I can't believe I am writing the final newsletter of the year. The year has flown by – a sign of just how busy we have all been. The Book Award assembly on Tuesday was a true celebration of the achievements of our students, particularly in music and the performing arts. I am sure we all left the ceremony feeling invigorated after viewing each class performance. Well done to all of our students for their vibrant enthusiasm which was clear to see. Also, congratulations to all award winners. It was pleasing to see the variety of reasons you were selected – persistence, good citizenship, effort and good progress. Well done! However, all students should feel proud of their work this year. I often speak about their politeness, their positive attitude and friendliness, as do visitors to the school. They make teaching here very rewarding and deserve their forthcoming holiday. Students, please remember, in your holiday excitement, to stay safe. Think about road safety and wear your helmet when cycling. Also, keep in mind everything teachers and your parents have told you about stranger danger. We want to see you all back, safe and sound, in February wearing your new uniform.

I would like to take this final opportunity of the year to thank all parents, on behalf of all staff at Mullaloo Heights, for your positive support throughout the year. Your efforts make a real difference to our programs and the things we can offer the students. We hope you have a really great Christmas and well-earned rest.

As you know, we are saying goodbye to a few colleagues, this term. I'd like to thank Robbie Franchetto, Melissa Camer-Pesci and Bev Fruin for their contribution to our school and wish them all the best for their future endeavours.

There will be some new teachers joining us for 2016. Claire Nancarrow, Laura Southworth and Kim Carlson will all take up teaching positions in 2016. I am sure you will extend a warm welcome to them at the start of next term.

No newsletter is complete without a chicken update. You will all be pleased to know our chickens finally moved into their new home this week. They now have everything they need – food, water, hay and cosy nesting boxes. Here are some pictures of our Year 1 students helping the chickens settle in.

Happy Christmas –and see you all in 2016

Caroline Booth
Principal
The chicken's are in....
And are loving it!!
1. New school uniforms are available from Uniform Concepts, in Joondalup (located next to Darklight). A uniform order form/pricelist can be found on our school website. On the following link: http://mullalooheightsps.wa.edu.au/index.php?page=parent-information

2. 2016 term dates have been uploaded to our school website and are also available on the above link.

3. Start dates for students;
   - Monday 1st February 2016 for Pre Primary – Year 6
   - Wednesday 3rd February 2016 for Kindergarten; half days for the 3rd and 4th February only, as this is a transition period, with 2 group times. Normal school days as of the second week with school hours of 8:40am – 2:50pm. ***If you have mislaid the information booklet which contains the group times your child was allocated, please contact the school on either Thursday 28th, or Friday 29th January 2016, between the hours of 8:30am – 3:30pm.

4. 2016 Class lists will be up for viewing on Friday 29th January 2016 at midday. They will be posted on the pinup board (near the canteen) in the Undercover Area. We ask that these class lists not be posted on Facebook or any other social media sites, due to privacy, as first and last names of students will appear on class lists. We thank you for your cooperation in this.
Mullaloo Heights Primary School would like to extend an invitation to you and your child to attend our exciting Early Childhood Program, “Early Beginnings”.

Early Beginnings is a chance for you to meet other parents within the community and develop friendships and support groups as well as providing a safe, supportive and friendly environment for your child to learn through play.

You will have the opportunity to be involved in your child’s learning and to meet with early childhood educators and other specialists involved in early childhood development. The program will be vibrant and fun filled with a focus on oral language.

The Early Beginnings program will commence on Friday, 26 February 2016, in the Early Childhood Unit located onsite at Mullaloo Heights Primary School, Charonia Road, Mullaloo. Children intending to enrol at Mullaloo Heights Kindy program for 2017, are encouraged to attend the program.

The sessions will run between 8.45am – 10.45am Friday mornings.

A gold coin donation would be appreciated.
Mullaloo Heights Primary School
Early Beginnings Program
Enrolment Form

Name of child: __________________ Date of birth: ____________

Name of person enrolling child:
Title: ______ Name: __________________ Surname: ____________

Relationship to child: __________________
Residential Address: ____________________________________________ Postcode: __________

Contact Number: __________________
E-mail address: __________________

Does your child have any health/medical conditions that we need to be aware of?
Please list: ____________________________________________________________
____________________________________________________________________
____________________________________________________________________

Signature: ___________________________ Date: ____________

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