



Coffs Harbour Public School

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We acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land on which we live and work and we pay our respects to the Elders both past and present

28th January, 2016

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to a new school year.

Many new families have moved to our zoned area over the school holidays and we welcome you to our wonderful school. Our numbers have been steadily rising over the last couple of years and we thank you for being such great advocates of our school.

I'd like to also welcome a new permanent staff member to our school, Mrs Felicity Cook. Felicity will be teaching 3/6F.

Students from Years 1- 6 have started school today. Kindergarten students are participating in the Beststart assessment this week. They will commence full days from Tuesday 2nd February 2016.

Our student numbers tend to fluctuate, especially at the beginning of each school year. Students will be placed in new classes on Monday February 1. They are currently in their 2015 classes. Teachers make very considered judgments in placing students into classes for a new school year. As there can be quite a few changes to enrolments in any particular grade with families moving in and out of the area over the holiday period, we wait until all adjustments have been made and we are sure of placements before finalising classes. As always, the interests of your children are our priority. Thank you for your patience with this.

Students in Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 will be placed in stage classes. This means that students in Years 3 and 4 will be together and students in Years 5 and 6 will be together. This has been a deliberate decision to allow for students to really excel in academic, social and emotional growth.

The **school swimming carnival** has been organised for Monday 15th February, 2016 at Coffs Harbour Olympic pool. More information will follow over the next couple of weeks.

Canteen News

Unfortunately the canteen will be closed from the beginning of 2016 until further notice. We hope to have the canteen operational as soon as possible. Sorry for the inconvenience that this may cause.

School Requisites for 2016

School requisite payments have been set at \$40 per student for 2016. These payments cover books, pencils, Mathematics fee, USB for senior students, art and craft materials, tissues, wipes etc.

A **voluntary contribution** of \$10 is set per child; however, a family rate of \$20 is available for two or more students in one family. We ask that these payments be made in the first 3 weeks of term 1, 2016.

It's always nice to know who's who at school. I have listed the names and roles of staff to help with identifying the staff.

Office Staff

Nancy Baker (office manager), Laura Baker, Kristy Craigie and Karen Apps.

Special Education Teachers

Janelle Bullen (Assistant Principal), Naomi Court, Felicity Cook, Jenny Snodgrass, Leigh-Ann Barton, Noelene Currie. Special Education SLSOs are Lyn Tredinnick, Carmel Groom, Yvonne Ide, Kathy Turner, Tarlee Miller.

K-6 Teachers

Danielle Morgan, Jess Lane, Anita Hodgson (kindergarten) Jessica McKellar, Shelley Anderson, Mel Mulrooney (Yr 1) Sophie McGregor, Belinda Leeson, Chendeep Benning (Yr2) Michelle O'Donnell, Zac Kenny, Jenna Callinan, Bree Mifsud (Yrs 3/4) Jodie Hayes, Scott Murphy, Meredith Martin, Heather Berry (Yrs 5/6)

Support Staff

Simon Easey, Marcia Pont, Claire Murray, Anne Bullen, Ej Ford, Debbie Newton, Kath Leeson, Kellie Melittas, Sue Davis

AEO and SLSOs (Mainstream)

Marie Hoskins, Sandy Gentle, Mardi Thomas, Bec Johnstone, Naghum and Yarrob Haddad

General Assistant—Garry Matthews

We all look forward to working with your children in 2016.

Have a great week. Leonie