FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents

Staff

This term we welcome back Ms Sally Green. Ms Green has been on maternity leave for the last two years and has returned in a permanent part time capacity. This arrangement will extend until the end of the year. Ms Green is currently working with a number of classes in the junior sector of the school.

Ms Lynne Krista, teacher of 2A, will be taking leave for the remainder of the year. I welcome Mrs Karen Salkowski to our school. Mrs Salkowski has had considerable experience teaching in the early years. She has taught at West End State School for the past fourteen years. Earlier this year was spent teaching a variety of year levels in Melbourne. This was an invaluable opportunity. She has a wealth of knowledge and experience to offer Wilston State School.

Students, Have Your Say

Prep to Year 12 students are invited to have their say on the future of education in Queensland. We want to hear your suggestions on how we can ensure all students are given the best education and outcomes.

Your feedback will contribute to the development of the Queensland Education Accord, a 30-year vision for education in Queensland.

All you need to do is submit video feedback on one of the seven Queensland Education Accord student questions. If your video is chosen it will feature at the Queensland Education Accord Summit in September and you will be in the draw to win one of four $50 iTunes vouchers. Entries close Friday 8 August 2014.

For more information and to view the Queensland Education Accord questions, visit the website.


Teachers, Students and Parents – Have Your Say

Once a year teachers, students and parents are asked to participate in a survey about our school. The information gained from this survey is extremely important. The report that is presented to the school later in the year allows us to make informed decisions around areas that we need to develop. I have also found that it allows us to celebrate the things we are doing well.

All responses are anonymous and for the first time all families have been asked to complete the survey. The survey is to be completed online. If you have difficulty in accessing the internet and would like to complete the survey you can complete the survey at the school.

This afternoon your child will bring home a note that asks you to participate in the survey. I would encourage you to do so.

Guy Hendriks
Principal
FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPALS

Winter Clothing
As the weather has become colder, we have noticed a number of stu-
dents wearing a variety of jumpers and jackets. It is an expectation, that
during the Winter months, students wear the jumpers and jackets that
are part of the Wilston uniform or are in school colours. We also notice
an increase in the amount of lost property during Winter, so please
clearly name jumpers and jackets so that they can be returned when
found.

TERM STATEMENTS

Term statements (green) have gone home this week. These statements
are to each student. Unfortunately there was a glitch in OneSchool and
not all families received a statement last week. Below please find a list
of activities/excursions for Term 3.

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If you wish your child to attend these activities/excursions please
make payment before activity takes place. Payments are to come
up to the office via the class Blue Bags. Please make sure the en-
velope has the child’s name and class on.

We would appreciate all outstanding amounts for 2013 be paid. Thank
you.

STUDENT COUNCIL

Jeans for Genes Day
100% of the money we raise will go directly to the work of the Children’s
Medical Research Institute. The money guarantees long-term support
through our scientists researching genetic diseases like cancer, epilepsy
and birth defects.

Our Free Dress Day will be held on Friday 1 August. Please bring a
gold coin donation and receive a pack of Jeans for Genes coloured
pencils.

Remember you MUST wear your school or representative shirt and
denim jeans, shorts or skirts. (Ensure they are appropriate for school.)

FITCLUB NEWS!

Year 4/5 Parents
Please click on the link below—the link will take you to a web form for
your child to fill out. Please only ‘submit’ it once however you can look
at it as many times as you like.

https://adobeformscentral.com/?f=zvBtXjnU9rQyw1hv80wtA

Results coming next week.

I will hold some mini training sessions at 7.45 to 8.15am on Thursdays.

Mr Aldridge

KIDS MATTER

Parent Survey Information for Parents and Carers
The KidsMatter Parent Survey is open. Simply click on the link below and
follow the prompts to complete the short survey.


Your responses are anonymous and only summarised results are re-
ported.
It is important that you give your honest. Although not every question
may seem relevant to you, please answer each question as best you
can.

Wilston SS KidsMatter Team

2014 WILSTON SCIENCE COMPETITION

The Wilston Science Competition is being held in Term 3. The aims of
the competition include:
• stimulate an ongoing interest in science
• encourage students in the process of self-motivated project work
• recognise student effort and achievement
• improve student research, writing and presentation skills
• Improve links between school students and parents.

The competition will be competitive but not compulsory to enter. Stu-
dents can enter in the following divisions:

Division 1: Prep and Years 1, 2, 3
Division 2: Years 4, 5, 6
Division 3: Year 7

Students may enter individually, with a partner, or as a group of three,
provided that when two or more students work together, all are eligible
for entry in the same division.

Entries must be in one of the following categories:
Classified Collection
Scientific Investigation
Communicating Science
Mathematical Investigation
Models and Inventions
Environmental Action Project.

Work at home will be necessary, and we ask that all parental assistance
be acknowledged. Entries close Thursday, 18 September 2014
(Term 3, Week 10). A judging panel will judge the entries. Prizes will
be awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd placegetters in each division. Other
entries may qualify for a Highly Commended certificate. All students will
receive a certificate of participation. In addition, separate prizes will be
awarded for a ‘Young Scientist of the Year’ (Divisions 2 and 3) and a
‘Junior Scientist of the Year’ (Division 1).

A competition handbook providing detailed information on all the entry
categories, judging criteria entry/declaration forms is available for down-
load as a PDF on the school website

https://wilstonss.eq.edu.au/Supportandresources/Formsanddocuments/
Pages/Documents.aspx

All queries should be directed to Mr Brendan Medlin (6/7B)
bmedl2@eq.edu.au.
MONDAY, 22 JULY IS PI DAY!

Wilston is celebrating International Pi Day on Monday, 22 July. Students can buy party pies on the day from the Tuckshop for $1.00 (normally priced at $1.20). **Pre-ordering by Friday, 19 July is essential.**

Pi (or π), the ratio of the diameter of a circle to its circumference, is an important mathematical constant, introduced to students in Years 6 and 7. To celebrate this number, many Australians celebrate Pi Day on 22 July (22/7). In the USA, they write the month in front of the day, so they celebrate Pi Day on a different day. US Pi Day is March 14 or 3.14, the first three digits of pi. Neither of these dates are the exact value of pi, but Australian Pi Day is slightly more accurate!

On Australian Pi Day, eat a pie, and think about pi – you’d be amazed at where pi is used in mathematics, the sciences, engineering, etc. – places which you’d think would have nothing to do with circles!

**CHOIR NEWS**

**WILSTON WONDERS SENIOR CHOIR** rehearsals resume tomorrow at 8.00am. We are looking forward to some wonderful performance opportunities this term including the Art Show and our annual Spring Concert (Sept 17). Please be reminded that students are expected to attend all rehearsals.

New members from years 5-7 are also welcome to join from this week.

**Ringbalin—Choral Camp**

Congratulations to our students for representing Wilston SS with pride at the Northside Choral Camp “Ringbalin” last week. Our students sang with enthusiasm and developed their musical skills alongside 200 other students from 10 other schools in the area. Great work!

Miranda Charters and Bev Barnett

**FROM THE STRINGS DEPARTMENT**

The Wilston Chamber Strings are performing at the Grange Library Refurbishment Opening on Saturday, July 26. Students need to arrive at 9.30am for a 10.15am performance.

Auditions for the Northside Honours Music Camp will be held next Tuesday, July 29 in the Music Room. If your child is planning on auditioning, please make sure you have returned the permission form to Mrs Payne. All students who are performing their own choice must hand in a copy of the music to send in with the audition tape.

**BRASS WOODWIND & PERCUSSION**

**Wildcatz Concert Reminder**

*Red Hill Fair (opening Act)*

Saturday 26 July 2014

Woolcock Park

Arrive 8.15am to perform at 8.45am

Please bring your own music stand.

Drummers please carry our own drums.

**TUCKSHOP NEWS**

With the new term here we have a new menu with great additions like Sushi Wednesday and Thai Tuesday. Our other big news is we have purchased a Thermomix in the Tuckshop to help us make healthier meals for the children. We plan to make fresh fruit sorbet for birthdays and other exciting menu items.

**Week beginning the 28th July**

Monday 28th  Vanessa Behan, Naysa Cox

Tuesday 29th  Kathryn Napier, Sarah Bender, Helena Kohl

Wednesday 30th  Sharon Carmody, Sarah Moore

Thursday 31st Angela Pratt, Harriet Carter, Angela Patel

Friday 1st August  Angela Rose, Hayley Haggerty, Sharon Snowden, Andrew Quintan.

**NEWS FROM WILSTON KIDS CARE**

From Monday 28 July to Friday 1 August from 4.00pm onwards we are asking all parents for an evaluation of your child’s experiences at Wilston Kids Care. We want to ask the users of our service for their opinion on what we do. Remember that we are a parent-run, not-for-profit service functioning to assist working and studying parents of Wilston State School. We want to make sure we are meeting those requirements.

So we will be asking parents to come up during that week to meet with either a carer or one of the committee members to complete a short survey. To encourage your participation we are putting on a sausage sizzle and running a couple of competitions.

All participants are eligible to go into the draw for the chance to win an Ereader for their child. Also all participating parents can go in the draw to win a night out at a restaurant with free child minding.

We hope to see you sometime next week. Just let us know if you are coming.

We would also like to remind parents they can always access the policies and procedures for WKC from our website at [http://www.wilstonpandc.org.au/parent-info.php](http://www.wilstonpandc.org.au/parent-info.php)

**NEWS FROM WILSTON SWIM CLUB**

**Term 3 learn to swim and squads** - there is still some availability for Term 3 Learn to Swim, please see Kirsten in the pool office or email info@wilstonswim.org.au for details - our lessons run Monday to Friday afternoons from 3:15-5:15pm. Both learn to swim and squad is available year round with the pool heated to 29 degrees - refer to our website for the complete squad timetable.

Please note bookings for Term 3 are not able to be processed until outstanding fees are paid.

Our next **Committee Meeting** will be held on Monday 11 August 2014 at 7:00pm.

W: [www.wilstonswim.org.au](http://www.wilstonswim.org.au)  E: info@wilstonswim.org.au
Lost Property

During winter months there is always a large amount of lost property in the C Block Art Room.

Please can you ensure all your children’s clothing, etc are visibly named in order that these items may be returned to them.
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