FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents

Athletics

Congratulations to all students who competed in the City District Athletics Carnival at Geebung last week. The team retains the City District Primary School Sport Trophy. I thank Mr Rodney Bell, PE teacher; Mrs Megan Paulsen, teacher and team manager and Mr Tim Class Auliff, parent and coach for their work in ensuring our students were well prepared for this competition.

Michael Carr Gregg

Last week I advertised that Michael Carr Gregg would be presenting at the City Cluster of Schools professional development session on the 21st of October at Windsor State School, 7.00pm till 9.00pm. Tickets are now on sale through the school office. Our school has only been allocated a small number of tickets which will be sold on a first come first serve basis. Unfortunately we do not keep petty cash so please bring the correct payment.

High Achievers

Last night I had the pleasure of watching a select number of our students from year six and seven showcase some of their work. These high performing students have been working with like minds from other primary schools from the cluster for the last 10 weeks. The High Achievers Program is resourced and delivered through Kelvin Grove State College and the primary students have been working in the areas of Science, English, Mathematics and Art. Our Science students have been involved in; building model bridges; extracting DNA from strawberries and comparing with DNA found at a “crime scene”; conducting experiments with basic chemicals and they have made a roller coaster. This is an extremely valuable educational opportunity provided to our students. I commend and thank the KGSC leadership team and their staff for providing our students with this program.

New Smartphone App Helps Young People With Jobs and Career Opportunities

The Career Hunter app, developed from a young person’s perspective, is a simple way for young people and their parents to explore career opportunities. Believed to be the first career exploration app of its kind, it provides information about occupations and industries, job descriptions, training and qualification requirements, and job vacancies. It makes tangible links from school to the world of work and highlights the industries where skills are most needed.

The Department of Education, Training and Employment; The Smith Family; Regional Development, Australia; Busy at Work and Group Training Australia worked together on the development of the app — now available from the Apple app store. Learn more at http://deta.qld.gov.au/about/app/index.html

The Department has developed a number of apps. If you follow the link above it takes you to a number of them. We are currently in the process of upgrading the school’s website. When this upgrade is complete you will also be able to access our site from the QSchools app.

Guy Hendriks
Principal
WELLDONE AWARDS

Prep

Year 1
Penny B of 1A, Georgie M of 1A, Oliver F of 1B, Lily B of 1B, Joshua S of 1C, Rose W of 1C, Jack B of 1D, Anna L of 1D, Oscar S of 1E, Lucy H of 1E.

Year 2

ICAS RESULTS

Each year, students at Wilston are able to participate in the International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS). ICAS is the largest independent assessment program for schools in the world, with more than 2 million entries annually. The results of the Science test, which was undertaken by 141 students in Years 3 - 7 have arrived. Students from Wilston achieved excellent results and should be congratulated on their effort and achievement. We wish to acknowledge the outstanding results of the following students:

High Distinction
  Year 3
  Liam N.
  Year 7
  Callum S.

Distinction
  Year 3
  Year 4
  Kieran L, Rebecca M, Luke S, Jake H.
  Year 5
  Year 6
  Miguel C, Jillian O.
  Year 7
  Boyd D, Bianca L, Scout M, Madeline P, Elli H, Hannah M.

FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPALS

Prep Information and Enrolment Packs for students starting Prep in 2014, who live in catchment or are siblings of students who will still be enrolled in 2014, are now available from the school office. When you collect your pack, you will be asked to make a 15 minute interview time for you and your child. Please direct any enquiries to our office – 3552 8444.

Year 5 Camp
Last week our adventurous Year 5 students headed up the coast to Currimundi. The weather was fantastic. The activities, kayaking, giant swing, fishing and stand-up paddle boarding were challenging and so much fun. The children had an amazing time. I would like to thank the teachers involved for organising this event, for being on 24 hour duty and ensuring that all children had such a great experience. Also a big thanks to our wonderful parent helpers that added to the excitement and fun. I do hope everybody’s muscles have stopped aching and that everybody has caught up on lost sleep.

Please see further on in the newsletter for Year 5 camp reflections.

WILSTON STAR AWARD

Caden H of 2A for picking up rubbish without being asked.

Tasmin B of 1C for picking up rubbish around our school.

STUDENT COUNCIL

Jeans for Genes Day
The Student Council would like to thank all those that donated on Wednesday 31 July 2013. A total of $780.90 was raised for the Children’s Medical Research Institute.

Skate Nights
Prep/1/2  27 August 6.00pm to 8.00pm
Year 3/4/5  3 September 6.30pm to 8.30pm
Year 6/7  10 September 6.30pm to 8.30pm.

CALENDAR ORDERS

Look out!! Order Forms will be sent home shortly. (There has been a misprint at the suppliers). As soon as these are received they will be sent home with the students.

This artwork is completed at school with the class teacher. The cost of the calendars will be $12.00, the greeting cards (set of 8) will be $14.00 and diaries $16.50. This is a great gift idea for Christmas for family and friends.

Calendar, card and diary orders will be due back at the office before FRIDAY 23 AUGUST 2013. Please fill out a separate order form for each student.

We are looking forward to a wonderful response. Get in early for Christmas this year!!

SCHOOL PAYMENTS

Statements (orange) were sent home with each student last week. This is just a reminder that all accounts are now due.

Please send payments up to the office via your child’s class Blue Bag.

Thank you.
YEAR 7 GRADUATION UPDATE

Position Vacant—The Year 7 Graduation Committee still require an interested person for the role of photo/DVD liaison. This person will help coordinate the collection of photos from students and parents and work with our DVD creator. All interested parties/ further information please email.

Danielle Freeman (dfree19@eq.edu.au)

YEAR 5 TO CURRIMUNDI CAMP

TAMSIN  I liked the giant swing because I could see the house-tops when I was up the top.

LUCINA  I liked the food much better than last time. I really enjoyed the nachos, bacon and eggs, pasta and the pizza. The chefs were great and there were always seconds. I liked the stand-up paddle-boarding because it was fun. I had never tried it and it was pretty easy. It was fun capsizing and it wasn’t too cold because we were wearing wetsuits.

LUCA  I loved the fishing because I love a tricky challenge to catch some fish. I loved the beach walk because you can find interesting shells or bits of coral and you can run away from the waves. I liked the stand-up paddle-board because you can sit instead of stand on your board.

FLORA  On day two the Turtles went fishing and yabby pumping and we also played beach games. Jane taught us how to put on the bait and Robin showed us how to yabby pump, then we went to do it ourselves. After morning tea we saw some whales and then played some games.

HENRY  I enjoyed stand-up paddle-boarding because you felt really happy when you were gliding around like a gondolier.

TONY  I really enjoyed the Talent Show. It was fun for the competitors and also for the audience. There were many enjoyable skills that were full of funny actions, and there were also other interesting acts.

GIA  I loved the beach walk because the view was great and we saw the International Space Station fly overhead.

HARRY  I liked the giant swing the most because after you’ve gone on it, and know that you have gone a bit higher than what you would usually do, you feel a great sense of achievement.

SCARLETT  To get into our cabins, we needed to put a code into a key pad. The code was catchy so we would remember it, (8859#)

JAMES  I loved the kayaking because it was a really good skill to learn and you get to bond with your partner more.

EMMA:  My favourite activities were the giant swing and stand-up paddle-boarding. I also enjoyed circus skills and the beach walk. The food was yummy but the only things that I didn’t enjoy were the bus trips.

NICK  I liked being in teams called different countries for the mini Olympics and that the events were really fun.

KYREL  I really loved stand-up paddle-boarding because it was my first time and because I knocked Catherine off her paddle-board.

UPDATE FROM THE LIBRARY

Book Week 26 – 30 August 2013

We are getting close to that time of year when all who love reading and children’s books have a huge celebration known as Children’s Book Week.

On Thursday, 29 August there will be a dress-up parade where everyone is invited to come dressed as a favourite book character or as something related to the Book Week theme - Read across the Universe!

NEWS FROM HPE

Track and Field

Congratulations to the School Track and Field Team that won the City District Carnival last Thursday and Friday. There were some outstanding performances throughout the carnival but it was the effort from the whole team that ensured the trophy remained at Wilston. The team also won the overall percentage trophy. As a result we have 20 students and 2 relays that have gained selection into the City District Team to compete at the Met North Carnival later this month.

City District Representatives:

Tom A – High Jump
Will B – 100m, 200m
Gia C – 100m
Rory J – High Jump
Sam J – 800m
Miguel C – 800m
Finn D – long Jump
Clair F – Discus
Connor M – High Jump, Shot & Discus
Bryn P – 200m
Tegan R – High Jump
Sam B – High Jump
Connor B – Long Jump
Zoe C – High Jump, Discus
Blair D – 800m
Joey L – 100m, 200m, 800m, Long Jump, Shot, Discus & Multi
Dan T – 100m, 200m & Shot
Jason L – Discus
Loclyn N – 100m, 200m & Long Jump
Izzy S – Discus.

A special thanks to all the parents who helped out as officials during the two days of the carnival as well as the support that they gave to the students.

Rodney Bell. PE Specialist

FROM THE STRINGS DEPARTMENT

Junior Music Camp

Just a reminder that all Junior Music Camp permission slips and payments are due back tomorrow. (9 August 2013). Selected students have been nominated for the Junior Music Camp. If your child will not be attending please let Leigh Hofmeister know. Thank you.
**BRASS WOODWIND & PERCUSSION**

**Wildcatz Recording Date.** The first two tunes for the “Island’s Corner” CD are mastered with a bit more work remaining on the third. The singing and soloing this year has been excellent. It will be available soon.

**Wildcatz 2013 Tour.** The Catz Tour is scheduled for Monday 26 August. Please ensure all the forms are returned and that your Wildcatz has a seat with one of our drivers. Please contact me if any problems arise and, once again, many thanks to our drivers.

**Junior Band Mini Camp.** The Junior Band is scheduled to take part in a mini music camp on Monday 9 September. They will be paired with a Wildcatz ‘buddy’ for tutorials and will perform with the Wildcatz in an afternoon concert. The Junior Band members are looking forward to the experience.

**STUDENT BANKING**

Term 3 competition
You should now be aware that we have a very exciting local competition – one child in the Brisbane North area WILL WIN a mini iPad. Entry couldn’t be an easier – it just takes one deposit made through school banking and they are automatically entered into the draw.

This week we congratulate the following children who have received a Silver certificate for their continuous effort on making 20 deposits: Jackson M, Kassidy B, Greta H, Daisey B, Matthew J, Austin B, Abigail A and Gabriella F; also we congratulate the following children who have received a Bronze certificate for their great effort on making 10 deposits in the school banking program: Jake H, Elke H, Emma R and Lachlan E.

This term’s school banking tip:
When your child receives their bank statement, show it to them and help them understand the benefits of saving their money, explain how much interest they earned and show them the total balance.

Please contact us on gfinselbach@optusnet.com.au for any questions.

**TUCKSHOP NEWS**

Senior Tuckshop Convenor
The position of Senior Tuckshop Convenor is required for 2014. Training will commence in Term 3 this year. The position offers a flexible working environment with child friendly working hours including school holidays off. Please forward or drop in a CV to Annie Harris at the Tuckshop.

Position Vacant
Tuckshop and Wilston Kids Care are looking for a food server/cleaner for 2.5 hours every day. A Blue Card is required from the successful applicant. Please contact Annie Harris or Rory Ford via the Tuckshop.

Again please be careful with foreign coins again filtering in through orders.

**MUNCH MONITOR**

Our on-line ordering system is very close to becoming a reality……stay tuned!!

**Roster:**
- **Monday 12:** Jackie Redmond and Marion Jones.
- **Tuesday 13:** Michaela Butterworth, Anna Leyshon and Deanne Laurent.
- **Wednesday 14:** EKKA PUBLIC HOLIDAY
- **Thursday 15:** Loranne Windsor, Jacinda Geritz, Andrea Martin and Samantha Haridas.
- **Friday 16:** Natalie Simi, Christine Beehler, Natalie Scott.

**Annie 0411 862 426 (Wednesday, Thursday and Friday) and Dot 0408 729 021(Monday, Tuesday) milnej@optushome.com.au**

**FROM THE UNIFORM/BOOKSHOP**

**SHOP OPEN:** Wednesday and Friday during Terms 2 and 3, between 8.15 and 9.45am. **Please note that the shop is not open Mondays during Terms 2 & 3 **

**Stock Update**
The shop is stocked to bursting with just about everything your child could need!! The exceptions are School Bags (out of stock until September) and Tights (out of stock in size 6-9). Music shirts are still being organised - thanks for your patience and I will let you know as soon as they are available.

**Beat the 2014 Prep Rush**
Calling all organised parents!! Do you have a little one starting Prep next year? With Prep Orientation only a short time away, why not jump the queue and buy your uniforms in Term 3? Bring your future preppie to the shop for a fitting now and avoid the end of year crush!!

**Order Form on P&C Website**
Can’t make it into the shop? Then just print and fill in the new Uniform Order Form available on the Wilston P&C website and send it in to the shop via your child’s class blue bag. I will process your order and send it home via the child nominated on the form.

Christine Matheson, Convenor. Ph. 3552 8490 (w) / 0448 633 737

**NEWS FROM WILSTON SWIM CLUB**

Now the weather is getting warmer it’s time to consider swimming lessons and to increase training for the up and coming Swim Club 2013-2014.

Congratulations to those swimmers who represented our club at the Vorgee Short Course meet at Chandler Aquatic Centre on the weekend! *A special mention to Lucy B who won a bronze medal in the 8 years girls 50m fly.

**Squad Trainer of the week**
Congratulations to Term 3 Week 4
Mini Squad - Alex H.. Junior Squad - Sam I.. Senior Squad - Cooper C.

**Learn to Swim**
We have vacancies for classes. Remember our pool is heated! Please email info@wilstonswim.org.au for vacancies.

**Head Coach**
We are currently recruiting for the Head Coach role and will have this finalised by the end of August. Kirsten is in the position of Head Coach and will be assisted in Squad by Terri and Taylor.
NEWS FROM WILSTON SWIM CLUB (contd)

Committee Meeting
Next meeting: 12th August at 7:00pm B Block, all swim club members are welcome to attend.

The Canteen Convenor position is available, this can be a shared role for Friday night club nights. Please email info@wilstonswim.org.au if you are interested or would like further information.

Our Web site - www.wilstonswim.org.au

and we'll see you at the pool.

NEWS FROM THE P&C

Wilston P&C CAR & PRIZES Raffle

Please support our school

Return your tickets by 16 August 2013 for the Early-bird prize draw on 22 August!!

The earlier you return your tickets the more prizes you could win!

The terms of the deal require a minimum sell and then PROFIT is OURS!!!!!

Please help us make our TARGET

The P & C buys great gear for our kids!

For MORE TICKETS email raffle@wilstonpandc.org.au

PASSION FOR PEUGEOT?
Would you like to drive to school in a brand new, sleek PEUGEOT 308, turbo, limited edition, leather seats?

TICKETS HAVE BEEN SENT HOME
P&C Major Raffle 2013
$10/ticket, Book of 6 $50.
CAN YOU HELP?
GOAL is to *SELL OUT*
LIMITED TICKET STOCK PRONTO and DRAW THE WINNER at FETE 2013!

Email raffle@wilstonpandc.org.au if you require more raffle tickets.

ZIP INTO ACTION!

***TOMORROW FRIDAY***
(AUGUST 9)

Bring a Lucky Zipper contribution to undercover area from 8.30am
Get a ticket in a draw for a ***FREE***
FETE RIDES WRISTBAND.
(Last week’s winner: Simon Thorp 1E)

Hand balls
Toy cars
Hair accessories
Stationery
Puzzles
Games
Nut free/gluten free chocolates
Wrapped Lollies and Lollipops
Colouring books
YOUR CHOICE

LUCKY ZIPPER DONATIONS BOX
KITCHEN AREA, J-BLOCK.
(Write your name in the book for a free go!)

Sarah Campbell and Sarah Campbell and Sarah Campbell and Sarah Campbell and
Yr 4 cohort
sarah@brisbanehairandmake-up.com

TEA AND TARTS

Treat yourself to an oasis of calm and tranquillity in the midst of the madding crowd!

Join us for an Aromas coffee or a fine cup of tea and a home baked treat.

Shout a friend or grandparent a THANK YOU cuppa for all the nice things they do for you!
(Thanks for the barista offers!)

Rachel G 0439 722 430

Stall Sponsor: BOH Dental
Go Sport  
Wilton State School Oval  
Commencing Friday 2 August 2013  
7.55am—8.40am  
5 weeks  
$85.00  
Go Soccer  
Prep to Year 3  
Go Cricket  
Year 1—4  

Register at www.gosports.com.au  
Sms child's name, school, sport and mobile number  
0417 614 509

Alderley Kindergarten  
Taking enrolments for preprep  
2014 Limited vacancies.  

Alderley Kindergarten is a community based not for profit kindergarten which has provided a nurturing and educational experience for children for over 60 years.  
Rating Exceeding The National Quality Standard.  
Address 76 South Pine Rd Alderley (cnr Railway St)  
3356 3675 / admin@alderleykindy.com.au  
Learn more about us www.alderleykindy.com.au  
Hours of Operation 8.30 a.m.—5.30 p.m  
(2.30—5.30 p.m AHC)

Computer Extras  
Conveniently located at Wilston State School, Computer Extras gives students the chance to consolidate what they learn in school, and learn lots of new computing skills.  

Wednesdays 3:15—4:15pm,  
starting Wednesday 24 July.  
Computer Lab, F Block  
(corner Inglis and Primrose Streets)  
$20 per hour ($160 for 8 lessons)  
For more details or to register, please contact Jodi:  
Tel 07 3018 2852 info@EducationExtra.com.au  
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