Congratulations to our newly elected Sporting House captains and vice-captains

**Term 1 Week 3 – Thursday, 11th February, 2016**

**Coming Events for Term 1**

**February 2016**
- Fri, 12th: Badge Inductions 1.50pm Whole School
- Mon, 15th: EAS Swimming Carnival
  - P&C AGM 6.30pm in Staff room
- Fri, 19th: CPSSA Swimming Carnival - Harden
- Mon, 22nd: Swimming for Sport
- Thurs, 25th: Crazy Hair Day – Cans of soft drink

**Badge Presentation Assembly**

The Badge Presentation Assembly is our first official function for 2016. All students are to be in full school uniform and will attend the assembly in the hall. It is on Friday, 12th February at 2.00pm (tomorrow). This is an important occasion and parents/carers, family and friends are invited to join us in our air conditioned hall.

**Congratulations and best wishes to our newly elected House Captains & Vice Captains 2016**

**Kendall**
- Captains: Eric Chick & Madilyn Robinson
- Vice Captains: Justin Forrest & Bella Leggett

**Lawson**
- Captains: Bailey Slater & Lara Basham
- Vice Captains: Stephen Whicker & Boo Peaches Foster

**Mackellar**
- Captains: Kenneth Stanyer & Charli Waples
- Vice Captains: Dillon Waples & Stevie Hartshorn

**Paterson**
- Captains: Luke Spears & Bailee Meale
- Vice Captains: Deklin Voigt & Ainslee Meale

**Southee Swimming Carnival**

Our annual swimming carnival for primary students is next Monday, 15th February, starting at 9.30, with students going straight to the pool. Children can arrive and decorate their designated house area from 9.00am. The carnival will be finished at approximately 3.10 and parents who are collecting their child from the pool can sign them out from 3.15, especially if they need to get back to school to collect younger students. This is a normal school day and students are expected to attend. Family and friends are most welcome to join us for lunch which will be somewhere between 12noon and 2.00pm depending on our race schedule.

There will be a range of activities for all level of swimming ability and some fun water games as well. Students are dismissed from the pool, picked up or taken to catch their normal bus at Cootamundra Public School.

The carnival is used as a basis for selection of the school team which will attend the district carnival in Harden on Friday, 19th February.
**Music and Dance**
Our music groups are each week after lunch on Wednesdays. Students will rotate through the groups for Terms 1 and 2. The groups are ukulele, guitar, percussion, singing and dance. The dance group will stay as a group until the auditions are completed for The Riverina Dance Festival, which we are hoping to once again be selected for.

**P&C News**
The Annual General Meeting of The P&C is on Monday, 15th February at 6.30. Please join us and learn more about the school and how the P&C supports the learning programs at Southee. The meetings are generally finished by 8.00 pm and the main topic this meeting will be the fete.

**Playground Play**
Our playground is GREEN and students are enjoying playing actively on the grass and under the shelter of the trees and the covered areas. When it is very hot, the students play in the shade and Mr Wing has put out a range of games, including the chess sets and packs of cards, for students to use. The sandpit is popular and the handball games are enjoyed by students of all ages.

**Sunsafe at Southee**
Students are encouraged to play in the shade on very hot days and the school bucket hat must be worn. If students forget their hat they play under the covered area. Sunscreen can be used but not shared with other students and it must be a cream or roll-on type.

Odessa Tregear, Samantha Graham, Caleb Hefren, Alexandria Oliver and Stevie Hartshorn organising Soccer at lunch.

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Learners learning
Our students learn in many different ways and at school they use the internet for research and to help them understand learning tasks. It is a common sight to find students engaged in a range of learning activities including research, learning tasks and assessments using laptop and desktop computers, iPads and the traditional pen and paper during the one lesson. Students also use programs where they receive instant feedback and help which allows their learning to progress at a faster rate.

Inside Out Day
Students arrived at school today and many had forgotten how to dress themselves! They had shorts and shirts inside out, odd socks on and hats on the wrong way. This was, of course, to support our fete lolly stall. Thanks to everyone who sent in the bags of lollies which will be divided up & sold at the fete.

Evacuation Procedures
We have regular evacuation and lockdown practises so that everyone knows what to do in case we have an emergency. All students and staff are involved in these practises. If we have to ever leave the school site for an evacuation we will take all staff and students to Cootamundra High School where we can use their facilities to keep everyone safe.

Georgia O’Mara welcomes her sister Mia to school
Bike Safety
Many students are riding bikes and scooters to school. It is great to see students wearing their helmets and following the road rules. **Students are not to ride their bikes or scooters in Poole Street at any time as this is a busy area for buses and cars.**

Our Youngest and Oldest Student
Mr Dorczak tracked down our current youngest and oldest student. Kindergarten student, Boston Witt is our youngest while School Captain, Samantha Graham is our eldest.
2016 SEASON BEGINS!!!

Commences: Tuesday 16th February 2016
Time: 4pm to 5:30pm
Where: Netball Courts at Nicholson Park

Online Registrations:
- 5yrs to 10yrs NetSetGo $65
- 11yrs to 17yrs Juniors $65
Visit our Website to Register
www.cootamundrana.nsw.com.au

Please visit our facebook page for the online registration instruction sheet to assist you. We will also have printed instruction sheets on the day.

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Once you have registered online please come to Nicholson Park on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> February between 4-5 to pay the registration fee of $25 per child.

Any questions please contact Tisha McTavish 0403997420