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Media Release:

Cooking up a storm at Amaroo Primary School

Students and staff at Amaroo Primary School are enjoying a hot breakfast and lunch from the canteen's new commercial convection oven, thanks to a \$4,400 donation from Premier Coal.

The canteen was in desperate need of a renovation after 30 years since its last refurbishment. The school recently installed new benches and appliances and now the upgrade is complete with the new oven.

Amaroo Primary School runs a critical service known as Breakfast Club for its vulnerable students, providing breakfast five days a week, therefore a new commercial oven was vital to continue that assistance.

Ben Ratz, Principal of Amaroo Primary School Australia was thrilled with the new oven for the canteen.

"With around 300 students, our school canteen plays an important role in providing healthy food and drinks for our students.

"We are also proud of our partnership with Foodbank WA to offer Breakfast Club every day to our students who need it.

"Research shows that breakfast is one of the most important meals of the day, particularly for growing children. Therefore, with the new oven we can cook a hot nutritious breakfast, which will positively influence the mental wellbeing of students.

"We are a small school and greatly appreciate community donations and support, so we are very thankful to Premier Coal for their funding," said Ben.

Amaroo Primary School opened in 1950 and incorporates K-6 students. The school aims to play a central role in the community through supporting high levels of academic, physical, and social achievement.

Acting Premier Coal Operations Manager Chris Knight was proud to help the school.

"Amaroo Primary School provides an excellent education to the children in our community, and we are happy we could help them improve their canteen with a commercial convection oven.

"It pleases me that by providing this small donation, every kid has the opportunity to enjoy a hot breakfast or lunch, keeping their bodies fuelled for the day," said Chris.

The donation was part of the Premier Coal Community Support Program, which is funded by Yancoal and aims to make a positive difference in the local community and to the lives of the people who work and live in Collie.

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