FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents

William Shakespeare
On Tuesday morning I was interviewed by Terri Begley, field reporter, presenter and producer for ABC News Radio and 612 ABC Brisbane.

Terri interviewed me regarding the damage to the William Shakespeare bust two weekends ago.

The interview can be accessed from the link below.
site=brisbane&program=612_breakfast

After the interview a number of people have contacted my office to offer their support.

The damage to William Shakespeare is considerable and I believe will need to be newly formed.

Regional Focus
The Metropolitan Region, which Wilston State School is part of, is currently building school capacity based on the work of Dr Lyn Sharratt and Professor Michael Fullan.

Their research recorded in the text, Putting Faces on the Data What Great Leaders Do highlights 14 Parameters: The Key Dimensions for Attaining High Achievement in Systems, Schools, Classrooms.

On Wednesday I took four other key members from our staff to an introductory day led by Dr Sharratt. There are three professional days in total. The next two will be offered next year.

I found the messages presented by Dr Sharratt to be very valuable and our collective learning will enable us as leaders to be able to work alongside our school teams to ensure we continue to improve as a school.

Photo Days
A reminder that photo days are Monday, Tuesday and Thursday next week. Please check your child/ren’s photo days on the attached timetable.

Guy Hendriks
Principal
FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPALS

Enrolment Packs
Prep enrolment packs are now available from the school office.

Adolescent Scoliosis—Spinal Curvature
July/August are the months that schools are asked to raise awareness of scoliosis.

What is Scoliosis? Scoliosis is a lateral or sideways curve of the spine. It usually develops during early adolescence (age 10-13 years) when growth is most rapid.

What is the cause of Scoliosis? The cause is unknown, but 80-90% of cases occur in otherwise healthy adolescents.

Why is early detection important? While very small curves are common and of no significance, about 2% of girls have a curve which warrants medical observation during the growth period. Three girls per 1 000 will require treatment during the growth phase.

Brochure available. Parents can download brochure from www.scoliosis-australia.org. If after reading this brochure you think you may have this condition, please consult your family doctor.

WOOLWORTHS EARN AND LEARN 2015

LAST WEEK!! Just a reminder stickers/cards may be placed in the box in the office or sent up via the class Blue Bag.

SCHOOL PHOTOS

This year our school photo days are Monday 7 September, Tuesday 8 September and Thursday 10 September. A timetable is attached to the newsletter email. Please ensure that your child is in the appropriate school uniform on their relevant photo day/s. If an alternate uniform is required for the photo e.g. Wildcatz, students must wear their ordinary school uniform and change just prior to the photo.

The MSP Photography payment envelopes were distributed to students last week. Please take the time to read the information on the envelopes and remember these helpful points:

- Don’t seal envelopes inside each other. You can pay for all children in one envelope however each child needs to have their own envelope on photo day.
- Envelopes for family photos are available from the school office on request.
- Please enclose the correct money as no change is given. Cash and Cheques only. Credit card payments can be made prior to photo day via the online ordering system at www.msp.com.au
- Return the envelopes on photo day.

STUDENT COUNCIL

A Free Dress Day, with gold coin donations, will be held for: Save the Bilby. Wednesday 16 September 2015.

ECOMARINES

Hello, we are Hannah B, Amber D, Jess T and Zoe, your new EcoMarine Ambassadors for the rest of 2015 and half of 2016. We have already started our new role off with a bang attending our first EcoMarine Ambassador event called ‘Sound Wave’ at News Corp., Bowen Hills.

Wow! It was absolutely great to meet all the other ambassadors from other schools and film and photograph with the Tangalooma EcoMarines team for their website and the Courier Mail.

We have come back from Sound Wave with so many awesome ideas on how we can help our school and local environment become more eco-friendly. We can’t wait to put some of those ideas into action!

Last week, we began our very first ‘Last Friday Club’ where all our EcoMarine Warriors, Ms Rodriguez and Ms Doneley walked around our school and picked up rubbish hidden in our drains and gardens. It was unbelievable how much we found! We decided that over the next few weeks our team is going to collect as much rubbish on Fridays to show the school how much of it is NOT making it to our bins and we hope to make this a whole school activity. We are also looking into having a day each week where the whole school tries to pack their lunches using containers rather than plastic cling-wrap, plastic zip-lock bags... well really anything plastic that would usually go into the bins. This way we can reduce our use of plastics and become more aware of how much of our lunches are wrapped in plastic/recyclable materials.

We have so much more to share with you but we will leave that for another day. Thanks for all your support and GO GREEN ECOMARINE!

Hannah B, Amber D, Zoe P and Jess T

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 improve links between school, students and parents.

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

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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 place getters 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).
All interested Year 4, 5 and 6 students are invited to participate in the 2015 Primary Research Project.

The Primary Research Project is an online, multiple-choice competition (40 questions on 8 different topics: Inventors and Explorers, Environmental Matters, Sport, Entertainment & Festivals, etc.) which requires a maximum of 4 hours over a 10 day period (12-23 October 2015; Term 4, Week 2-3). Arrangements will be made for participating students to access the school computer labs for a 45-minute block during the competition period. Students are encouraged to use dictionaries, computers, the internet and any other library resources at their disposal to answer the questions. The majority of students who have competed in previous years report that it is most convenient to research the answers at home.

The Primary Research Project provides an opportunity for students to research, interpret and evaluate information. All participating students will receive a certificate. Further information can be found at www.GiantClassroom.com.au.

The cost is $6 per student. Wilston State School has a total of 50 places reserved in the Primary Research Project, so register your interest before Friday, 4 September 2015 (Term 4, Week 8). Permission forms are available from Mr Brendan Medlin (L Block, 6C; email bmedl2@eq.edu.au).

NEWS FROM HPE

Track and Field Congratulations to all students that represented City District at the Regional Track and Field carnival last week. We had a successful carnival with all students performing well over the two days. We have had three students gain selection into the Met North Team to compete at the state championships in Townsville later in the year. Met North Reps: Polly L, Ruby Mc and Jaden F.

We also had great success with our five relay teams. We managed two Golds and two Bronze medals out of our five relay teams, which was an outstanding result.

We are currently trying to sort out teams and sports for our year 4-6 students for the next terms Gala Day interschool sport competitions. There will be a note with details of these days coming home shortly.

Rodney Bell PE Specialist

CHOIR NEWS

School Fete Saturday 12 September Wilston Wonders 12.35pm arrive at Undercover Area. Perform at 12.25pm.
Junior Choir arrive 11.50pm Undercover Area. Perform 12.00pm.

Choir Photo. Junior Choir. Tuesday 8 September. 9.00am Wear clean, neat school uniform. Wilston Wonders. Monday 7 September. 9.30am. Wear yellow polo shirt, white socks, brown short/skort etc. Hair neat.

Spring Concert Wednesday 14 October 2015. Arrive at Undercover Area 6.45pm for 7.00pm.
Church Service St. Columba’s. Details TBA.
Carols By Daylight Wednesday 9 December 2015 11.30am Undercover Area.

FROM THE STRINGS DEPARTMENT

Mrs Payne will be away next week (week 9) as she will be attending Honours Music Camp.

Strings photos will be on Monday 7 September. Please remember to bring your white polo shirts.

All Dolce and Vivace Strings are performing at the Fete. Please meet in the Instrumental Music Room (G Block) at 1.00pm to tune up.

The Dolce and Vivace Strings are performing at MusicFest on Saturday 10 October. Time to be confirmed but we will be performing in the afternoon.

TUCKSHOP NEWS

We are looking for help in the Tuckshop on Fete day. CAN YOU HELP? Go on line or drop in and see us. No experience necessary, we need help early and during the day.

Tuckshop will continue to be closed on Mondays due to the lack of volunteers. The Tuckshop is only possible due to the wonderful help we get from the school volunteers. We are thankful all our current volunteers.

Roster for week beginning 11 September 2015
Monday 7 closed
Tuesday 8 Elissa Hoey, Sabrina Raw, Mirella Fyimoto
Wednesday 9 Kate Leggett, Julia Jenyns, Nicola Bartlett, Kim Allen
Thursday 10 Sian Pratt, Jacinta Geritz
Friday 11 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); Monday, Wednesday and Friday during Term 4 2015 and Term 1 2016. 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.

Who’s running the shop?! A very big thank you to Janice, who will be taking a break from convening the shop from Friday 11 September until next year. And welcome to Tracey, who will be filling her place in Term 4. With Christine taking early holidays, Tracey will be running the shop by herself in the last week of Term 3 and first 2 weeks of Term 4. We appreciate your patience and support as Tracey flies solo for a short time!!

Changed open days – start of Term 4
Term 4 commences on Tuesday 6 October (Monday is a public holiday).

Tuesdays: 9.00am
Wednesday: 8.15am
Thursday: 8.15am
Friday: 8.15am

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.
The shop will be open on this first day of Term, then again on Friday 9 October, but will be closed Wednesday 7 October. From the week starting Monday 12 October, the shop will be open 3 days per week on Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings.

Stock Update: Out of Stock: dress (size 6, 8 and 10); embroidered polo shirt mocha (size 6, 8 &and10), senior shirts (size 14), prep hat ribbon, girls’ winter stretch pants (sizes 6, 8, 10 and 12); tights (size 6-9), Paterson shirts (s.10). 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.

Swimwear Orders:
School swimming lessons return in Term 4. Be ready by purchasing your sunshirts ($40), caps ($10), goggles ($14) and microfibre towels ($18) before the end of Term 3. Order forms for swimwear have been distributed and are due back by Friday 4 October. Orders received by the due date will be delivered before the school holidays.

**Gold Shirt Clearance**
Special offer – buy one gold shirt, get one free!! That’s only $14 per shirt!! The offer is available for both polyester-cotton (emblem) shirts ($28) and full cotton shirts ($23). You can mix and match sizes, but it must be the same fabric type to get the deal. Orders placed through Munch Monitors will not be discounted at the time of ordering, but will be manually discounted when the order is completed in the shop. There are plenty of shirts available in sizes 8 and 10, so come and buy a brand new shirt for those school photos in September, for choir or just to have a spare!!

Christine Matheson, Janice Nykiel and Tracey Jukes - Convenors
Ph. 3552 8490 / 0448 633 737 (Christine) / bookshop@wilstonpandc.org.au

NEWS FROM WILSTON SWIM CLUB

Congratulations to Georgia K who won the Girls 11 Years 100 Butterfly at the Queensland Short Course Championship last weekend at Chandler. Joshua A also came fifth in the Boys 10 year old 50m Breaststroke. Other swimmers who met the very high standard to compete at this event included Dylan A, Ashley P, Charlotte C, and Douglas M. It is a huge credit to our little club that we were able to achieve such great results.

Sign On Day for the 2015-2016 season will be held at the Fete on 12 September. All swimmers who sign up will receive a Crocs cap, swim bag and tattoo plus the first 50 will also receive a Crocs drink bottle! If not attending the Fete you will also have the chance to sign on at the pool office following this. Swim Club recommences in the first week of term 4.

Bookings for Term 4 Learn to Swim are now open for swimmers who are currently enrolled in Term 3 classes and from 7 September for all other swimmers. Learn to Swim Intensives will also be held over the September school holidays from 28 September - 2 October. Classes will run each morning from 8:30am. The cost for the 5 days will be $65. Term 3 swim fees are now due and must be paid before bookings can be accepted for Term 4.

See you at the pool!
Fete News

OMG it’s only ONE week to our fabulous Fete!

If you are not already signed up, we would really appreciate even an hour’s help with set-up, stalls, or clean-up. Sign-up at: www.signupgenius.com/go/20f044da8a623a3fc1-fete (or the link at www.wilstonpandc.org.au).

And check later in this newsletter for details of our amazing Silent Auction and online bidding.

Red hot raffle

Check out the great prizes on offer in our raffle.

- 1st prize – Three nights’ accommodation at Hamilton Island’s Reef Hotel, donated by Flight Centre, and a $250 travel voucher for flights, donated by The Village Travel
- 2nd prize - TREK MT220 kids’ bike valued at $379 - donated by Velo Bicycles
- 3rd prize – a guitar - donated by Councillor Andrew Wines, Enoggera Ward, plus 2 x 30 minute music lessons - donated by Downtown Music Studios

Tickets are $2 each or $10 per book. Tickets are coming home with your kids this week. You can return tickets and payment via the class blue bag, or to the raffle booth on Fete -day. The raffle will be drawn on the main stage at 4pm.

Cake and Sweet Stall

We are counting on our fantastic community to donate baked goods. So please bring out your best recipes and show your baking talents!

Popular items at past Fetes include: cakes, slices, rum and apricot balls, rocky road, coconut ice, shortbread, gluten free and/or nut free goods.

Packaging for donations will be available in the office from Friday 4th September. Labels are also available. Please ensure you fill out a label for each item – otherwise we cannot sell the goods.

We’ll take delivery of items at the Tuckshop café from 8-10am or after 2pm on Friday 11th September. We would appreciate deliveries before 5pm to allow time for pricing. If you need donations collected or an alternative drop off, please contact Hélène Wilson (0421 739 830) or Chloe Holden (0400 123 332).

Thanks for your help, Cake and Sweet Stall team

Second-hand donations

We’ve been overwhelmed with second-hand donations. To enable our volunteers to organise items for sale, we are no longer accepting donations. The drop-off room has now closed. Thank you!
Food & beverage notes

A couple of reminders for when you are hungry or thirsty at the Fete, and requests for your help.

Tuck in!

Lunch is sorted. The Tuckshop will have ribbon sandwiches, and its BBQ will be sizzling snags and burgers. Vegetarian alternatives available.

*Please help* our gorgeous but very busy Tuckshop team – they’d love it if you could drop in and volunteer for half an hour or so on Fete day.

*The Tuckshop is proudly sponsored by EDSCO and Ark Projects.*

Keeping it cool

For a cool drink at the Fete, head to the Soft Drink Stall, hosted by Prep D.

*Thank you to our sponsor Victoria Park Golf Club!*

Be a barman

Adult refreshments and reprieve are on offer at The Wilston Watering Hole. BUT, the Bar is in desperate need of *helpers*. This is always a fun gig, so please grab a spot on SignUpGenius.

*Proudly sponsored by Cayas Architects.*

Ice-cream dream

Our Ice-cream Stall (hosted by 4A & 4/5F) will be featuring individual tubs of scrumptious Mini Melts in a range of fun flavours. Yummo!

*Many thanks to our new sponsor Churchill Real Estate, joining Professional Boat Care.*

The Wilston Wheel

The Wilston Wheel (hosted by *Class 2E*) will be spinning again on Fete day. Thank you for everyone’s generous donations to our major prize - the ‘Barrow of Booze’! The wheelbarrow is looking good, but we’d like to fill it to the brim. Contributions of beer, wine, cider & spirits are all welcome. Please make sure it is an adult who drops your donations into the office. ☺ Thank you!

*Proudly sponsored by Bennett + Bennett.*

Country Markets

The Country Markets needs help from *everyone* in the school community. Please help us make jams, chutney and lemon butter - even 2-3 jars is helpful.

You just need to:

- Find recipes (email us for inspiration)
- Get empty jars/bottles from the Tuckshop or 7 Yarradale Street (or there are small jars for $1.50 at the Stafford cheap shop)
- Sterilise bottles (google instructions)
- Fill your bottles and make them ‘pretty’
- Label with: ingredients, date made, and the note ‘may contain allergens’

To enable pricing, please deliver your creations to 7 Yarradale Street, Newmarket on Sat 5th or Sun 6th Sept, or the morning of Wed 9th or Thurs 10th.

(Due to its short shelf life, please deliver lemon butter direct to the stall on Fete morning, from 9am.)

Thanks so much for your help!

*Any questions, contact Alexis or Cara P on 0422183032 or simonandlex@hotmail.com*

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*Email for fete@wilstonpandc.org.au  www.facebook.com/wssfete2015  @wssfete2015*
Party time…

Stuck for fresh idea for your next kids’ party?
- Delta Gymnastics Brisbane has donated a children’s birthday party valued at $260.
- Or for the sports fans, Brisbane Indoor Sports Centre at Newmarket, have donated a children’s party to the value of $200.

Make your kids happy…

Or just spoil the kids with:
- A family pass to Brisbane City Council’s Planetarium
- A quilt and alarm clock from Mama’s Home
- Movie passes from Palace Cinemas Barracks

Plant Stall

It’s not too late to order fabulous terrariums, flowers or plants for delivery at the Fete. Contact Alison soon on 0417 757 058 to arrange. And donations of surplus plants are still welcome. On Fete day, we’ll have beautiful flowers, succulents, plants and terrariums available.

Unlimited Fete rides

Online sales of the ‘Ticket to Ride’ will close at midnight on 8th September. To get your ride ticket for just $25, go to www.munchmonitor.com by then. Tickets will be sent to classes on 11th February and can be swapped for a wristband on Fete day.
Fete program

Don’t miss seeing our fantastic, talented students performing on stage in the undercover area.

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