Dear Parent Community,

ASSEMBLY NEWS
The next major assembly is scheduled for 15th May and will include presentations from the wonderful LA 4 students. All parents/carers and interested community members are invited to attend.

NAPLAN
During Week 4 (May 12th – May 14th) all year 3 and year 5 students will be taking part in the National Assessment Program of Literacy and Numeracy 2015. (There will also be catch up time allocated for absent students).

- Language Conventions and Writing will be assessed on Tuesday 12th May.
- Reading will be assessed on Wednesday 13th May
- Numeracy will be assessed on Thursday 14th May.

Parents/carers are asked to ensure that students in these year levels attend each day of this week. There is an opportunity for a catch up during the week for missed assessments but this is not an ideal situation for students as they usually cope best when in their classroom environment with their peers under the care and guidance of their usual classroom teacher.

Although NAPLAN is just a snapshot of your child’s ability in comparison to other students in the same year across the country, the data collected from the assessments assist the school in future individual and whole school planning. It also assists Education Departments across Australia to allocate resources at the point of need.

For our Year 3s this will be the first time they have taken part and can often cause a little anxiety about the unknown. To assist with this Mrs Luff has been conducting a NAPLAN practice course for our Year 3 and Year 5 students. From my point of view this course has been very successful in that students who are worried about some parts of the assessment have been able to ask questions and clear up any confusion they may have had.

Emergency Lunches
As many of you are aware, we keep plain sandwiches to give out to students on the odd occasion when they do not have lunch from home. These sandwiches are not for students who do not bring lunch on a regular basis. We have a number of students who are asking and receiving sandwiches every lunch time. If you have a genuine hardship case you are asked to speak with Ms Snare (our Chaplain) or a member of the administration team so that an appropriate arrangement can be made.

Photos
School Photos will be taken on Thursday 11th June 2015. Although it is a few weeks away it will be here quicker than we know it. Students will receive reminders before the day however they will need to be in full school uniform and carrying their own photo envelope containing the correct money as these are given directly to the photographer. Therefore regardless of whether they are ordering photos or not every student will need to return the envelope given out to them either on the day or to their regular classroom teacher.

TRAFFIC SAFETY AROUND OUR SCHOOL
Parents/carers are asked to remind their child/ren about the dangers of walking in and through the carpark before and after school. There have been a few reported near misses from parents/carers who have been reversing out and confronted with a child behind or close to their car. Please supervise your child/ren in the carpark at all times.

Also be aware it is not a safe or appropriate practice to stop your car along the road in front of the school, just before the raised crosswalk area, in the bus bay or on the lawn areas to drop children off in the morning or pick them up in the afternoon. Doing this may cause other drivers to take evasive or dangerous action. There are specific, designated drop off and pick up zones along the private road leading into the school from Waverley Road.

CURRENT CONTACT DETAILS
Parents/Carers are reminded of the need to inform the front office staff when personal contact details change. These changes include addresses, phone numbers and emergency contacts. For our duty of care and a myriad of other reasons, current contact information is vital to the efficient running of our school and your child/ren’s welfare and safety. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Regards

Nyree Kirby,
A/Principal
FROM THE P & C....
Order Forms have now been distributed to enable students to order winter uniforms. Get your orders in as soon as possible so that your child/ren have warm clothing now that the cold weather has arrived.

CAKE STALL
The P & C will be holding a cake stall this Saturday, May 9, with funds raised going towards the school camp. This stall will take place at the Cooby Farmers Market. Donations of cakes would be gratefully accepted by Peta Fenlon, either at the Canteen or at the market stall prior to 9.00am on Saturday. Any such donations must include an ingredients list.

2015 VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS REMINDER
Thank you to Parents/carers who have already paid their child’s voluntary contributions for 2015.
The minimum voluntary contributions component for each school is set at:
- $40.00 for one child;
- $50.00 for two children;
- $60.00 for three or more children.
Parents/carers are invited to make a voluntary contribution up to a maximum of $60.00 per student.
Please note that we do not have EFTPOS facilities.
Payment can however be made directly into the school bank account or by cheque/cash.
Please state “student name/Voluntary Contributions” as your reference.

COOLBELLUP COMMUNITY SCHOOL
BSB Number 016454
Account Number 4979 17497

With thanks,
Helen Gandossi,
Registrar.

COMING EVENTS
Friday, 8 May  Start Smart Incursion (LA 10,11,12)
                Sculptures on the Green—11.00am
Friday, 15 May  Assembly LA 4
Monday, 1 June  Western Australia Day Public Holiday
Thursday, 11 June  SCHOOL PHOTO DAY

You now have a choice! Choose from the traditional Entertainment Membership that comes with the Gold Card and vouchers, or the new Entertainment Digital Membership that puts the value of the Entertainment Book into your iphone or Android smartphone! Whichever Membership you choose, $13 of your $65 purchase will go towards our P & C fundraising.
Purchase your Membership now by contacting Mrs Rochelle Luff at the school, by phoning her on 0431 963 178 or email: rochelleluff@gmail.com.
Order forms are also available from the front office at school.
Order soon to maximise the benefit of your membership—both the Book and digital membership were launched at the beginning of May.

PLEASE JOIN US FOR OUR INAUGURAL SCULPTURES ON THE GREEN!
FRIDAY, MAY 8TH @ 11.00 A.M.
COOLBELLUP COMMUNITY SCHOOL
15 WAVERLEY ROAD
COOLBELLUP, WA.
JUDGING BY MR DAVID ROSE FROM SOUTH FREMANTLE HIGH SCHOOL
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