We hope everyone had a relaxing and enjoyable holiday break and the opportunity to spend some quality time with friends and family. We are looking forward to a challenging year, with many exciting programmes on our agenda (but more about that later!)

We welcome our new students and their families – particularly our Reception students who are embarking on their formal schooling. We also welcome 4 new or returning teachers – Lani Hartwig, Karina Miller, Jack Burton and Lauren Matthews, and 1 new SSO – Raj Khanduri to our team. We hope they enjoy being part of our community and that everyone makes them feel welcome.

Please find the list of staff roles and responsibilities for 2017 on the following page.

Year 12 students

We would like to congratulate last year’s students on their efforts throughout Year 12 and their ultimate success in completing their SACE. We had a 100% SACE completion, which is an improvement in our results over the past 3 years. They should be proud of their efforts. They have all headed off now into a variety of pathways and we look forward to hearing about their endeavours in the near future.

We welcome this year’s group of Year 12 students – Grace Chopin, Karri Haines, Declan Leggate, Claire Norsworthy, Amy Oldfield, Benn Posthumus and Laura Walker. They have already shown a positive attitude towards their learning and are keen to strive to achieve their best this year. We are excited that they have chosen to complete their education at Cowell Area School and wish them the best for the year ahead.

Communication

Communication with parents is very important to us as a school community and we value any feedback that parents can provide to help us improve. We thank those parents who responded to our Parent Opinion survey at the end of last year – we value your feedback and although the response was not huge, will be looking at it as a whole staff.

By the beginning of next week you should have received a letter/newsletter from your child’s class teacher (primary) or subject teachers (secondary), to introduce themselves and fill you in on what is happening in their class for the start of the year. Please let us know if you don’t receive one of these.

We are once again planning a “Meet and Greet” evening for parents in the next few weeks, where we will be inviting you in after school to wander through your child’s classrooms, catch up with teachers, meet the new leadership team and join us for a BBQ – we hope you can join us! (more details next week)

Once again, thank you for being part of our school community this year – we’re sure it’s going to be a good one!

Hats

A reminder to all parents that our SunSmart policy requires all students to wear a broad brimmed hat in Term 1 during break times and outside activities. Hats are available from the Front Office. It is a good idea to label your child’s hat to make it easier to keep track of them.

Pastoral Care

Last year we introduced a Pastoral Care programme on a Tuesday, where all students undertook activities that focussed on Social skills and Well Being issues – particularly Resilience. We took 5 minutes from each lesson and created a 35 minute 8th lesson. After consultation and feedback from staff and students, we have reviewed the programme and will continue the sessions but in a different format. Primary teachers will implement their PC programme at a time decided by them over the week, however secondary teachers will conduct their sessions on a Tuesday on a rolling basis – Week 1/ Lesson 1, Week 2/ Lesson 2 etc. This means we will not have an 8 lesson day on a Tuesday and our break times will not be affected.

Governing Council

The Governing council is a very important part of what we do as a school. We work in partnership with the GC to develop the future directions of our site and the members of the GC represent the views of the community regarding our priorities and the educational needs of our students. We have had good representation from parents over the last few years and would like to encourage this to continue. If you are interested in becoming involved in the Governing council or would like to know more, please don’t hesitate to contact either myself or Governing Council chairperson, Dee Cook. Our first meeting for the year will be on Tuesday February 14th (week 3) at 7:00pm in the school library.

Catch up With A Cowell Kid

Next week I will start my catch-ups with our Year 12 students. I’m looking forward to finding out all about them and their aspirations for the future. I am also planning on branching out into the parent community and inviting parents along to find out more about them, where they’ve been, their experiences, their views on education, hopes for their children and ideas for progressing our school – so keep your ears and eyes open. Have a great week!!
EFTPOS facilities are available for paying all school related accounts. A direct debit by instalment facility is also available to parents who would like fees deducted directly from their bank, credit or debit card on a weekly, fortnightly or monthly basis. For more details please see Jacqui Lewis-Couzner in the front office, or call the school on 86292150.

We are seeking volunteers to help supervise swimming with Mr Jack Burton and his HPE classes next week (Week 2). A current criminal history screen is not required if you are supervising your own child’s class. If you are available to help out with a class other than your child’s then we will require you to have a current DCSI Criminal History Screen. A current first aid certificate is preferred however not essential. Any time you are able to offer would be much appreciated. Please contact the school on 86292150 if you are able & willing to help out.

The times we are seeking supervisors for are as follows;

Yr 5/6 Class
- Monday 1:45pm to 2:30pm
- Wednesday 2:30pm to 3:15pm
- Friday 12:20pm—1:05pm

Yr 7 Class
- Monday 12:20pm to 1:05pm
- Wednesday 9:45am to 10:30am
- Thursday 12:20pm to 1:05pm
- Friday 2:30pm to 3:15pm

Yr 8 Class
- Monday 10:50am to 11:35am
- Tuesday 11:35am to 12:20pm
- Wednesday 12:20pm to 1:05pm
- Thursday 1:45pm to 2:30pm

Yr 9/10 Class
- Monday 2:30pm to 3:15pm
- Wednesday 10:50am to 11:35am
- Thursday 2:30pm to 3:15pm
- Friday 9:00am to 9:45am
- Friday 9:45am to 10:30am

Learning to save for the future or for that something special is a valuable lesson for all children. Cowell Area School along with Bank SA recognises the importance of regular saving and how your child can benefit from watching their savings grow. Student banking occurs every WEDNESDAY, where students can bring their bank books with their money (deposit slips must be completed by the student/parent) and a member of staff will take them to the bank for processing. If your child does not have an existing account with BankSA, and would like to participate in School Banking, please visit the friendly staff at the local Cowell Branch to arrange a new account.
Cowell Area School currently use the Skoolbag App to communicate with our school families, keeping them up to date with important dates, events and class messages. Parents can even use this app to advise the school of their child’s absences.

If you don’t already have this app, please check out the information provided on the Skoolbag website by clicking on the following link:


School Lunch Orders

The school together with Cowell Bakery, offer a lunch order service to students every Monday & Friday. Lunch order bags are available from the front office of the school and the price list is as follows:

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<td>Vegemite</td>
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Lost Property Box

We advise parents/caregivers that the Lost Property box is currently full. We ask you to please come in to the front office & check through items that may belong to your child. Any unclaimed items will be taken to the Op Shop at the end of next week.

Some of the items include brand new jumpers & polo shirts.
New this Week!

Children's Picture Books
No Room for a Wombat by Lyn Ward
Chooks in Space by Chris Collin
Row Row Row Your Boat

Children's Fiction
Upside Down Magic, Sticks & Stones by Sarah Mlynowski
Dork Diaries Tales from a Not So Friendly Frenemy by Rachel Renee Russell

Children's Non-Fiction
The Lego Animation Book by David Pagano
BasketBall Time by Brendan Flynn
Flood Warning by Katharine Kenah

Teen Fiction
The Thousandth Floor by Katherine McGee
Crow Country by Kate Constable

Adult Fiction
Promise by Sarah Armstrong
Night School by Lee Child

Adult Non-Fiction
Growing Up Happy by Alexia Barrable
Like a Queen by Constance Hall

Adult Large Print
From Notting Hill with Four Weddings ... Actually by Ali McNamara
Blood Sisters by Graham Masterton

Term 1 Library Times
Monday—Thursday
8.30am—4pm
Friday
9am—4pm

Community Connections
EP Creative Writing Group
Next Meeting: Wednesday 1st Feb @ 5.30pm in the Library.
Topic: “Other Worlds”
New members always welcome.

Storytime
Wednesdays from 9.15am in the Library.

Adult Book Club
Next Meeting: Thursday 9th Feb @ 11am in the Library.

Student Borrowing in 2017—How you can help

Throughout the year students borrow a range of resources needed for school as well as their personal borrowing.

Personal reading for all students is invaluable and highly encouraged for a number of reasons. To ensure your children are continually motivated to read, we ask for your help in making the process of borrowing easy for them.

Here are a couple of ways to help:

- Encourage books to be returned promptly. Students are limited to the number of books they can borrow at one time. Returning books quickly ensures new books can be borrowed without delay.

- Encourage children to read different books. Popular book series may not always be on the shelf ready to borrow, so encourage children to explore other authors.

- Introduce your children to some of your classic reads. Series like The Famous Five are still very popular today. Remember if we don’t have the book, we can always try to order it in.
COWELL NETBALL CLUB
The Cowell Netball Club are seeking coaches for C, C2, E2 & F grade for the 2017 season. After researching JNR numbers and ages we have decided we will NOT be submitting any Extra Grades. If you are interested or would like more information please don’t hesitate to contact Tracy Mills 0439280099 or Rachel Deer 0427005720.

COWELL UNITING CHURCH FAMILY SERVICES
Cowell Uniting Church Family Services are starting. Services will be held on February 19th, March 19th & April 16th (Sunrise Easter Service). Invite your children, grandchildren, nieces, nephews etc.

SAVE THE DATE

JUNIOR TENNIS
Games will resume this Friday 3rd February at 3:30pm Sharp. Parents and players are asked to please check the Cowell Tennis Club Facebook page for details regarding team changes.
Games this week will be as follows:
Chicken Dinners v The Dominators, Top Deck V The Beasts, Tennis Kings v The Piglets. Mint Mongrels have the bye & The Piglets are on roster.

COWELL SWIMMING CLUB
Please find below a copy of the Parent Helper Roster for Term 1, 2017.

### Parent Helper Roster - Term 1 2017

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Please note that our coaches are all volunteers and it is essential that there is a parent helper present. Could the allocated parent helper please do a role-call at the beginning of the lesson and wear the designated Hi-Vis vest, so coaches are aware who the parent helper is.
If you are unable to attend your allocated time please arrange your own swap.
Parents of the last lesson could you please make sure change rooms are locked and left in a tidy manner. Thank you.
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Commodore: Dale Bailey
0429 054 969

Vice Commodore: Malcolm Brine
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**Cowell Recycling Depot**

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Friday 2:30pm to 4:00pm
Sunday 10:00am to 1:00pm

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