Dear Parents

NAPLAN
This week all schools across the nation are participating in the National Assessment Program Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN). Students are tested in the areas of reading, writing, spelling, grammar and punctuation and numeracy. I am pleased to report that the assessments have run smoothly and the students have engaged well with these tests.

The results of these tests will be provided to families and to the school later in the year.

GALA Days
The first of three GALA Days takes place next Friday. This program is offered to all students from Year's four to six and covers the sports of; rugby league, soccer (boys and girls), netball and tag league (mixed).

This program provides students the opportunity to try; a new sport; to participate in a team and to develop their skills. I thank the team coaches for training their respective teams for these days.

Premier’s Reading Challenge
Next week the reading period for the 2015 Premier’s Reading Challenge commences. This is a great opportunity for our Prep to Year 6 students to improve their literacy, cultivate a passion for literature, and for teachers and families to encourage them to read widely for pleasure. Interested students should check with their classroom teacher or our Premier’s Reading Challenge coordinator, Ms Celine Durston, to make sure they are registered.

For further information visit www.education.qld.gov.au/schools/readingchallenge

Guy Hendriks
Principal
TERM STATEMENTS

Payments are now due for the following:

- Prep Hearing Screening: $20.00
- Prep Bush Play Adventure: $22.50
- Year 5 & 5F Planetarium Excursion – 3/6/15: $16.00
- Year 5 (Not 5F) Southbank Excursion – May 2015: $19.50
- Yr 6 Edmund Park Camp – 3 to 5 June 2015: $290.00
- Individual Students High Achiever Program: $130.00
- Individual Students Senior Choir: $10.00
- Individual Students Junior Choir: $10.00
- Individual Students Senior Choir Competition – 20/5/15: $6.50
- Individual Students Northside Jnr Strings Camp: $85.00
- Individual Students 2015 Canberra Ski Trip: $887.00

Term 1, 2015: All outstanding amounts due.

If you wish your child to attend any of these excursions and activities please make payment well before the event.

STUDENT COUNCIL

Skate Night
Year 5 and 6: 19 May 2015, 6.30 to 8.30pm
$9.00 entry fee. Blade hire $4.00 and skate hire $3.00.

NEWS FROM HPE

Gala Day Sports
Gala Days will be held on Friday 22 and 29 May and 5 June 2015.
Venues as below:
- Boys Soccer: Grammar Playing Fields, Northgate
- Girls Soccer: Virginia United soccer Club, Northgate
- Netball: Pine Rivers Netball Ass, Francis Road, Lawnton
- Rugby League: North's Rugby League, Bishop Park, Nundah
- League Tag: Valleys Hockey, Shaw Road, Wavell Heights.

Permission notes have been sent home. Please return these ASAP as students will not be permitted on the bus without them. Payment of $25.00 is now due.

CHOIR NEWS

Wilton Wonders
Choral Fanfare Competition
Next week we are travelling to Kedron State High School for the Choral Fanfare Competition. Please be reminded of details below:

Date: Wednesday 20 May 2015
Arrive school: 8.00am
Bus leaves: 8.15am sharp
What to bring: Waterbottle, hat, morning tea in a small bag or backpack.
Return time: Approx. 12.00pm.
Venue: Kedron State High School Assembly Hall

Parents are welcome, there will be an entry fee.

Miranda Charters and Bev Barnett

FROM THE STRINGS DEPARTMENT

- All notes and money are due into the office by Friday for the Junior Strings Camp. If you are missing a permission form, please see Leigh Hofmeister at the office.
- All Year 4 students will have their strings lesson on Tuesday and then the Junior Band will take the stage. The beginners enjoy hearing the Wildcatz play and it is a good motivating tool for them to continue working at their music.
- Assembly performance – the Vivace and Dolce Strings will be performing on assembly on Thursday, June 18. Hope to see you there.

BRASS WOODWIND & PERCUSSION

Junior Band
The Junior Band’s first performance for 2015 is scheduled for Monday 1 June at 6.30pm (arrive 6.00pm), in the Undercover Area. The Wildcatz will perform for about 20 minutes first and then the Junior Band will take the stage. The beginners enjoy hearing the Wildcatz play and it is a good motivating tool for them to continue working at their music.

The Junior Band will perform a selection of their tutor book pieces and I will have a chance to talk with you and your young instrumentalists about our band program and answer any questions you may have about our goals and expectations.

Cliff Draper

TUCKSHOP NEWS

Gala days are here again and Tuckshop is running a limited canteen at the Grammar Playing Fields for boys soccer so if you are around pop in to say hi and help sell ice blocks. All help is gratefully received.

With the first term over and kids settling in, some mums have gone back to work leaving us with needing help in the Tuckshop. If you can help, come down and say hi or email us. It is only once a month or once a term. It’s fun, you meet other mums and of course we supply the coffee.

Tuckshop Roster
Monday 18th: Lisa McGrath, Leonie Crawford
Tuesday 19th: Elissa Hoey, Sabrina Raw
Wednesday 20th: Kate Leggett, Julia Jennings, Nicola Bartlett, Kim Allen
Thursday 21st: Melinda Jennison, Sian Pratt, Megan Chambers
Friday 22nd: Pru Camisa, Amber Frazer, Bob and Sue Behan

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 Term 3, 2015 (between 8.15 and 9.30am).

Please note: The shop will be closed on Mondays in Term 2 and 3.

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: dress (size 8 & 10); embroidered polo

FROM THE UNIFORM/BOOKSHOP
shirt mocha (size 6), senior shirts (size 14), prep hat ribbon, girls’ winter stretch pants (sizes 6, 8, 10 & 12).

Winter Items
Visit the shop for all your winter uniform items - there are plenty of jackets ($46), long-sleeve rugby polos ($30) and cargo pants ($30) in stock. There is only limited stock of girls’ stretch pants ($30) in small sizes (2 and 4). Tights are also available in all sizes.

New Uniform
We are in final design discussions with our new suppliers about the new polo shirt, dress and button-up shirt. It is hoped that final samples can be presented to the school administration and the P&C at the May meeting. Further updates to come after these talks!

Production of the new uniform items will take several months, and new items are not expected to be available for purchase until towards the end of Term 3. Some current stock may run low during this time - your patience during this time of uniform transition is appreciated.

This activity has been very popular. Some of the lovely purses made look great. Suzanne helps students on a Monday afternoon.

Nut Aware
Afternoon tea is provided by WKC and includes plenty of healthy choices for students. Please be aware that we are a ‘nut aware’ centre and we do have children with severe allergies. If you send food along please check that it does not contain nuts.

Committee Meeting
All parents are invited to attend our WKC Committee Meetings. These are held on the second Wednesday of each month at 6.00pm in B Block. Child minding is provided.

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/index.php/wilton-kids-care/important-parent-information

NEWS FROM WILSTON KIDS CARE

2015 WSS P&C Trivia Night - Saturday 30 May
TRIVIA FOR THE KIDS
Round 3 - this week’s questions are:
Prep – Year 3:
I am a dog. I am also the title of a book written by Aaron Blabey. I flipped my wig when Trevor wanted me to share my toys.

Year 4 – Year 6:
I am a book about a boy with a rotten run of bad luck. I was written by Michael Gerard Bauer. I was voted the most popular book for 8 to 12 year olds in the 2014 BILBY Awards.

Place your answer in an envelope marked KIDS TRIVIA and return to the blue bag. Winners will be announced at Assembly.

The answers to last weeks trivia questions are:
What kind of biscuits do Grandma Poss and Hush eat in Adelaide?
Answer: Anzac Biscuits

Theme – ‘BOOKS’
ACT NOW – over half the tables have been purchased!
Arguably Brisbane’s best Trivia Night is back in 2015 – and what a spectacle it is! Get your thinking hats on for what theme you would like to come in for this year’s trivia night.

The theme for 2015 will be BOOKS. Go through your children’s books (or adults’ books if you dare) and come as a Dr Seuss book, ‘Cinderella’, ‘Bob the Builder’ or any other version of a book that you can think of …. 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 for you. Please book through the P&C website using PayPal and then contact Michelle Tribe or Kath O’Hara on michmatti@bigpond.com.au or k-ohara@bigpond.net.au to let us know your theme to ensure there are no double-ups.

Please note that this is an adults only night.
Table numbers will be are limited to a maximum of 30 tables – there are only so many parents in costumes we can cope with! For further information contact Michelle Tribe (michmatti@bigpond.com.au) or Kath O’Hara (k-ohara@bigpond.net.au).
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THURSDAY 21st May, 2015
3.30 – 7.30pm
Indoor Sports Centre

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Annual Concert Series, 2015

“Songs of Innocence”
Presented by ARTICO Ensemble

JUDITH MOLNAR – Soprano
RACHEL WILSCHUT – Clarinet
BRISTEY CUTTING – Piano

WHEN: 2PM. ON SUNDAY, MAY 24th, 2015
WHERE: Wilston’s historical Anglican Church
Cnr. Lovedale & Inglis Streets, WILSTON

Entry Subscription – includes light refreshments
Per person: $20 at the door / $15 for concession

BOOKINGS / ENQUIRIES THROUGH CHURCH PHONE /Fax: 07 3356 0050
email: admin@stalban.org.au
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TRIVIA NIGHT

SATURDAY MAY 30TH
7 PM START - TABLES CAN BE SET UP FROM 6PM

THE THEME IS BOOKS

PRIZES FOR THE WINNER AND BEST DRESSED TABLE
ADULTS ONLY LICENSED EVENT - NO CHILDREN PLEASE
RAFFLES AND LUCKY SEATS
BYO FOOD

PLACES ARE LIMITED SO GET IN QUICK!

To reserve your table and it's theme, payments can be made via the P&C website http://www.wilstonpandc.org.au/events.php
then contact Michelle Tribe michmatt@bigpond.net.au or Kath O’Hara k-ohara@bigpond.net.au with your theme details.
Country Markets –
500 jars of Homemade Jams,
Chutneys and Sauces WANTED!

Yah, it is Fete time again! Time to get ready for the Country Market Stall.

Step 1. Collect as many small to medium size jars as you can (ideal size is salsa jar). Large jars are too hard to fill. Lids need to be metal.
Step 2. Start looking for recipes and produce that is in season.
Step 3. Sterilise Bottles! (the internet gives great tips on this)
Step 4. Cook, Cook, Cook!
Step 5. Keep a list of all ingredients as these have to be listed on bottle for sale.
Step 4. Decorate! Cut material in large circles to pretty up the bottles for sale.

Alexis and Cara
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