Welcome to Prep!

Welcome to Coolnwynpin State School! We are thrilled to be teaching your son/daughter as they begin this new phase of their life. The Prep teachers for 2015 are: Mrs. Carolyn Theunissen (Prep A), Miss. Vanessa Kelly (Prep B) and Mrs. Julya Richardt (Prep/C). Each year our Prep students enter school with a diverse range of skills and experiences. They are eagerly ready to absorb everything Prep has to offer. You may be surprised at what an intensive learning program Prep has become. Our aim is for every student to reach his / her developmental educational potential by building a strong academic foundation. A student’s academic success is dependent on developmental readiness, a nurturing environment and parental involvement. For the Prep Students at Coolnwynpin State School, 2015 will be an action-packed year. They will learn to read, to problem solve and investigate the world of Geography, History and Science. We believe that teachers and parents should work together to provide challenging and engaging learning experiences. If you have any questions or would like to be involved as a parent volunteer please don’t hesitate to contact your child’s classroom teacher. We hope you have a great year!
Welcome back to the 2015 school year. I am delighted to be able to welcome so many new families. This first fortnight our school has been a busy place with many new and familiar faces commencing their studies with us.

2015 is a special year as it is the first year that we, and all Qld primary schools, will have no Year 7 students enrolled. Our Year 6 students are now the leaders of our school. Looking upon this group I see many who will and are already stepping up to become great student leaders.

Despite the loss of our Year 7 cohort our school has grown in numbers over the summer break. Our Prep to 6 cohort has increased in size by approximately 9.5%. I welcome the many families who have joined us from overseas, interstate, regional Qld and local schools. I trust you will find your time at Coolnwynpin to be both rewarding and engaging. If there are any questions you have please don’t hesitate to ask any of our friendly and approachable staff.

We look forward to sharing your child’s educational journey with you through 2015. It is important that you keep in regular contact with your child’s teacher and ask any questions you may have. Please also keep an eye out for weekly or fortnightly class updates.

Congratulations to the 64 prep students who have joined our school community this year. Your excitement and enthusiasm towards your new school makes me feel very proud. I have been so pleased to see you all settling in so well and already developing a love of school and learning.

Finally, let me conclude by wishing you all a fabulous year. I know it will be filled with many exciting events, great learning opportunities and the development of new found friendships. If I can be of any assistance or support please don’t hesitate to make contact.

Your Sincerely

Mick Lawrance
Principal

At Coolnwynpin State School
We are Safe
We are Respectful
We are Learners

OUR TOP ATTENDING CLASSES FOR THE TERM

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Next week our positive behaviour learning goal is...

To follow teacher instructions at all times.
Welcome to 2015 and congratulations to all of our fabulous teachers and students for a great start to the year!

In my visits to classes so far, I have seen amazing students and teachers already hard at work in busy, focused classrooms.

A very important part of my role is in working with staff to implement our Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) program. This is a school wide approach to continue to improve and acknowledge positive learning and social behaviours in our school.

As part of this program we have 3 clear school rules:

**We are SAFE, RESPECTFUL LEARNERS**

Your children may tell you that each week, we have a PBL focus lesson [look at the Principal’s page for next week’s lesson]. Teachers explicitly teach expected behaviours so your children can tell you all about what Safe, Respectful Learners look like and sound like here at Coolwynpin State School.

We also acknowledge students for being Safe, Respectful Learners. We have a reward system where students earn stamps/stickers on their Cool School Awards Chart and work towards achieving additional rewards the more stamps/stickers they have.

As the term goes on, please read the Newsletter for PBL updates and news. In the meantime I would like to extend an invitation for parents to contact me any time to discuss your child’s learning or if you have any questions or concerns.

Your Sincerely

Rebecca Rayner

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**Messages or Reminders**

**Beginner Instrumental Music Students** - There will be a special introductory lesson on Monday 2nd February for beginner students. This will cover such things as instrument care and set up. Lessons will be as per the timetable given to students.

**Continuing Instrumental Music Students** - Lessons will commence in week 3 as per the timetable given to students. Before school rehearsals will commence on Monday 16th February at 7.50am. Please return loan agreement forms urgently.

**School Absences**

We would like advise our new parents/caregivers that the Student Absence Line phone number is 3906 4360. Please use this number to advise of any student absences. This message is recorded so please leave your name, your child’s name and class, the date and the reason the for absence.

**Student Banking**

Student Banking has commenced on Wednesday mornings again this week and it was pleasing to see some of our new students banking. The school banking program teaches children smart saving habits and life-long money skills.

Any student can join the school banking program. All your child needs is a Youthsaver Account with the Commonwealth Bank. If you don’t have a Youthsaver account and would like to start banking, call in to any branch of the Commonwealth Bank with some identification and they will assist you to open an account, or pick up an Application Form from the school office.

There are a range of new reward items available for regular savers. This year they are: Scented Pencils 4 Pack, Planet Handball, Shark Plush Toy Keyring, Moneybox Pat, Pru or Spen, Swimming Bag, Projector cup with flashing coloured lights, Sea Streamers, Knuckles Game, Headphones, Blue Wallet, Beachball, Ruler, and ET DVD. Some samples are available in the office to help your child decide.

If you have an hour or so spare on a Wednesday morning once a fortnight, and would like to volunteer to assist with the Student Banking, please contact Jayne or Jenny in the office. No experience required.

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**MASTER TEACHER**

Hello, my name is Tamara Hansen and I am so very happy to be here at this great school. Everyone has made me feel so welcome and I am really excited to begin working with all of the students and teachers. My role at the school will be to work alongside our fabulous teachers and to support the already fantastic Literacy and Numeracy Programs. I have come from Ormiston State School, where I had recently been on a year 2 class. I have had the privilege over my 26 years of teaching to undertake many roles. I am so very fortunate to have this Master Teacher Role and can’t wait to begin learning more about Coolwynpin State School.

Tamara Hansen
Master Teacher
Welcome to an exciting year ahead at Coolnwynpin State School. This year we have yet again fantastic and dedicated staff supporting our students requiring additional learning support needs, with only a few staff changes.

We welcome back Mrs Janice Selway, who has returned from leave, and Mrs Lyn Goldsmith who are ‘team teaching’ in the Intensive Learning Program (ILP1). Mrs Selway is teaching Monday to Wednesday and Mrs Goldsmith Thursday to Friday. Coolnwynpin is also fortunate to have Mrs Goldsmith here in the first half of the week in the role of Support Teacher – Literacy and Numeracy. Mrs Anne Marshall is continuing with the other Intensive Learning Program (ILP2). Both programs are based in C Block with the teachers and teacher-aides working closely with each student’s classroom teacher to align program content and learning goals. Our amazing teacher-aides, Mrs Cleary, Ms Bunkum, Mrs Peterman, Mrs Bree, Ms Sullivan, Mrs Cullen and Ms McDonald, are continuing to work closely with the teachers and students providing additional learning and wellbeing assistance for our students.

Mrs Susan Byrnes is continuing to provide a speech language pathology service to the school. Teachers are able to make referrals to the school’s special needs committee in regard to this service. Our Guidance Officer, Ms Sonya Stevens, will attend the school each Thursday.

Please also feel welcome to request a meeting with me should you wish to discuss your child’s progress or support needs.

Sincerely
Robyn Lloyd (Head of Special Education Services)

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**HOC SPOT**

**Seven Steps for Writing**

One of our school priorities is improving students writing skills. At the moment the focus is on writing interesting narratives (stories) and persuasive texts.

One of the resources we are using to do this is called ‘Seven Steps to Writing Success’. The idea is that writing is broken down into seven main sections.

Something like when we learn to do something new. We learn well by learning the skills individually and then they are practised over and over again until it becomes the natural thing to do and we can apply all the skills together to do the task from start to finish.

**The Seven Steps are:**

- Plan for Success
- Sizzling Starts
- Tightening Tension
- Dynamic Dialogue
- Show, Don’t Tell
- Ban the Boring
- Exciting Endings.

We have developed a scope and sequence for Semester 1 where the whole of the school will focus on the same step at the same time. Each newsletter will feature the school focus.

We are super excited to see the awesome pieces of writing the students come up with.

In the meantime you might like to download an app called ‘story dice’ that will help generate ideas around step 1, Plan for Success. Have a chat with your child about how the images can connect, what is the most outlandish thing they can think of, how does it end?

Most of all, have fun with it, tell stories and let’s get excited about writing.

Briohny Cuskelly
**PREP REPORT**

Our First Week in Prep!!!

This has been a very exciting and busy week for our Prep students. Thank you to everyone for your efforts in ensuring a great start to the year. We are sure you’ll agree that the move from kindergarten to Prep has been very successful and students have had a great week. It is a pleasure to be greeted by so many enthusiastic and keen children. They have settled well into their classrooms and have enjoyed participating in many different activities. Prep students have been learning about their teacher, classrooms, school rules and developing fine motor skills. They have taken a school tour and learnt where the important places are, such as the tuckshop, bathroom and Prep playground. We are looking forward to a fantastic year with our new Preps.

**YEAR 2 REPORT**

*Year 2 - Wildlife Warriors*

Lori was found in the garden near the staffroom stunned and unable to fly. Mrs Reimer carefully picked up the small baby lorikeet and placed it into a cardboard box. Later in the day Mrs Reimer bought Lori to the year 2 classrooms and we could see it needed caring for. Mrs Cameron took the lorikeet home to care for it. Lori is playful and cheeky and is still regaining his strength. Year 2A and 2B have now adopted Lori and enjoy receiving regular updates. Welcome to all students and their families. We have had an exciting start to 2015 in our lovely large airy rooms. The students are enjoying using their new reading corners and the larger learning spaces.

**YEAR 4 REPORT**

*A Healthy Start for a new year.* There are lots of ways to try and be fit and healthy. Year 4 and Year 4/5 have started the year by brainstorming their ideas of how everyone can improve their health. The classes combined to work in small groups with students writing their ideas of what being healthy meant to them.

“To be healthy you have to drink water, exercise and get some rest! Sprinting is also good for you and eating a healthy lunch.” - Ethan and Byron.

“Being healthy means exercising, drinking water and eating fruit and vegetables.” - Rachael, Kurt and Samantha.

“If living healthy is what you want, why not start with a healthy lunch?” – Ngarimu and Hollie
**Coolnwynpin State School - Sport Calendar 2015**

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**Interschool sport—Tuesday Carnivals—years 4-7**

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**Coolnwynpin Cross Country—Senior Carnival**

Coolnwynpin Cross Country—Junior Carnival

Coolnwynpin Track and Field Carnival

Junior Athletics Carnival

Coolnwynpin Swimming Carnival

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Welcome to the first term back for 2015. We hope that you all had a very merry xmas and a great start to the new year.

TUCKSHOP NEWS - Due to staffing issues, the tuckshop will be opening in Week 4 of Term 1, the first day being Thursday 19th February.

We are looking for a new Tuckshop Assistant to work 5 hours per week, with some volunteer hours included as well as special events. If you would like to put forward an Expression of Interest please complete a 1 page letter outlining your experience and availability and hand it to the office or send to pandc@coolwynss.eq.edu.au by Tuesday 10th February.

FACEBOOK GROUP - Please feel free to join our Facebook page at Coolwynpin Community, a great way to access the parent network and to keep informed.

MEMBERSHIPS - The P&C have monthly meetings on the 3rd Monday of every month at the Capalaba Sports Club at 6.30pm. Meetings go for an hour. If you would like to receive amazing information about the school, including principal’s report and all minutes from meetings via email please download the membership form from the Facebook page and hand into the office. This will also give you the right to vote on issues that are important to you and your children.

AGM - The current P&C executive have been in place for 2 years now and will be stepping down from their roles at the AGM being held on the 30th March 2015 @ Capalaba Sports Club, 6.30pm -7pm, this meeting will be followed by the Annual General Meeting which will conclude at 8pm. Anyone wishing to nominate for the posi1gS-Gons of President, Vice President, Treasurer or Secretary and would like more information about the positions please call Michelle Daly on 0418 184 105 or email pandc@coolwynss.eq.edu.au. We have all enjoyed our 1gS-Gme on the execu1gS-Gve commi1gS7Gee and are looking forward to suppor1gS-Gng the incoming executive in any way possible.

2ND HAND UNIFORMS - Just a reminder that the P&C is happy to receive used uniform items that you no longer need. We are particularly in need of shirts of all sizes. Any questions regarding 2nd hand uniforms can be directed to Angela Calder via the face book page.

SCHOOL FETE BY GENEVIEVE – "It's 2015 and time for the Koala Fair, October the 11th is the date and we want you to be there, Come join my planning team, it'll be great you see, Coz at Coolwynpin State School we're part of a special community!"

I NEED YOUR HELP!

Committee Positions:
Convenor: Filled
Assistant Convenor: Filled
Donations/Sponsorship Coordinator: Filled
Advertising Coordinator: Filled
Food Coordinator: AVAILABLE
Class Coordinator: AVAILABLE
Entertainment Coordinator: AVAILABLE
Stalls Coordinator: AVAILABLE

To join my amazing team or if you have any questions please contact me (Genevieve Nitins) via 0421 184 634, gnitins@hotmail.com or via the Coolwynpin Community Facebook Page.

Throughout the coming months you will be hearing further details about this exciting event. Watch this space!
**Thinking of playing NETBALL?**

It’s not that far away!

**Come and join LORIKEETS NETBALL CLUB**

All ages welcome from 7yrs to 18yrs

**SIGN-ON DAY: Sat 7th Feb 9am-1pm - Pinklands**

Bring a friend and have some fun.

For further information and registration forms, contact the Club at lorikeetsnetball@gmail.com

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**LITTLE KICKERS**

Little Kickers runs soccer classes for children aged 18 months up to 7 years within the multi-purpose hall at Coolnwynpin State School on Saturday mornings.

The Little Kickers program is an ever-evolving quest to teach fundamental soccer techniques and invaluable social skills like listening, sharing, taking turns and teamwork in a vibrant and fun group play environment. We also place as much emphasis on simple learning concepts like colours and numbers as we do on fine-tuning a child’s basic balance, agility and coordination.

Our classes run all throughout the year (except for public holidays).

Our Mega Kickers classes are run on the school oval (although we can play inside on hot or wet days) and are focussed on teaching correct soccer skills with a mini match played at the end of the session. Heaps of fun!

We offer FREE trials, so please contact us on 3901 4749 or email lscott@littlekickers.com.au to book in today!

For more information feel free to check out our website at www.littlekickers.com.au or call our Hotline 3901 4749.

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**Mooroondu FC (Soccer) - Sign on now open!**

At Mooroondu FC we are all about playing soccer with friends, having fun and learning the skills of our great game.

Sign on is now online at [www.myfootballclub.com.au](http://www.myfootballclub.com.au) and more club info is available at [www.mooroondufc.org.au](http://www.mooroondufc.org.au).

If you have questions, we will be at the clubhouse, William Taylor Fields, Thorneside on Saturday between 2-4pm, or email admin@mooroondufc.org.au

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**JABIRU OSHC**

Welcome back breakfast—Come and meet the Jabiru Service.

Wednesday 11 February 7am to 8am. Drop in and say hi, please RSVP by Monday 9 Feb.

We are located at the top of the Oval near the school hall. We provide a before and after school care, as well as vacation care services which is situated in the school grounds. We collect and drop off all preps and grade ones to their classrooms.

To trial a session for free please see staff at Jabiru and mention this promotional offer. Call 04075860896 for more information.

Thank you, Lynda and staff

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**Primary Music Institute**

Instrumental Music Lessons - Small Group and Private Lessons

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Fortnightly Newsletters through the school term.

Web published on the school’s webpage

One Off – $20.00

Until June 30th - $60.00

For the 2015 School Year $100.00

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