

Windmill Pottery Presents X-mas Holiday Pottery Classes For Kids

Hand Modelling, Clay Glazing & Firing – Family Rates for two or more children.

When: 9 am to 12 noon December 17th, and 20th and

January 6th, 10th, 13th and 17th

Where: Windmill Pottery, 756 Mt Cotton Road, Sheldon.

For bookings and enquiries contact Paul Holland on (07) 3206 2777 or email info@windmillpottery.com.au

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Instrumental Music

On Monday 24 November, the Coolnwynpin State School Concert Band went on tour around the Redlands. Their first stop was Good Start Early Learning Centre in Capalaba, next was Play and Learn at Alexandra Hills. The students all enjoyed playing for the younger children at each Day Care Centre. The band has quite a large repertoire of tunes that they play including: Carnival in Rio, Geronimo, Alpha Squadron, Market in Marrakesh, Gallant March, Music Music Music, Atomic Clock and Santa Comes Marching In. The day was finished off with a lovely lunch at Sizzler in Cleveland.

The Concert Band also performed at the Awards Ceremony on Monday this week, and will be performing in the Christmas Extravaganza Concert on Sunday. This will be the last time the students will all play together, as our senior students will be leaving us to go to high school next year.

The Year 6 and 7 students will be performing at Graduation.



2014 School Improvement Goals

Reading - Numeracy - Writing - Explicit Instruction

COMING EVENTS

5 Dec	Volunteers Morning Tea 10.30 to 11.30am
7 Dec	Christmas Extravaganza 4 – 6 pm
7 Dec	Christmas Concert 6.30 – 7.30pm
9 Dec	Swimming Carnival Years 3 - 7
10 Dec	Principal's PBL Morning Tea
10 Dec	Graduation Year 6/7 6.00 to 8.00pm
11 Dec	End of Year Class Parties
12 Dec	Last day of Term 4
26 Jan	Australia Day Public Holiday
27 Jan	First day Term 1 2015
4 th Feb	Student Banking Commences

From the Principal

Dear Students, Parents and Friends

The end of year is looming and I am overwhelmed by the continued enthusiasm and commitment being shown by our students. Congratulations everyone on working so tirelessly towards being safe and respectful learners.

This Sunday will see the culmination of a massive amount of hard work and effort from our entire school community. From 4:00pm we will be running our End of Year Extravaganza; an event geared to celebrate our 30th anniversary and to likewise bring our community together one last time before the Christmas break. While our P&C have been working towards this, our students and staff have been preparing acts for our end of year Christmas Concert. This will commence from 6:30pm in the hall. I look forward to seeing you all on Sunday afternoon.

Our class structures are almost complete for 2015. On Thursday next week each child will be informed what class they are going into next year. They will also be provided with a small note which will inform parents of the class and classroom teacher. In 2015 it is planned that all Prep to 3 classes will benefit from double teaching spaces.

Finally, let me end by thanking everyone for their continued commitment and dedication towards our school. We have enjoyed pleasing enrolment growth this year and I encourage you to talk with your friends and neighbours who may be new to our area; have them contact us to enquire about enrolling their children at *The Cool School*.

Sincerely



Mick Lawrance - Principal

Lost Property
Please take the time to check the lost property for unnamed items. Lost property is located outside the administration block

Student Absence Line 3906 4360

From the Deputy Principal

Dear Students, Parents and Friends,

It will be a very exciting week next week with our swimming carnival on Tuesday and our end of year celebrations on Thursday!

Thursday we celebrate all those students who have continued to demonstrate what safe, respectful learners they are. We will be hosting our Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) Cool School Awards day celebrations on Thursday morning for all those students who have completed their 3rd reward chart (which is a lot of our wonderful students so far)!

Our staff will run a range of exciting activities such as loom band creations, water play, movie club, e-games, indoor sports and much, much more! It is a fantastic acknowledgement for the great students at our Cool School who have worked exceptionally hard this year to become the best safe, respectful learners they can be!

We are still working on it and this week our PBL focus lesson is on being safe and respectful before school. A reminder for parents that we do have supervision from 8.15 and that students should not arrive at school prior to this time. Upon arrival they should go to and remain at the undercover areas.

Wishing you all a very safe and happy break and New Year!

Sincerely,
Rebecca Rayner - Deputy Principal

From The Business Service Manager

The Coolwypin State School Volunteers' Mo be held tomorrow Friday 5 December from 10.30 to 11.30 on the verandah of our HUB. We hope to see you there. Thank you.

Sandra Penfold – Business Service Manager



Expression of Interest – Temporary Teacher Aides

Applications are invited for 2 temporary contracts for General Teacher Aides at Coolwypin State School, working a minimum of 10 hrs/week. It is anticipated these positions will be created to enhance initiatives around our literacy and numeracy program in 2015.

It is preferable that applicants hold a Certificate III in Education Support or similar qualification. A generic position description and work profile can be collected from the School Office during business hours. Your application should be no more than 2 pages, including qualifications and a brief resume summarising your experience. Enquiries and applications should be addressed to Sandra Penfold, Business Services Manager, by COB Friday 12 December 2014.

Successful applicants will be required to submit, an application for a Working with Children Check to obtain a Paid Employee Blue Card from Blue Card Services, Public Safety Business Agency should paid employment commence. Further information about this process can be obtained at www.bluecard.qld.gov.au

From the Parents and Citizens Association

Christmas Extravaganza-this Sunday the 7th from 4-6pm. Rides, fete type stalls, food and drinks for sale. Even the big bloke in the red suit will be coming with lots of photo opportunities for your families! Spread the word to family and friends. Should be a lovely afternoon, followed by the school Xmas concert at 6.30pm

The weather forecast for this weekend is not looking favourable; however in the event of rain the outside activities will be moved to the undercover areas of the school. Our event will still go ahead!!

Parking for the event will be available in the Callaghan Way and Ney Road car parks plus the local streets. Please be mindful of local residents and do not park across driveways. Show bags still available to pre-order at the office until school closure on Friday.

As a reminder, the event on Sunday is CASH ONLY. Please note an ATM will NOT BE available on site.

The organising committee consisting of Genevieve Nitins, Jill Burke, and Sonya Farrington, plus under the exceptional guidance of Michelle Daly truly wish to thank you for all of your assistance whether it be via time as a volunteer or with a donation. We look forward to seeing you all this Sunday for a fun-filled event.

Uniform News- Thank you to everyone who has donated and/or purchased second hand uniform items this year. 2nd hand uniforms are a service to our Cool School community which has the added benefit of raising money that goes back into our kids.

Right now our stocks are low and although there are some items available in all sizes, we could really do with some more stock. Prep sizes as well as 6-10s particularly are in demand. If you have uniforms that your students have outgrown and finished with please consider dropping them into the office as a great way of contributing to our Cool School community as well as fundraising for our kids.

We would also like families to know that we have a lot of brand new shirts and cardigans in sizes 14 and 16 which have the boomerang logo available for the bargain price of just \$5 each

Remember that the old style yellow shirts have been phased out over recent years, and will no longer be part of our uniform from 2015. These can be handed in to the 2nd hand shop or thrown away.

2nd hand uniform enquiries can be directed to Angela Homes via the Cool school facebook page www.facebook.com/groups/Coolwypinparents or via email at 2ndcssuniforms@gmail.com

Finally if you are looking for something before the start of the new year, items will be available for purchase up to Wed 10th Dec and from the P&C room on that day between 8:45-9:30am.

Tuckshop - the Tuckshop will be closed for the last week of school. It is due to re-open in the 2nd week of school 2015. Lyn and Tammy, along with the P&C Executives would also like to extend a thank you to all the wonderful volunteers for your help and support throughout the year. Have a Merry Xmas and a Happy New Year!

Swimming Carnival- Tuesday 9th December - food available for purchase on the day include sausage on bread, drinks and lolly bags! Nothing over \$2. If you are going to watch the kids, please feel free to help out the lovely volunteers assisting with the BBQ!

Thank you to everyone for your support over the last year. The school community has been gaining momentum and it is lovely to see such a great vibe around our fantastic school. Have a safe and restful Christmas and New Year!

See you all next year
P & C Executive

Student Banking

As student banking has finished for the year, I would like to thank the students for your wonderful saving efforts for 2014. I would also like to say a big thank-you to our wonderful banking ladies Dawn Plant, Bev Newnham, Edwina Potter and Margaret Langridge.

Our next student banking day is Wednesday 4th February 2015 (week 2 of school)

If any parent, grandparent or carer has a spare hour or so once a fortnight around 9.30am on Wednesday mornings and would like to assist with the Student Banking, please contact Jenny or Jayne in the office. All training will be provided.

Booklist

Mount Cotton Road news has advised that they will be keeping the online ordering of book lists open until the end of the term.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

SURFERS PARADISE CAROLS ON THE BEACH

6.30-8.00PM SUNDAY 21 DECEMBER

Bring a picnic blanket and enjoy an evening of song with the whole family at the 2014 Surfers Paradise Carols on the Beach. It's the Gold Coast's biggest Christmas Carols event, held right on Surfers Paradise Beach.

This year we are proud to announce renowned children's entertainer Jay Laga'aia will host the event and will be supported by a star-studded line-up of Australian artists including: Rachael Beck, Candice Skjonnemand, Paradise Kids Choir and Maske Figaro

If you're lucky, you might even get a sneak peek of Santa himself!

Make sure you stick around for a magical end to the night as Surfers Paradise lights up with fireworks, spreading the Christmas cheer to all.

Want to have a photo with Santa? [Click here](#) for all the details on our Christmas in Surfers Paradise display in Cavill Mall, including Santa photo times.

For further information or to download a copy of our program of events, including this year's carols songbook, please visit our website <http://www.surfersparadise.com/whats-on/all-events/carols-on-the-beach>

Will your Kids be Classroom Confident in 2015?

Every child is different, and some require specialised attention in development of essential communication & learning skills to prepare for, and keep up with, formal schooling.

An assessment with a speech pathologist can identify and address concerns in the following areas:

- listening
- comprehension
- literacy readiness and development,
- speech & communication skills.

Andrea Holland Speech Pathology is based in Sheldon, has over 25 years experience, and specialises in assessing and working with children in these skill areas. If you would like to contact Andrea to inquire about assessments in January 2015, please call **07 3206 3833**, or visit www.andreaspeechpathology.com