COOLBELLUP COMMUNITY SCHOOL

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Dear Parent Community

As this is the last newsletter for the year I would like to wish all of our families a safe and happy Christmas and New Year.

I have spent quite a bit of time away from school this year as I ran down my Long Service Leave credits as required by the Department of Education. I am indebted to the staff, particularly Mrs Kirby, Mrs Miller, Mrs Luff and Mrs Churchill for the way the school was administered during my absence.

Mrs Kirby has been the Acting Deputy Principal at the school for the last four years and acting Principal this year during my leave. I commend and thank her for her exemplary work in these roles. Next year we are having a substantive Deputy Principal appointed, Mr Alex Robbins, who is currently Acting Deputy at Moorditi College in Midland.

This year the children were exposed to a raft of activities that extended the scope of their learning. This included things such as the Sculptures by the Sea and our local Sculptures on the Green, music performances including the African Drummers and of course camp. I am very proud of the work of our Student Leadership Group this year, who under the guidance of Ms Mottram effectively undertook many roles and responsibilities across the school.

Next year we will be focussing on improving our teaching and learning with the adoption of a new teaching approach across the school called Explicit or Intentional Learning. It has been used successfully in many schools across the world and schools in Australia. More details will be provided next year.

I look forward to seeing many of you at our end of year functions.

Kind regards Ray Knight Principal



COMING EVENTS

Monday 14 December Book Awards Assembly - 9.00am

Tuesday 15 December Movies Day (PP—Year 6 students by invitation only)

Wednesday 16 December Graduation Assembly—9.00am

Graduation Lunch

Thursday 17 December Students last day
Thursday 28 January 2016 Teachers resume

Friday 29 January 2016 Uniform Shop open—9.00am until 12.00 noon)

Class lists displayed in undercover area—12.00 noon onwards

Monday 1 February 2016 Students begin 2016 School Year



FROM THE P & C

CANTEEN

The Canteen will remain open next Thursday, the final day of this school year. There will however be minimal choices so check the whiteboard before placing your order to see what is available.

The Canteen will open from Week 1 next year, opening on the first Thursday with the same Menu as we have now.

FUNDRAISING

Remember our Christmas Raffle which is to be drawn at the Graduation Assembly on Monday 14 December. All tickets must be returned by this Friday, 11 December to be included in the draw.

Thank you for your support of this and our many other fundraising efforts throughout the year.

Have a Merry Christmas and safe holiday period; Lecia Horton and your P & C Association members

The local police visited Coolbellup Community School earlier this week to play a friendly game of Basketball against LA 12.







Christmas Card Delivery Service

Weeks 9 & 10

The Pixie Post Box will be located outside the Learning Centre.

Pixie Post Rules

- $\bullet \ Only \ cards \ or \ letters \ can \ be \ posted \ \textbf{no presents inside envelopes}$
- Recipient's name and room number to be printed clearly
 - · Senders name and room number on the back
 - Only one delivery per day
 - Final deliveries: Thursday December 17th.
 - · Mail box closes at 9.15am daily.

Pixie Post starts on Monday December 7th



COMING EVENTS:

- Christmas Concert—Saturday 12 December Family Fun
- ♦ Skate Park—Xmas Super Series Coolbellup Skate Park—18 December Details Youth Development Officer—1300 822 953
- January School Holidays—free events however bookings at Library or online essential. We have fantastic activities at all three of our libraries (Coolbellup, Spearwood and Success) The theme is **Lost Worlds** and there are lots of fantastic activities: Clay Art, Bridge making, Dinosaur Diorama, Native Animals, Ocean Magic and more.

For further information contact Joan de Castro, Children's Development Officer \$\mathbb{T}\$ 9411 3431 Email jdecastro@cockburn.wa.gov.au

Better Health Program

Free program running at South Lake Leisure Centre, to run Tuesday and Thursdays, commencing 2nd February. For details call 1300 822 953.