Dear Parent Community,

I have already welcomed everyone back for the year, but again, “Welcome Back!”

We are still in the process of finalising other organisational aspects of our school for 2017. We have had an influx of children which has caused some of our classes to open the year quite large, particularly LA 4. Rather than restructure our classes, which does remain an option, we are putting additional teacher and teacher assistant time into these larger classes in the interim. We need to wait until the annual census has been completed and we find out exactly how much money we have for the year before making a final decision on how best to proceed.

At the assembly next week we will be holding the draw for last year’s Attendance Award.

Have an enjoyable weekend.

Kind regards

Ray Knight
PRINCIPAL

FINAL REMINDER: IN-INTERM SWIMMING LESSONS 2017

Please note that In-Term Swimming Lessons will commence Monday 13th February 2017 (WEEK 3 TERM 1). It is expected that children attend this important component of the curriculum. Cost is $50 per child. Notes and permission forms went home Wednesday 1st February (first day of term) along with advance notice in the last few Newsletters for 2016. We were very fortunate to get this time slot as in the past swimming was held in the winter months.

No further forms or swimming money is able to be accepted after the close of business on Tuesday 7th February.

Money and forms are required so that South Lake Leisure Centre can be advised of final numbers and swimming levels.
COMING EVENTS

Wednesday 1 February 2017 - School Commences
Friday 3 February 2017 - Money due for swimming lessons
Tuesday 7 February 2017 - Meet the Teacher, 4 - 6pm
Friday 10 February 2017 - Student Leader Assembly
Monday 13 February 2017 - Swimming lessons commence (Pre-Primary to Year 6)

FROM THE SCHOOL CHAPLAIN:
Welcome back to 2017. Breakfast Club will be open from 8:20am everyday in the Food Technology Room. We encourage all students to be in the classrooms on time, therefore Breakfast Club will close at 8:40am sharp.

Breakfast Club is in need of donations of milo, bread and margarine and we greatly appreciate all donations that we receive.

Pop on in and say hello to our hard working volunteer team.

Due to budget changes this year, Coolbellup Community School cannot provide emergency lunches to your child/ren. If your child has no lunch we will be calling the parents/cares to notify them.

Please speak to the Chaplain, Ms Jane Snare if you are experiencing hardship and to make arrangements for assistance.

SCHOOL BANKING AND P&C NEWS:

SCHOOL BANKING: Dollarmite Savers
Welcome back savers!!!! The theme this year for the rewards is Future Savers starting with a Cyber Handball and Colour Change Markers for Term 1. Banking will resume in the Community Room (Uniform Shop) on Tuesday 7th February from 8.15am.

New savers are welcome! Information packs will be given to all students next week which includes information on how to set up an account. Kindy kids in the Monday stream can still participate. Just let me know via Mrs Kelly or through the office with contact details.

Term 1 savers will all go into a draw to win movie tickets with a token for every deposit.

Yvette Terpolilli
School Banking Co-ordinator

P&C NEWS
There will be a general meeting on the 7th February at 9.30am. Please come with your enthusiasm and willing hands for the many great projects we have planned. Fundraising this year will include various stalls and raffles and an Election Brekkie BBQ on the 11th March and a Quiz Night in June.

The AGM will be on the 1st March where all the office bearers and positions will be elected. These are the people that keep it all going so please support the P&C and consider taking on a role. This is great as experience and can be used for employment opportunities as well as doing wonderful things at your children’s school.
MESSAGE FROM THE SCHOOL NURSE

Welcome to the new school year. My name is Margie MacFie and I am the Community Health Nurse who visits your school.

Community Health Nurses work in schools to promote healthy development and wellbeing so students may reach their full potential. A major part of my work is focused on early intervention and the School Entry Health Assessment program.

Community Health Nurses serve as a health contact point for children and their families, providing information, assessment, health counseling and referral. The services provided are free and confidential.

If you have a concern about your child’s health or development, please contact me on 9314 0100.

School Entry Health Assessment

All children in Western Australia are offered a health assessment during their first year of primary school. This usually occurs in kindergarten and is provided by the local Community Health Nurse. The program is an excellent opportunity to look at the health and development of each child at the beginning of school life.

The assessments are simple, standard tests which are non-invasive, quick and easy. The tests screen for problems which can be addressed, if picked up and treated early. The tests include:

- vision checks
- developmental evaluation according to parent responses on the form
- teacher and nurse observations
- any other health, development and wellbeing concerns raised by parents.

Please note, the screening tests indicate if there may be a problem — they do not diagnose a condition. If the test results for your child suggest there may be a problem, the Community Health Nurse will ring you to talk about further assessment and possible referral.

This year, hearing, ear health, weight and height measurements will not be completed routinely, however if you have any concerns regarding your child’s hearing or growth, please indicate your concern on the form and the Community Health Nurse will contact you to discuss.

Your child’s results will be sent home after their health check has been completed. Results are always treated confidentially.

School Entry Health Assessment forms will be distributed for parents to complete. Please complete and sign the front page of the form before you return it. Please return the form to the school office or class teacher, as soon as possible following distribution.

I look forward to working with you and your family. Please phone if you wish to discuss anything to do with the School Entry Health Assessment.

Margie MacFie
Community Health Nurse

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Lakeside Baptist Church presents...

Real Kids in an Unreal World

with Maggie Dent

Building Resilience and Self-Esteem in Today’s Children (10 Resilience Building Blocks)

Children need to have certain basic experiences to build the competencies that will help them manage life — the good, the bad and the ugly. Popular Australian parenting author and educator Maggie Dent published her best-selling book, Real Kids in an Unreal World, to help guide parents in raising children who are happy, healthy, strong, kind and resilient. In this seminar, Maggie will explore her common-sense, practical model of 10 building blocks for children birth-12.

She will present practical, common-sense ideas and strategies to make small changes in your home or classroom/centre, which will make a big difference to your children’s cognitive, physical, psychological, emotional and social health later in life.

Venue: The Hub, Lakeside Recreation Centre, North Lake, WA
Date: Tuesday, 21st February 2017
Time: 7.30pm-9.30pm
Cost: Single $30.00, Couple $50.00, Concession Holder $25.00
Bookings: Please book online at www.trybooking.com/NOPFY
Inquiries: Roy Robinson, roy@lakeside.asn.au or 08 93107700
Café will be open prior to event... last orders at 7.15pm.

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