Principal’s Report

The recent cultural exchange visit involving Beverly Hills and Chatswood Intensive Language Schools was a great success. Our students, having really enjoyed last year’s visit, embraced the opportunity to interact once again with this diverse group of young people. It is an educational experience which will have lasting impressions on our students. Mr. Michael Harmey (Principal) asked that we pass on their thanks for such wonderful hospitality both at the school and in the community.

I would like to congratulate our students and staff who have continued to achieve wonderful results in a range of activities. Victoria Hynds received the Rotary Youth of the Year Award for her contribution to a wide range of school and community activities.

Our Chess and Junior Girls Debating teams were successful in competition against Coolah Central School and Dubbo College, South Campus respectively. We had some excellent academic results in the National Geography Competition with four students Geoffrey Lee, Raju Jaiswal, Nicholas Adam and Imogen Morrissey achieving High Distinctions. Eight other students gained Distinctions and six Credits. Bethanie Hain gained a Distinction in the Rio Tinto Science competition with four students gaining Credits.

Our girls’ tennis team did particularly well in the NSWCHS Knock Out winning early rounds and then losing narrowly to Tamworth. The successes were particularly pleasing as our team consisted mainly of Year 9 students who will gain valuable experience for future years. I would also like to congratulate our North West Representatives who competed at NSWCHS Championships recently. They are Kate Imrie, Tahlia Kable (Netball), Ricki Duggan, Liam Morrissey and Nicholas Oakes (Basketball). Unfortunately Justin Evans injured his shoulder and was unable to attend the Rugby League. Logan Whale will be competing for NSW in equestrian sports at the Queensland championships commencing July 1.

NAIDOC week will be celebrated at Coonabarabran High next week commencing Monday 30 June. We have several activities arranged for the week. Contact the school for more details.

I would like to congratulate Mrs. Webb and Mrs. Nash for the wonderful Ag Expo which they have organized. This is a valuable educational activity with 35 workshops being conducted by a range of school and community members who pass on their expertise. St Lawrence’s Coonabarabran, Baradine Central and Binnaway Central schools have been invited to participate.

The North West Equestrian Expo was a resounding success for Coonabarabran with many volunteers giving freely of their time to support the event. I would like to thank Bronwyn Stephenson in particular, for her tireless efforts in organizing parent / community support to run the “Hut” canteen. Big thanks also to all those parents & students who volunteered their time over the weekend to benefit the school. Our riding team was also quite successful particularly in the sporting and show jumping events. Thanks to those parents who spent the four days assisting both the riders and in setting up events.

We will be sadly farewelling Miki Sakai next week as she returns to Japan following her 12 month Rotary Exchange. Miki has had a huge impact on our school and has made many lifelong friends in her all too short stay. Miki has impressed all with her outgoing personality and genuine care for others. Her peers and staff will be having a BBQ for her at the High School on Sunday 29th June starting at noon.

Two programs which are gaining momentum in the school are the Even Start literacy/numeracy initiative and development of Personal Learning Plans (PLP). Parents of involved students have been contacted about these and will be working with teaching staff to implement programs for improvement.

Our second Video Conferencing centre is now operational through Connected Classroom Funds and will be a valuable addition to the technological improvements happening at the school.

Junior Reports should be going home today. Please contact the school if you would like to discuss your child’s Report further.

Finally I would like to wish everybody an enjoyable holiday break, take care and recharge your batteries (particularly Year 12) for an eventful Term 3.

K Sharp
Once again our P&C has provided catering at the Expo. This is a huge undertaking, but despite sales being lower than in previous years, the venture was successful in raising much needed revenue which will benefit our school. We experimented with two food outlets this year, one at the ‘Hut’ and one at the ‘Bar’, to attempt to maximise our income. The total profit to P&C will be in the vicinity of $4,700.

This is a big team effort and there are some people who need special mention. At the ‘Hut’, Mara Dunn again assisted us this year. She donated her time willingly and worked like a Trojan. We were indeed fortunate to have Mara’s catering experience and expertise, enabling an affordable menu with great variety. Mara donated many long hours prior to the event, planning and ordering. During the actual 4-day event, she worked long days, from before daylight to dark each day. This was truly a mighty contribution and we thank you most sincerely, Mara.

The Food Technology faculty co-ordinated the sale of food from the ‘Bar’. Our sincere thanks go to Annette Adam, Michelle Gale, Di Wood and their Hospitality students for this enormous contribution. Their planning and early preparation ensured quality food with considerable variety as well as smooth running during the event. As well, they were involved in working at the site for long hours. In addition I wish to thank Kevin Sharp and Brian Shand for planning and manning breakfast at the ‘Bar’. Kevin did this on top of all the other hats he wore during the Expo – quite an extraordinary effort.

Our sincere thanks go to the many parent, student and staff volunteers who gave their time to both sites. Without you, there could be no such fundraising event. You did a wonderful job under quite difficult conditions and we are indebted to you. Your volunteering effort is highly valued.

Thank you to those people who donated cakes, slices, biscuits and ingredients, to ease our financial outlay. Your donations are most appreciated.

Special thanks go to Guy Andrews for the free loan of his cool room. This was a great convenience and made our job so much easier.

Thank you to the Food Tech Faculty for the loan of many kitchen items. Accessing these items from one site was very convenient.

To the many Coona businesses who supplied goods to us, we owe our thanks. Your high quality produce, prompt deliveries, friendly service and cooperation was much appreciated. We are indeed lucky to live in a country town with this personalised service.

To all involved, I owe my deep gratitude for a job very well done.

Moto-Shakes:

We wish to congratulate the enterprising business, ‘Moto-Shakes’, for again selling milkshakes at the Expo. This business generously donated $600 to the P&C from this venture, after taking only a small margin for themselves. The P&C wishes to sincerely thank and pay tribute to the Prugger family for making their van available once again. In particular, we would like to thank CHS student, Anthony Prugger, for coordinating this sales outlet. He organised the ordering, finance, sales and volunteers for the whole of the Expo. Well done and thank you for your huge contribution to the P&C.

Guest Speakers at Last P&C Meeting:

Our thanks go to Jeff Nott, Head Teacher Science and Shane Fitzpatrick, Head Teacher TAS, for their informative presentations to our last P&C Meeting. They gave insight into course curriculum and many aspects of delivering their subjects to students.

Guest Speakers at our Next P&C Meeting:

Guests for our next meeting will be Head Teacher HSIE, Phil Draper and Head Teacher English/History, Sharron Stafford. Please come along to the meeting to hear them speak and gain an understanding of your children’s learning in these subject areas.

Bollywood Curry Night:

P&C’s next planned fundraiser is a Bollywood Film & Curry Night to be held in the 2nd weekend in August. Please support this proposed night of fun, good food and entertainment to be held at your local movie house, ‘Flix in the Stix’.

Canteen:

Congratulations to Julie McGlashan and the hard-working Canteen Subcommittee for taking the Canteen finances from a deficit to a profit in recent times. I think all would agree that the menu now offered is more varied, enticing and healthy. Thank you to the volunteers who have made themselves available to assist in the Canteen. Your time donated is very much appreciated. We are encouraging anyone who has spare time to volunteer as there are still many empty spaces to be filled. I’m sure you would enjoy the experience in this friendly atmosphere.

I hope students are getting enthusiastic about entering the Healthy Canteens Poster Competition now being advertised throughout the school. If one of our CHS students were to be a winner, our Canteen would receive $1000, which would contribute considerably to furthering improvements at our Canteen. Local students are also eligible for money voucher prizes.

Congratulations to our Canteen on their successful application for the Canteen Booster Program Grant. This grant will assist our canteen to further improve its function and delivery of healthy attractive food for our students.

Next Meeting:

All parents are encouraged to attend our next meeting to be held on Monday 30th June at 5.30pm in the School Library.
Cultural Visit

Last week we had the pleasure of a return visit from Beverley Hills Intensive English Centre. Mr Michael Harmey, the Principal, returned with eight students from his school, some of which were newly arrived from Sierra Leone. He was accompanied by Haifa, teacher's aide, a lovely Lebanese Muslim with a heart of gold.

This visit was particularly special because Ms Julie Ross, who was the Head teacher, has just been promoted to Chatswood IEC as the Deputy. As a result she arrived with eight students from her school, the demographics of which are quite different. Her teachers aide was Shesukul, a Japanese lady who lived up to her name – ‘She’s so cool’.

The students had ample opportunity to mix with our students and share their very different experiences of growing up in their respective countries.

The visitors enjoyed a day in the Warrumbungles, which was particularly exciting for them as they have not had an opportunity to travel outside Sydney. The animals were of particular interest as well as the wide open spaces and beautiful scenery.

The visitors loved attending the social and talking informally with all of our students.

Educationally it is a great opportunity for our students to hear the stories of these brave young people who have undergone hardships that are difficult for our students to imagine. The Year 11 Modern History class had the opportunity to listen to the stories of Sierra Leone refugees who witnessed horrific scenes as they attempted to escape to refugee camps before having the opportunity to come to Australia. Year 12 were also able to work with the visitors about their life to support their study of “The Journey”, the main topic in Year 12 English.

Overall, the visit was a great success and we look forward to seeing them again next year.

Sharyn Stafford

Premier’s Debating Challenge

On 20 June 2008, the Year 10 Debating Team played host to a team from Dubbo College, South Campus. This was our team’s first debate in the Premier’s Debating Challenge, a state wide competition for high school students.

The topic for the debate was “That we should keep Uncle Sam at a distance”. Coonabarabran High School argued the negative case. Both teams argued convincingly, with a narrow win going to our school’s team, consisting of Jessica Staniforth, Isabella Enks, Claire Bennell and Amelia Adam. The girls spoke with considerable presence and were, as always, outstanding ambassadors for their school.

Thanks is extended to Mrs Sue Graham for adjudicating the debate. Mrs Graham gave the debaters lots of positive feedback and constructive criticism which will no doubt assist them in future debates. Thank you also to Sami Mills who performed the dual roles of Chairperson and timekeeper with great aplomb, Mrs Nash for organising the library, and Mrs Wood for her delicious morning tea.

The team will now progress to the second round of the competition, early in Term Three.

Year 9 Excursion to Sydney

Year 9 will be travelling to the ‘Big Smoke’ for a week, commencing on 30 June (the last week of term). We have two bus loads of students and are set for what should be a great week, taking in the Art Gallery of NSW, the Maritime Museum, Taronga Zoo and State Parliament, just to name a few of the destinations.

Watch this space for an excursion update early next term!
Introducing students to, and promoting the awareness of, the diverse range of skills in the agricultural industry.

Students from St Lawrence’s, Baradine, Binnaway and Coonabarabran High Schools were given the opportunity to learn specific agricultural skills from experienced professionals in the community at our annual Ag Skills Day. Students were able to make a radio interview and hear themselves on ABC Radio the next day. They learnt about pasture assessment and soil health, cattle assessment, AI, NLIS, welding, horse training, low stress stock handling, sheep dog training, rope making, knot tying, halter making, were exposed to rare poultry breeds, welding, servicing small engines, auctioneering, first aid and firearm safety. Thankyou to all the presenters, we all had a fantastic day.
### Reading A Teen

Whatever happened to the days where you would curl up on the lounge in the Library, reading a good book and never wanting it to end for hours and hours? The cold, rainy days where you jump back into bed with a 500 page book to get warm?

Most of the young teenagers in the 21st century like heavy metal music, fashion and skate magazines like “Dolly”, “Girlfriend” and “K-zone”, going to the skate park, going to the movies, going to the park or going to a friend’s house every other afternoon. The ones who like school and reading are called ‘nerds’ or ‘geeks’.

Teenagers who read are 67.9% more likely to get a good paying job like a psychiatrist or a teacher which require going to university. The teenagers who read and pay attention at school will more likely have a higher IQ than those who do not. They also pay more attention in class and get higher marks at school.

The book-a-holic teens are 10% more likely to lead a full, healthy and happy life than those who aren’t. They are more likely to be smiley than those who do not try. They have more energy and can help around the house with chores or errands for their parents when they are tired after work. They have no need to watch TV, play on the computer and play games on the internet or chatlines or play a Playstation (1,2,3 or portable) because a book will do just as well.

The more teens who read and work hard at school will make a brighter and happier world. Have a positive attitude for life. Exercise, work hard at school, read for fun and you will feel great! It will do you the WORLD of good!

Nicola Murphy
Year 8

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### Excursion to France and Italy in April 2009

Following on from the success of our Italia Tour in 2007, Coona High will be heading overseas again in April 2009, this time to France and Italy. Students will be taking in the ancient sites of Italy and also visiting key World War One battlefields in Belgium and France.

Interested students will have received a booking form and itinerary this week. A deposit of $400 is required to be paid by the end of this month to secure our tour.

Should further information be required please contact Mary Doolan at school.

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### HSC Enrichment Seminars in Dubbo

On 6 June a number of Year 12 students travelled to Dubbo to attend HSC Seminars sponsored by the Dubbo School of Distance Education. Students attended lectures in a broad range of subjects including Physics, Mathematics, English, Drama, Food Technology and Legal Studies. All students regarded the lectures to be of benefit and for some, a ‘shot in the arm’, to help them in maintaining their enthusiasm over the next few months in the lead up to the HSC Examinations which commence in October.

Thank you to Mrs Joan Redfern, the most skilful and intrepid bus driver who transported the students away and home in a safe (and entertaining, courtesy of her fine bus music CD’s) manner.

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### To the Coonabarabran High School community

Just received your newsletter of 23 May.

I knew your school was good but what an incredible amount of student achievement: regional winners, league reps, horse sports, talent development, writers, musical, dance, primary industries, MUNA, fundraising, squash, drought assistance, staffing!

Please pass on my congratulations to all the students and the wonderful staff that support the students and provide these exceptional opportunities!!!!!!!

Mr Michael Cronk
School Education Director
The Library continues to be a popular place for displaying student work, as well as a place to gather together to read, knit, do jigsaw puzzles and escape the cold.

Brooke, Jessica, Kate & Gabrielle keep occupied and warm in the Library during lunch.

“Wrap with Love”.... is steadily growing with contributions of squares from both students and the community.

Year 7 Gargoyles

Year 9 & 10 Lino Prints proudly displayed alongside artwork from the Special Ed class.

A catapult built by Matt Monzett for his Yr 8 History assignment.

Madelyn Dumble’s unique medieval crockery and cutlery earned top marks for her History assignment.

Medieval Castles constructed by Chelsea Edwards & Laura Enks for their Year 8 History assignment.
**Gifted and Talented Program**

**Advanced Reading and Philosophy Group**

This is a program currently running for Year 9 students during PR on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. There are ten students involved in this program:

Ruby Bouwsema  William Fosdick  
Brooke Thomas  Katie Lee  
Jodie Murphy  Madeleine Storer  
Alyssa Verrender  Gabrielle Teale-McEvoy  
Jessica Murphy  James Watson

The students are reading books, both fiction and non-fiction, that have been written with more complex language, plot development and characterisation. They are also examining various aspects of philosophy with Mrs Wilkin.

**Regional Virtual Opportunity Class**

Western Region has commenced a virtual opportunity class for students from Year 5 to 8 within the region. Over 190 applicants were rigorously tested for placement in this class for 2008. Five students from Coonabarabran High School were selected for the class:

Connor Graham (Year 7)  
Gemma Evans (Year 8)  
Hannah Khodary (Year 8)  
Victoria Lee (Year 8)  
Jayden Wood-Nicholson (Year 8)

The students have six weekly tasks and three major tasks to complete during the 12-week program, with a presentation at the RVOC expo on 23rd September, 2008. The students work on their tasks online both during school-time and at home. Each task is then submitted for marking via email to their group co-ordinator.

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**Year 8 Design & Technology Excursion**

Dressed in the colours of an international flag of their choice, 8A & 8D Design and Technology classes visited the Gunyah Restaurant at the Country Gardens Motel on Tuesday 24th June to sample delights from 4 countries in a formal restaurant setting.

Chef, Kevin Torrens explained the origin of, and ingredients in each part of the meal to the excited students. Each student enthusiastically ate Nori, a seaweed roll from Asia, Veal Schnitzel served with Sauerkraut from Germany, Kofter, a Middle Eastern lamb and beef skewer served with a sauce consisting of 18 spices, and a South African Milk Tart.

Before returning to school, chef Kevin spoke to the students of his experiences in the Hospitality industry and outlined the range of jobs available in this growth industry.

The adventure continued to unfold for the students when they arrived back at school where they were treated to a Belgium delicacy – rich chocolate cascading from chocolate fountains. Each group of students huddled around the chocolate fountains, dipping a variety of foods. (See pictures below)

This was a wonderful conclusion to the semester’s work in the Food Technology component of the course, where the students have studied multicultural foods and how they have influenced the eating patterns of Australians. The restaurant provided a great environment for the students to share a meal with their friends, and demonstrate their excellent manners.

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### 4 SALE  
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The Healthy Kids School Canteens Association is hosting a Healthy Eating Poster Competition. Please see the main Healthy Kids Poster (following page) for the competition brief and guidelines... The prize for this state wide competition is $1000 for the school.

The CHS Canteen Committee would like to include a local school competition so entries will be judged locally and prizes awarded before being entered into the state wide competition. (Please note all entries submitted to the local competition will be sent onto the state wide competition and local judging will have no affect on these entries)

Winners of the local competition will be awarded a prize of vouchers to spend at the Coonabarabran High School Canteen. **1st Prize: $20.00  2nd Prize: $10.00  3rd Prize: $5.00**

Winning entries will be published on our CHS Canteen Website [http://coonahighcanteen.wikispaces.com](http://coonahighcanteen.wikispaces.com) and the Coona high school Website [http://www.coonabarab-h.schools.nsw.edu.au/](http://www.coonabarab-h.schools.nsw.edu.au/) and printed as posters around the school to promote Healthy Eating.

**Entry Requirements:** Entries must all be accompanied by an entry form (can be obtained from the Canteen) and follow the Design Brief and rules as per the Healthy Kids – Healthy Eating Poster Competition.

**Closing Date:** Submitted by end of school Monday 30th June to School Front Office or Canteen
Healthy Kids

Healthy Eating Poster Competition

High school students from Healthy Kids SCA Member Schools are invited to design a poster around healthy eating that will be reproduced and used in classrooms and school canteens across NSW.

Design Brief
Design a poster that conveys a visual message to adolescents about Healthy Eating. Some themes for a poster might be:
- Healthy food messages for teenagers
- What is healthy eating?
- Why eat healthy foods?
- Encourage students to make healthy food choices.

Entries must adhere to the following:
- Design/artwork can be created either by freehand or on the computer;
- Poster must not exceed A3 size (29.7cm x 42cm);
- Imagery must convey a positive message or messages about healthy eating;
- Design must be original;
- Designer(s) must currently be attending the school;
- Design must be able to be reproduced by the printing process; and
- Designs can contain text, imagery and photographs (if images of people are used then consent forms must be submitted with your entry).

Who is eligible to apply?
- Students from HKSCA Member High Schools.
- An entry may be from a group of students, a class (for example Food Technology, PDHPE, Visual Arts or Design & technology) or from an individual student from the school (however the prize will be awarded to the school).

Prize Money
- 3 x $1000 ($3000 in total).

The prize money is for the school to progress the principles of a health promoting school, which encompasses healthy eating.

Closing Date
All entries must be received at the HKSCA Epping office by 5pm Friday 4th July 2008 and be accompanied by an Entry Form.

Send all entries to
Attention: Poster Competition
Healthy Kids SCA
Level 1 Midson Court
123 Midson Road
EPPING NSW 2121

Announcement of Winner
The winning entries will be contacted by telephone and published in the October 2008 Member’s Magazine.
The winning designs will be made into a poster available for purchase through HKSCA.

For further information please contact us on 02 9876 1300 or info@healthy-kids.com.au
Coonabarabran High School
P&C Association
Meeting – 26th May 2008

Meeting Opened:

Present: Bronwyn Stephenson (Chair), Jason Morrissey, Margaret Butler, Mark Fosdick, Rebecca Ryan, Kirsty England, Venessa Roberts, Narelle Pfeiffer, Tracee McHugh, Graeme Enks, Jeff Nott, Shane Fitzpatrick, Pam Lee, Brenda Grant.

Apologies: Kevin Sharp, Vivian Evans, Sue Murphy.

Motion that the apologies be accepted.
Moved: Brenda Grant
Seconded: Pam Lee

Minutes of the previous meeting of the Coonabarabran High School P&C accepted as a true and accurate record.
Moved: Bronwyn Stephenson
Seconded: Jason Morrissey

Business Arising:
- Flix in the Stix – Bollywood Curry Night may need to be held over until July – conflict with Primary School fundraiser. Perhaps in July.
- Local winery trip – not Mudgee – waiting on a date.
- Neither of the raffles are underway.
- Gift for Ronald Slade has been purchased and given.

Special Guest: Jeff Nott HT Science
- Revamp of Junior Curriculum in Science.
- The importance of Science is being emphasised to students.
- Science Challenges and Science competitions
- Astronomy School for Yr 8 to Yr 11 students using research grade observatories, both here in Coonabarabran and also in Hawaii.
- Science Club – student organised.
- After school tutorials for all HSC Science topics available for students.
- Mrs Eshman will also tutor students after school in Science topics.
- Assessment topics are now emailed to students in addition to paper copy handed out in class.
- Assignments can also be emailed back to their teachers.
- Units under development using Smartboards.
- HSC seminars via videoconferencing have been undertaken.
- Community links – Macquarie University, Fred Watson, Crystal Kingdom, Warrumbungle Shire Council, NPWS, CSIRO scientist wheat genetics. Assistance has been great from the local community and more is always welcome.
- Future directions – develop G&T strategies. Involve middle years in Science, ie, from Yr 5.
- Further relationships with Nat Parks.
- Future Direction - Streamwatch – looking at health of Castlereagh River.
- Future Direction – enhance use of National Park.

Special Guest: Shane Fitzpatrick HTTAS
- Yr 7 & 8 - have mandatory areas of study designed to pique their interest in an area of TAS.
- Electronics are being introduced.
- Extra units, including topics such as foods from around the world, including research, recipe, cooking, marketing and power point presentations.
- At the end of Yr 10 students are invited to discuss their options for senior school, TAFE or VET options in the TAS department.
- Major projects are produced in senior years for Design & Technology.
- Specialist teachers are delivering these subjects in the TAS department.
- Transition from Yr 6 to Yr 7 – extend those students to be involved earlier in TAS subjects.

Correspondence In:
- Copy of flyer for ‘Help Wanted at Expo Canteen’
- Australian Taxation Office – Activity Statement Overdue (12th May 2008)
- MTAA Superannuation Fund – Contribution Return (Issued 10th May 2008)
- Copy of letter addressed to Kevin Humphries – a response from the Office of the Minister for Education and Training
- Virginia Judge – Parliamentary Secretary for Education and Training – response to letter addressed to Kevin Humphries MP (9th May 2008)
- Royal Far West School P&C Annual Appeal for Donations (7th May 2008)
- Coles Customer Account Card for Julie McGlashan (5th May 2008)
- Warrumbungle Publications Pty Ltd –
Statement & Invoice - $44.00 (4th April 2008)
- Warrumbungle Publications Pty Ltd – Statement - $44.00 (2nd May 2008)
- The Fundraising Group – Sunscreen sales and School Fun Run
- Mars Fundraising
- Brochure – Reporting OHS incidents and injuries – Dept Education and Training
- P&C Newsletter – Term 1, 2008
- Coonabarabran Health Service – Canteen Network Meeting on Tuesday 10th June 2008
- MTAA Superannuation Fund – Contribution Return (Issued 12th April 2008)
- 18 copies of the P&C Journal, Term 2, 2008
- School Staffing from DET (23rd April 2008)
- Polar Fleece Jackets from Ripples

Correspondence Out:
- Coonabarabran High School’s P&C Return of Annual Association Record and audit documents to the Federation of P&C Associations of NSW
- Thank you letter to Ronald Slade for auditing P&C books.

Treasurer’s Report: Tabled and presented by Pam Lee.
Motion that the Treasurer’s Report a true and accurate record.
Moved: Pam Lee
Seconded: Mark Fosdick

Canteen Report: As tabled by Vivian Evans, presented by Bronwyn Stephenson.

School Council: Nil

Environment Committee: Developing an environmental management plan for Coonabarabran High School. Recycling boxes have been installed in all rooms.

Grounds Committee: Thirty-two native plants have been planted in the school grounds. Mulch has been purchased. Watering is being attended to by Clinton Baglee. The P&C thanks Margaret Butler and Graeme Enks for their work.

Principal’s Report: none

Deputy Principal’s Report:
- Education Week as well as junior assessment week this week.
- NAPLAN – reports distributed between 27th and 29th August.
- Musical – a great event and experience for students. Particular thanks to Di Suthons and members of the community for their involvement.
- Expo – Bar Café and Hut – assistance required for volunteers.
- ‘What Matters’ writing competition – well done to three students from CHS and particular thanks to Elizabeth Macintosh for her guidance.
- Beverly Hills High School – arriving Tuesday after long weekend in June. Sharing their different life experiences and culminating in a school social.
- New PDHPE teacher to replace Adam Leary. Colin Cousins will commence at the beginning of Term 3.

General Business:
- Expo – Mara Dunn and Bronwyn Stephenson have been working on the catering that will be provided by the P&C over the next four days. Most areas are covered but more are needed and will be very welcome. Biggest fundraiser for the year.
- Who would like to take on the role of Expo co-ordinator next year?
- The meals at the Bar Café are pre-prepared at school and then delivered to the Bar – it is service that is required.
- School Council have contacted Kevin Humphries MP. He would like to visit the school at some time in the future – probably July or August.
- Fundraising possibility at the Crooked Mountain Concert in November. Mark Fosdick to report at the next meeting.

Meeting Closed: 6.38pm

The next Coonabarabran High School P&C meeting will be held on Monday 30th June 2008 @ 5.30pm.
Canteen Receives a Boost!

The High School Canteen Committee applied for and was successful in receiving the Fresh Tastes @ School Booster Program from the Healthy Kids School Canteen Association. The Booster program aims to provide intensive assistance to enable the full implementation of the Fresh tastes @ School Strategy. It aims to build the capacity of the whole school community to sustain a healthy school canteen food service and to support schools with skills and knowledge to run a well managed successful healthy school canteen.

During June we are completing a diagnostic questionnaire and surveying a cross section of the school community – thanks to the parents, teachers and students who completed surveys! Semester 2 will be a busy time with even more positive changes to our school canteen.

Did you know that we have a canteen website? See [http://coonahighcanteen.wikispaces.com](http://coonahighcanteen.wikispaces.com) Our winter canteen menu will be out early Term 3. Look out for the menu and more canteen updates in the next school newsletter and our website.

Vivian Evans – CHS Canteen Committee Convenor

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**Treasurer's Report**

**COONABARABRAN HIGH SCHOOL**

**Parents and Citizens' Association**

**Statement of Receipts and Payments**

as at 26 May 2008

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**Bank Reconciliation**

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**Add Deposits since 30 April 2008**

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