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COFFS HARBOUR CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY

SCHOOL NEWS

Finish the Race



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At the Mexico Olympics in 1968, Tanzanian runner John Akhwari fell hard to the ground early in the race. He dislocated his knee and severely hurt his shoulder. The 26-year-old was forced to walk for long stretches, and by the halfway mark of the 42 km race, he was well out of contention. 18 of the 75 runners who started the race would pull out. Night fell over the course, but Akhwari pushed on through the pain. The winner, Mamo Wolde, had finished one hour and fifteen minutes earlier. By the time Akhwari approached the stadium, the medals had been awarded and the other athletes had left, but he was determined to finish the race. As he limped through the final lap of the stadium, the remaining crowd caught on and began to cheer wildly. As he crossed the finish line, the noise was deafening.

A journalist later asked him why he didn't give up when he knew he had no chance of winning. Akhwari replied, "My country didn't send me 5,000 miles to start the race. They sent me 5,000 miles to finish the race."

To finish well like Akhwari, we need persistence and determination. We need the tenacity and the grit to push on through trials and difficulties without giving up. There are plenty of talented men and women who don't finish well. When the going gets tough, they walk away from the things that once gave them great joy.

When I get to the end of my life I want to be able to say to my King, in the words of Paul in 2 Timothy, "I have fought the good fight, I have won the race, I have kept the faith."

God made you special and He loves you very much,

Mr Terrence Yardley
Head of Junior School

CALENDAR DATES:

Term 3

Start—Mon 17/07

25 Jul Zone Athletics

27 Jul 100 Days of School

Celebration for Kindergarten

11 Aug Combined Churchtime

& Science Showcase

24 Aug Drama Competition

29 Aug Father's Day

Breakfast

30 Aug-1 Sep Yr 4 Camp

1 Sep CSSA State Athletics

6-8 Sep Yr 5 Camp

13 Sep Grandparents Day

15 Sep Kindergarten Urunga

Excursion

19 Sep CIS Athletics

Finish—Fri 22 Sep

Term 4

Start—Mon 9 Oct

Mon 11 Dec Presentation

Night

Finish Tue 12 Dec Last Day

2024 Proposed Dates

Term 1 29 Jan—12 Apr

Term 2 29 Apr—28 Jun

Term 3 22 Jul—27 Sep

Term 4 14 Oct—13 Dec

Farewell to Mrs Jacqui Herd

At the end of Term 2 we bid a very fond farewell to Mrs Herd, who has now retired. Mrs Herd had served the school for 24 years with commitment and dedication, that was motivated by her love for Jesus. We wish Mrs Herd all the best for the next chapter.



Afternoon Pickup from Gate 3

Please be aware the playground is closed from 3:05 each afternoon at the conclusion of the school day. This includes the soccer field, sandpits and climbing equipment.



When you collect your kids, if you do stop and chat to say hello to other parents, please keep your children with you or seated in the collection lines.

This ensures the safety of our kids in our school community.

Camps for Yr 4 and Yr 5



This is an exciting term for Year 4 and Year 5, with overnight camp excursions coming up! More information will be coming from teachers, but mark the dates in your calendar:

Year 4 Camp to Bongil Bongil & The Adventure Centre

30 August—1 September

Year 5 Camp to Scotts Head & Timber Town

6-8 September

Operoo Communications



As a school we are looking forward to another term filled with learning and fun. Please ensure that you have the

Operoo App on your phone so that you can keep up to date with all communication for excursions.

If you are not able to access Operoo via the app, you can also login from your computer at operoo.com

Drama Competition

Junior School is hosting an in-house Drama Competition for all our budding thespians in Years 2, 3, 4 and 5.



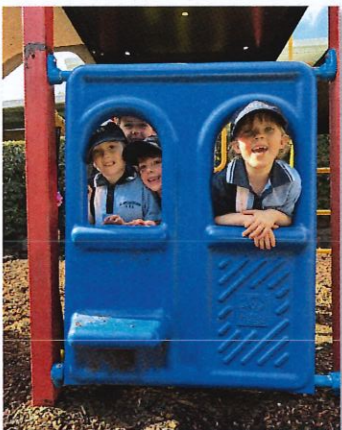
This event will provide an opportunity for our young actors and actresses to develop confidence and performance skills in front of a live audience of their peers.

The competition will be held on 24th August on campus in the Learning Discovery Centre (library).

More information and the signup details will be found on Operoo.

School Uniform Shop Times

The uniform shop is open on Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 8:30-9:30 each week. If you're not able to make it on campus, email jsadmin@chccs.com.au for an order form.



Indo Word of the Week

Maaf!

Sorry!



English Word of the Week

Ambitious

It means: having or showing a strong desire and determination to succeed.



BIBLE VERSE OF THE WEEK

"And Jesus grew in wisdom and stature; and in favour with God and men."

Luke 2:52