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Community Group advertising in the newsletter is available at a minimum cost of \$5.50 for a ¼ page. Items larger than a ¼ page will be charged accordingly with consultation with the Finance Office.

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 non-commercial value will be published.



CUMMINS AREA SCHOOL

TERM TWO PLANNER 2026

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Week 1	27/04/26	28/04/26 DUX Assembly, 11am	29/04/26	30/04/26	01/05/26
Week 2	04/05/26 yr 4-6 Arbury Park Camp	05/05/26 yr 4-6 Arbury Park Camp	06/05/26 yr 4-6 Arbury Park Camp	07/05/26 yr 4-6 Arbury Park Camp	08/06/26 yr 4-6 Arbury Park Camp
Week 3	11/05/26 yr 12 wildreness hike, CB	12/05/26 yr 12 wildreness hike, CB	13/05/26 yr 12 wildreness hike, CB School Photos	14/05/26 School Photos	15/05/26
Wk 4	18/05/26	19/05/26	20/05/26	21/05/26	22/05/26
Week 5	25/05/26	26/05/26	27/05/26 Simultaneous Story	28/05/26 NRW Celebrations	29/05/26
Week 6	01/06/26	02/06/26 Explore 2026 -yr 9	03/06/26 Explore 2026 -yr 9 Yr 10 immunisations	04/06/26	05/05/26
Week 7	08/06/26 KING'S BIRTHDAY	09/06/26 yr 11 exams Yr 10 OED bushwalk	10/06/26 yr 11 exams Yr 10 OED bushwalk	11/06/26 yr 11 exams Yr 10 OED bushwalk	12/06/26 yr 11 exams
Week 8	15/06/26 yr 11 Work Experience yr 10 Science Challenge	16/06/26 yr 11 Work Experience yr 10 Science Challenge Mid Year	17/06/26 yr 11 Work Experience yr 10 Science Challenge	18/06/26 yr 11 Work Experience	19/06/26 yr 11 Work Experience
Week 9	22/06/26 yr 10 Work Experience	23/06/26 yr 10 Work Experience	24/06/26 yr 10 Work Experience	25/06/26 yr 10 Work Experience	26/06/26 yr 10 Work Experience
Week 10	29/06/26 yr 10 Careers Trip	30/06/26 yr 10 Careers Trip	01/07/26 yr 10 Careers Trip	02/07/26 yr 10 Careers Trip	03/07/26 yr 10 Careers Trip