



Coolbellup
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Newsletter



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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Dear Parent Community

Thank you to the many parents who attended the Meet the Teacher sessions after school on Tuesday. Feedback I received from parents and staff about these meetings was very positive. The meetings were well attended and lots of great questions were posed. The hand out notes prepared by each teacher are a handy guide to familiarise parents and carers with the routines and procedures for each classroom. It is also a good opportunity for teachers and parents to meet face to face, particularly for our new parents.

I have been particularly pleased to see so many of our children dressed in school uniform. I would like to thank parents and carers for their continued support in this regard.

This year our swimming lessons were much earlier than normal. Each year we register the school for In-term Swimming and are allowed to nominate a preferred time and venue. Our preference is for a summer spot in Term 1 and our least favourite preference is for a winter spot in Term 3. We also prefer the lessons are compacted to one week rather than two as it halves the costs to our families.

This week our hard-working P&C re-launched Crunch and Sip. Each morning the children are offered a selection of fruits and vegetables to eat during a short 'brain-break' from their learning. We are evaluating this trial in the view to making it a long-term proposition.

Crunch&Sip

We are still seeing a stream of late arrivals to school each day. I understand the pressures in getting children ready in the morning, but it is vital that the children arrive at school before classes start at 8:45am. The 'sweet spot' for arrival at school is 8:30am. This gives the children time to prepare for the day. The sweet spot for arriving at school for Breakfast Club is 8:15am.

Despite the interruptions caused by our early swimming lesson schedule we have had a very smooth start to the year. I am grateful to our teachers and support staff for helping to make this happen. Our Front Office staff, Mrs Gandossi, Mrs McNally and Mrs Schulz have done an amazing job to ensure all of the important administrative arrangements such as enrolments and swimming were handled with calm professionalism and good humour.

I am looking forward to a busy and productive term.

Kind regards

Ray Knight
PRINCIPAL

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Dates to Remember:

Mon 6/3:

Labour Day
Public Holiday

Tues 7/3:

Spelling Bee -
Years PP to Year 6

Fri 10/3:

Assembly - LA14

Administration

2023 VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS

Thank you to parents/carers who have already paid their child's voluntary contribution for 2023.

The contributions component is set at \$60 per child.

Contributions are voluntary, however, the quality of our teaching and learning programs will be maximised when each family makes its contribution to the cost of supplementing funding gained from other sources, including the State and Federal Governments.

These contributions assist with the purchase of items such as:

- Technology resources
- Maths resources
- Library resources
- Sports equipment
- Reading books
- Student workbooks

Payment can be made at the front office by cash or EFTPOS.

For your convenience, payment can also be made directly into the school bank account. Details are:

Name of Account: COOLBELLUP COMMUNITY SCHOOL
BSB Number: 016 454
Account Number: 4979 17497

Please state "*student name/Voluntary Contribution*" as your reference.

Thank you.

SunSmart Tips

Layer sunscreen on thickly 20 minutes before going out into the sun and reapply sunscreen every two hours. **Do not rub it in.**





P&C NEWSLETTER

WEEK 3
TERM 1
2023

WELCOME BACK

We hope you are all settled in and enjoying being back into the school routine.

We have certainly hit the ground running with a number of new and exciting things happening, as well as, continuing with our regular services and events.

Our first P&C meeting of the year will be on Tuesday 21st February at 1:30pm in the Community Room. We will be spending some time discussing our fundraising goals and events at this meeting. Please come along if you would like some input into these decisions.



CRUNCH & SIP

REUSABLE PARTY BOXES



We were very lucky to secure grant funding from the City of Cockburn last year in order to launch a brand-new service to our community.

We have packs of reusable plates, cups, bowls, straws, platters, bunting and table cloths, along with big games, gazebos and festoon lights all available to hire for a small fee.

We hope this will encourage families to party in a more sustainable way without needing to buy disposable items. Please get in touch for more information or drop into the Community Room.

CANTEEN

Our canteen service is back on Fridays for the rest of the term. All your regular menu favourites are back!

We have added a **new** item to try out this term, a crumbed chicken tender wrap with mayo, lettuce, carrot and cheese. We hope this will be a popular addition.

Our canteen is volunteer run, and we will be needing an extra pair of hands in May when our lovely Candice Yappo leaves us to have her baby. So please, if you can spare some time on a Friday let us know. We really want to be able to keep the canteen going.

This week we have started our Crunch & Sip program, providing all classrooms with a container of freshly chopped fruit and vegetables. We would like to thank Gary Allen at Cooby Cares and Serena Gamble from Feed it Forward. Their donations to us have enabled the starting of this program.

We would welcome anyone who would like to come and chop alongside us in the mornings from 8 to 9am.

We have already had very positive feedback from staff and students, with some of our kids trying celery for the first time this week.

UNIFORM SHOP

Our uniform shop is now open on Tuesday afternoons from 2:45 to 3:30 pm.

If you need help with uniforms at other times, please text me on the number provided at the bottom of this newsletter and I can arrange to meet you at the Community Room. I am at school most days for drop off and pick up - Lisa

GET IN TOUCH WITH US...

If you are able to help with upcoming events or would like more information about the P&C, please feel free to get in touch.

Lisa Appleby 0406 635 329

Jane Burnett 0402 245 889



Come join in the fun at



COOLBELLUP COMMUNITY SCHOOL

for

Cooby Kids RHYME TIME



Let's sing, dance & play!

Participate with your pre-schooler in a morning of singing, dancing, creating and playing to help develop early literacy skills.

DETAILS:

Wednesday mornings of Term 1

Beginning 15th February, 2023

9.00am - 10.30am

Cost: FREE

Please bring your own morning tea snack

CONTACT:

For more information or to register:

Call - Coolbellup Community School: 9487 9500 or

Email - Michelle Barr: michelle.barr@education.wa.edu.au



Administration

Contact Details and Student Mobile Phones



Please ensure you keep the school up to date with your current phone number and address.

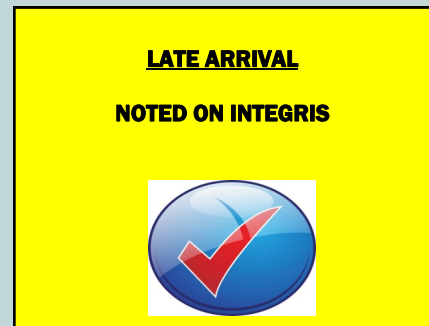
This information is vital should we need to contact you in an emergency.

It is also a requirement for children who come to school with a mobile phone, personal iPad or the like, to hand them into the office upon arrival at school for safe-keeping for the day.

Arriving Late to School

If your children arrive at school after the 8.45am siren, please direct them to collect a Late Note from the office **before** proceeding to class.

Thank you.



Coolbellup Community School - Bank Account Details

Please use the details below when paying direct to the school's bank account for payment of voluntary contributions, swimming, excursions, incursions, camp.

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We also have EFTPOS facilities available in the front office.

(Please be aware the P&C has it's own bank account for "Special Lunch Order days" and uniform orders, details of which are provided on correspondence distributed by the P&C.

The school's EFTPOS facilities cannot be utilised for payment of P&C events.)

SMS - Absence Messages

For the parents who would like to send an SMS in the morning to advise of your child's absence, the number is :

0438 947 795

This number is available for text messages only.