Welcome to third term! It is great to see happy faces back and we hope everyone survived the cooler weather. This Term is indeed a full one with Sports and Performance opportunities as the big ticket items for the calendar. There are no changes here at school apart from extra support time going into the 1/2 classes for Literacy. The Year 5/6 class will start Drumbeat again this term with the class being divided into 2 groups on a Monday afternoon. Personal Development will be the focus for this session.

Mid-Richmond Athletics Carnival
Our team of around 40 children are off to Evans Head THIS FRIDAY for the Mid Richmond Carnival. Mrs Maleckar has organised notes and arrangements for the day [as she does so well!]. All notes and money are in which is great! Mr Clarke and Michelle are going with the children also. Full school uniform is needed [not house colour t-shirts], hat, water, lunch and recess are essential. The bus is leaving at 9:10. Good luck team, we have a big team going which is a credit to them! Be proud of representing Coraki!

Uniforms
We have been reminding the children about wearing school uniforms. There is a stock of uniforms here at school with some very cheap second hand clothing also available. If families don’t have the school logo t-shirts or jumpers, navy blue jumpers and tracksuit pants [which are best for winter] are available at all discount stores. Please discourage the fluoro colours as part of uniform – great to wear on weekends. A uniform helps children see school as a place to belong and develops a sense of “who they are” at that time. Hats please too are a necessary part of uniform. Many children tell us they don’t have a hat but with good look about there is always one lurking about at home please – or again we do have them for sale at school (remember we have EFTPOS to make it easier for you). There are no spare hats to use at all for children.

Our front Garden
We need to acknowledge the work of some amazing people in our community. Before the holidays Pat Brickley and Chris Ryan used their green thumb skills in our front garden. They planned what would look good and grow well there and put the hours of labour into getting it remodelled. It is really looking great and we thank them very much. How good it is to be part of a community school where the community willingly gets involved.

Parent Interviews
The school has been ringing families to make appointment times to chat with teachers. This is part of our programming for Personal Learning Plans. Please remember your times as there is a tight schedule in some patches. Bring along any questions or concerns also and together we can plan out directions and targets for this Semester. We look forward to meeting with families and having a chat about your children whom we have the pleasure of working with every day.
AFL Kick
On Thursday of next week the AFL development group is back at school, as they have been over the last several years. All children will be involved K-6, working on basic skills. There is no cost. The workshops will start at 1:40. Permission notes are not needed but if you don’t want your child involved please let us know.

CLAIMING THE DATE:
Tuesday August 5th is our School Showcase night, with a matinee rehearsal time also on that day. Children have started practicing under the direction of Jacqui Levy and Lauren Pine. Any details for simple costume needs will be out very shortly…..aargh ! with a pirate theme.

Have a rewarding week and stay warm

Chat time……
Please feel free to contact the office to arrange a suitable time to chat about any concerns or questions you may have, or if more convenient please email me at: jane.cottee@det.nsw.edu.au

Scholastic Book Club
Book Club Issue 5 has been distributed this week.
All orders need to be into the Front Office by 31st July.

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**In Season Now - Mandarins**

Our name reflects our colourful and interesting past! We belong to the citrus family and grew in China a very long time ago. We were so highly regarded that we were named after the officials of the Imperial Court, the mandarins - that’s how we got our first name. These days, we’re the ultimate convenience food, great for Crunch&Sip®. We’re easier to peel than oranges and our segments separate easily. Just spit the pips out or remove before eating. Unlike other citrus fruit, which can be harvested all year round, we’re only harvested in late autumn and winter. We’re picked carefully by hand when we’re ripe as we’re difficult to harvest without our skins being bruised or damaged. Select those of us which are glossy and heavy for our size - this indicates good juice content.

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**Flu season is here!**

Influenza is spread from person-to-person through the coughing or sneezing of infected people. Remind your child about these good hygiene practices to minimise the spread of infection:

- Anyone who is sick with influenza symptoms should stay home until their symptoms are gone.
- Cover the nose and mouth with a tissue when coughing or sneezing. Throw the tissue in the garbage bin after use.
- Wash hands often with soap and water, especially after coughing or sneezing. Alcohol-based hands cleaners are also effective.
- Avoid touching eyes, nose or mouth. Germs spread that way.

If you or your child develops influenza-like illness, seek the advice of your family doctor as you would with any other illness.

The seasonal influenza vaccine, which protects against the pandemic influenza strain as well as two other influenza strains, is now available free to eligible people. More information about the vaccine is available from the NSW Health Immunisation Unit's vaccination page.

Previous vaccination with the pandemic influenza vaccine, Panvax® is not a barrier to also receiving the seasonal influenza vaccine.
Our Year 6 students are being ‘Buddies’ to the Transition children and reading to them. Both groups are enjoying the experience with the Transition children gaining a sense of belonging in the school.

The girls practising some of their performance skills