Dear Parents and Caregivers

Progress Meetings:
Teachers conducted Progress meetings last term and thought they were very successful. A survey is being sent out with the newsletter to gauge how useful parents felt they were. This is the first time we have used these in Term 1 as a strategy for parents to be able to support their child’s learning during the year. A second Progress meeting will be held in Term 3 on September 7th.

www.surveymonkey.com/r/C9PY3JM

Parents are still encouraged to make appointments with the class teacher for longer meetings. Time before school is for preparation and dialogue with students, and not for discussions about individual progress.

Attendance: It’s not OK to stay away!
We have 24 students in the ‘Indicated’ at risk category due to taking holidays during school time. Every school day is an important day for continuity of learning. Where possible please ensure that holidays are taken during scheduled holiday times.

It is really important that if students are going to be absent from school that an explanation is provided as this is recorded. We currently also have 51 students who are in the ‘at risk’ categories with unexplained absences. Please update our records with the front office if your child has unexplained absences.

Board meeting:
The next Board Meeting will be held on June 14th and will be an open meeting. The school’s business plan 2016-2018 is now on our website.

Arts program:
This program seems to be working well. All but 3 students are attending Edu-dance from Years 2, 4 and 6. All Year 3 students attended the ballet ‘Beauty and the Beast’ yesterday as part of our whole school Arts Program.

Succession Planning:
As part of my responsibility as principal, I must ensure sustainability for both the school’s administration and for administrator’s roles in the system. Each year I ask for expressions of interest from staff to take long or short terms in an administration role. We then mentor them in administration roles. During the time they are in the office, we work hard to ensure quality and consistency in the teachers who relieve them in the classroom.

Mrs Annette Anderson has formally announced her retirement. We thank her for her services to the students at South Coogee Primary School. Ms Andrea Doherty will continue to teach C4 till the end of the year.

Uniforms:
Thank you to parents who support our school by sending their children in the correct school uniform. Our school and therefore your children are judged in the community by the way our students present themselves. Parents may choose to buy plain navy blue jumpers (not hoodies) or navy blue track suit pants to reduce costs. These are available from several chain stores.

Lyn Beard
Principal

2017 Kindergarten and Pre Primary
We are currently taking enrolment applications for Kindergarten and Pre Primary 2017. Please let your friends and family know if they have young children.

New Enrolment applications require the following documents:

- Birth Certificate
- Immunisation Records
- Proof of Address (Current utilities bill or lease agreement)

If your child is currently enrolled at South Coogee Kindergarten 2016 and is enrolling in Pre Primary 2017 you should have received a letter from the office. Please ensure this is completed and returned to the front office as soon as possible.

Applications close on the 31ˢᵗ July.
From The Art Room
Please spread the word to relatives, neighbours etc...
Till 2017, we are collecting clean plastic lids/bottle tops... ANY size, shape and colour.

The GREEN, labelled, collection bin is found in the grassed area between the Admin and Staffroom blocks.
2017 will see an Up-Cycling Art-work being created for the proposed Nature Play Area.

ALSO
Does anyone have a clean sheet of corrugated metal that they don’t need and would be happy to donate it to the Art room? If so, please see me or leave your details at the front office and I will contact you.

Thank you,
Yvonne Bux
Art Teacher

Visual Arts And Physical Education
Congratulation to Bella Lyons and Jasmine Moura-Saiote, both from W5, for being selected as the winning entries to be submitted to the 2016 Design a Football Jumper Competition run by the W.A.F.C. and Sekem. Their designs will go into a state run competition being judged by the sponsors. The winning designs for both metropolitan and country schools will be made into a school set of football jumpers.

The quality of designs from our senior classes was of a very high standard. Acknowledgement and congratulations are also extended to our Finalists-
Carolenna Rogers W1, Tiana Garbin W2, Brady Mazzuchelli W4 and Catherine Abfah W5.

Another successful and enjoyable collaboration by these two Learning Areas.

Yvonne Bux Gary Gough
Art Teacher Physical Education & Health Teacher

Resources To Support Safe Online Privacy Practices
The Office of the Australian Information Commissioner, which regulates Australia’s Privacy Act, has developed Ten Privacy Tips for Parents to educate Australian youth and parents about their rights, and how to protect personal identity and data online. The resource has been developed for this year’s Privacy Awareness Week (15 to 21 May) and target children aged 10 to 15 years. Below is the helpful link.


Wanted
If you have any unwanted old t-shirts or fabric Mrs Sputore would be happy to take these off your hands.

Donations can be dropped off to the front office.

Congratulations
Well done to Brandon Jaskula who secured a spot in Graphic Design at Melville Senior High School in 2017 and Brooke Oxwell on getting her Black Belt at TaeKwon Do. Well done!
Paper Plane Competition

3 Divisions
Division 1: Years 1 and 2
Division 2: Years 3 and 4
Division 3: Years 5 and 6

Winners to be awarded at Assembly

Heats will be held at Play-lunch in the undercover area.

June 14th – Division 1    June 15th – Division 2    June 16th – Division 3

50c per Throw. You can enter as many planes as you like.
Money raised will go to the nature playground and year 6 ‘End of Year’ celebrations.

Pru is coming to South Coogee Primary School

Pru is coming to talk to us about the Commonwealth Bank School Banking program.

The School Banking program includes an exciting and exclusive Rewards Program that encourages students to get into the habit of saving regularly.

Every time your child makes a deposit at school they receive a silver Dollarmites token. Once students have individually collected 10 tokens they can redeem them for an exclusive School Banking reward item in recognition of their regular savings habits.

Pru will be excited to see you all at assembly on Friday 17th June.

Remember, School Banking day is every Thursday 8:30-8:50.

We will be holding an Account Opening Session straight after the assembly in the library.

If you are interested in opening a Commonwealth Bank Youthsaver account for your child please bring along your current driver’s licence or another form of photographic identification.

**Colouring Competition:** Collect a colouring sheet from the library, colour and return to the drop box in the office before Thursday 16th June for your chance to win a prize!
Jervoise Bay Sea Scout Group

If you are interested in adventure, fun and the outdoors then look no further than Scouting! Your local group is Jervoise Bay Sea Scout Group who meet in the Coogee Agricultural Hall. There are three sections that meet weekly during term time: Joeys for 6-8 year olds, Cubs for 8-11 year olds and Scouts for 11-14 year olds. Come along and see if Scouting is for you, you can have a 4 week trial with no commitment because we want you to love it as much as we do! Call Alison on 0412100143 or email alisonmiles@iinet.net.au for more information.

Alison Abel
Group Leader Jervoise Bay Sea Scout Group

WINTER DONATIONS NEEDED URGENTLY

WE ARE IN URGENT NEED OF
SLEEPING BAGS, SWAGS, BLANKETS,
BEANIES, SOCKS, TOILETRIES, JUMPERS,
JACKETS AND WARM CLOTHES
FOR THOSE WHO ARE HOMELESS DURING
the upcoming
Fremantle Registry Week 2016

Please DROP into the office at Housing Services
(Stan Reily) 94 South Terrace FREMANTLE

Your support is most appreciated!!!

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