



Monaro Newsletter

Term 1 - Week 3

Key Dates

Term 1 Week 4

Thursday 18 Feb Zone Swimming

Term 1 Week 5

Tuesday 23 Feb Zone Boys Basketball

Term 1 Week 6

Monday 1 Mar Sth Coast Boys Basketball Finals

Tuesday 2 Mar Zone Girls Basketball

Friday 5 Mar Cooma Netball Gala Day

Term 1 Week 7

Tuesday 9 Mar Regional Swimming

Term 1 Week 8

Monday 15 Mar Zone Volleyball

Term 1 Week 9

Tuesday 23 Mar School Photos

Thursday 25 March Country Cup Boys Rugby League

Term 1 Week 10

Tuesday 30 March X-Country (Competitors Only)

Tuesday 2 March
Welcome BBQ Yr 7
Students & Parents
5pm to 6.30pm

Missing Blue HP Laptop

Parents and students please check bags for a missing blue HP laptop 115 just incase it has been taken home by mistake.

Please return to the LaRC if you find it.

Welcome 2021!!!

Welcome to all students and families to the 2021 school year, one that I hope is a little less eventful than 2020.

Newsletter

To kick off the year, I am thrilled to announce that we have decided to return to producing a School Newsletter three times a term in 2021. These newsletters will be emailed, posted on the school's website and Facebook page, and a number of hardcopies will be made available around the school and the wider community for families who do not have reliable internet access.

To mark the return of the Monaro High School Newsletter I would like to offer students, staff and the wider community the opportunity to name our school newsletter - if you have a catchy name which reflects the local area/community and would like to be in the running for a \$100 Cooma gift card please email your suggested name(s) to the school email address at monaro-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au

Project Update

I would like to thank the students, staff and wider community for your patience with the Monaro High School upgrade which commenced in December 2019 and will hopefully be completed towards the end of 2021. It has been wonderful to have:

- two new buildings,
- a playground for our students in the Supported Education faculty,
- brand-new quadrangle and grassed playground areas, released to the school for use at the start of 2021.

The next building to come online will be the semi commercial kitchen, domestic kitchen and a new textiles room in building A1 on the Western end of Gianni St.

Mobile Phones

The recent decisions to ban mobile phone use during the school day has not been one taken lightly - details of this ban have been previously communicated to students and parents through a note and are also highlighted later in this newsletter.

I would like to thank all involved - particularly parents for your support of our move to ban phone use during the school day. This change has resulted in the need for a genuine mindset change for all involved (including me) and I would like to remind parents that the best way to contact your children during the school day is through the front office on 6452 4611. Our office staff are more than happy to assist with getting messages to children at any stage during the school day.

Sentral Parent Portal

To further enhance communication between school and home in coming weeks we will be rolling out Parent Portal access to Sentral - our school electronic organisational platform.

The access will allow parents to see a variety of items relating to your children's education examples include calendars, student attendance, student assessment etc. Other functions will come online in time and we hope this will assist parents to engage with your children's education more readily.

Thanks to the parents who have been working with us through the trial period. Your feedback has been essential in getting this communication tool functioning.

Look out for a note coming home with your children which will guide you through access. If you have any trouble please touch base.