WRAPPING IT ALL UP

This is the final newsletter for 2014. Teachers are busy finalising student reports, preparing grade lists for 2015 and planning curriculum for next year. We have completed a very successful Foundation Orientation Program with 68 new students ready to start their school life in 2015. The new portable is nearing completion and will be ready for the new school year. I would like to wish all families a Happy Christmas and a safe holiday. Thank you for your support of the school this year and we look forward to further building and strengthening our community next year.

THE TERM THAT WAS

Term four has been another productive term where much has been achieved in many areas of our school life. Happenings this term included:

- The Art Show
- First stage of canteen renovation completed
- Prep Breakfast
- Woorabinda camp
- Swimming Program
- Strategic Planning day
- Farmer’s market
- Special lunch days
- Cadbury Fundraiser
- Election Day Cake Stall and BBQ
- Prep Transition Program
- Interschool Sport
- Divisional Athletics Championship
- Milo Cricket
- Grade Six Graduation
- Grade Six excursion
- Grade 4-6 Tennis Centre excursion
- Odd Socks day
- Two School Council meetings and dinner
- Nude Food day
- Parent helpers Morning Tea
- Portable Classroom installed at the school

PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT

Everybody will be glad to know that there will be some new playground equipment installed in February next year to replace the old favourites that had to be removed. Thanks to the fundraising efforts of our parents I was able to place an order. I would also like to thank Sophie in grade 6 who decided the $500 she won for the school in the write4fun competition would go towards the new playground.
THANK YOU
I would like to thank Dean dad of Lauren and Marcus for his donation of an office wall unit to the school. This donation is much appreciated and has already been put to good use. Thank you to Tim dad of Amelia and Maddie for going to pick it up in his trailer. Thanks to Mr P for going along to help (I think he is thinking of going into furniture removal in his spare time!)

2015 STRUCTURE
The school structure and staff for 2015 will be:

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THE STUDENTS WILL SPEND TWO HOURS NEXT MONDAY IN THEIR NEW GRADES.

MUSIC NEWS

On March 1st next year our children will be presenting a stripped down version of this year’s school concert, “Show me the Money” at the Sydney Rd Street Party as part of the Brunswick Music Festival. The organisers are very excited about this event. Things are still being organised but we envisage the Performance Choir will join forces with the Junior Choir and will perform with the school band and other vocal and instrumental soloists. There will also be a small number of actors involved.

Stay tuned for more details
CHRISTMAS STALL

This Thursday the Parents and Friends will be running the Christmas Stall. Gifts range from $2 to $6. Please send your child with their money in an envelope clearly marked with their name, grade and amount. The children really enjoy these stalls and the Parents and Friends Group have put a lot of work into this event.

ICY POLES

Parents & Friends will be selling icy poles from the school canteen at recess next Friday. They will cost $1.00.

HELPERS MORNING TEA

Dear School Community Helpers

To show our appreciation for your support this year we would like to invite you to a Parent Helper morning tea, Thursday 18th December at 11am on the Junior Deck (weather permitting) otherwise in the Staffroom.

Look forward to seeing you there.

RSVP to classroom teacher by

Monday 15th Dec.
2014 SWIMMING PROGRAM

The 2014 Swimming Program was very well attended and it was great to see so many improvements in the students’ skills and confidence throughout the program. The two week program offered by Elite was again very well organised and the students adjusted to the routine quickly. I would like to thank all the teaching and ES staff who attended the program as well as the staff who remained at school. A huge thank-you also to the parents who assisted with walking and dressing, your help was greatly appreciated. A very special thank-you to Debb and Stephanie, in the office, for all their hard work in collecting money, collating, keeping check of all medical forms and class numbers and all the other administration tasks involved. Finally, thank you to everyone for being understanding and cooperative during the two week swimming timetable. I also believe it would be extremely beneficial for your child to continue on with developing their water safety and swimming skills throughout summer.

Thanks again,
Lyn Evans
TIS THE SEASON TO BE GENEROUS

With money raised from the purchase of Giggle Day Joke Books, the JSC has been able to buy some wonderful presents for children in need. JSC members decided they would like to make Christmas a little bit brighter and donate some gifts to place under the Kmart Wishing Tree. Well done JSC! Your kindness and generosity will be appreciated by some very lucky children.

On behalf of all JSC members, we would like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas. We look forward to another productive year in 2015.

Courtney, Sarah and JSC representatives

NUDE FOOD CHALLENGE

Last week Coburg North took up the challenge to improve the amount of litter we generate whilst maintaining and promoting healthy food at school. A huge thank you to all the parents who helped their children by sending Nude Food to school each day. Thank you also to the Junior School Council for their assistance in promoting the event and collecting data. Our school environment looked beautiful, clean and I’m certain that we’re healthier because of the challenge. If we can all make a conscious effort to continue being a Nude Food School, every week, everyone benefits! Congratulations and well done to prep A, our champion grade of Nude Food Warriors for 2014. It was an extremely close challenge with a few other grades polling extremely well and I look forward to 2015.

Lyn Evans

ALL LIBRARY BOOKS NOW DUE BACK

How quickly the end of the year comes around. Borrowing has finished for the year and all library books must now be returned. I will be chasing up overdue books between now and the end of the year. If a book has been lost you will asked to pay for a replacement so that our lovely Library can continue to be well stocked.

Thank you for your co-operation

Beth (in the Library)
OCTOPUS INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC PROGRAM

Enrolments are being taken for our 2015 Instrumental Music Program. Lessons are conducted by qualified and experienced musicians, and the program caters to a range of learning styles. We offer lessons on keyboard, guitar, ukulele, bass and drums. In these weekly, 30 minute lessons students are taught how to read music, and develop technique. Students are expected to practice regularly at home, preferably for 5-10 minutes daily. This program is hugely popular among students, so please collect an enrolment form from the school office to secure your place. Existing participants may reconfirm their enrolments via email. There are a variety of pricing schedules, all competitive so feel free to request the option that suits your needs! For more information please see the school office, or email music.octopus@gmail.com.

RESPONSIBLE STUDENT AWARDS

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Strathmore Summer Sport
Spring Start 6th February January 2015

For boys & girls aged 4-12. Participate in a fun, safe and non-competitive environment. All 3 sports are offered this Summer at Strathmore! Join up for 2 terms of Footy & save $30!!

AFL 8.30 - 9.30am
Cricket 9.30 - 10.30am
Soccer 10.30 - 11.30am

Venue: Melway 16 J11
Strathmore Secondary College
Pascoe Vale Rd Strathmore

Enquiries: Mike Bishop
m: 0418 303 432  e: mabish@optusnet.com.au
KIDS ANIMATION FESTIVAL

COME AND SEE AN AWESOME SHOWCASE OF FUNNY, CREATIVE, EXCITING ANIMATED FILMS MADE TALENTED YOUNG PEOPLE!

WITH SPECIAL GUEST ENTERTAINMENT

COBURG RSL
SATURDAY 13TH DEC
6:30PM
$5 adults/ kids get in free
(light supper provided)

Please RSVP by 6th of December alex@animachin.com
COBURG NORTH PRIMARY SCHOOL

big 5 sports

COOL CRICKET

Have fun learning how to play cricket with all your friends in the Big 5 Sports COOL CRICKET program. Learn all the basic skills required to play the game in a safe environment.

Simon Helmot
High Performance Cricket Coach

"As a primary physical education teacher, I believe it is important that every child has the opportunity to participate in a structured sport-specific program such as Big 5 Sports."

ENROL ONLINE AT WWW.BIG5SPORTS.COM.AU or WWW.DANCEOZ4KIDS.COM

or fill out the enrolment form & send with a cheque or credit card details to: PO Box 5135, Essendon VIC 3040

Enrolment forms will not be processed without payment. Do not leave enrolment forms at the school office.

ENROLMENT

COOL CRICKET

When: Tuesdays, Term 1 2015
Classes commence: 3/2/15
Classes conclude: 24/3/15
Time: 3:40pm - 4:40pm
Year Levels: P-3
Venue: Coburg North Primary School
The cost per student per term is $111

DANCE OZ

Created by Josh Horner and Simone Goldsmith (Australian Ballet) Dance Oz for kids offers children in your school the opportunity to be involved in our exciting Dance and Creative Movement program.

Josh Horner from Dancing With The Stars

"The Dance Oz program is for healthy and energizing and I look forward to sharing my passion for dance with children all over Australia."

ENROLMENT

DANCE OZ

When: Tuesdays, Term 1 2015
Classes commence: 3/2/15
Classes conclude: 24/3/15
Time: Lunchtimes
Year Levels: P-3
Venue: Coburg North Primary School

The cost per student per term is $111

COBURG NORTH PRIMARY SCHOOL

School: Coburg North Primary School

Year Level: 

Name(s): 

Address: 

Date Of Birth: __/__/____

Phone (Home): 
Mobile/Work: 

Email Address: 

Parental Consent: I hereby authorise Big 5 Sports and Dance Oz to act on my behalf should my child require medical attention, and release Big 5 Sports and Dance Oz from any liability incurred by my child at a Big 5 Sports or Dance Oz Program.

Parents Name: 

Parents Signature: 

Medical Conditions: 

At the completion of the after school class does your child need to be collected? 

Go to aftercare [ ] Get collected [ ]

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599

EasyBank Discount

Book before 4th January to receive the discount

Credit Card Payment: Please tick: [ ] Visa [ ] MasterCard

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