Hi everyone!

What a fantastic start to the New Year it has been! Our classes are already buzzing with energy and learning and it is a pleasure to see! We continue to have a priority around READING this year. Our classes have already begun daily Guided Reading lessons across Years 1-6 for half an hour every day. Guided Reading is small group direct instruction at skill level with an adult per every 6/7 children. Reading and comprehension remain our two key focus areas for learning and we really need your support.

You may have already seen the Home Reading Log and Parent Letter that have been sent home about our home reading program. Every day your child should engage in a reading experience with you. It could be a home reader. It could be reading a menu at a restaurant. It could be someone reading to them. We are asking that each day you read something with your child. This way we are all supporting our young and learning readers to be the best readers they can be!

If you haven’t yet received your Home Reading Log yet please contact your child’s teacher (Prep students will receive theirs next week). Read the information inside and learn about the strategies we use here at school to help our students with their reading.

Coming up next week is our first Early Years Parent Ready Reader Sessions for parents of children in Years 1-2. We will hold one for Prep parents later in the term and are committed to continuing to run these sessions for parents across the year. A flyer went home yesterday for next week’s session but please call the office any time for information or to register. Places are limited so please call ASAP!

Thanks and happy reading!
Bec Rayner
Dear Students, Parents and Friends.

It is a delight to be writing to you at the end of what has been a brilliant beginning fortnight at Coolnwynpin State School. I have been so proud of the way our students have embraced the new year and their learning. Keep up this brilliant work everyone.

As we progress through 2016 you will no doubt hear a lot of information coming out of our school about reading, numeracy and attendance. These three areas are our strategic priority areas of 2016. We look forward to sharing with you our exciting programs which target the development of each core priority above.

Later in this term we will be receiving a school review. The purpose of this review is to provide feedback on the school’s strengths and to offer guidance in regards to making our school even better than it already is. I look forward to many of you being involved in this review.

**After School Care - Jabiru Community Kids**  
We again have Jabiru Community Kids operating our Outside School Hours Care Program. I have been pleased to see the development of their program over the past two years and look forward to continued enhancements as 2016 progresses.

Late last year I met with Jabiru’s General Manager, Gerard Dowling, to discuss their annual fee increases. I am pleased to report that through discussions and negotiations I have been able to work with Gerard and his team to ensure that fees at the centre remain fixed at 2015 prices for all of 2016. Thank you Jabiru for hearing my feedback and putting in place a price freeze that supports the Coolnwynpin Community.

To support the Jabiru Service, if you are going to be booking your child into After School Care as a ‘last minute’ casual booking please also contact our school administration office so we can help to inform your child and their teacher of any changes to their ‘going home routine’.

**Before School Routines.**  
Before school we have duty staff on duty from 8:15am. Please try not to have your child at school before 8:30am. All children who arrive at school before the first bell (8:45am) are to wait in the Undercover Areas (CPA1 and CPA2). If parents wish to wait with children they may do so in the covered areas. There should be nobody waiting out the front of classrooms.

Before school children may engage in quiet activities while seated in the covered areas. This might include: a quiet chat, reading, colouring etc.

Many thanks for your assistance with this matter.

Have a wonderful weekend and if I can be of any assistance please don’t hesitate to call the school to make a time to see me.

Kind Regards

Mick Lawrance  
Principal

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**Coolnwynpin State School Early Years Ready Reader Parent Session**

You are invited to a very special FREE session for parents/carers. If you would like to know how to help your child learn to be the best reader they can be, here is a fantastic opportunity for you! Come along and learn the simple but effective reading support strategies to use when reading with your child in a fun, informal session as part of our fantastic Coolnwynpin Community.

**DATE:** FRIDAY FEBRUARY 12th  
**TIME:** 9.00 - 10.00 followed by Morning Tea (provided)  
Families with young children welcome to attend :)  
Place are strictly limited. RSVP to the office to secure your place ASAP  
Ph: 3906 4333

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**Our Positive Behaviour for Learning goal for the coming week is:**

*We are respectful when using electronics in the school.*
FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL

It is wonderful to be back at Coolwynpin State School, to work alongside the dedicated staff and support each student and their family through the schooling journey. The students have settled in very well with their new classes and teachers. It is great to see them being safe, respectful learners in the playground and at lunch times. Well done students!

Attendance
Over the next few weeks we will be sending home some information about Attendance and we will be seeking some input from you so that we collectively can support each student attending on time each day. There is a strong body of research that shows the correlation between attendance and academic achievements. Attendance is crucial to your child’s learning. We look forward to working with the community in supporting greater attendance at Coolwynpin State School.

Parent Information Afternoon
A letter went home on Tuesday inviting all parents and guardians to the Parent information afternoon next week on Wednesday 10 February. This is an invitation to all our parents and guardians to come along and meet your child’s teacher. This is a wonderful opportunity for you to get to know the teacher and how they run their classroom. The teachers will be explaining the Units of work that your child will be doing this term and the processes around assessment and reporting. It is a great time to meet face-to-face and exchange contact information. If you wish to discuss your child, then please make an appointment for another time to have a conversation with your child’s teacher.

Date: Wednesday 10 February 2016
Where: Your child’s classroom

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Siany Daley
Deputy Principal

Loading Zones – Drop off/Pick Up areas
The success of loading zones requires cooperation from all motorists using it to ensure quick movement of vehicles through the area.

Please observe any time frames on the sign (see example) and only stay in the area for as long as it takes to get the children in to or out of the car within a two minute timeframe. The driver must not park the car in these signed areas and go into the school with the children or to pick up their children.

This area is designed to keep the vehicles moving. It is there for the convenience of ALL motorists.

Please do
Plan your trip to avoid arrival at peak times
Pick-up or drop-off children via the car’s kerb doors
Drive out safely
Talk to your children about what time to be there a not to stray or wander away
If your children are not at your arranged spot, go around the block and try again

Do not
Get out of your vehicle
Double park
Stay more than 2 minutes
Arrive early in the afternoon and sit in the zone
Use staff parking areas

Road Safety is Everyone’s Responsibility. If you would like more information on this or any other road/child/bike safety or other transport issue, please phone your local Road Safety Office on 1300 360 135.

Class Roll Marking
The class rolls are marked electronically at 8.55am and 1.45pm each day.
If your child arrives at school after the bell at 8.55am, they MUST report to the school office. The late entry will be entered directly onto OneSchool and the student will be given a Late Slip to hand to the teacher. Should your child be departing school before 3pm, the parent/guardian MUST report to the office to collect an Early Departure slip to hand to the teacher when the child is collected from the classroom.

Student Absence Line – 3906 4360 - Please call the Student Absence Line to leave a message if your child is unable to attend school. The Office Staff will enter the reason for the absence so the teacher is able to see the reason your child is absent.

FROM THE BUSINESS SERVICES MANAGER

2016 Booklist Supplies
If you are unable to supply your child with all of the booklist items required in their classroom, please let the teacher or Office staff know as soon as possible. Capalaba Community Centre has kindly donated items for families in difficult circumstances, which include general stationery, exercise books, school bags, lunch boxes, etc.

Student absence Line
39064360
Welcome back to the 2016 School Year. It has been wonderful to see the smooth transition that our students have made into their new year levels. School routines are being established. Please check with your child/ren on the resources that they need for each new day. Water bottles and Hats are a must at the moment. Timetables of specialist lessons will be discussed during the “meet the Teacher” evening.

This year I am privileged to continue my acting roles of both HOC and STLaN. Curriculum wise I am very excited to announce that the Life Education Team and Harold the Giraffe will be visiting;

Mrs Julie Sutton

Coolnwynpin State School

From Wednesday 8th March to Tuesday 15th March, 2016.

WHAT IS LIFE EDUCATION?

Life Education motivates and empowers young people to make smart life choices for a healthy future.

MODULE: ‘HAROLD’S SURPRISE’ – PREP A, PREP B AND PREP C
Harold and the class are invited to possum’s party in the park. On the way they become aware of and develop appreciation of their bodies, discuss the importance of healthy food choices and exercise, safety in the environment and identify how people grow and change.

MODULE: ‘CLUED UP’ – YEAR 1A, 1B AND P/1S
The Children help Harold investigate the disappearance of his friend Cocky. Through being detectives and solving the mystery, they learn about friendship, healthy food choices, safe and unsafe living and cooperation.

The class joins Harold and his friends on a mystery tour where they experience an ‘Amazing Body Adventure.’ The children explore appropriate remedies when feeling sick, issues of safety and ways to cope when feeling pressured.

MODULE: ‘HAROLD’S HEROES’ – YEAR 3
The children join Harold’s superhero team to make the world a safer, healthier place for everyone. Throughout the mission they discover the importance of clean air, safe use of medicine and safety in the environment.

MODULE: ‘ALL SYSTEMS GO’ – YEARS 3-4
Inside a futuristic machine ‘The Venture’, the Captain and his crew take the class on a tour of the human body. Travelling through the blood we explore the functions of various body parts and how magnificent the human body really is. The students discuss issues and engage in activities centered on peer pressure, second hand smoking, safety with medicines, factors that influence the function of body systems.

MODULE: ‘bCYBERWISE’ – YEARS 4-5 B & 5A
The Children explore netiquette; (Internet etiquette) and Cybersafety issues through roleplay and interactive activities. They explore how to establish positive respectful relationships and to report negative experiences to a responsible adult that they trust.

MODULE: ‘MIND YOUR MEDICINE’ – YEAR 4-5-6 M
The children develop an understanding and gain information on legal drugs, their effects on physical development and their potential for harm. The program encompasses risk-taking, responding to pressure and recognising harmful situations.

MODULE: ‘IT’S YOUR CALL’ – YEAR 6
Students clarify the definition of a drug; explore risks associated with the use of legal drugs and the short and long term consequences of misuse. They examine the decision-making process, and develop strategies for dealing with pressure situations including digital media.

Come and learn what Life Education is all about –

F R E E  L I F E  E D U C A T I O N  P A R E N T S  I N F O R M A T I O N  S E S S I O N
TO BE HELD ON Wednesday 8th March, 2016 AT 2 p.m. IN THE LIFE EDUCATION VAN

[Parents Name]

☐ I will be attending ☐ I cannot attend (Please tick the appropriate box)

PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM TO THE SCHOOL OFFICE TO REGISTER YOUR INTEREST IN THE PARENT SESSION
"The Arts" Department.

What a great start we’ve had to 2016! Students have already started their creative juices flowing with Music and Media Arts lessons in our new Arts Room. Next week is the first week of choral activities and we will be introducing two new choirs to Coolwynpin. Along with our junior choir (for Prep to Yr 2) we will have a senior performance choir and a senior recreational choir (for Years 3-6). Junior Choir rehearsals will be commencing Wednesday 10/2/16 after morning tea and all students in Prep to year 2 are welcome.

I look forward to seeing some shining stars in our choirs this year!

Lisa Rose Arts/Music teacher

Prep B Report

WOW! What a busy few days we have had in Prep B, so much to do and learn! We have started our journey together learning important things such as where our bags go, where we eat and other important parts of big school life like our rules and expectations. As well as making lots of new friends, we have been creating a warm and caring classroom. We have started to begin our focus on letters, sounds, numbers and counting as well as exploring our personal history and our senses in science, we will continue to focus on this and other concepts throughout the term. We have been lucky enough to have already had a visit to the library, P.E as well as a few visits with Mrs Rose for music, arts and media. These have been incredibly exciting for us. In Prep B we have a focus on having fun while learning and always trying our very best, our class motto is “it’s ok not to know but it’s not ok not to try”. We look forward to having a wonderful year together learning and growing.

Miss Hunting, Prep B.

Prep C Report

Welcome to Prep C 2016! It’s been a busy start to the new school year but very exciting meeting lots of new faces and getting to know our class. The two class teachers are Jessica Price – Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday and Melissa Moreton on a Thursday and Friday.

In our class we have been working on having good routines to ensure the children know what is happening when. This term we have a big focus on learning letters and the sounds that are associated with them and we have already begun this work.

The children are being exposed to a range of learning experiences around literacy and numeracy in exciting and interactive ways.

It’s been lovely to meet with so many parents and we look forward to a wonderful 2016 with your children.

Jessica Price and Melissa Moreton

Prep A Report

Welcome to all our new Prep A parents! This term we have started by learning the school rules and expectations as well as meeting new friends and becoming more independent. It is great to see so many children being responsible for their own things e.g. school bags, reading, drink bottles and notices for teachers. Prep A have been very busy already! Social Development is an important part of our learning in prep so all students are given the opportunity to speak, listen, share, co-operate, help others, make decisions and to take turns. We are learning to read, write and recognise letters, sounds and numbers. As the term progresses, we will be also focusing on FairyTales during our literacy sessions. In Maths, colours, patterns, counting, sorting and classifying and recognizing and writing numbers will be our focus. In History we will be focusing on families and in science we will be using our senses to investigate the needs of living things. These areas will be continually revisited to ensure the children consolidate their learning.

The Specialist teaching programs have begun with all children attending Music on Monday, Library on Tuesday and PE and Media studies on Wednesday.

Do not hesitate to contact me regarding your child and I look forward to working with you and your child this year.

Katrina Dennis, Prep A
COOL SCHOOL KOALA CAFE NEWS

The two Tuckshop Convenor positions advertised in 2015 have been filled and the successful applicants are Lisa Kirk and Anne Murphy. Thank you to everyone who applied for these positions.

The new menu is currently being finalised and online orders will not be taken until Thursday 18 February. Next Thursday (11th) and Friday (12th) ONLY, the tuckshop will be offering FREE samples of some new menu options and students are welcome to come and try all the different varieties of food on offer and vote on which are their favourites. Slushies will be available on both days for $2 each and Zooper Doopers for 60 cents (full) or 30 cents (half). The tuckshop will continue to operate throughout the school year every Thursday and Friday.

If you’ve ever thought about volunteering for the tuckshop, we’d love to meet you. Pop in next Thursday, say hi and let us know your availability, whether that’s for an hour or just for 10 minutes. Volunteering in the tuckshop is a great way to network with other parents from the school, find out what's happening within the school community, provide a valuable service to the students as well as just taking time out for a cuppa and a chat. Whether you can cook, bake, make sandwiches, fill orders or just stick lunch order labels to the paper bags, we’d love to see you. Any help is welcome.

Please Note: If you already have an online account with the Our Online Canteen, please update your child’s class details for 2016. This will ensure that their food is delivered to the correct room.

Stay tuned for an updated menu coming very soon as well as an opportunity for parents and students to have your say in a small survey about what you’d like to see on the menu. We’re going to be bringing some exciting new, delicious items to this year’s menu as well as theme days, a special staff menu and chances for the children to win vouchers to purchase their tuckshop. We look forward to servicing the Cool School community in 2016.

Lisa Kirk & Anne Murphy

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After school Chinese Class
3:15-4:15pm, Monday (could change depending on enrolment)
Fee: $12
Please contact Heidi for enrolment information for 2016.
0433 206 988. tongxinchinese@gmail.com
www.tongxin.org.au

We are looking for girls aged 5-7 to join Girl Guides at Capalaba.
We run an energetic program which encourages self confidence, community spirit and leadership.
Our meetings are held Thursdays between 4.30 and 6pm at Holland Crescent Capalaba.
If you have a child interested in joining please call Jenny 0402508822 or email clarke6@bigpond.net.au.

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Contact David Smil, your local Saver Plus Worker: 07 3135 4303 / 0425 333 385
or david.smills@smilefamily.com.au

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We value greatly the support of our local community.