FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents

On Wednesday the principals of Eagle Junction, New Farm, Patricks Road and Eatons Hill State Schools and my supervisor visited our school. This year there has been a Regional focus on principals sharing and learning from each other. My leadership team had the opportunity to professionally dialogue with our colleagues on the academic focus that we are currently invested in.

During their visit we visited a number of classes to speak to the students about what they are learning. The work of Professor Lyn Sharratt is the foundation for the next stage of our professional growth. Professor Sharratt’s two parallel goals are to increase achievement for all students by improving teachers’ assessment and instruction practices in classrooms.

Professor Sharratt has designed five questions that school leaders can ask students during Instructional Walkthroughs to enable them to understand how well the two parallel goals are being enacted. The questions are: What are you learning? How are you doing? How do you know? How can you improve? Where do you go for help?

Our students were able to articulate themselves very well when asked these questions. We received some very positive feedback from our guests that can be clearly attributed to the great work and great attitude of our teaching staff in taking on board our improvement agenda.

WildCatz

Last Saturday I took the opportunity to watch and listen to the WildCatz open the Red Hill Fair. I commend our students as well as the students from Ithaca Creek and Milton State Schools. This combined band is very unique and my observation is that they blend very well together. Their performance was certainly a highlight of my weekend.

School Payments

Thank you to those parents who have paid their term statements. Just a reminder that payments are to be given to the class teacher in a clearly marked envelope with child’s name and class. These will then be sent up to the office in the class Blue Bags. We would appreciate parents using this system rather than bringing payments directly to the office. Thank you.

Woolworths Earn & Learn 2015

This year we are participating in the Woolworths Earn & Learn program. Through this program we will be able to get new educational resources for our school – and all we need you to do is shop for your groceries at Woolworths.

Up until Tuesday 8th September, we will be collecting Woolworths Earn & Learn Stickers. You will get one Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker for every $10 spent. Place the Woolworths Earn & Learn Stickers onto a Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker Sheet and when it’s complete, the Sticker Sheet (or individual stickers) can either be dropped into the Collection Box in the Wilston State School foyer, in the collection bin at Woolworths at Stafford City or in the class Blue Bag. Sheets are available from Woolworths.

For more information visit woolworths.com.au/earnandlearn

Guy Hendriks
Principal
Enrolment Packs
Prep enrolment packs will be available from the office from Tuesday 11 August 2015.

STUDENT COUNCIL

Jeans for Genes Day
To be held on Friday 7 August. Bring in a gold coin donation. 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. Remember you must wear your school shirt with denim jeans, shorts or skirts. Please ensure they are appropriate for school.

CALENDAR ORDERS
Order forms went out this week for calendars, cards and diaries. Please note that orders and payment will need to be back at school before Friday 7 August 2015. It would be appreciated if a separate order form is completed for each student.

2015 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

The competition will be competitive but not compulsory to enter. Students can enter in the following divisions:
- Division 1: Prep and Years 1, 2
- Division 2: Years 3, 4, 5
- Division 3: Year 6

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, 17 September 2015 (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 download as a PDF on the school website (http://wilstonss.eq.edu.au).

Click on the LATEST NEWS tab. All queries should be directed to Mr Brendan Medlin (6C) (bmedl2@eq.edu.au).

NEWS FROM HPE

Track and Field
Good luck to the 55 strong Wilston track and field team that will represent the school at the District Carnival over the next two days. The students are trying to gain selection into the City District Team to compete at the Met North Regional carnival next month.

Rodney Bell
PE Specialist

CHOIR NEWS

Wilton Wonders
Attendance
Some students have not been attending rehearsals regularly this term. Please remember that we are a team and all team members are expected at every practice. This makes a big difference to the quality of our choir. It is a busy time of year with sporting events however it is respectful to notify myself or Mr Fay if your child has been or will be absent.

NO CHOIR NEXT FRIDAY – AUGUST 7TH. As Year 5s are on camp next week we will cancel the Friday rehearsal and instead have a full rehearsal on Monday (August 3) at big lunch.

Thanks
Miranda Charters

FROM THE STRINGS DEPARTMENT

Well done to the 14 string students who auditioned for Honours Music Camp last week. All successful and non-successful children will be notified next Friday, August 7.

All string students are working towards performing at the Spring Concert on October 14. The Dolce and Vivace strings are practising to compete in Music Fest in October. More details to come.

Kathryn Payne

BRASS WOODWIND & PERCUSSION

Wildcatz
The Catz presented an exciting program last Saturday in opening the Red Hill Fair and performed with flair. Mr Hendrik’s attendance was appreciated.

Fete Performance
The Catz, Senior Concert Band and the Junior Concert Band are scheduled to perform at the school Fete on Saturday 12 September, either late morning or early afternoon.

TUCKSHOP NEWS

We are closed on Mondays and our very lovely Monday volunteers are moving to a later part of the week where we need them. We are sorry that the Monday service has stopped but with lack of volunteers it was decided that Monday was our quietest day to close.

Week beginning the 3rd August 2015
Monday 3 CLOSED
Tuesday 4
Help needed

Wednesday 5
Kate Usher, Liezel Boshoff

Thursday 6
Megan Beattie, Chris Shume, Jacinta Geritz

Friday 7
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 & 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. Please note: Deliveries are only made on the days that the shop is open.

Stock Update: Out of Stock: dress (size 6, 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); tights (size 6-9). Some current stock will run low and will not be replaced while the updated uniforms are in production. Thanks for your patience and understanding over the next few months.

Mid-year Stationery Top-up
Thanks again for the great response to the stationery top-up pack order form. Final orders with the forms should be lodged by this Friday 31st July. Don’t forget that the shop has all the stationery items on these lists, so please place an order through Munch Monitors if there is anything else your child needs.

Uniform Price Changes
In anticipation of the new uniform items arriving in mid-Term 4, the current pricing of the uniform has been reviewed. Price changes include:
- New polo shirts – $30 (current shirts remain at $28);
- New check shirt - $30;
- Dresses – price reduced to $50;
- Microfibre shorts - $18;
- Skorts – priced reduced to $25;
- Winter jacket – price reduced to $45.

**Gold Shirt Clearance**
Special offer – buy one gold shirt, get one free!! That brings the cost of these shirts down to only $14 per shirt!! There are plenty available in sizes 8, 10 and 12, so come and buy a brand new shirt for those school photos in September!!

Christine Matheson and Janice Nykiel, Convenors
Ph. 3552 8490 / 0448 633 737 / christrsmith1@hotmail.com

NEWS FROM WILSTON KIDS CARE

NEWS FROM WILSTON SWIM CLUB

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The position of race secretary will become available at the end of this year. If you are interested in taking on this role please contact the Swim Club Committee or Emma Kelso for further information. Full training will be provided.

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

There is currently availability each afternoon for Term 3 learn to swim. Please contact Kirsten in the pool office on swim@wilstonpandc.org.au for bookings.

Julia Thornton

Fete Volunteer Sign-Up
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NEWS FROM WILSTON KIDS CARE

Yoga for Kids at WKC
Donna is running a short yoga session each Thursday morning. All children attending WKC are welcome to participate.

Urgent
We need any spare paper for drawing. If you can supply us with some we would be very appreciative.

Signing In and Out
Please remember to sign your child both in and out of WKC. If you arrange for someone other than the authorised parent/carer to pick up your child please ensure their details are listed on Hubworks.

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

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Are you looking for a home away from home??

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Q-Psych’s last Cool Kids® program for 2015 starts on Thursday, 13 August and is now open for registration – please call 3356 4242 or visit www.qpsych.com.au/cool-kids-programs
Fete News

The countdown continues... it is now only six weeks until our amazing 2015 Fete!

The Wilston Wheel

Class 2E is hosting the Wilston Wheel and is seeking donations of alcohol (beer, wine, spirits) from the School community for prizes.

Donations can be left at the School office. (We ask that donations are delivered by a parent or other adult – rather than via students). Thank you for your support!

Wilston Beauty!

Come along to ‘Wilston Beauty’ salon at the Fete and get a fabulous new look! We have:

Crazy Hair

Do you dare? How crazy will you go? See the 3A hair stylists and then show off your amazing new ‘do’ to all your friends at the Fete.

Thanks to sponsor Stuart Plumbing & Gas Fitting!

Face Painting

The artists at the 3E stall will turn your face into a masterpiece with their fantastic creations. Get in early so you can display their artistry all day!

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Snazzy Nails

Surprise your family and friends! Glam up your hands with snazzy new nails. Stall hosts 2A will have amazing colours and designs on offer.

Volunteer Sign Up now online

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Ride cards on sale now!

The Fete will feature exciting rides including: The Scrambler, Mega Chairs, Fun Factory, Super Slide, Rock Climbing Wall, Laser Tag, Mad Hatters Cup n Saucers, Jungle jumping castle, and Animal Farm!

Pre-purchase a ‘Ticket to Ride’ card for just $25. Order online through Munch Monitor – www.munchmonitor.com

Wristbands can also be purchased on Fete day for $30, with single ride tickets $5 each.

Pre-purchased ride cards will be distributed to children via their class on Fete eve. Present your ride card at the ticket booth on Fete day to receive your wristband for unlimited, all-day rides.

Get crafty

Let the kids take some quiet time out from all the action at the Fete, and make something special:

Badges

Come along to the Badges shop hosted by Prep A. Make a cool new badge (or several) to pin on your hat, your school bag, or just about anywhere! And while you are at it, make one for a friend too. Lots of great designs to choose from.

Thanks to sponsor Lineage Human Capital Group.

Fill the zippers…

We still need donations of new, small goodies for the Lucky Zippers stall. Suitable items include:

- handballs, toy cars, goop, sticky balls, party bubbles, balloons, key rings,
- hair accessories, temporary tattoos,
- arts & craft, stationery, stickers, magnets, lollipops, chocolates

*Any food items donated must be nut free

Please leave your donations in the ‘Lucky Zippers’ tub in the kitchen area on the ground floor of J Block (outside class 4A, B & C). Thank you!

Beading

Hosted by Prep F, the Beading stall has everything you need to make a great new treasure. A bracelet, anklet, ring or necklace? Perhaps a keyring or a bag tag? Make something for yourself and a gift for someone special.

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