FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents

ANZAC Day Ceremony

Last Thursday afternoon Wilston State School held a commemorative ANZAC service. Mr Medlin and his class prepared a very moving and informative service to recognize and acknowledge the efforts of past and present service men and women. We thank Pastor Andrew Lawton and Lt-Col Nicholas Rose for their time and contribution to the ANZAC service. A special thank you to Mr Medlin and his class for organising and leading the parade. Thank you to Mrs Charters, our Wilston Choir, Mrs Pyne and our Strings students for the beautiful music and choir performances. Also a big thank you to Mrs Bayne for making the lovely floral wreaths that were part of the ceremony. All of our students showed great respect and enjoyed participating in such an important service.

NAPLAN 2014

The NAPLAN tests are designed to assess the skills of Australian students in literacy and numeracy. The testing is conducted over three days from 13 – 15 May 2014. For Years 3 and 5 there will be four tests and Year 7 five tests, covering Language conventions, Writing, Reading and Numeracy. Students have been practising on previous tests so are familiar with the question formats. For more information about NAPLAN visit www.nap.edu.au or contact your child’s teacher.

Winter Sickness

As winter approaches we would just like to remind the Wilston families that we have some students that can be severely affected by colds, flu and other viral illnesses. If your child is unwell please keep them at home, so they are not spreading germs and sickness to others.

Farewell to our Head of Curriculum – Fleur Provost

Ms Provost has been successful in obtaining a Head of Curriculum role at Eagle Junction State School. Since coming to Wilston State School, Fleur has worked with students and teachers to improve curriculum understanding and classroom pedagogy. She has worked with our students and teachers implementing and developing Words Their Way, our reading program and problem solving strategies in the classrooms, conducting U2B programs in computer labs, the upcoming Mini Writer’s Festival and of course her Olympic paddleboard and canoeing skills displayed at camp. We thank Fleur for her commitment to our school and wish her all the best for the future.

Mr Hendriks will return next week from long service leave. Many thanks to Lisa Boge, Deb Mill and all staff for their support over the last few weeks, it has been a pleasure working with all the students, parents and staff.

Jennifer Dietz
A/Principal
DEPUTY PRINCIPALS

Under 8’s Day
This year we will be celebrating Under 8’s Day on Thursday 22 May from 11.30am – 1.00pm. Students from Prep, Year 1 and Year 2 will participate in a range of fun activities around the school. Under 8’s Day is always an enjoyable day and we invite you to attend and share this wonderful experience with your child. If you are able to assist by escorting a small group of students around the activities on offer, please see your child’s teacher.

High 5
High 5 is the strategy that we encourage students to use when they are involved in a social conflict. We use the hand below to indicate the five steps that students can independently employ to deal proactively in situations that can arise in the playground or in other social situations.

Ignored – Pretend you didn’t hear it. Do not make eye contact and maintain positive body posture. Think positively. Count to five slowly in your head and take deep breaths.

Talk Friendly – Use a calm voice. Maintain eye contact and use confident body language. Use “I” statements e.g. “I feel … when you … because …”

Walk Firmly – Stand tall, head held high. Look confident and do not use eye contact. Walk somewhere, preferably towards a busy area or teacher. Don’t look back.

Talk Firmly – Use an assertive voice and tell them to stop it. Re-state your “I” statement and state the consequence of the continuing the behaviour.

Report – Tell a staff member. Bystanders - support and report.

Any incidents where students feel their health or safety may be at risk, report straight away and do not use the High 5.

STUDENT BANKING

Due to the works that are being carried out in the Staff Room, school banking could not be processed. Sorry for the inconvenience caused. Bank books were sent back to the classes.

This term we are giving students the opportunity to win a share of sunk-en treasure found in the Lost City of Savings. Students simply need to make three or more school banking deposits during Term 2, regardless of the value, and they will automatically be entered into the competition to win some fantastic prizes including:

Major Student Prize
Five nights’ accommodation at the Sea World Resort and Water Park on the Gold Coast; VIP passes for two adults and three kids to Sea World, Warner Bros., Movie World and Wet’nWild Gold Coast; Dolphin Family Aqua Adventure and a $3,000 travel gift card to get them there.

Runner up student prizes. 130 Toys”R”Us gift cards to the value of $250 each to spend on their favourite toys.

Reward Update
In Term 2 there are two new exciting rewards available for students who save 10 tokens. The rewards available this term are:

- Whale Shark Pencil Case NEW
- Shark or Penguin Keyring NEW
- Handball
- Scented Pencils.

Don’t forget tomorrow is banking day!

Please contact us on gfinselbach@optusnet.com.au with any questions you may have about the School Banking Program.

NEWS FROM HPE

Inter-House Cross Country
Results from the Cross Country at the end of last term:

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Good luck to all students in the Wilston SS Cross Country team who will be competing at the District Cross Country Carnival next Tuesday.

Gala Day
The upcoming winter Gala Days for students in Years 5-7 have been changed from Fridays to Thursdays due to the availability of venues. The dates for the three days are now: Thursday 22 May, 29 May and 5 June. Notes for the Gala Days will be coming home shortly.

Congratulations to Jack M who has gained selection in the Metropolitan North AFL team to compete at the State Championships later in the term.

Well done also to Charlotte H, Imogen S, Abbi M and Georgina H who represented City District at the recent Met North Netball Carnival. The girls were part of the U12 team that were undefeated throughout the day.

Rodney Bell. PE Specialist

CHOIR NEWS

Welcome back and congratulations to our wonderful choristers for their beautiful singing at the Easter services last term and our Anzac Assembly last week. Our students always rise to the occasion!
CHOIR NEWS (contd)

The Wilston Wonders have their first rehearsal for Term 2 tomorrow morning (Friday) at the usual time of 8.00am. A note will be sent home with upcoming performance information.

Miranda Charters and Bev Barnett

BRASS WOODWIND & PERCUSSION

Junior Band
The Junior Band is making good progress and I’ve begun passing out some of the simpler Wildcatz repertoire. They will need a display folder to keep their new music in. We are still aiming at the Junior Band performing with the Catz at Customs House in third term.

Wildcatz
The Catz have been asked to open the Polish Club celebration on 1 June at 12.00noon. The Lord Mayor will be opening the show with them. I will send additional details in a note.

TUCKSHOP NEWS

Welcome back to Term 2, we have an exciting new menu with heaps of fun and healthy food.

We still need more volunteers on Thursdays and Fridays, come and meet some lovely people and have a great day with us.

If anyone has experience in making great coffee and would like some know so we can ensure we can account for all children booked-in to after school care. It is important that we f for bookings.

Next weeks roster

Monday 5/5  Marion Jones, Mirella Fyimoto
Tuesday 6/5  Megan Poynter, Sharon Waddingham
Wednesday 7/5  Janine Stanely, Joanna Shear-Smith
Thursday 8/5  Melinda Jennison
Friday 9/5  Yvette Vanschaemhout, Amber Frazer, Josephine Parry.

Bec Macdonald 0448 804 279 60huet@gmail.com
Dot Milne 0408 729 021

FROM THE UNIFORM/BOOKSHOP

SHOP OPEN:  Wednesday and Friday during Terms 2 and 3 (between 8.15 and 9.45am).

SHOP ONLINE: Go to www.munchmonitor.com; Username: wilstonss and Password: munch4051. All items purchased online are delivered to your child’s class.

Stock Update

Out of Stock: Tights (all sizes).
Back in Stock: Small socks (9-2); Hair accessories in brown and gold – headbands and clips.

Uniforms

Winter items: Visit the shop for all your winter uniform items, including microfibre jackets ($46), rugby-style tops ($30), cargo pants ($30) and straight leg stretch pants ($30). There are also plenty of pre-loved items to search through! Drop by and have a look!

Pre-Winter Specials: Buy a brand new microfibre jacket or rugby knit top and receive 10% off any second new item purchased (second item must be the same or lesser valued than first item).

That means you could have a new winter jacket and pants set for only $73, or a rugby knit top and winter pants set for only $57. So come and bundle a bargain – the offer is valid until the end of May. Please note that the discount is only available directly from the Shop (excludes online orders).

Discontinued Stock Clearance

I am keen to sell all discontinued stock items including: girls’ blouses ($18), panel skirts ($15), printed polo shirts ($10), microfibre tracksuit pants ($15), and girls’ bootleg pants ($15). Some items have only limited sizes and quantity, so be quick (includes online orders)!!

Christine Matheson, Convenor. Ph. 3552 8490 / 0448 633 737 / christmath1@hotmail.com

NEWS FROM THE P&C

Mother’s Day Stall
The Mother’s Day Stall will be on all day on Wednesday 7th May, next to the library. Students can come to the stall with their class and choose a lovely gift for their mum (and/or other special lady). All gifts are $10 and students must bring their money on the day. The stall will also open before school on Thursday 8th May for any children who are away or forget their money on Wednesday.

In addition, I really need some volunteers to help the children shop – if you can spare any time between 9.00-2.30pm on Wednesday, please let me know or just pop by the stall.

Ingrid Rosemann (dwtaylor@tpg.com.au or 0424 051 987)

NEWS FROM WILSTON KIDS CARE

Welcome back to all the Wilston Kids Care families. We hope you had a good break. We are looking forward to Term 2 and have some fantastic programs planned.

Vacation Care offered many great activities go karts, robotics, jumping castles and even a magician. The children had a lot of fun.

We would just like to remind parents who use WKC that it is important to update any permission forms for extra curricula activities. For example if your child attends swimming lessons at the pool, please ensure that the permission form is up-to-date.

Also just a friendly reminder to let WKC know as soon as possible if a child is going to be absent from after school care. It is important that we know so we can ensure we can account for all children booked-in to a session.

NEWS FROM WILSTON SWIM CLUB

Winter swimming – we have squad and learn to swim available year round with the pool heated to 29 degrees – our timetable will remain the same as Term 1 for squads in Term 2 with the exception of no Friday morning squad. Please see our website for the complete squad timetable.

Swimming year round has many benefits and we encourage all our squad and learn to swim kids to maintain their skills and swim over the winter months. Our adult squads which run on Monday and Wednesday evenings at 6.45-7.45pm will continue throughout winter as well.

There is still some availability for Term 2 Learn to Swim, our lessons run Monday to Friday afternoons as well as Saturday mornings from 7:30am. Please see Kirsten in the pool office or email info@wilstonswim.org.au for bookings.
NEWS FROM WILSTON SWIM CLUB (contd)

Good luck to all our swimmers who are competing at the Sunnybank Swimming Club Short Course Development Meet this Sunday 4 May 2014 – we have 36 swimmers representing the Wilston Crocs and they are looking forward to a great afternoon of racing.

Our AGM will be held on 13 May 2014 at 7.00pm, it would be great to have some new representatives involved in the committee – it is not a large time commitment and there are many ways to be involved in our swim community. For an agenda, further details or information please contact Emma at info@wilstonswim.org.au

See you at the pool!

W: www.wilstonswim.org.au
E: info@wilstonswim.org.au

FATHER’S DAY GET TOGETHER

Friday 5 September 2014
Join us for a Father’s Day get together (Dad’s lunch) at the Alliance Hotel. Start 12.00pm and finishes later….

Lunch and drinks included so get some mates together.

Tickets go on sale June 2014 and limited numbers available. Spread the word and details will be sent for purchasing tickets soon.

TICKETS ON SALE NOW!

2014 WSS P&C Trivia Night - Saturday 24 May
Theme - COLOURS

Arguably Brisbane’s best Trivia Night is back in 2014 – and what a spectacle it is! Get your thinking hats on for your theme colour for this year’s trivia night. Simply dress your table in the same colour or take on last years winners (Airline Crew) and come as black and white penguins, multi-coloured rainbows, white brides or blue smurfs …. Possibilities are endless! Great prizes to be won.

Tickets will cost $200 for a table of 10 or $20 per individual ticket and we will organise a table.

Please note that this is an adults only night and table numbers are limited.

If you have not done so already, please contact Michelle Tribe on michmatt@bigpond.net.au once you have purchased your table / ticket so we can check any preferences for your colour / table theme.

Any donations for raffles or lucky door prizes would be gratefully accepted.

KIDS TRIVIA!

Don’t worry kids – you don’t miss out completely.
Over the next three weeks we will be running a trivia competition for you.

Answer the following question correctly and win a Tuckshop voucher (depending on your year level). Send your entry up to the office (please include your name and class) via the blue bag before 9.00am each Thursday and the winners will be announced on assembly in the lead up to the trivia night.

Questions for week 1 (to be announced on assembly on 8 May):

Prep to grade 3 question:
Name the three people the sporting houses at Wilston State School are named after.

Grade 4 to 7 question:
What is the Indigenous name for the largest rock in the world?
Go Sport

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