



## From the Principals Desk

### **This week is SASS Appreciation Week**

If you haven't already noticed, our school couldn't function without the support and hard work of our front office staff, our SLSOs, AEO, GA, Farm Assistant and our attendance officers. They are the backbone of our school. Without them we crumble! On behalf of the entire school community, we thank them for their commitment to the students, parents, community and staff of Coonamble High.

### **Congratulations Maddy Jerrett!**

I am very pleased to announce that Maddy has been shortlisted to be on the NSW Regional Youth Taskforce. Applications for this taskforce were sought from children and young people aged between 12–24 years living outside of Greater Sydney and the local government areas of Newcastle and Wollongong. The organisers received more than 300 applications statewide.

The Regional Youth Taskforce advises The Honorable Bronwyn Taylor MLC, Minister for Regional Youth on issues that affect young people living in regional NSW. The taskforce will also have input into the way the NSW Government will act on these issues, so Maddy will have an extremely important role to play as a member of this group.

The group will advise the NSW Government on issues including the impact of drought, youth unemployment, mental health and drugs, lack of things to do, and difficulty accessing services. Taskforce members will be young people who want to make a difference, bringing their best and brightest ideas to solve local issues.

If chosen, Maddy will be one of two young people from each NSW region.



Until next time  
Ms Dot Panaretos  
Executive Principal

## Letter from Blackwoods – Congratulations Clontarf

Dear Principal Coonamble High School

I wanted to let you know that joining our new Chief Executive Officer at the Ross Kelly Cup dinner was made even more special by meeting the students from the Coonamble Academy.

The students were well mannered , polite , articulate and respectful and were a credit to those involved in their education and their personal development.

We would be delighted to host the students for a site tour at any of our branches, and of course they are sought after School Based Trainees and employees once they graduate.

Congratulations to Coonamble students and leaders for their performance on the field of play , but also how they hosted us on their table, and represented the district , school ,academy and their families at such a well conducted, and inspirational evening .

Regards

Barry

Barry Hoare  
**Indigenous Engagement Manager**

### Farm Assistant Position

The Farm Assistant position will be advertised next week on the Jobs NSW website, there will be an information evening on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> September from 5pm – 6pm in the school library. Please keep watching our school Facebook page for more details.





## CHS 2019 NSW Small School Champions

After winning their regional rounds at Dubbo and the semi-final at Coonabarabran, CHS U16's Rugby League Side earned the honour of playing in the State final of the Small Schools Knockout in Bathurst at Carrington Park on Wednesday, 7<sup>th</sup> August.

The boys loaded with all their Rugby League apparel and left Coonamble to attend the Single Cup on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> August. The idea was for the boys to attend the Single Cup and help CHS participate in a range of sporting activities including bowls, soccer and basketball. The only stipulation was to forfeit the senior league match as the grand prize was focusing on the Small Schools Final the following day. At the completion of the Single Cup and some surprising results especially from the boys who participated in soccer the crew headed to Bathurst where we camped for the night in preparation for the game, which was to be the first game of the day starting at 9.30am.

It was not surprising to see the outside temperature gauge go from a beautiful winters day of 19 degrees when we left Gilgandra, to 1 degree at 6.30 pm when we arrived at Bathurst. The boys went into camp, they ate and slept well ready for the big day. It was a 6am start, thanks must go to Damien Lee who was an early riser and had the boys up and ready for breaky by 7am, The whisper was that Damien wet the bed, however, we will leave that to the imagination. It was then down the street and around the corner to Maccas for breakfast. I was told then by a local, that the temperature was -4 degrees at 6am and would be 4 degrees by 9.30am which was kick off time. After a delightful breakfast, we arrived at Carrington Park ready to take on the boys from Gundagai. There was conversation had on the trip down about the dog on the tucker box and a little history about Gundagai, it was surprising to hear the dog had been taken two weeks earlier and the thief was still at large.

It was time for business. After a much sought after warm up and some softening of ice on the field, the boys were ready to go, or so I thought. Gundagai kicked off and guess what? Yes that's right the ball was dropped from the kick off by CHS. Gundagai received the ball and attacked the CHS line. They had numerous raids on our try line and to the credit of our boys their defence held for at least 5 sets when Gundagai finally went over 15min into the first half. They kicked the goal the score 6-0 to Gundagai. After more mistakes from our lads Gundagai were again attacking our try line, again the defence held strong and CHS eventually had a good ball set attacking the Gundagai line. With 4 min to go in the first half and a strong raid by our props Josh Forgione and Jermaine Thurston up the middle corridor, Mitch Cleary threw a quick wide ball to our winger Ngaaruu Turnbull who scored out wide. The conversion was unsuccessful score 6-4 Gundagai. CHS received the ball from the kick off and on the third tackle Kyle Wiggins beat 5 or 6 defenders and sprinted 60 metres to score under the posts, The goal was successful score 10-6 to CHS at half time. The second half was all CHS. Stephen Parry Leonard scored eight minutes in beside the posts with great lead up work from Mitch Cleary and Kyle Wiggins. Five minutes later Logan Dewson crashed over from dummy half under the posts, Stephen Leonard converted the goal CHS 22-4. CHS were next to score again, Mitch Cleary with a little show and go ran through the defence to put the ball down beside the uprights. Leonard converted to make the score. 28-4 to CHS. Gundagai scored two late consolation tries but were never a real threat in the second half, final score CHS 28 Gundagai 16. Mitchell Cleary received the CRL player of the game award and he was followed closely by Harry Heaney who tackled all game and Josh Forgione who worked very hard in the middle of the ruck.

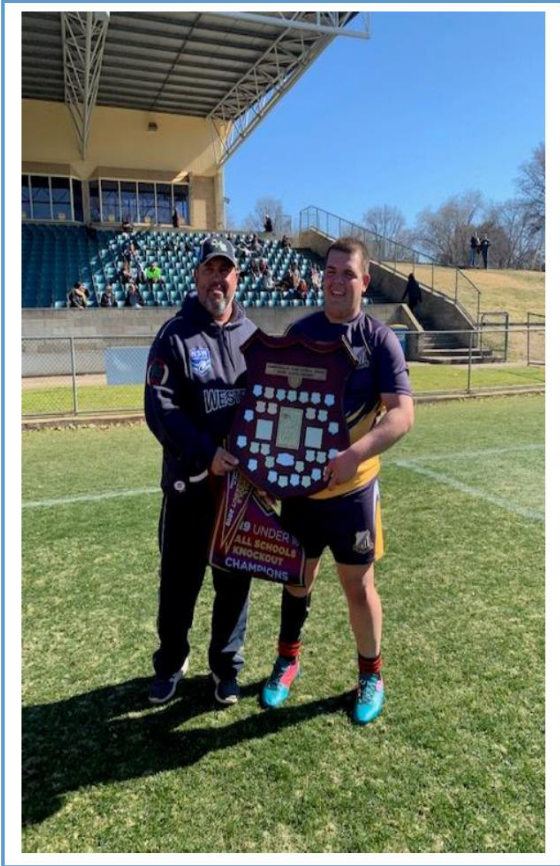


Congratulations must go to all boys who were part of the squad on their performance in, and winning the State Final. The State Champion Shield will be hung in the new office block of the High School for the next twelve months. A big thank you must also go to Sparra Dewson who was the trainer, Adam Cohen and Clontarf for their support and travel assistance and Miss Panaretos for her support of the students to participate.

Paul Cleary







## BAC on top at Ekka

Coonamble High's Bovine Appreciation Club has taken out the prestigious Interschool Herdsman award at the Royal Queensland Show last week.

The prize is awarded to a school team based on presentation of students and cattle, teamwork, cleanliness of workspace and quality of their display. In presenting the trophy, the judge commented on the hard working nature of the team as a whole, and was impressed with the work that had gone into the display.

As part of the competition, schools are required to assemble a 3mx3m display area to promote Agriculture and their School. With Mrs Fester taking the reins of "display boss" this years display really went up a notch. She was able to co-ordinate woodwork classes, led by Miss Solomon with her own sewing efforts and research from Agriculture classes to incorporate a clear picture of how the drought is affecting the Coonamble Shire with some excellent models of a ruminant digestive tract and a cow delivering a calf.

Students manned the display at all times, fielding questions from the public about all things Agriculture and Coonamble and the shone in this role.

In the show ring, Dave Ibbott reaped the reward for persistence with his heifer Vovo claiming 5<sup>th</sup> in a massive class of 27 heifers. Logan Dewson and his Limo steer Anzac were close but not close enough settling for third in the heavyweight junior steer.

There was also plenty to smile about in the carcass section, with a lovely little Charolais steer called Vanilla, bred by Bob & Bev Hogland right here in the Coonamble Shire winning the lightweight MSA eating Quality award. Delicious is clearly a habit, with Oreo, a Speckle Park steer claiming the class 7 eating quality award from 47 competitors.

Finally, Colin, a limousin cross steer came third in class 6 middleweight.

These results are extremely pleasing, given the ongoing dry conditions engulfing Eastern Australia, and is testament to the hard work of the students and army of volunteers that work tirelessly behind the scenes.



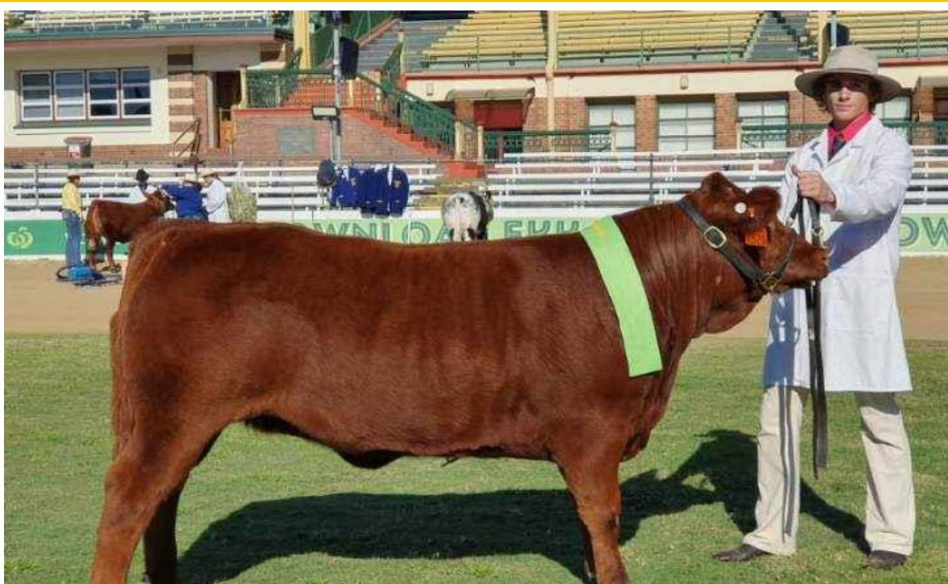




Logan Dewson



Luke Primmer



David Ibbott





# SINGLE CUP TENNIS NEWS

2019

The 2019 Single Cup Tennis team consisted of Aidan Hegarty (Year 10), Holly Edwards (Year 10), Tayla Pennell (Year 10) and Alex Hegarty (Year 8).

Well done to Holly and Tayla who were willing to compete in a sport they had never played before to ensure that Coonamble High could field a team!

We had some close matches, and some not close matches. Special mention to Holly for her 'ace' she served against Gilgandra in the mixed doubles match. Could this be the start of an exciting tennis career? Although she thinks she will stick to swimming. Unfortunately, Holly and Aidan narrowly missed out on a win against Coonabarabran High School in the mixed match, going down 7-5 in the tie break. Tayla's tennis training on the Wii paid off and she showed obvious improvement as the morning progressed. The experienced Hegarty brothers are to be thanked for their unwavering patience with their mixed partners!

Congratulations team on being such wonderful sportspeople and being fantastic representatives of Coonamble High School.

Cheers – Miss Taylor



## Stage 4 Debating Team News

On Thursday 15 August the Stage 5 debating team, consisting of Willow McKenzie, Pauline Wallace and Dekoda Jackson, competed in Round 3 of the NSW Premiers Debating Challenge. The debate was held via video conference in the library against a very experienced Gulgong High School team. The topic of the debate was '*That we should ban the sale of tobacco in Australia*'. We unfortunately we given the near impossible task (especially for Year 7 students) to argue the negative side. The ladies spoke really confidently and are to be congratulated on competing- special mention to Dekoda who debated for the first time. You were all wonderful ambassadors for Coonamble High School. Cheers, Miss Taylor.



## Year 10 News

WEEK 6, TERM 3

### Year 10 Assessment Schedule

Please see below a list of assessments which the Year 10 students should currently be working on:

Subject	Assessment	Due Date	Weighting	Teacher
Food Technology Elective	Food Product Development	Week 6, Term 3	10%	Mr Kershaw
Maths 10.1	Right-angled triangles (Trigonometry) assessment	Friday Week 6, Term 3		Ms Landon
Science	Radioactivity Communication Task	10 <sup>th</sup> September, Week 8, Term 3	25%	Miss Welsh
Art Elective	Commenting on Social and Political Issues	Week 9, Term 3 28/06/2018	25%	Ms Robson
Industrial Technology Metal	Assessment Task 1 – Major Work	Week 1, Term 4	Folio = 30% Practical Project = 50%	Miss Ward

### Upcoming Events

- Meet A Keeper Day, Dubbo Zoo (selected students) – Wednesday 18 September
- TAFE YES Program, Coonamble TAFE Campus – Week 2, Term 4 (Mon 21<sup>st</sup> – Fri 25<sup>th</sup> Oct)
- 10.1 Work Experience – Week 3, Term 4 (28<sup>th</sup> Oct- 1<sup>st</sup> Nov)
- 10.2 Work Experience – Week 4, Term 4 (4<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Nov)
- Year 10 Camp – Week 5, Term 4 (Wed 13<sup>th</sup> –Fri 15<sup>th</sup> Nov)

**Friendly reminder** – Students should have confirmed their senior subject selections with Mrs Wrench. See Miss Taylor if you need some assistance accessing your emails.



# CAREER NEWS

WEEK 6, TERM 3

## Tax File Numbers

Remember to see Mrs Regan or Miss Taylor if you would like assistance with applying for a Tax File Number. All you will need is your Birth Certificate and Medicare Card.

## Reminder - Year 10 Work Experience

The dates have been confirmed for Year 10 Work Experience:

*Class 10.1      28<sup>th</sup> October – 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2019 (Week 3, Term 4)*

*Class 10.2      5<sup>th</sup> November – 9<sup>th</sup> November 2019 (Week 4, Term 4)*

## Coonamble High School Careers Website

Did you know that we have our very own Careers Website? Check it out by Googling 'Coonamble High Careers' or typing in the link below. It is a great resource for students and their parents/carers.

<https://www.coonamblehighcareers.com/index.php>

## Important Dates

Please find below an outline of careers related events occurring in **September**.

YEAR	EVENT	DATE	TIME	WHO
Year 9	Year 9 ASPIRE Excursion to Sydney – Jump into Uni	Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> September – Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> September		Selected students
Year 10	University of Sydney Outreach Program Workshop	Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> September – Session 4		All students during English classes
Years 9/10	Meet a Keeper Day, Taronga Western Plains Zoo	Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> September – All day		Selected students
Year 12	RSA & RCG Training, Coonamble TAFE Campus	Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> September – 9am-3:30pm		Interested students
Year 9	CSU Future Directions Day, CSU Campus Dubbo	Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> September – All day		Interested students
Years 10-12	UNSW Degrees At Work Experience (Transport NSW), Dubbo	Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> September – All day		Interested students
Upcoming University Open Days	Charles Sturt University, Dubbo Campus Open Day	Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> August 2019		
	Australian National University Open Day Australian Catholic University Open Day University of Canberra Open Day	Saturday 31 <sup>st</sup> August 2019		

	ADFA Open Day	
	University of Newcastle Open Day	
	National Art School Open Day, Sydney	Saturday 7 <sup>th</sup> September

### Post School Employment Opportunity

The NSW State Transit are now seeking applications for their 2020 Apprenticeship program (Mechanics and Panel Beaters). These positions are based in Sydney. Applications close 8<sup>th</sup> September.



Check out the following flyer for further information.

# Apprenticeships with State Transit

## Mechanics and Panel Beaters

Do you have family or friends looking for great pay, job security and career opportunities?

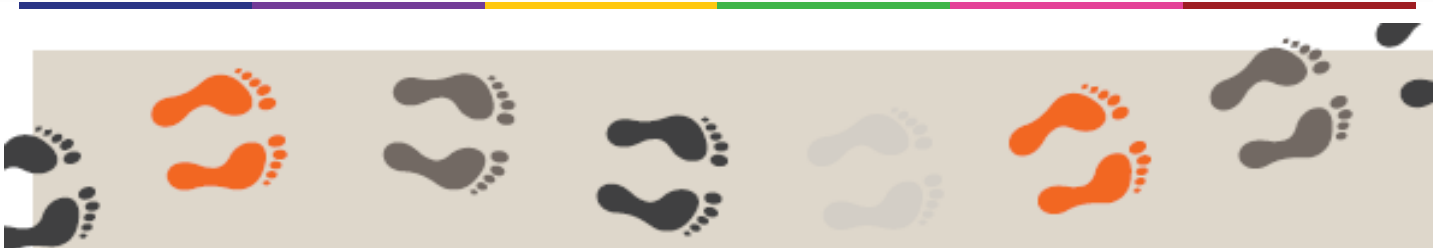


Go to [iworkfor.nsw.gov.au](http://iworkfor.nsw.gov.au) to apply  
Applications Close 8 September 2019



Transport  
State Transit





# Indigenous Access Program

Make tracks and get started on your career pathway today...

Are you curious about university, but not sure if you'd get in?

You're not alone.

Which is why Charles Sturt University has developed its Indigenous Access Program.

It's a five-day alternative entry program for Australian Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, of all ages, wanting to study at Charles Sturt University.

## How does it work?

So you can work out what you want to do and see if your chosen course is a good fit, first you'll be given a range of assessments. Then together we'll create a personalised plan for your academic future. You'll also get to try out uni life and discover all the different services available at Charles Sturt University.

If you're successful, you'll be guaranteed a place in a number of Charles Sturt University undergraduate courses.

## Where and when?

**Wagga Wagga campus**  
18–22 November 2019

**Port Macquarie campus**  
2–6 December 2019

**Bathurst campus**  
3–7 February 2020

For eligible participants, we will provide your travel, accommodation and meals for the week.

**Hurry – places are limited.**

Apply now [csu.edu.au/iap](https://csu.edu.au/iap)



**Charles Sturt  
University**

## For more information, contact:

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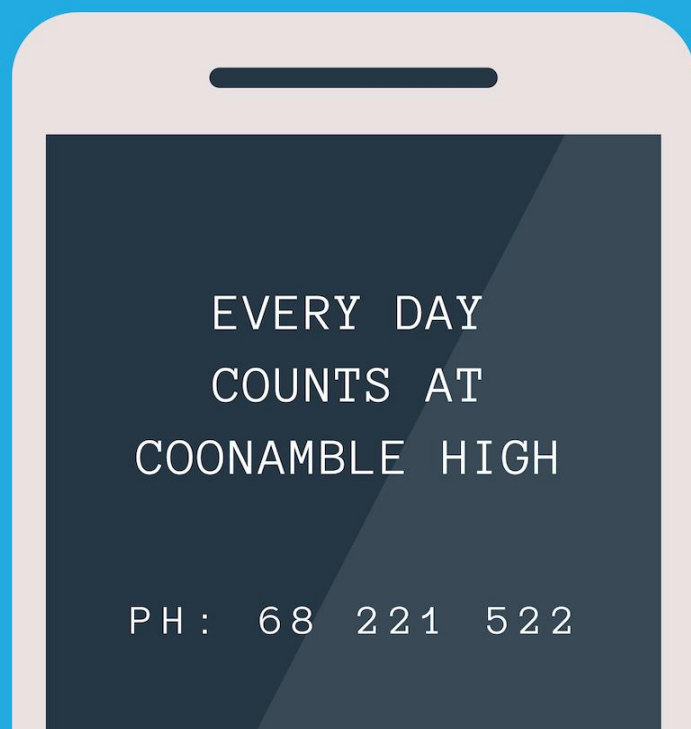


# COONAMBLE HIGH SMS SYSTEM FOR ABSENCES

**When your child is absent from school  
you will receive a text or call.**

**All absences need to be explained  
within 7 days.**

**You can text back, give the school a  
call or write a note to do this.**





**Good  
reasons for  
missing school -**

**THERE ARE  
NONE**

95% attendance  
is still 2 weeks of  
missed school

Attendance	Days absence	Weeks absence	Lessons missed
95%	9 days	2 weeks	45 lessons
90%	19 days	4 weeks	95 lessons
85%	29 days	6 weeks	145 lessons

# *ATTENDANCE FACT*

**MISSING ONE  
DAY OF  
SCHOOL  
EACH  
FORTNIGHT  
ADDS UP TO  
FOUR WEEKS  
PER YEAR!**