Dear Parents and Caregivers

This is a reminder to book a time to meet with your child’s teacher for Parent Interview/Progress Meeting next Wednesday 23rd March. This meeting is a great chance to speak to the teacher on an individual basis. School closes at 11:45 and older children will be joining these meetings to tell you about their goals and how they think they will meet them. For parents of younger children, this is a chance to talk about how you can help your child. Research says that children are more successful if they see that the school and their parents are working together. Teachers have asked for this opportunity in their quest for improvement in student outcomes.

Harmony Day is on Monday. This is always a great day for building our community relationships where children form groups across classes and participate in activities together. This year we will be collecting gold coins to assist Fiji after the devastating cyclone. Please support Harmony Day by sending your child in some article reflecting their colour group so they can feel they are part of our close community.

Our school will be changing to a centrally managed ICT environment. This process will start on March 30 and it means that the school will have no system or internet access for 2 days. Please be patient during this time as there are many advantages to us with this Standard Operating Environment (SOE4). We were very pleased to be told that our school ICT system is in great shape for this implementation.

Our school was identified earlier in the year by the Department of Education for ICT support on a dollar for dollar basis. This is to support the Australian Curriculum and to help us prepare for NAPLAN online. They are providing $31,000 and we are matching that - around $62,000. This is a large one-off allocation and we are really grateful. There are defined items which we can spend the money on. We have ordered 90 ACER Aspire Switch series 2-in-1 devices and two recharging trolleys. These will be used in classes Year 4-6 so teachers can incorporate ICT into their lessons so we can fulfill the requirements of the Australian/West Australian curriculum. We will also be able to provide each block with sufficient recharging and storage devices for the number of devices provided. There will therefore be more iPads which will then be more accessible for the children P-3.

Lyn Beard
Principal
### Congratulations to students who have received an Honour Certificate!

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**Phys Ed**
- Tony Siroli, Drew Hicks

**Art**
- Tatum Donald, Katelyn Abreu, Blake Hicks

**Aussie of the Month**
- Summer Bogetich

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### Lost Glasses

One of our students from B8 has lost his prescription glasses somewhere on school grounds. If you do find them or your child has accidentally taken them home, please return them to the front office. Xavier will be very pleased to have them back.

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### ANZ Tennis Hot-Shot Program

Our students in Years 3-6 are presently involved in PE lessons completing this Program at South Coogee PS. This is a National Tennis Program supported by Tennis Australia and the Australian Sports Commission. South Coogee PS is a **registered school** with the Sports Commission. Parents as per last year if you wish for your child to receive a free 'T-shirt' then log into [hotshots.tennis.com.au/claim](http://hotshots.tennis.com.au/claim). You can only claim your free 'T-shirt' if you didn't register last year or before. Our students are really enjoying their tennis lessons at school.

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### Lacrosse WA–2016

I have registered South Coogee PS into this Program for Term One in Weeks 8, 9 and 10. Anna Forrest (Development Officer), will be visiting our school to teach the game of 'Modcrosse' to our Year 4-6 Classes on each Wednesday. This is a new initiative and we are looking forward to our students learning new skills with this modified lacrosse program. It should be very exciting!

GARY GOUGH
PE/ SPORT TEACHER

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### Uniform Shop

Open every Tuesday morning after school drop off.

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### Breakfast Club

Open every Monday, Tuesday and Fridays in the Coastlands wet area.

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### School Voluntary Contributions

$60.00 per child

Banking information for Direct Deposit

- **BSB**: 016 454
- **Account No**: 3408 68105
- **Account Name**: South Coogee Primary School
- **Reference**: Please use your family name as the reference

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Achieve.  
Respect.  
Inspire.
Clean Up Your School

Last Friday, the Year Two classes (B1, B2 and B3) and Year 5 students from W2 participated in the Clean Up Your School Day. Teachers Miss Simon, Mrs Sputore (who supplied additional gloves), Mrs Newman and Mr Wheatley assisted students as they enthusiastically competed to fill their bags with the most rubbish. Well done students, our school looks beautiful!

Design and Technology

Ahoy Me Hearties!

This term, students in junior primary have been investigating technologies that harness wind energy. Last week the students put the finishing touches on their model rafts and set sail. The maiden voyage was part of a testing phase in which students measured the performance of their rafts and identified ways the designs could be improved.

This week our young students are heading for the skies. After completing a set of experiments to better understand wind resistance they will be set to task to design, build and test their own mini parachutes.

Good luck and safe landings!

Mrs Sputore

Nature Play….we need your help!

Following the success of creating nature play for our Early Childhood Years, we are looking to establish an exciting area for the rest of the school to enjoy. We need your help to get this important project off and out of the ground.

Research shows that nature play has a positive impact on students’ learning. It is proven to promote physical activity, encourage social interaction and support creativity and problem solving.

We are looking for enthusiastic people, who don’t mind getting their hands dirty, to be involved with the coordination; planning, possible fundraising and construction of the nature play area. We are especially keen to hear from people with gardening, landscaping, carpentry and/or construction experience as well as those people that are eager to lend a helping hand.

If this sounds like you, please email andrew.mcnamara@education.wa.edu.au providing a short summary of the skills and/or experience that you could bring to the project.

Check out these links for further information and inspiration:
http://www.booragoonps.wa.edu.au/nature-play/
http://www.natureplaywa.org.au/

Thank you!

We would like to give special thanks to Signarama Rockingham for donating a Daycare Parking sign in our Early Childhood area. www.signarama.com.au/rockingham

Also to Adrian Watkins for donating his time and professional photography skills to the school. Adrian answered our call in regards to budding photographers needed in our newsletter a couple of weeks ago and came to our rescue w.a.s.photography@Hotmail.com

1 or 2 days a week doesn’t seem much but.........

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How about 10 minutes late a day? Surely that won’t affect my child?

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Every Day Counts

If you want your child to be successful at school then YES, attendance does matter!

Our Progress Meetings for Pre Primary to Year 6 are on
Wednesday the 23rd March from 12.00-5.00pm
(Please note: the school day finishes at 11.45am on the 23rd March).
Follow the information below to book in your timeslot with your child’s teacher.

Go to www.schoolinterview.com.au and follow these simple instructions.

1. Register
2. Choose teachers
3. Choose times

When you finish, you can either print your interview timetable or email it to yourself. If you don’t receive an email, go to your junk mail folder.

Go to www.schoolinterview.com.au and change your intanties until bookings are closed by the school.

- If you do not have internet access, please contact your child’s class teacher to make a booking.
- If there are no suitable times available on the schedule for a specific teacher or you are not available on this day and would like a meeting, please contact the classroom teacher directly to arrange an alternate meeting time outside the allocated schedule.
- Bookings close on the 21st March at 3pm.
- If you need to cancel or alter the booking after the 21st March, please inform your classroom teacher directly.
Approved Specialist Program Testing

Melville Senior High School invites applications for three Approved Specialist Programs in 2017. Applications close on 22 March 2016.

Aviation
- Two moving flight simulators
- Students can undertake flying training with qualified instructors

Graphic Design Media
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For full details of testing and application visit www.melville.wa.edu.au or phone 9330 0390

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Mr Stapleton
Secondary Teacher of the Year
WA Education Awards 2015

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creating healthy communities

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Four weekly 2-hour sessions include:
- Guide to healthy eating, nutrition basics and food label reading
- Menu planning, recipe modification and portion sizes
- Food budgeting and shopping skills
- Food hygiene, storage and safety
- Cooking skills
- A light lunch

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4 x 2 hour weekly sessions
Thursdays 17 March—7 April
11-1pm
South Lake Ottey Centre
2A South Lake Drive/ car Berrigan Drive

BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL $2 donation
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Email: beactive@cockburn.wa.gov.au

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