



## Wilston State School Ever onward

Term 4. Issue 1. 8 October 2015.

### DATE CLAIMERS

8 October	Whole School Assembly
9 October	Entries close Science Competition Gala Day
12-16 October	Life Education Yr 5 and 6
13 October	Author Visit Year 2-3 Cameron Stelzer Skate Night Prep, Year 1 and 2
14 October	Spring Concert WKC Committee Meeting
15 October	Upper School Assembly Annual Speech Contest P&C Meeting 7.00pm. All welcome.
16 October	Gala Day
19 October	Pupil Free Day
20 October	Skate Night Year 3 and 4
20-21 October	Life Education Yr 5 and 6
21-22 October	Forensic Science Workshops Yr3-6
22 October	Lower School Assembly
23 October	Gala Day
27 October	Skate Night Year 5 and 6
28/29 October	Year 4 Camp North Pine (1 <sup>st</sup> group)
29/30 October	Year 4 Camp North Pine (2 <sup>nd</sup> group)
29 October	Music Count Us In – Whole School Upper School Assembly Choral Fanfare State Gala Wilston Wonders
30 October	Student Council Free Dress Day Red Day for Daniel Morecombe
5 November	Lower School Assembly
11 November	WKC Committee Meeting
12 November	Whole School Assembly
14 November	Wilston Disco
16 November	Year 2A and 2B to Bunyaville Envi
18 November	Year 2C and 2D to Bunyaville Envi
19 November	Year 2E and 2F to Bunyaville Envi Upper School Assembly P&C Meeting 7.00pm. All welcome
23 November	Prep Orientation Afternoon (A-L)
24 November	Prep Orientation Afternoon (M-Z)
26 November	Lower School Assembly
27 November	Christmas Service
4 December	Graduation Ceremony, Morning Tea
3 December	Whole School Assembly
9 December	Carols by Daylight Whole School Assembly WKC Committee Meeting
10 December	Graduation Bbq/Pool Party/Disco
11 December	Last day of Term 4

### FROM THE PRINCIPAL

#### Dear Parents

#### Gala Days

Gala Days for Term 4 will be held on the following Fridays: 9, 16 and 23 October 2015. These Gala Days involve students from Years 4, 5 and 6.

To allow for the amount of buses required to transport the students to their venues, parents are reminded that the Primrose Street Pickup Zone will be closed on the above days. Two buses will be collecting students from Thomas Street but no buses will be dropping off students in this street at 3.00pm.

Parents are asked not to wait around the corners of the Pickup Zones as this stops the traffic flow and the buses cannot get through. Please allow more time for school drop off and pickup on these days and consider parking away from the school and walking in, or arriving earlier for the drop off and later for the pickup.

#### Staffing

Though all state schools are staffed on the number of students enrolled on the eighth day of the new school year we commence the process of allocating our 2016 classes now. If you intend moving your child to another school in 2016 please advise your sector Deputy Principal by email by the end of next week.

At this time of year, parents often begin to ask about class placements for next year. All parents are reminded that allocation of students to classes is the professional and operational responsibility of school staff and that a great deal of care and time is taken when making such decisions. Whilst many factors are relevant, I will outline here for parents the main criteria that are considered:

- Ability levels - we aim to have an even spread of ability levels across each class. All children have strengths and weaknesses in different areas of the curriculum and these needs are taken into consideration.
- Teaching/learning styles - we take into consideration the match between individual children's learning styles and the teaching style of individual teachers where possible.
- Friendships - we try to ensure that all children are in a class with those of whom we feel they are likely to form friendships. At other times, we may choose to separate students who, whilst being friends, are a distracting influence on each other in a classroom, where one is the dominant partner in a friendship or where they are over-reliant on each other to the exclusion of others and need to be encouraged to increase their friendship circle.
- Group dynamics—we try to ensure that we have an even spread of personality styles, behavioural styles, etc. and that the group dynamics are such that each class will bond well and harmonise as a group.

As you will appreciate, consideration of all these factors makes class placement a very time consuming and thought provoking process. Each child is considered carefully, our ultimate aim being to ensure that each child is placed in a class where they will be given the optimal chance for happiness and success. We feel positive that the extensive time and care that we give to this process, together with the talented and committed team of staff into whose classes we are placing each child, mean that we are able to produce the best possible class combinations to benefit each and every child. Your trust in our decision-making, your appreciation of the time and care that goes into this process and your respect for the competence and dedication of every member of our staff team are greatly appreciated.

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*Guy Hendriks*  
Guy Hendriks  
Principal



## FROM THE PRINCIPAL (contd)

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If there are any educational needs that we need to be aware of when placing your child, **please convey these needs in writing to the appropriate Deputy Principal.** For students currently in Prep to Year 2, the sector Deputy Principal is Mrs Debbie Mill and her email address is [dmill108@eq.edu.au](mailto:dmill108@eq.edu.au) and for students currently in Years 3 – 6, either Mrs Dietz or Mrs Boge and their email addresses are [jdietz5@eq.edu.au](mailto:jdietz5@eq.edu.au) and [lboge1@eq.edu.au](mailto:lboge1@eq.edu.au). Please note that any information needs to be communicated each year to ensure it is relevant and up to date.

## SCHOOL PAYMENTS

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Orange Statements went home with the youngest in the family this week. All payments are now due.

**Please could payments please come up to the office via your class Blue Bags in an envelope clearly marked with your child's name and class.**

If you wish to pay by credit card please write your details on the statement. Payment directly into the school account is still an option as well as BPOINT.

## STUDENT COUNCIL

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### Skate Nights

\$9.00 entry fee.

Blade Hire \$4.00 and Skate Hire \$3.00

Prep, Year 1 and 2	Tuesday 13 October 2015	6.00 to 8.00pm
Year 3 and 4	Tuesday 20 October 2015	6.30 to 8.30pm.
Year 5 and 6	Tuesday 27 October 2015	6.30 to 8.30pm.

## ECOMARINE NEWS

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Welcome back, we hope you all had a nice relaxing break. Who needs an excuse to have another holiday? Well why not WIN ONE during our EcoMarine's EcoWeek! We are raffling a trip for a family of four (2 x adults and 2 x children) to Tangalooma Island Resort during. This trip includes,

- 1 night accommodation
- Return launch transfers from Brisbane
- Wild Dolphin feeding
- Buffet breakfast daily in Tursiops Restaurant

All you have to do is purchase a raffle ticket, **one for \$1 or three for \$2**, in the Undercover Area every big lunch from Monday 12 to Wednesday 21 October (Week 2 and 3). All proceeds will go to Tangalooma EcoMarines and their work in helping the wildlife and marine life around Moreton Bay. The winner will be announced in week 3 on Thursday 22 October over the loud speaker, so don't forget to LISTEN OUT!

In conjunction with our amazing raffle during EcoWeek, we will also be having a 'Mystery Box' and a 'Rubbish Revolution' competition with prizes and the opportunity to sign up online to Tangalooma EcoMarines. Posters will be around the school with more information. Good Luck! And remember, GO-GREEN-ECOMARINE!

Hannah B, Jessica T, Amber D and Zoe P

## STUDENT BANKING

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Following the decision last month to recall the *Cosmic Light Beam Torch* due to a potential safety issue, a decision has been made to also withdraw the upcoming **Lunar Light Band** reward from the School Banking Rewards Program.

To avoid disappointment there is a new reward item available for redemption in Term 4 while stocks last. Students can now test their skills with a game of frisbee with the new **Galaxy Glider!**

Once students have collected 10 tokens, they can simply include a note, along with their 10 tokens in their deposit wallet on banking day to advise that they would like to redeem their tokens for the Galaxy Glider reward item.

Don't forget the Outer Space Savers Money Box is also available in Term 4 as well as these rewards from 2014 and 2015:

- ET DVD
- Intergalactic Rocket
- Invisible Ink Martian Pens

2014 Deep Sea Savers range:

- Scented Pencils
- Shark Plush Toy Keyring
- Swimming Bag

## NEWS FROM HPE

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This Thursday is the first of three Interschool Sport Gala Days. Student's from Years 4-6 will be competing in a variety of sports against other schools within our district. If you would like to go along to watch your child participate you are more than welcome. Below are the venues where the students will be playing:

Boys and Girls Touch:	Valleys Hockey Club (Shaw Rd Wavell Heights)
AFL:	O'Callaghan Park (Zillmere)
T/20 Modified Cricket:	Norths Cricket Grounds (Shaw Rd)
Baseball:	Hendra All Stars (Oriell Rd Hendra)
Flipperball B (Mrs Howells)	Wilston SS Pool
Flipperball A (Mr Medlin)	am - Milton SS Pool pm - Windsor SS Pool

All students need to ensure that their permission notes are returned by Friday to ensure that they are allowed to participate in the Gala Days.

Rodney Bell. PE Specialist

## CHOIR NEWS

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### Wilston Wonders

Welcome to Term 4! It's a busy one. First up we have our **Spring Concert** next Wednesday night, October 14. Wilston Wonders arrive at 6.30pm - meet in the Music Room for warm up. Please wear the usual performance uniform - yellow polo shirt, brown shorts/skorts. The concert starts at 7.00pm sharp. **Audience BYO chair.**

**COMING SOON - Information regarding CHORAL FANFARE GALA!** We are still waiting on all the details from the Ed Qld organisers. A note will be sent home as soon as possible.

Miranda Charters

## FROM THE STRINGS DEPARTMENT

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Good luck to the Dolce and Vivace Strings who are competing in the Prestige MusicFest at Calamvale Community College on Saturday October 10. Dolce Strings meet at 1.30pm and the Vivace Strings meet at 3pm.

Recruitment for Year 2 students will begin this Friday. Only interested students will be tested.

If your child is interested in joining the strings program and you have not returned the green form sent out last term, please email Kathryn Payne at [kpayn49@eg.edu.au](mailto:kpayn49@eg.edu.au).

## TUCKSHOP NEWS

A big thank you to all the wonderful helpers at the Fete without you we couldn't have made it all happen. I would especially like to thank all the mums and dads we wrangled in at the last minute.

Slushies are back at \$2.00 each with two flavours that will change.

Our menu has had an update as well, so for all the changes, jump on to Munch Monitors, it's that easy.

### Roster for the week beginning 12<sup>th</sup> October

Monday 12 CLOSED  
Tuesday 13 Louise Astori, Ellie Cayas, Zoe, Sally Coldrick  
Wednesday 14 Susan Walker, Sharon Darmody, Steve Lawson, Kelly family  
Thursday 15 Angela Pratt, Harriet Carter, Angela Patel  
Friday 16 Josie Parry, Paige Osleibhin, help needed.

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## FROM THE UNIFORM/BOOKSHOP

**SHOP OPEN:** Monday, Wednesday and Friday during Term 4, 2015 and Term 1, 2016.

**Shop Online:** Go to [www.munchmonitor.com](http://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 & 10); embroidered polo shirt mocha (size 6, 8 & 10), senior shirts (size 14), prep hat ribbon, girls' winter stretch pants (sizes 6, 8, 10 & 12); tights (size 6-9), Pater-son shirts (s.10). Some current stock will run low and will not be re-placed while the updated uniforms are in production. Thanks for your patience and understanding over the next few months.

### Swimwear Orders:

Final swimwear deliveries will occur next week. If you missed the order form, please order your sunshirts, caps, goggles, towels and swim packs online via Munch Monitors, or just visit the shop.

### \*\*Gold Shirt Clearance\*\*

This amazing offer continues into Term 4! 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.

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

## NEWS FROM THE P&C

### P&C Finance Administrator Required

Part time Finance Administrator needed for immediate start to support the P&C. Flexible working environment as part of a small team. Experience with XERO preferred but not necessary. For a full position description please contact treasurer@wilstonpandc.org.au

## NEWS FROM WILSTON SWIM CLUB

Swim Club recommences this Friday night at 6.00pm. It is great to see many old and new families who have signed up for the new season of racing.

From next week Club Night nominations close **Wednesdays at 6:00pm.**

Swim Club duties this week -

Canteen: **Pearl and Carley families**

BBQ: **Del Favero, McGuire and McAlpine families.**

The canteen and BBQ roster for the season will be sent to members shortly.

The next Swim Club Committee Meeting is tonight at 7.00pm pool side.

We currently have a vacancy for an **experienced Learn to Swim instructor**. Shifts are available Monday to Thursday afternoon from 3:15-5:15pm. Please contact Kirsten in the pool office for more details.

There is limited availability for Term 4 Learn to Swim. Classes run Monday to Thursday afternoon and Saturday mornings. Please or email [swim@wilstonpandc.org.au](mailto:swim@wilstonpandc.org.au). All squad times are available on our website [swim.wilstonpandc.org.au](http://swim.wilstonpandc.org.au).

All Learn to Swim and Squads will run as normal on Monday 19 October - the Pupil Free Day.

The **Wilston Crocs** have a **Facebook** page. Please 'like us' and keep up to date on all swimming news.

See you at the pool.

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**MINIMAL PARKING:** IGA CAR PARK AVAILABLE FOR NON FESTIVAL PATRONS ACCESSIBLE VIA GROVELY TERRACE

**SHOP TRADING:** ALL WEEKEND TRADING HOURS AS STANDARD IGA WILL REMAIN OPEN TILL 4PM AS USUAL

**AMUSEMENT RIDES TICKETS:** purchased through [info@tevernerloungeanddining.com.au](http://info@tevernerloungeanddining.com.au)

**PRE-PAID:** \$15.00 FESTIVAL DAY, \$20 or \$5 per ride

**ANIMAL FARM** \$2.00 pp

Amusement Rides contact 0403680981

**DON'T FORGET ABOUT ALL THE FUN ACTIVITIES YOU CAN MAKE SO BRING YOUR TREAT BAG AND YOUR THINKING CAP!**

**SAFETY IS PARAMOUNT, BLACKWOOD STREET WILL BE CLOSED FROM TRAFFIC ONWARDS FROM 3 PM - 8 PM**

PLEASE ALWAYS KEEP AT LEAST ONE GOOGLY EYE ON YOUR LITTLE MONSTERS AT ALL TIMES ☺



### Wilston Grange Softball Club

Want to keep fit and active and play sport over the summer months, meet new friends and have fun? We're all about enjoying ourselves.

Wilston Grange Softball Club is still recruiting for the summer season. We have under 13 mixed teams, an under 15 girls' team, an under 15 boys' team and open women's C1 and B2 teams. If you've never played softball before it doesn't matter, as we'll get you up to speed quickly.

We play on Saturdays at Downey Park, Windsor, commencing in October 2015 through to March 2016 with a four week break over Christmas. Training is on Wednesdays at Keith Beavis Oval, Windsor Park, Blackmore Street, Windsor. You are welcome to come down and have a 'no obligation' try out at one of our training sessions on any Wednesday (5:00 pm for juniors up to under 15 and 6:00 pm for seniors) and meet our family friendly committee and some of your potential teammates. See if softball is for you and remember, we cater for all ages and abilities. Everyone is important and receives the coaching and encouragement they deserve.

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