FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents

Glitter and Glam School Disco
Our P&C have been working very hard to organise a fantastic end of year disco for all of our students. This Saturday 22 November 4.30pm to 6.00pm Prep to Year 3 and 6.15pm to 8.00pm Year 4 to 7.

Our Undercover area will be the best dance venue in all of Wilston, lots of glitter and glam, music and fun.

Please plan to come along with your child and support this wonderful event. Cost is $8.00 per child and plenty of food and drinks will be available. Tickets can be purchased on Munch Monitor.

RE Christmas Service
As the end of year fast approaches we also note that this is when we have our Christmas Service at St Columba’s Church.

Our students have been working on a program with their RE teachers and will participate in this next Friday 28 November.

Years 1 to 3 9.30am
Years 4 to 7 10.15am

We do ask that students remember we are visiting another schools’ grounds, so we expect best behaviour walking to and from the church.

We would also like to take this opportunity to thank our dedicated, hard working RE volunteers. Every Friday they give up their time to come up to our school and visit classrooms and work with our students. Thanks very much for this.

Salvation Army Appeal 2014
We are off to a flying start with donations already coming in for this year’s food and gift drive.

You can find our Christmas tree in the office foyer.

There are gift cards on the tree. Feel free to take one if you are planning on giving a gift, otherwise food and toiletries are also needed and greatly appreciated.

It’s a wonderful lesson for children; to give a gift to someone they don’t know.

The true meaning of giving.

Thank you.

The Admin Team

Wilston State School
WELL DONE AWARDS

Year 3
Charlie S 3A, Sam M 3A, Angelica L 3F.

Year 4

FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPALS

School Photos
School photos will be coming home this week. If you have any queries with your orders please can you ring MSP Brisbane on 3865 4291. Thank you.

VACANCY SCHOOL CROSSING

A casual position exists for a School Crossing Supervisor at Wilston State School. Remuneration $27.49 per hour. 1.5 hours per day on a roster system—up to five days a week currently available. Application packs available from the school. For further information, please contact Deb Jackson, BSM.

STUDENT COUNCIL

Teddy Bear Picnic Fundraiser for Act for Kids
Thank you for your support with our free dress day last week. The Student Council with Year 5A raised $2500.75.

2014 WILSTON YEARBOOK

Yearbook Orders Are Now Due
If you wish to purchase a copy please send in your order. The cost this year is $30.00 per book.

Once you have completed the order form, please place this and the cash or cheque in an envelope clearly marked Yearbook Order and the name and class of the student. As an order form needs to accompany payment we are not accepting direct banking.

The order form is available on our school webpage.

If any parents have photographs of school events and activities they think we could use, please email them to dfree19@eq.edu.au

NEWS FROM HPE

Queensland Primary Schools Relay Carnival
Good luck to the 28 students representing Wilston SS at the Primary School Invitational Swimming Relay Carnival at Chandler on Friday night.

School Swimming Carnival Dates and Times
December 1: 9.00am to 11.00am 8 Years (born 2006)
December 2: 9.00am to 11.00am 7 Years (born 2007)
11.30am to 12.30pm 6 Years (Yr1 students only born 2008)
December 4: 9.10am to 11.00am Session 1 – Backstroke
11.30am to 1.00pm Session 2 – Breaststroke
December 5: 9.10am to 11.00am Session 1 – Freestyle
11.30am to 1.00pm Session 2 – Butterfly

Congratulations to Aiden B and James B for making their respective regional teams for triathlon and aquathlon. The boys will compete at the state championships in Hervey Bay next February. We had a number of students competing at the All School Triathlon Championships and all students performed well.

Rodney Bell. PE Specialist

CHOIR NEWS

Upcoming Performance Dates
Friday November 28  St Columba's Christmas Service.
9.30am - Juniors.
10.15am - Seniors

Sunday December 7  Wilston Wonders Senior Choir sing at Wilston Presbyterian Church Carols
(Arrive approx 5.30pm)
Service starts 6.00pm.
Free Dress - something Christmassy!

Wed December 10  Carols By Daylight - School Undercover Area.
11.30am - Whole School.

FROM THE STRINGS DEPARTMENT

String Recruitment
All successful and unsuccessful applicants to the string program should have received a letter last week. If you have not received your letter, please let Mrs Payne know at kpayn49@eq.edu.au

Next week will be the last week of string lessons for 2014. All school instruments need to be returned after the last lesson for servicing. If you need the instrument for a longer time, please contact Mrs Payne.

Upcoming Performances
Friday November 28  Christmas Service. (Selected Students)
Lunchtime performance (Dolce Strings)
Wednesday December 10  Thursday, December 11  Graduation (all Year 6 and 7 students).

The String Program Parent Information Evening will be held next Tuesday, November 25 in D Block starting at 6.30pm. I am looking forward to meeting all new families then.

TUCKSHOP NEWS

No Coffee Shop during the last week of term.

Please note:
Tuckshop will only be open Monday and Tuesday during the last week of school.
There will be no Tuckshop on Wednesday 10, Thursday 11, and Friday 12 December 2014. (Week 10).

Christmas Party – 4 December
The “thank you” Christmas party for all Tuckshop and Uniform Shop volunteers will be on Thursday 4 December at Bec’s house. Please RSVP to us or to Bec if you’d like to come along.

If you have a free 30 mins at disco we are looking for help in the Tuckshop. No special skills required. Just a smile and willingness to help.

Are you ready for Christmas? We are.
You can order lunch on Munch Monitors a week in advance if you’re busy at this crazy time of year.
FROM THE UNIFORM/BOOKSHOP

SHOP OPEN: Monday, Wednesday and Friday during Term 4 and Term 1 2015 (between 8.15 and 9.45am). Open Thursday 22nd and Friday 23rd January between 8.30am and 11.30am. Closed for the public holiday on Monday 26 January, and open on first day of Term 1 on Tuesday 27th January 2015.

SHOP ONLINE: Go to www.munchmonitor.com; Username: wilstonss and Password: munch4051. All items purchased online are delivered to your child’s class. Please note: Munch Monitors has recently been upgraded and will not run correctly with older versions of Microsoft Internet Explorer (less than Version 9) – simply upgrade or choose an alternative internet browser to ensure log-in and ordering functions.

Stock Update: Out of Stock: Paterson shirts (sizes 4, 6 and 8 – new shirts expected Term 1 2015); Senior/rep shirts (size 12); dress (size 10); swim towels (red); red swim tops (med)

2015 Book Lists
Place your order as soon as possible to ensure early delivery. All orders placed before 9 January are freight free. Order by logging on to the Edsco website (www.edsco.com.au) and following the prompts. Remember to select Wilston State School! Otherwise, return your forms via the blue bags in the classrooms.

Please note: You may see a price difference between the online book pack list and the paper version. This is because the online lists have all the list items pre-checked, including anything listed as an additional/carry-over item. If you do not need any these additional items or other items in the basic pack, just un-tick the boxes before submitting your order.

‘LAST CHANCE’ UNIFORM CLEARANCE – 1-10 December
All discontinued uniform items must be cleared before the end of the year. All items will be $5 (except for remaining house polos which will be $20). Items on sale include:
* old-style house polos * old-style winter stock (bootleg pants and microfibre track pants) * old style skorts * knit shorts * printed polos * blouses * old style hats * There are limited sizes – many of them large!!
Sale dates will be: Monday 1st, Wednesday 3rd, Friday 5th, Monday 8th and Wednesday 10th December. Come and search for a bargain!!!

Christmas Party – 4 December
The “thank you” Christmas party for all Tuckshop and Uniform Shop volunteers will be on Thursday 4 December at Bec’s house. Please RSVP to us or to Bec if you’d like to come along.

Stocktake Volunteers
The final stocktake for 2014 will be held on Wednesday 10 December from 10.00am. WE HAVE NO VOLUNTEERS YET, SO PLEASE LET US KNOW IF YOU CAN HELP FOR A SHORT TIME DURING THE DAY.

Christine Matheson and Janice Nykiel, Convenors
Ph. 3552 8490 / 0448 633 737 / chrismath1@hotmail.com

NEWS FROM THE P&C

Saturday Night School Disco
There are two sessions for the disco this Saturday.
Preps to Year 3 - 4.30pm until 6.00pm
Years 4 to 7 - 6.15pm until 8.00pm
Tickets are available through Munch Monitors via the School Shop page, until Friday at 9.00am
Tickets can also be purchased at the Disco.
We still need parent helpers for set up and on the night. You log in to the volunteers sign-up page at http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0d4da92ca7fd0-disco and choose the stall or activity you would like to help out at. The times are fairly short, with one hour shifts available.
For any further information please contact Saskya sas-kyahunter@hotmail.com or Claire glenandclaire2@bigpond.com

NEWS FROM WILSTON KIDS CARE

Re-enrol for 2015
All parents wishing to use Wilston Kids Care have to supply a new enrolment form for 2015. These forms can be downloaded from http://www.wiltonpandc.org.au/index.php/wilton-kids-care/forms.
Please complete and return the form to WKC Office by 21st November 2014 and mark clearly the days that you will need to use WKC. All information provided in 2014 is not automatically transferred and so you will need to complete new medical and known allergens advice.

Vacation Care
Lots of school holiday fun these holidays at WKC with trips to Stafford Skating, Newmarket pool and Grange Park. More fun is also planned for the disco this Saturday. Please visit the website for more information.

We would also like to remind parents they can always access the policies and procedures for WKC from our website at http://www.wiltonpandc.org.au/parent-info.php
NEWS FROM WILSTON SWIM CLUB

On Friday 28 November we will be holding our first "bring a friend" to Club Night. Your friend will not need to nominate prior to the evening and they will be able to swim in the 25m freestyle and 25m breaststroke events.

Next week our swim school will be participating in National Energy Australia SwimSAFER Week. Over 350 swim schools Australia wide will be participating. The National SwimSAFER Week’s main objective is to highlight vital water safety messaging, focusing on the importance of an Emergency Action Plan - primarily for use in and around aquatic environments.

Over the Christmas holidays we are offering our Learn to Swim Intensives program. They will be held from Monday 15th - Friday 19th December 2014 and Monday 12th January - Friday 16th January 2015. We offer 5 x 30min lessons, at the same time every day, with the same experienced learn to swim instructor. Lessons commence from 8:30am. Total cost for the five days is $65. Places are limited and all fees must be paid in advance. Bookings will open on Monday 24th November. Details of holiday squad training and swim camp will be advised shortly.

This week the following families are on BBQ and Canteen duty:
BBQ - Goldbolt, Laurent, McNamara
Canteen - Boshoff, Phillips, Woolmer

Club Night nominations close Thursdays at 6:00pm. If you miss nomination, you will not be able to swim on that particular Club Night.

Term 4 swim fees are now overdue. Please see Kirsten in the pool office if you are unsure if you have any fees outstanding. Please note that any swimmers who are not financial may not be able to compete at any upcoming BSA/SQ meets and you are also not covered for insurance purposes.

The Wilston Crocs have launched their new Facebook page. Please 'like us' to keep up to date with all that is happening around the club.

The last Committee Meeting for the year will be held 7:00pm poolside on 9 December 2014.

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

Three Important Dates for our Year 7 and 8 Families Commencing in 2015

Parent Information Evening for Parents and Carers of our Year 7 and 8 Students commencing in 2015. Thursday, 27 November at 5.30pm in the Auditorium on Hamilton Road - "Starting Secondary School" is an evening presented to assist parents and carers in supporting their child in the smooth transition from primary school to secondary school. You will hear from and meet a number of the Craigslea State High School staff who will be involved in the wellbeing and teaching of your child.

Year 7 2015 Orientation Day. Tuesday, 2 December – commencing at 9.00am in the Craigslea State High School Hall. This is a full day program where students will meet their Buddy Leaders, teachers, support staff and be able to become familiar with secondary school before they commence their 2015 school year.

Year 8 2015 Orientation Day. Wednesday, 3 December – commencing at 9.00am in the Craigslea State High School Hall. This is a full day program where students will meet their Buddy Leaders, teachers, support staff and be able to become familiar with secondary school before they commence their 2015 school year.

We look forward to welcoming you to the Craigslea State High School community at these occasions.

2015 Year 7 and 8 Enrolments. Year Seven and Eight Enrolment Interviews are now being finalised for 2015. Enrolment packs may be collected from the Craigslea State High School Administration Office. To book interviews please contact our Administration staff on ph: 3326 5222.

White Ribbon Day
Sunday 23 November 2014
St James Church
Newmarket
12.00 to 5.00pm

A free event to raise awareness about domestic violence with the aim to get men to swear an oath to never commit, stand by or remain silent about domestic violence.

Local artists, musicians and merchants have donated time and prizes for the afternoon, there will be a coffee cart, sausage sizzle, raffles with great prizes, entertainment and short speeches from local identities.

Please phone 0416 171 904 for more information.

CHRISTMAS CAROLS AT WILSTON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SUNDAY 7TH DECEMBER
MACGREGOR STREET, WILSTON
5-7PM

Pre-Carol Activities include Free Sausage Sizzle, Facepainting, Craft, Donkey Rides

Carol Service includes Carols, Christmas Story and a performance by the WILSTON Wonders Senior Choir.

TRAVEL MANAGERS

Didn't get away this last school holidays?

I specialise in family trips, long and short and I can help you get an awesome deal for your family. Call or email me now!!

Email: Lisa.smith@travelmanagers.com.au Call: 0407 025 560