

COOLBINIA PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Welcome back everyone,

I hope that all families were able to have an enjoyable break. This term will be another one filled with many interesting and fun things for our students. I have been very happy to see how positive and enthusiastic the students have been on returning to school. The quality of learning by the students is very impressive.

Communication

In response to feedback from the community and staff I am trying another approach. The focus will be on a brief and succinct newsletter. I will once a month provide a blog which will be more detailed about the teaching and learning approaches in the school.



School Report

At the end of Term 1, I attached a copy of the Public School Review that was undertaken by the DOE reviewers. It was a strong endorsement of the positive work of the staff and community. The Deputy Director General for Schools stated 'I acknowledge the efforts of you and your staff in creating the conditions for successful students, your team is working to build a strong school culture of connection and achievement.'

Our focus is on continuous and sustained improvement, our school focus is not on ideology but what has proven success in students becoming the best versions of themselves.

1. Strong Leadership that is shared across the school. (Staff, Board and P &C)
2. High levels of expectation and teacher efficacy
3. Ensure an orderly and safe learning environment
4. Focus on what matters most— We now have few priorities and are focused on what students need.

Next steps

- Staff and the Board will begin the processes of strategising the recommendations.
- Establishment of a working party inclusive of Board members, staff and interested parents to develop a long term vision and plan for the school.
- Strong focus on student connection, student achievement and professional learning of staff.

ANZAC DAY

On the 25th April, two of our year 6 Ambassadors Anja P and Ana Maria B were accompanied by Mr Welch at the Mount Lawley War Memorial RSL. Anja and Ana withheld our upstanding reputation at Coolbinia Primary School by demonstrating a high level of maturity and presenting themselves fantastically when attending the service and laying a special wreath to honour the memory of our Australian Soldiers.

Tomorrow we will have our ANZAC assembly. Thank you to Brigadier General Philip White who will give a moving speech about the meaning of ANZAC days. Brigadier General White grandson Samuel (previous student) will play the bagpipes. It is lovely to have this family connection. Mr Welch who will lead the choir and the ensemble orchestra will be lead by Mrs Martin. Thanks also to Mrs Holland for her organisation and attention to detail. Mt Lawley High school brass students will play the Last Post

Kindy Enrolments 2026

We are taking enrolments for 2026. An application to enrol can be picked up from the school office or you can download one from the school website. Applications close 25 July 2025.

School Canteen

We welcome Sabrina who is now running the canteen. I want to thank the P&C who have have been responsible for the management and operation of the canteen. This has been a huge responsibility and required a great deal of unpaid work and considerable personal time. We are very grateful for all who have carried this load. I want to also thank Steph who has been a passionate and dedicated Manager of the Canteen for 17 years. Steph will be continuing to work in the canteen with Sabrina.

Cross Country Training

Cross country training will begin next week. Students from K to 6 will be involved as all students are expected to participate. Morning Running Club and Walk and Talk will begin next Wednesday at 7.30am. I encourage students to be involved, it's a great way to get fit. Mr Porcaro will be working with the students so they are prepared. He will be providing information to all parents about it soon.

Student Reports

Under the direction of the Minister of Education, students reports will now have one general comment. The rest of the report will be an assessment against the standards. Teaching staff are always available for parent interviews if you require more additional information.

WA Student Assistance Payment

I urge all families to avail themselves of this support provided by the state government.
<https://www.education.wa.edu.au/wasap/>

Italian Day please check on the links [CPS Italian Day 2025](#) <https://youtu.be/OOJON3-nS00>

P&C NEWS

Canteen

The canteen has had a make-over...Coolbinia parent—and pastry chef extraordinaire—Sabrina is now working alongside Steph in *Maya's Bakery*, Ordering process is unchanged: online via My School Connect, or cash sales welcome. They're also doing take-home dinners for busy parents (see flyer below) Many thanks to the P&C's Tanya Musgrove for managing the canteen over the past few years. Thanks Tanya!

Election day

On Saturday is another election day, and that means we are holding another Bake Sale and cooking delicious Demo Dogs™ for hungry voters.

We're again looking for your kind donations of cakes and other treats (to front office tomorrow or you can just bring down on the day) as well as volunteers to help on the day. You can let us know through the various WhatsApp chat groups.

If anybody would like to set up a parallel stall (like Theodore & Harrison's 3D printed goods at the recent election) please let us know.



Stay & Play will be on Wednesday **14 May (Week 3)** immediately after school. Snacks and drinks will be available to purchase.

Uniform Shop is open tomorrow (Friday) 8-8:45am.

Movie night! P&C is looking for volunteers to help organise a movie night this term. Please contact zoe@coolschool.org.au

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