Dear Parents, Students and Staff,

We are near the end of another very successful year at Hampton Park.

In the last week we have had some exciting news with confirmation that the Department has announced that the school will be receiving a significant upgrade of our student toilets and our basketball courts in 2016. These improvements will be welcomed by all I am sure. It is hoped that the toilet upgrade will be completed prior to the commencement of the new school year.

I wish to advise that Mr Neates will not be returning next year having recently secured a position in Central Office for 2016. At this stage I will be continuing as Principal for Term 1 whilst a job advertising process is undertaken by the Department.

Congratulations to Mr Ker, Mrs O’Neil, Mrs D’Souza and Mrs Cunningham for organising an amazing graduation and item. Thank you also goes to Mrs Viska who produced another stunning graduation cake. It was a great night and it was a pleasure to acknowledge the contribution of those leaving and reflect on their school memories.

Our academic and behavioural standards continue to be high, as do our sporting and extra curricula achievements. I’m particularly pleased with the positive tone and atmosphere that has been evident during the year from all students and staff. This creates the best possible atmosphere for our children to learn. The Year 6 students, who graduated on Monday night in style, are to be congratulated for setting the example on this. We, as staff members and I’m certain their parents, are very proud of their efforts during the year.

The Presentation Assembly this morning allowed us to recognise the efforts of the students with awards for excellence and merit. Congratulations to all the winners. Thank you to the many parents who were able to attend. This was our first morning presentation ceremony and I would like to thank Parents for supporting the event, as well as Mrs De Jonk for her organisation.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the P&C for their tireless work which benefits the students of this school. I would also like to thank the School Board for the leadership they have shown during the Northlink negotiations and the ongoing support they have provided to the school leadership group.

Finally I would like to acknowledge the job of all the Hampton staff. Not just our excellent teaching staff, but also our education assistants, library and office staff. It has been a pleasure to lead this staff in Mr Neates absence.

Have a great Christmas break and I look forward to seeing you tomorrow at our Annual Talent Show (details below).

**Staff Changes**

As mentioned last week there will be some staff changes next year. I will recap them here for those that may have missed them.

After 38 years of outstanding service to the Education Department Mr Toop has decided to retire. We wish Mr Toop every success in retirement and will be recognising his substantial contribution to the school more formally in 2016.

The following teachers will be on Long Service Leave for all or part of 2016; Mrs Cunningham, Miss Williams and Mrs Herrington. We wish them safe travels and look forward to welcoming them back during 2016 and 2017.
Mrs D’Souza will be taking up a position at Roseworth Primary in 2016. We thank Mrs D’Souza for her work with us this term and wish her well for 2016. Ms Wheeler will also be leaving us this year. We thank Ms Wheeler for her efforts over the past few years at the school and we wish her well with her health and her new adventures.

In 2016 we will welcome back Mrs Kolev from maternity leave, Mrs Carroll and Mr Lee from extended sick leave. We will also be welcoming back Miss Crayden, Miss Kay and Miss Owsiak.

We also say goodbye to our long serving Cleaner in Charge Mrs Kelly. We would like to wish her the very best for her retirement, and thank her for her many years of very early starts and dedication to our school.

Wet n Wild Day
What an amazing fun time to congratulate and recognise students who have demonstrated appropriate behaviour in the playground. Thank you Mr Ker for organising these activities, and well done to all the staff who joined in and the students on their excellent behaviour.

Talent Quest
The Talent Quest commences at 1.00pm in the undercover area. It is programmed to go for approximately 90 minutes with a break for afternoon recess. Parents and other spectators are most welcome.

Reports
Semester 2 reports were distributed on Tuesday 15th. It is important to fully understand the grading system that is in place to appreciate the reports.

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Students receiving B, C and D grades are generally working at the appropriate year level

School Security
During the holiday period we would appreciate parents reporting any suspicious activities through the School Watch Program by telephoning 1800 177 777 or to the WA Police by telephoning 13 14 44.

Christmas Raffle
Congratulations to all those who were lucky enough to win prizes in the Christmas Raffle. We would also like to thank everyone who donated items and purchased tickets.

Art Department
Our Art Department for 2016 are collecting meat trays and yoghurt containers (big ones). If you have any, can you please save them and send them into your class teacher.

CANTEEN CLOSED TOMORROW
A reminder to all families that the Canteen is CLOSED tomorrow. Thankyou for your support of the canteen over the past 12 months. Thankyou also to Lou, Sam and Maureen who have done an outstanding job in the canteen this year.

Uniform Shop
The Uniform Shop will be open on Thursday 28th and Friday 28th January 2016 between 9:00 and 11:00 for all uniform needs.
**Watch - Found**
A watch has been handed in to the office during the year. If you think it may be yours or your child’s please ask at the office.

**Talent Quest**
Our Annual Talent Quest has been organised with all the performers “locked away”. It will commence tomorrow at 1:00pm and conclude at approximately 2.30pm. Parents and other spectators are most welcome.

**Library Books**
All library books are to be returned to the library ASAP.

**P&C AGM**
The P&C will be holding their AGM on Monday 29th February. All positions are declared vacant, and we would love to see you there.

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### ARRANGEMENTS FOR 2016

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**Hampton Park Primary School Access**
Work has progressed at and around the school to improve access in readiness for Tonkin Highway works and the 2016 school year.

**Kiss and Drop Facility**
Progress in constructing the new Kiss and Drop facility is well advanced and nearing completion. The final works will continue after the end of school term to have the Kiss and Drop ready for Term 1 of 2016.

Please note that the Kiss and Drop provides ONE WAY access to allow safe drop off and pick up of children. When Term 1 starts next year, please drive slowly and clear the Kiss and Drop as soon as you can to share the facility with others who would like to use it.

**Payne Road and Abbey Street Parking**
Work will commence on the parking bays to be provided along Payne Road and Abbey Street after the 2015 school year ends. Current planning is for the bays to be constructed early in the New Year and every effort will be made to have them ready for the start of the 2016 school year.

**Emerson Road and Paine Road Roundabout**
The City of Bayswater is planning to commence work on the new roundabout at the intersection of Emerson Road and Payne Road in January 2016 and this includes the removal of the existing island immediately north of the intersection. Timeframes are extremely tight, however the intention is to have these works completed by the start of the 2016 school year.

**New Tonkin Highway Underpass**
Contractor John Holland is to be appointed to build the southern section of NorthLink WA, between Guildford Road and Reid Highway. Work will commence in Autumn 2016. Detailed design of the replacement underpass is a priority and will start early in 2016.

Representatives of the School, the P&C and the School Board will meet with John Holland representatives and Main Roads WA in February to progress the planning and discuss temporary access arrangements to the east of Tonkin Highway.

*Mr Glen Purdy* – Principal
Community Notices

GuitarWorks
Guitarworks is holding “Free School Holiday Guitar Workshops” for anyone interested in learning guitar. These 1 ½ hour demonstrations cover all aspects of guitar playing and styles. Bookings essential, for more info contact Stefan Cutri guitarworks@iinet.net.au Mob: 041 444 8907

Softball WA
Softball WA is conducting a Swing into Softball Camp on January 28th & 29th from 9am-2pm at Mirrabooka Softball Complex.
The camp is designed to promote a fun, safe and healthy atmosphere where all campers receive the best instruction on the fundamentals.
Don’t miss out on 2 days full of Softball fun!

Ole Sports - Summer Holiday Club
Ole Sports will be running a 3 day Multi Sports Club during the January Summer Holidays for children aged 4-12 at Belmont primary school. Each day we teach the children new skills, play fun games and use our giant inflatables and speed radar. Venue: Belmont Primary School
Sports: Soccer, Basketball, Footy, T-Ball, Cricket & Netball
Date: Monday 11th – Friday 13th January
Time: 8:30am – 11:30am
Price: $99 - payment plans now available. To register please visit www.olesports.com.au or email us at coaching@olesports.com.au

Celebrate Christmas Lunch:
If you are on your own this Christmas, or perhaps life is tough right now, we would like to invite you to our FREE ‘Celebrate Christmas Lunch’ where you can share in a special meal and meet some new people. The ‘Celebrate Christmas Lunch’ will be a place of conversation, companionship and celebration for everyone who attends. Sunday 13 December, RA Cook Pavilion, Bedford. 12.30 – 2.30pm, doors open from 12pm.
Anyone and everyone is invited, to book your FREE seat today, please RSVP for catering purposes: www.tcgimpact.com/christmaslunch or call Kylie on 0414 820 473.

Christmas in the Park:
Christmas is a time of community, carols, family and celebration. Enjoy an evening of free fun for the whole family. 4pm: Lots of activities including bouncy castles, super slide, sumo suits, competitions, face painting and more. 6.30pm: Main event on the main stage including Christmas Carols and Santa! Food and drinks available for purchase Sunday 13th December 4-8pm Held at the RA Cook Reserve, Coode Street, Bedford www.tcgimpact.com/christmas