FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents

Kids’ Lit Quiz

On Tuesday two teams of four students competed in the Queensland heat of the Kids’ Lit Quiz at Ipswich Girls’ Grammar School.

The Kids’ Lit Quiz is an international literature competition that celebrates and rewards reading and literary knowledge. Teams of 10 to 13 year old children collaboratively answer 100 questions arranged in categories that are unknown to contestants prior to the event. A total of 35 independent and state schools were represented.

Our teams performed exceptionally well. The team of Flora, Gia, Lydia and Rory tied for first and were pipped at the post in the tie-break.

I thank Ms Durston, our teacher-librarian for promoting and organising our participation in this international challenge. Our winning team has been invited to compete at the Australian final which will be held in Sydney on 22 March. Our participation at this event is still to be decided. Well done!

City District Swimmers

Last Friday the school swimming team competed at the City District Trials at the Valley pool. A number of students swam PBs and for the sixth year in a row have won the a school trophy.

This year our team also won the aggregate trophy.

Congratulations to our swimmers.

Guy Hendriks
Principal
FROM THE PRINCIPAL (contd)

I would like to remind everyone about being mindful to our neighbours when parking around the school. Please do not park in front of driveways. This causes unnecessary frustration when neighbours are wanting to get to urgent appointments etc.

WELL DONE AWARDS

Prep
Claudia F PA, Jade S PA, Bridie S PB, Addison B PB, Cash P PC, Adele W PC, Harvey M PD, Sami O PD, William H PF, Grace A PF.

Year 1
Anne B 1A, Tyler B 1A, Jeffrey J 1C, Thea L 1C, Neve M 1E, Luke S 1E, Charlotte H 1F, Grayson G 1F.

Year 2

Year 3
Zoe A 3A, Eve T 3A, Stella H 3C, Tula H 3C, Madeline S 3F, Lydia B 3F.

FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPALS

Student Cards
Student Cards will be going home this week. Can parents check their child’s details and sign and return even if no changes have been made. It is very important that the school has all details updated. Please return these to the class no later than 24 February 2014.

TERM PAYMENTS

The school operates a statement billing method to support families when paying their account so that, in most cases, one payment is required per term. Term 1 statements have been processed and will be issued shortly to all students. Below is a list of the activities which could be included on your child’s statement – please note that only the activities your child is participating in will be shown. Whilst the $30.00 Student Resource Scheme is purely voluntary, payment of this will be greatly appreciated. Any Student Resource Scheme money received, will be allocated to your child’s class. If you are unable to participate in this scheme, kindly let us know so we can process a credit. You may write a note on your child’s statement and return it to the office via the class Blue Bag. If you have difficulty meeting these payments, please contact Deb Jackson, Business Services Manager, to discuss a part payment agreement.

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STUDENT BANKING

Get Involved In The School Banking Program
You can get involved in the School Banking program by opening a Commonwealth Bank Youthsaver account at any Commonwealth Bank branch, over the phone on 13 2221 or via NetBank if you are an existing customer with NetBank access. When your child makes their first deposit at school they will earn their first Dollarmites token and our school will also receive $5 commission. Teaching your child the benefits of saving regularly is a great way of supporting our school.

$1,182.68 raised through School Banking!
Thanks to the fantastic efforts of our students we have raised $1,182.68 for our school through school banking commissions in 2014. Our school receives $5 when a student makes their first ever school banking deposit and 5% on every deposit made through the school (to a maximum of $10 per individual deposit).

Saving regularly is an important habit to get into, whether you’re saving a little or a lot. Keep up the great work and remember to bring in your school banking deposit each Friday.

Thank you for supporting the School Banking program.

Please contact us on ofinselbach@optusnet.com.au for any questions you may have.

The School Banking Team.

NEWS FROM HPE

City District Swimming Carnival
Congratulations to the Wilston State School swim team who successfully defended both trophies last Friday at the City District Swimming Carnival. Wilston was crowned Champion A school as well as winning the overall percentage trophy which divides your points by the school population. The effort from all students was outstanding with the following gaining selection into the City District team to compete at the Regional Championships on the 26 February.

City District Representatives

Wilton Cross Country
Date Claimer: The inter-house Cross Country will be held on Wednesday 2 April.

Rodney Bell
PE Specialist
FROM THE STRING DEPARTMENT

Medical forms and payment for the Celtic String Workshop are due to the office by the 21 February. This will be a wonderful event and I hope that we will have a strong representation from Wilston.

If your child is not attending the workshop, please can they let me know.

Kathryn Payne

TUCCSHOP NEWS

The Wilston Coffee Shop is open from 7.30am Monday to Friday, come and try our home baked goodies.

Sign up to Munch Monitors, it’s so easy and you will have no more paper bags to deal with.

Fresh smoothies and tasty toasties available for breakfast, come and try TODAY !!!!!

We still need volunteers in the Tuckshop so come and meet some of the lovely mums and coffee and lunch is on us.

Roster for week ending 28 February 2014:

Monday 24  Marion Jones, Mirella Fyimoto
Tuesday 25  Rose Borham, Megan Beattie
Wednesday 26  Janine Stanley, Joanna Shear-Smith
Thursday 27  Catherine Dawson, Jacinta Geritz
Friday 28  Vicki Connolly, Cath White.

Bec Macdonald 60huet@gmail.com 0448804279
Dot Milne milnej@optushome.com.au 35528490

FROM THE UNIFORM/BOOKSHOP

SHOP OPEN: Monday, Wednesday and Friday during Term 1, between 8.15 and 9.45am.

SHOP ONLINE: Go to www.munchmonitor.com; Username: wilstonss and Password: munch4051.

Have Your Say About Our Uniform

I would like to get some feedback from the school community about key pieces of our uniform – what’s great and what could be improved. I am reviewing the functionality, durability and price of the following items: Dress polo shirts (regular, cotton and house) and shorts. If you have a comment or suggestion about these items (or any others), please contact me via email, a note in your child’s class blue bag or just drop in to the shop.

But please note – the colours of the uniform will remain unchanged!!

Stock Update

Out of Stock: Small socks (9-2; available in Term 2), Yamaha recorders, various text books

Uniforms:
The shop is fully stocked with all basic uniform items. The ‘back to school’ queues have gone, so please visit the shop if you need to check your child’s size. Otherwise, just place your order online via Munch Monitors and it will be delivered to your child’s class.

Swim items: The shop has an extensive range of swimwear, including rashies (sm-xl; $40), fabric caps ($10), goggles ($12), towels ($18) and bags ($15), all in house colours.

Winter items: The shop is bursting with winter uniforms, both new and pre-loved. There are microfibre jackets ($46), rugby-style tops ($30), cargo pants ($30) and girls’ stretch pants ($30). There are also limited new sizes in the discontinued microfibre track pants and the bootleg pants, but plenty of pre-loved items to search through! Drop by and have a look!

Seniors Shirts (Yrs 6/7)

All Year 6 and 7 students are entitled to wear the mocha and gold senior/representative shirt this year. Printing of these shirts with the students’ names will happen in a few weeks, following distribution of permission slips to all Year 6 and 7 families. Seniors shirts are available in sizes 8-14 for $33.

Lost Umbrellas:

Are you missing an umbrella? I have two golf-size umbrellas in the shop, left at the very beginning of school this year. Please come and have a look if you’re wondering where your umbrella is!!

Christine Matheson, Convenor. Ph. 3552 8490 / 0448 633 737 / chrismath1@hotmail.com

NEWS FROM THE P&C

Reminder P&C AGM

The AGM is to be held on Thursday 20th February at 7.00pm in D Block

2014 Annual P&C Easter Egg Raffle

It is that time again for the Annual Wilston State School P&C Easter Raffle. Last year we were able to give more than 100 children a range of big and small prizes to take home. We need donations of Easter goodies/eggs/chocolates/baskets/plush toys including allergy free items. When you are out shopping please add in a little something for the Easter raffle and send it into the Tuckshop. All donations will be gratefully received and should be delivered to the tuckshop.

Over the next couple of weeks all students will receive a book of 5 raffle tickets. The ticket price is $1 a ticket. Please write your child/children’s name and class or ticket holders name and phone number clearly on each ticket and return with payment to your class Blue Bag. Please make sure the envelope is clearly marked “Easter Raffle”. Please also return any unsold tickets.

If you have any queries please contact Melinda Ferrer (0438 742 409) or Emma Keiso (0402 837 693).

FROM THE STRINGS DEPARTMENT

I am former WSS student now studying music at the University of Queensland. I have my Australian Associate of Music on piano and violin.

I am available for teaching violin and piano to beginners, or children with previous knowledge.

Rate: $25 for 30 minute lesson

Contact Phoebe on 0477 513 794

VIOLIN AND PIANO LESSONS
Try Basketball with Northern Galaxy Basketball Club

Come and Try Basketball at Wavell SHS on Tuesday evening, 18th February and Tuesday evening 25th February 2014.

Basketball:
☐ helps children develop improved gross motor skills;
☐ is played indoors and
☐ is affordable.

Northern Galaxy Basketball Club offers this opportunity to girls and boys from 7 – 13 years of age.

The cost for this experience is $20.00, if participants bring along a voucher (available on the Northern Galaxy Basketball Club website) this is reduced to $0.00.

Child carer wanted
Tuesday and Thursday
2.45 to 5.15pm, sometimes 6.30pm
at 43 Watson Street, Newmarket
Four children 9, 6, 4 and 2 years
No cooking required
Supervision and tidy up of food
Start first week March
Contact Adrienne 0409 199 309
**Galaxy Soccer** (For Ages 3.5 - 13 yrs)

**FREE** first Session & Sessions from $8.00

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Boys & girls

[www.galaxysoccer.com.au](http://www.galaxysoccer.com.au) or
Call (07) 31 776 775

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**Junior Development Day & 70th Birthday celebrations**

Sunday 16th February 2014 Finsbury Park
8-00am to 9-00am Junior Coaching Clinic for Boys and Girls U/7 to U/13

Men’s and Women’s exhibition Games 9-30am and 10-30am

Free sausage sizzle for all junior players
All old and new players welcome.

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**Interested in playing basketball?**

Become a **Dragon** and join a club with a strong association with the PCYC.

Catering for players from under 8 through to Seniors.

Sign On Day for North Brisbane Basketball Assn (Dragons) will be at our Clubhouse, Hills District PCYC, 1st February, 2014 from 10:00am to 2:00 pm.

For further information, email [nbba@northbrisbanebasketball.com.au](mailto:nbba@northbrisbanebasketball.com.au) or visit our website [www.northbrisbanebasketball.com.au](http://www.northbrisbanebasketball.com.au).

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**The Grange Kids Club**

**Term 1 Starts 7 February**
Friday nights from 5-7pm
At Grange Baptist Church
Cnr Carberry St & Wilston Rd
Primary School Kids welcome for a night of fun, food and games!
For more information contact Andrew Lawton - 0402066534

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**DANC-ERCISE**

**FREE DANCE/EXERCISE CLASSES (5 - 18yrs)**

- Mondays: Presbyterian Church Hall 78 St. Margaret’s Rd, Carina 3.30-4.30pm (5-9yrs)
  4.30-5.30pm (10-12yrs)
- Tuesdays: Barrie Community Hall 179 Kedron Brook Rd, Enoggera 4.30-5.30pm (4-10yrs)
  5.30-6.00pm (11-12yrs)

Classes start 17/02/14

Each session is 45 minutes of high energy dance/movement.
Numbers are strictly limited - enrol now.
Bright Minds Brilliant Futures

In 2013, 52% of Queensland Academies’ International Baccalaureate Diploma students achieved an OP 1 - 5 equivalent score.*

The 2013 state average OP 1 - 5 score is 19.96%.

*ATAR rank of 99 – 92.

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Upcoming Information Sessions

Tuesday 4 March 2014 4:00pm - 7:00pm
Creative Industries Campus
61 Mulk Avenue, Kelvin Grove

Tuesday 4 March 2014 12:00pm - 2:00pm
Health Sciences Campus
102 Edmund Rice Drive, Southport

Saturday 8 March 2014 10:00am - 1:00pm
Carnivale Open Day (Principal’s Welcome 11:30am)
Science, Mathematics and Technology Campus
78 Bywong Street, Toowoomba

World Class Results*:

• 33% of our graduates in 2013 received the highest tertiary rank of 99 (OP 1 equivalent)
• 66% of graduates received a rank of 99-92 (OP 1 – 5 equivalent)
• We are ranked amongst the top schools in the state.

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Did your child attend Ballymore Kindy?
The 2014 Ballymore Kindy Committee invites you to Please Join Us For its annual Alumni Family get together Sunday the 2nd of March from 10am – 12 noon Gould Road Park, (off Main Road) Herston.

It is a great way for Ballymore Families past and present to stay in touch. We are planning this to be a regular catch up, holding this event on the first Sunday in March each year.

Please bring along toys, food/drink that you will need for your family.
We look forward to seeing you there.

The exchange

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"The Circle of Security® is coding the globe as an intervention to help parents raise their children with love, warmth, and emotional intelligence.

COST: $250 includes workbook, 5 sessions & light refreshments

Please register by contacting Mernda or Heidi at 0400 077 169, 0404 042 174 or info@imcorganisational.com.au

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