**TERM 1 WEEK 3**  
**Feb 10, 2015**

**Principals' Report**

**Swimming Carnival**
Well done to our fantastic swimming squad who competed at last Friday's Orara Valley Carnival. Congratulations to Aleisha Quay who was named Junior Girl Champion. What an outstanding effort. Ayden Nieuwerth was also singled out for his excellent manners and sportsmanship throughout the day. Great work Ayden.

After the carnival I received this wonderful email from the Principal of Nana Glen Public School, Mrs Deanie Nicholls.

*I would like you to extend my thanks to your staff. They worked so hard and never stopped all day. Please pass on my thanks. I would like you to extend my warmest congratulations to all your students. They were beautiful and please congratulate them on not only the wonderful way they competed but also the respect they showed each other and the parents who volunteered as well as the staff from other schools. There were many positive comments.*

A huge thank you to all concerned. You are wonderful ambassadors for our school.

**Numbers**
Our enrolment as of today is 190 students. We have 90 students in K-2 and 100 students in 3-6. We will have
- Kindergarten (Mrs Wiggins),
- K/1 (Mrs Jarvis),
- Yr 1 (Mrs Bartlett),
- Yr 2 (Mr Marzanotto),
- Yr 3 (Mr Hasson),
- Yr 4 (Mrs Vines),
- Yr 5 (Mr Taylor),
- Yr 6 (Mrs Jessett).

Soap dispensers have now been installed in both boys and girls toilets.

Check us on our website:  
www.corindi-p.schools.nsw.edu.au

**Upcoming Events…….**
- Fri 13 Feb 3-6 Swimming starts
- Mon 23 Feb Coffs Harbour District Swimming
- Thu 26 Feb Visiting Performance - Return of the Bully

**P and C**
Yesterday the P and C Annual general meeting was held. Congratulations to the following parents who have now formed the P&C Executive for 2015.

- President - Heather Wright
- Vice President - Bec Flower
- Treasurer - Kerrie-Anne Lack
- Secretary - Katherine Winkler
- Uniforms - Deb Cox
- Canteen - Sally Ann Ludzik
- Rachel Chisholm

**Head Lice**
Head lice have been reported in our school. Please thoroughly check your child's hair and if any nits are detected, treat with an appropriate treatment. Students with longer hair may like to tie it back in this warmer weather. Please contact the school if you have any concerns.

*Mrs Wright*

**Office News...**

**Swimming Carnival Money**
Due to the change to our swimming carnival which meant only competitive swimmers went along, there are a large number of students from Year 1 to Year 6 who have $6 credit at school. There is a performance about bullying coming to the school on Thursday 26th Feb and the cost is the same, so I propose to transfer the money sent in for swimming to cover the cost of this performance. This will save me sending money home just to have it sent back to school! Please let me know if this arrangement does not suit and I will happily refund the cost instead.

Included in today's newsletter is a change of details form. Please fill out and return to school if any phone numbers, addresses, contacts or medical details have changed.

*Mrs Golsby-Smith*
**K/1 News...**

Welcome to all our new Kindergarten children. They are all settling in well. Just a few things that parents need to know – Library day is Wednesday for Kindergarten and Thursday for Year 1. We have fruit break at 10am. Please send along a small piece of fruit or some vegetables. It is only a short break so nothing too large. We have started with our group work of a morning and the children are all working well.

*Mrs Jarvis*

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**Year 3 News...**

Homework has been given out for this week. Both the Home Reading Journal and the homework sheets are due in on Friday. I was very pleased with the number of Homework sheets and Home Reading Journals returned last Friday. Well done everyone.

In maths we have been looking at identifying the number before and after a given number and counting forwards and backwards by tens and hundreds.

This week we have started our spelling groups; Comets, Stars, Moons and Suns. Some words in the Suns group are quite difficult. Congratulations to our Term 1 Class Captains Joshua and Grace and Vice captains Serge and Kirra. I know that they will do a great job this term.

Welcome to new students to our class: Caleb, Carlee, Jett and Jayce.

*Mr Hasson*

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**Year 4 News...**

I am extremely excited to be teaching Year 4 this year! We are off to a great start. We will be starting ‘Creative Clubs’ on a Friday afternoon. Clubs may involve a rotation of cooking, construction (upcycling/recycling), gardening and art activities. If any parents would like to be involved in our new Clubs (Fridays 1.45-2.35pm) please let me know. Also, if anyone has any recycled cardboard or plastic containers please send them in.

*Mrs Vines*
**Year 5 News...**

Spelling sheets were given out yesterday and are to be returned on Thursday. We complete our Mapping unit and begin the term unit Rainforests. In Maths we are learning about ordering large numbers. In English our unit this week is proper nouns and report writing.

*Mr Taylor*

**Year 6 News...**

What a great start we have had to the year! Our class is nearly set up with a laptop for each student and we are looking at using technology throughout all our learning areas. Today, homework has been sent home and is due in each Friday. Our unit work this term is on Rainforests and we are working this week on discovering where rainforests are in our world. If you would like to come in for a chat please feel free to come and see me on Tuesday mornings between 9:00 – 9:30. Alternatively, you can ring to make an appointment if required. I look forward to lots of learning for 2015!

*Mrs Jessett*

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**Silver Savers is here again!!**

*Last year we saved over $900 just by saving up spare silver coins!!*

I was able to purchase **bean bags, cushions, games and many more books** for our students’ learning and enjoyment.

Each class now has a 2015 “Silver Saver” jar.

Send in your spare silver coins so your child’s class can raise the most money!

The jars will be weighed each month.

The winning class will get a class party at the end of the fundraiser.

*Your small change will make a big difference!*

Thank you for your support.

*Mrs Davies*

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**CAN YOU HELP??**

I am looking for a set of “World Book Encyclopedias” on behalf of a local family. Do you have an old set you no longer need? Please let **Mrs Davies** know if you can help!
The Canteen will re-open on Wednesday 18th February. This is Wednesday of Week 4. New Menus will be available and these will be sent home with the Week 4 Newsletter. We are always looking for volunteers. If you have some spare time to help, you can ring Tania on 0488988566.

Tania and Rachel
Information Night

Do you know how floods, storms or tsunami could affect you and your home?

How will you get ready for a natural disaster?

Do you know who to call if you need help?

Would you like to join the NSW SES in an operations, support or education role?

Come along and find out lots of information

Woolgoolga Scout Hall
Monday 23 February
6:30 – 8:00 PM
All welcome
SKILLS FOR LIFE
looking ahead

How can we support children with vision impairment to become socially competent, confident and independent?

How can we help children with vision impairment to make the transition from school to the workplace and the wider world?

Where would you like your child or student to be in ten years time?

Guide Dogs NSW/ACT are pleased to present this seminar for parents and professionals. Dr Karen Wolfe is widely published and recognised as an expert in the areas of career education, social skills development, transition issues, and employment opportunities for people with vision impairment.

Dr Wolfe will talk about the importance of social interaction and engagement, activities of daily living, and orientation and mobility skills in the lives of children and youth with vision impairment.

The need for these life skills in transitioning from school to work will be emphasised. Dr Wolfe will also discuss the importance of teaching disability specific skills, and the need for parents and concerned professionals to advocate for these essential components of the Expanded Core Curriculum.

Dates
4th – 12th March

Locations
Chatswood, Blacktown, Coffs Harbour, Orange, Canberra & Newcastle

Fees
Parents are admitted free. Other service providers $25.

Light refreshments will be served.

Contact your local Guide Dogs office on 1800 484 333 for details.