FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents

Trivia Night

The atmosphere on Saturday night was terrific and it’s wonderful to see so many parents, community leaders and friends enjoy the occasion. The ‘Book’ theme was well embraced and many a character was recognisable from a range of stories we have all grown to love. Snow White, Harry Potter and 50 Shades of Something just to name a few.

My sincere thanks to Ms Michelle Tribe and Ms Kath O’Hara for convening this very important social event. The night ran superbly and this only occurs when the planning has been impeccable.

School Payments

With a month to go before the term ends there are a number of parents who have not finalised their accounts. Could I ask that you do so asap. If there are personal circumstances that you would like to make us aware of please contact Debra Jackson, the Business Services Manager to discuss.

Learn To Shop Smart And Win A Share Of Over $11,000

Entries for the Buy Smart competition are now open for our Year 4 to Year 6 students. This is an exciting opportunity for students to learn to be smart with money, become informed consumers and learn how to avoid financial problems later in life. They could also win a share of over $11,000!

The competition asks students to research a consumer issue such as saving, budgeting, buying a mobile phone or spending wisely, and creatively present the issue to their target audience. The more creative, the better! Entries close Friday 18 September 2015. For more information visit www.qld.gov.au/buysmartcomp.

Guy Hendriks
Principal
**FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPALS**

**Graduation**
A meeting will be held to form a committee for the 2015 Graduation. If you are interested in helping please come along on Wednesday 10 June 2015 at 2.15pm in the Staffroom (D Block).

**TERM STATEMENTS**

Families who still have outstanding monies owing to the school for this year are asked to finalise their accounts as soon as possible.

The school has had to pay the full cost of some excursions in advance (i.e. Ski Trip, Year 6 Camp, etc) so that bookings are secured. Deposits have also been paid to secure certain bookings. Listed below are activities and costings which students have been invoiced for Term 2. If you do have an outstanding account (including monies owing from Term 1), we ask that you attend to payment as a matter or urgency. For families struggling financially, please contact myself so a payment plan can be put in place. Please note that Term 3 accounts are in the process of being finalised and should be sent home late in Term 2 or early Term 3. Thanking you in advance.

**Buff statements were sent home this week.**

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Deb Jackson. Business Services Manager

**FROM THE ECOMARINES**

Don’t forget your bag tag designs for the challenge ‘Turn to Tap’ which are due June 9th. We have some great designs already! We look forward to seeing yours.

Tangalooma EcoMarines and Tangalooma Island resort have teamed up and are offering the Wilston State School community 30% off on Whale Watching Day Cruises. Don’t miss out of this great opportunity to view our majestic whales in action. To book go to [www.tangalooma.com/ecomarines](http://www.tangalooma.com/ecomarines) and follow the prompts.

Finally, Tangalooma EcoMarines has made it to the FINALS for the Healthy Waterways “Sustainable Education Award”! This award is to thank groups for actively helping to protect and improve South East Queensland’s waterways. To help Tangalooma EcoMarines we would really appreciate it if you took the time to quickly vote using the following link. Voting closes June 9th. [http://healthywaterways.org/awards/entry/2015-tangalooma-ecomarines-foundation-ent-7040](http://healthywaterways.org/awards/entry/2015-tangalooma-ecomarines-foundation-ent-7040)

Thank you for all your support!

**FROM HPE**

Congratulations to Ruby Mc who has gained selection into the Metropolitan North Cross Country team. Ruby was first in the U/11 Girls 3000m race at last week’s regional carnival.

We also congratulate Connor N who gained selection into the City District Rugby team to compete at the regional trials later in the term.

**Track and Field Dates**

- Monday 22nd June – Pre Carnival Events
- Tuesday 23rd June – Pre Carnival Events
- Wednesday 24th June – 9 to 12 Years Track and Field Carnival
- Friday 26th June – Prep to 8 Years Track and Field Carnival

**Gala Day Sports**

Gala Days will be held on 5 June 2015.

- Boys’ Soccer: Grammar Playing Fields, Northgate
- Girls’ Soccer: Virginia United soccer Club, Northgate
- Netball: Pine Rivers Netball Assoc, Francis Road, Lawnton
- Rugby League: North’s Rugby League, Bishop Park, Nundah

**League Tag:** Valleys Hockey, Shaw Road, Wavell Heights.

Rugby League: North’s Rugby League, Bishop Park, Nundah

**Junior Music Camp is on June 9-11. Please note that there will not be**

Girls’ Soccer: Grammar Playing Fields, Northgate

- Boys’ Soccer: Grammar Playing Fields, Northgate

**CHOIR NEWS**

Congratulations to our Wilston Wonders for making it into the Metropolitan Final for the 2015 Choral Fanfare Competition! We will be competing against five other Brisbane choirs on Tuesday June 23 at the Old Museum Building in Bowen Hills. The performance will start at 5.30pm, but students will obviously need to arrive earlier. We will be sending a permission form home ASAP with more specific details and information. Thank you also to those students and parents who attended our performance at the Northey St City Farm Markets on Sunday. It was such an enjoyable morning and our kids sang beautifully! Thanks also to Mr Fay for coming along to help out.

Rodney Bell. PE Specialist

**FROM THE STRINGS DEPARTMENT**

Congratulations to all the students who performed at the Chamber Music Concert on Tuesday night. It was a wonderful evening and everyone played very well. Thank you also to the parents and family members who came to watch.

Junior Music Camp is on June 9-11. Please note that there will not be any strings lessons or ensemble rehearsals during that week. This will also include Friday 12 June 2015.

The Dolce and Vivace Strings will be performing on assembly on Thursday 18 June. We hope you can attend our performance.

Kathryn Payne

**TUCKSHOP NEWS**

**TUCKSHOP WILL CLOSE**

We need your help to make our Tuckshop work. Without volunteers the Tuckshop will not exist. We need you to help once a term or once a month or even share the day with a friend. You may have seen our menu has changed to lots of handmade quality foods. This takes time and people power. So that means we need YOU.

Dads and grandmas are very welcome too. No skills required, just a willingness to help our kids and help support our school.
Friday is our last Gala day and we welcome back the upper school.

Remember Sushi on Friday

**Week beginning the 8 June 2015:**

Monday 8  PUBLIC HOLIDAY
Tuesday 9  Marion Jones, Louise Pratt, Suzie McDonald
Wednesday 10  Kate Usher, Liezel Boshoff
Thursday 11  Jacinta Geritz, Megan Beattie, Chris Shume
Friday 12  Nat Scott, Chris Beehler, Geraldine Mercer, Jessica Draper.

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 and 10); embroidered polo shirt mocha (size 6), senior shirts (size 14), prep hat ribbon, girls’ winter stretch pants (sizes 6, 8, 10 & 12), large socks.

**URGENT!! Uniform Shop Vacancy**

If you’ve ever wished you could work in the Uniform Shop, then here’s your chance!! There will be a short-term vacancy for a Uniform Shop convenor in Term 4 (one to two mornings per week, possibly a bit more). We would love to find the right person by the end of this term, so that training can start in Term 3. So if this sounds like the job for you, or know someone you think is perfectly suited to this role, then please contact us as soon as possible. It’s a fun and interesting job – give us a call if you want to know more!

New Uniform

Production of the new uniform items will take several months, and new items are not expected to be available for purchase until towards the beginning of Term 4. Some current stock will run low during this time and will not be replaced. Thanks for your patience and understanding as these changes occur.

Hair Accessories

New stock has arrived!!! New style headbands, elastics and hair clips are now available, as well as some old favourites (like the curly brown and gold streamers). Come and have a look!!

Stocktake Volunteers

Counting of all stock is scheduled for Thursday 25 June, from 9.00am. We need volunteers to assist with this count, so please let us know if you can spare an hour or so (and bring a friend!). You will be rewarded with great coffee, home baked cakes and lollies!!

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

NEWS FROM THE P&C

I want to thank everyone for their well wishes and support on my election to the role of president of our P&C. My dad was the P&C president of my primary school and he’s given me one piece of advice: don’t tell the sweets stall ladies they made no money at the fete.

(Apparently when he was P&C president the sweet stall profits were mixed up with the hamburger stall and those convenors took all the credit). Thanks, Dad. I’ll bear that in mind.

I want to endorse Guy’s tribute to Bernie O’Dowd who has given us so much in recent years, and left us with a great plan going forward. So I’m looking forward to getting into that in the coming months. Bernie - you are a visionary. I’m looking forward to coming back in some capacity soon.

Some of you know me, but many may not as my daughter is only in Year 1. My background is in media and communications in government (including health and education in Queensland and finance and tourism at the federal level) and business. I thought I might offer some assistance in the fete, but we have an amazing team of convenors who are all over this. You can read their updates below.

Trivia night: I did offer help. But again, the experience Michelle Tribe and Cath O’Hara have arranging this event made it a great night and a lot of laughs. Can you believe they’re talking about next year’s theme already? (Yay!)

Over the next few weeks, the P&C will be bedding down some administration issues and then we’ll be tackling the big issues. Watch this space or come along to the meetings to stay in touch. Our next meeting is at 7.00pm in the staffroom (Block D) on 18 June 2015.

Julia Thornton

Entertainment Books

Don’t forget to order your Entertainment Book NOW. Order forms will be going home with the youngest in the family. You may also order your book or your digital membership securely online. Visit www.entibook.com.au/2219870. For any queries please contact Jacinda Geritz on jmgeritz@bigpond.com

Once ordered the books will be handed to your child. They are not available for collection at the school office.

2015 Wilston State School Trivia Night “Books”

On Saturday Night we welcomed the following books in the undercover area:

Charlie and the Chocolate Factory (complete with a great chocolate fountain – thanks!), The Hunger Games, What to Expect When You Are Expecting, Twilight, 50 Shades of Grey, Alice in Wonderland, Through the Looking Glass, Mr Men, The Bible, James Bond (noted for their great book balancing technique as winners of that game), The Birds and The Bees, Peter Pan (including amazing artwork from the Prep D class), Harry Potter, Snow White and the 7 Dwarfs, a very elegant table of The Great Gatsby, Captain Underpants (apparently a clear children’s choice winner), Robin Hood, Cat in the Hat, Cookbooks, 101 Dalmatians, Where’s Wally and Grimm’s Fairy Tales.

To those who were there we are sure you will agree it looked spectacular. Our school librarian, Ms Durston, was blown away by the creations on the night - I think she would like you all to decorate “Book Week”. And the winners are…..

Trivia Winners - Cookbooks
Wooden Spoons - Grimm’s Fairytale
Best Dressed Table - Harry Potter

We need to say a few words of thanks. Firstly thank you to everyone who attended, dressed up, decorated and supported this function - without you it would not have been the wonderful success it was.
Thank you to Geraldine, Debbie, Ingrid, Kim and Mandy for all of your assistance on the evening with collection of answer pages, raffle tickets, games and packing up. A big thank you to our trusty barmen, Matt, Ben, Simon and Kevin. Thank you also to Celine Durston, Leigh Hofmeister and Gavin Reiger for all of your support prior to Saturday night. Thanks to Amber Fraser for designing an amazing backdrop and for all of your help on Saturday and Rose Boreham for the poster design. Thanks to P&C sponsor Belle Property for their ongoing support and being such great sports coming along in fancy dress along with the rest of the parent and teacher body. And a final thank you to all that helped pack up after the conclusion of the Trivia. This is a big job and can take some time - many parents lent a hand which made it so much easier.

Michelle and Kath

NEWS FROM WILSTON SWIM CLUB

Term 2 swim fees are now overdue. There are also a number of fees outstanding for term 1 and holiday swimming. Please see Kirsten in the pool office if you are unsure if you have any outstanding fees. Bookings for term 3 will not be accepted if you have any outstanding payments.

Our next Committee Meeting will be held tonight, Thursday 4 June at 7:00pm poolside. We look forward to seeing you there.

Wilston Swim Club has a new email and website address. Our new email address is swim@wilstonpandc.org.au Our new website address is swim.wilstonpandc.org.au

Could you please update your records as the old address will expire shortly.

Winter swimming – we have Squad and Learn to Swim available year round with the pool heated to 29 degrees. 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.
Announcing the...

WILSTON STATE SCHOOL

fete.

Saturday, 12 September

11am-5pm

... put it on your calendar and watch out for Fete news and information ...

- Wilston Weeklies
- www.facebook.com/wssfete2015
- @wssfete2015

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

The WSS Fete is a celebration of our school, students, families and our great community. A small team of parents is currently working hard to plan an amazing 2015 Fete.

We need the support of ALL WSS families to ensure our Fete is a success. Here are some of the simple ways you can contribute:

- Ask the convener for your kids’ class stall what help they need.
- Volunteer to help on a stall on Fete day.
- Collect second-hand clothes, toys and books (in good condition).
- Make treats for the Country Markets and Cake Stalls.
- Consider if you could donate a prize for the silent auction.
- Support businesses that sponsor the Fete.
- Keep 12 September free – and invite your family and friends to come along too!

Contact the Fete team on fete@wilstongandc.com.au with any questions.

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