

COLEAMBALLY CENTRAL SCHOOL

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Message from the Principal

Mr. Micheal Burke

Dear Parents, Students, and Community Members,

As we progress through a busy and exciting term, I want to take a moment to acknowledge the incredible efforts of our students, staff, and families in making our school community such a vibrant and supportive place. From academic achievements to sporting success, there is much to celebrate.

Strong communication between home and school is key to student success. I encourage all parents and carers to take advantage of the **K-12 Parent-Teacher Interviews** on Wednesday, 2nd April, from 3:30 pm to 6:00 pm in the school hall. This is a fantastic opportunity to meet with your child's teachers, discuss their progress, and set goals for the remainder of the year. To secure a booking, visit https://sobs.com.au/pt3/parent.php?schoolid=1500. The booking platform is open from 19th – 28th March.



The CCS Values Program is in full swing, and at our last whole-school assembly, we handed out close to 100 canteen vouchers—a testament to the way our students are demonstrating dedication to their learning and upholding our school values. Well done to those who have already achieved a voucher! I encourage all students to continue striving for excellence.

It has been wonderful to see so many students wearing the full, correct **school uniform** each day. This fosters a sense of pride and belonging within our school community. I appreciate the effort students and families make in ensuring uniforms are worn correctly. If we can assist with your child's uniform please contact the school.

Works will soon begin along our boundary with the church building, including the installation of new fencing and a gate. From now on, I encourage everyone to use the **front gate and check in** at the office upon arrival each time you visit the school.

Our **Whole School Cross Country** is always a highlight of the school year. The event will be held on Thursday, 4th April from 11:00 am to 1:30 pm on and around school grounds. I encourage all students to participate, do their best, and support their peers. Families are welcome to attend and cheer on our runners.

We are seeking parent/carer volunteers to assist as track officials. If you can help, please contact the front office.

Sincerely, Mr. Micheal Burke Principal, Coleambally Central School

Country Education Equity

CEF FLANNY/BOOT BASH

On Friday, 14th March, secondary students and staff participated in the CEF Boot/Flanny Bash to show their support and raise funds for education and career support for young regional people across Australia. It was a fantastic way to come together for a great cause while embracing the country spirit!

If you'd like to support this great cause that benefits our local young people, please scan the QR code to make a donation.





AFL Success

Girls Riverina AFL Trials

Congratulations to Coco, who travelled to Albury on Friday, 7th March, for the Riverina AFL Trials and was selected to represent Riverina in the Secondary Girls AFL team! She will compete at the 2025 NSWCHS Girls AFL State Championships in May. Well done, Coco!

AFL Primary Boys Zone Trials

On Tuesday, 11th March, Liam and Brock travelled to Narrandera for the Western Riverina AFL Trials. Congratulations to Liam and Brock, who were selected to compete at the NSWPSSA Australian Boys Football Championships in Albury in June!

Boys' U15 Riverina AFL Trials

Well done to Thomas, Benji, Harvey, and Rowan, who attended the South West Riverina U15s AFL trials on 14th March. Congratulations to Harvey, who was selected for the South West Riverina U15s AFL team and will now compete at the next stage of trials.



"Congratulations to Liam, Brock, Coco, and Harvey on their selections into the Riverina AFL teams!"



Responsible Safe Respectful



Swimming Highlights

Secondary Riverina Swimming Carnival

On Monday, 11th March, nine CCS secondary students competed at the Riverina Swimming Carnival.

Well done to our 16s Boys Relay Team and the Coleambally Central School Relay Team for qualifying for the NSWCHS State Swimming Carnival! We are incredibly proud of your achievements—well done!

The NSWCHS State Swimming Carnival will be held on April 2nd and 3rd at SOPAC (Sydney Olympic Park Aquatic Centre). Best of luck to our swimmers!

Primary Riverina Swimming Carnival

Well done to George, who gave his best effort in the 8 Years Boys 50m Freestyle at the Riverina Swimming Carnival in Leeton on 10th March! Great work, George!

RYDA

On Monday, 11th March, five of our Stage 6 students took part in the Rotary Youth Driver Awareness (RYDA) Program. This valuable program educates students on key aspects of road safety, aiming to reduce the risk of traumatic injury, death, and destruction on our roads.



Waddi Cultural Centre & Warangesda Mission Aboriginal Studies Excursion





Making, cooking and eating Johnny cakes at Waddi Cultural Centre



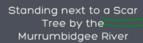
The students outside of the Schoolmaster's Cottage at the Warangesda Mission site



students out at the Bunyip Hole



The remains of the old Schoolhouse



Learning about the history of the the Warangesda Mission







Student Achievements

Principal Awards Week 7

Congratulations to this fortnight's Principal Award recipients for demonstrating our school values!

- Isabella H Safe: Bringing a positive attitude to school.
- George O Responsible: Outstanding improvement.
- Shem Respectful: Encouraging others.
- Piper Safe: Modelling safe behaviour.
- Rodney Responsible: Positive attitude to learning in Aboriginal Studies.
- Courtney Responsible: Consistent effort.
- Dexter Responsible: Consistent effort Swimming carnival.
- Hannah P Responsible: Leadership.
- Louise Responsible: Positive attitude to learning.
- Lara Respectful: Citizenship volunteering in the canteen.
- Lily S Responsible: Outstanding improvement in Design and Technology.
- Isla Responsible: Consistent effort in Geography and English.

Class Awards Week 7

Well done to this fortnight's Primary Class Award recipients!

- Reuben For excellent contributions to class discussions across all areas of learning.
- Charlie Sh For being an enthusiastic learner.
- Mackinlay For insightfully contributing to class discussions.
- Noah For achieving excellent results in spelling.
- Sophie For being a cooperative and supportive peer.
- Evie For showing determination when solving mathematical problems.
- Carter For demonstrating dedication and determination in all mathematical concepts.
- Indy For maintaining a positive attitude toward learning in mathematics.
- Alyssa For being a cooperative and supportive peer during learning tasks.
- Anna For consistently applying herself to all aspects of her learning.
- Thomas For his dedication and effort in mathematics.
- Breiya For demonstrating creativity in her writing.

Youth of the Year

A huge congratulations to Dusty for placing second at the Lions Youth of the Year competition on Saturday night in West Wyalong! Her outstanding effort and dedication have earned her a spot in the next round, which will be held in Cowra. Best of luck, Dusty!



Exploring Living Things

Year 5/6 students have been delving into the world of living things. On Friday, 7 March, they used the STEM.4L Microscopes to examine both natural and man-made elements around them, gaining fascinating insights through their materials exploration.

Meanwhile, Year 3 has been investigating the observable features of different animals. They have explored how scientists classify vertebrates based on these features and how mammals are further grouped. As part of their learning, students created detailed scientific drawings of insects to represent their findings.

Well done to all our young scientists for their curiosity and keen observation skills!



Upcoming Opportunities



Stewart House Charity Drive 2025

94 years caring for children

NSW Public Education's Charity of choice

I have had a great time as I have had some things at hor I needed to take off my chest. It is a truly loveful place. >> (Errol, June 2024)



Your contribution supports the 1,600 children who attend Stewart House each year from public schools across NSW and ACT.

Win a \$4,000 holiday travel voucher

- · Place a \$2 coin in this envelope, or scan to pay online
- Complete entry details on the back
- Return envelope to your school to go in the draw

Schools are to collect and post completed entries to PO Box 21, Freshwater NSW 2096 to be received <u>no later than</u> Thursday, 22rd May 2025. The draw will take place at noon at Stewart House on <u>Friday</u>, <u>23rd May 2025</u>.



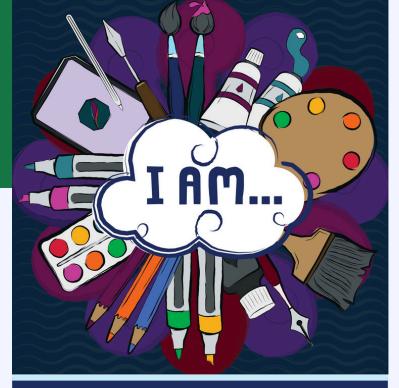
Stewart House are requesting donations, as part of their 2025 Charity Drive. Envelopes are available from our school office. Families can donate by placing money in the envelope and returning it to the office or by scanning the QR code on the envelope to pay online. Donations will be accepted up to Friday, 10 May 2025.



Defensive Driver Training

Year 11 and 12 students on their Learner's Licence have the opportunity to participate in a Defensive Driver Training Course on Wednesday, 24th April.

Applications are available at Bendigo Bank - be sure to grab yours and secure a spot! This is a great chance for students to develop essential driving skills and improve road safety awareness.



Youth Week 2025 | Creative Arts Competition

To celebrate Youth Week, ACYP are running a creative arts competition for NSW young people aged 12-24. You can submit any type of visual or written piece that represents or speaks to this year's theme, which is about:

- · Celebrating every young person's unique strengths
- Recognising your individual and collective power as our current and future influencers, leaders and decision makers

There are three age categories: 12-15 years, 16-19 years and 20-24 years. First, second and third prizes are available for each age category.

1st Place: iPad 10 | 2nd Place: \$300 voucher 3rd Place: \$200 voucher (vouchers may be for Eckersey's or Officeworks) All winners will receive a 6 month membership to Skill Share, Upload your entry here:



Submissions close Sunday 13 April at 11:59pm

acyp.nsw.gov.au/youth-week -art-competition-2025





We are the future and the future is now! Open to young people aged 12-24 years

Coleambally

Painting workshop with Isis from Tambourine Art Studios

17 April 2025

Darlington Point

Aerosol Workshop and Skate Park Mural Painting with Playstate 16-17 April 2025 (2 days)

Jerilderie

Get up and Bounce! Bus trip to Bounce Albury Wodonga 12 April 2025



REGISTRATIONS ESSENTIAL PLACES ARE LIMITED

To register for one or more activities scan the QR code or call 1300 676 243 for more information

Youth Week









Important Dates or Events

12-24 MAR - NAPLAN Testing Period

18 MAR - Explore CSU Day

21 MAR - Harmony Day

24 MAR - Last day to order Krispy Kreme Fund.

25 MAR - Whole School Assembly 10:10am

26 MAR - Secondary Schools Flag Football

27 MAR - S5 Aboriginal Studies Site Excursion

28 MAR - Secondary Riverina Netball Trials

2 APR - Parent/Teacher Interviews

2 APR - Rugby 11s and Opens Riverina Trials

4 APR - CCS Cross Country

4 APR - Primary Girls Netball Trials

7 APR - Pick Up Krispy Kreme Orders

8-9 APR - School Little Champions Gymnastics

10 APR - Griffith Mortimer Shield Legends Day

11 APR - Last day of Term 1

30 APR - Students return for Term 2

22 MAY - School Photo Day







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Thursday, 22 May 2025