

Wilston State School Ever onward

Term 4. Issue 3. 22 October 2015.

DATE CLAIMERS

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| 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 st group) |
| 29/30 October | Year 4 Camp North Pine (2 nd 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 2E to Bunyaville |
| 18 November | Year 2F and 2B to Bunyaville |
| 19 November | Year 2C and 2D to Bunyaville 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 |
| 2016 | |
| 25 January | First day of Term 1 |
| 26 January | Australia Day |
| 3/5 August | Year 5 Camp Currimundi |

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents

School Captains



Over the last two years Kelvin Grove State College has support all primary school captains in the City Cluster by holding a leadership day early in the year to discuss the concept of leadership and then to encourage all student leaders to undertake a project in their respective schools. To assist them achieve their goals each school team is provided with support from two leaders from the Queensland Academy of Creative Industries at Kelvin Grove. This year our captains have decided to create a mural in the Undercroft of L Block. With the support of Ms Fiona Hobbs this project is currently being undertaken and should be completed within the next four weeks.

Annual Speech Competition

I certainly enjoyed the cleverness of all speeches last week and I congratulate Sam for gaining first place. I thank Mr Brendan Medlin for organising this fabulous event.

Advancing Education

Last week the Minister for Education and Minister for Tourism, Major Events, Small Business and the Commonwealth Games, Kate Jones MP released the Advancing education an action plan for education in Queensland. This plan also includes a perspective on coding and robotics in Queensland schools. Further details regarding this plan can be accessed from the link below.

<http://advancingeducation.qld.gov.au/Pages/default.aspx>

Term 4 Payments

Thank you to all those parents who have paid their Term 4 accounts. There are still a number of parents that have not yet paid for this. As the year comes to a close we would love to be able to finalise all accounts. If you have monies outstanding could you please address this asap.

Prep Enrolments for 2016

Prep enrolment packs are available now from the office. If you have a child entering Prep in 2016, please complete the paperwork and return asap.

Primrose Street Grange Qld 4051
PO Box 6 Grange Qld 4051
Tel 3552 8444 Fax 3552 8400 Student Absence Line 3552 8460
Email info@wilstonss.eq.edu.au
www.wilstonss.eq.edu.au

Guy Hendriks
Guy Hendriks
Principal



WILSTON STATE SCHOOL

Schools Officer (Grounds and Facilities)

Hours: 38 hours per week

Days of Work: Monday to Friday

Classification: Permanent, Full Time 002

A vacancy exists at the school
for the above position

Requirements

- Apply for and receive a positive blue card notice from The Public Safety Business Agency a Working with Children Check
- Undergo screening for a Criminal History Check
- Perform the duties as described in the application package available from the school office or email djack14@eq.edu.au

Written applications must address
the 5 selection criteria in
the applicant package.

Closing Date: 4.00pm Friday 30 October 2015

Contact: Deb Jackson BSM 07 3552 8444

STUDENT COUNCIL

Skate Nights

\$9.00 entry fee.

Blade Hire \$4.00 and Skate Hire \$3.00

Year 5 and 6 Tuesday 27 October 2015 6.30 to 8.30pm.

SCHOOL PAYMENTS

Thank you to all those parents who have paid their term fees. All payments are now due.

Please could all 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. **But we encourage parents to try using BPOINT. Just a reminder to please enter the invoice number and not the student ID when using BPOINT.**

ICAS MATHEMATICS

Last term students in Years 3-6 were invited to participate in the ICAS (International Competitions and Assessments for Schools) Mathematics Test. Overall we had 150 students sit the test which comprised of multiple choice questions and short answer questions. The following students received outstanding results:

DISTINCTIONS (Scored in the top 4% of their year level).

| Year 3 | Year 4 | Year 5 | Year 6 |
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| Clementine S | Kalan E | Sienna C | Samuel R |
| Benjamin V | Sandave W | Clarinda H | |
| Andrew Z | Shreeya P | Liam N | |
| William C | Thomas S | | |
| Oscar S | | | |
| Matilda J | | | |

Congratulations to all students who participated in this assessment. All students will receive a certificate and notification of their results this week.

ANNUAL SPEECH CONTEST FINAL

The final of the Annual Speech Contest was held last Thursday evening, 15 October. Six students from Year 6 presented engaging and thought-provoking speeches to an audience of relatives and friends and two independent judges (Ms Frances Constantine and Ms Melanie Griffith). The judges were impressed by the overall quality of the speeches, and the poise and confidence of the speakers. It was also apparent to the many who had already heard the speeches presented at the semi-finals, how hard the students had worked on rehearsing and improving the quality of their speeches. Results are listed below:

1st – Sam R

2nd – Anna D

3rd – Evangeline M

Finalists – Jake H, Nathaniel R, Ella S

Sam R will have his name added to the perpetual Annual Speech Contest shield.

Certificates and trophies will be presented at a school assembly later this term.

Thanks are also due to the students of the Wilston Chamber Strings, who played an entertaining musical interlude, conducted by Mrs Kathryn Payne. The Wilston Chamber Strings consisted of Ruby C, Anna D, Claire G, Jake H, Clarinda H, Evangeline M, Emma P, Lauren S, and Jade T.

A special thanks to Lauren S, who stepped in as compere at very short notice, and performed brilliantly in the role.

PRIMARY RESEARCH PROJECT

Students participating in the Primary Research Project have until Sunday, 25 October, to submit their results on the GiantClassroom.com.au website. An instruction sheet has been provided to the participating students, along with usernames and passwords. **Please ignore the submission date on the instruction sheet – Giant Classroom provided a bonus of two extra days by extending the date to Sunday, 25 October.**

DO NOT LEAVE SUBMITTING YOUR ANSWERS TILL THE LAST MINUTE!

NEWS FROM HPE

Gala Days

This Friday is the final Interschool Sport Gala Day. Below are the venues where the students will be playing:

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| 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) | Windsor SS am. Ascot SS pm. |
| Flipperball A (Mr Medlin) | Wilston SS Pool. |

Please can you ensure children have had sunscreen applied before coming to school. All coaches have sunscreen which can be reapplied during the day.

Rodney Bell

CHOIR NEWS

CHORAL FANFARE GALA CONCERT!!

This will be a fabulous showcase concert featuring all the regional winners of this competition. Parents don't forget to get to the Old Museum early to secure a seat.

Please contact me if you have any further questions about this event. All permission forms and bus payments should now be returned.

Miranda Charters

STUDENT BANKING

We're now in the final term of the year and School Banking is revving up with a new competition. Continue your school banking deposits and you're in the draw for some amazing Commonwealth Bank Dollarmites prizes towards the end of term.

A reminder that the Cosmic Light Beam Torch and Lunar Light Band have been recalled due to potential safety issues. This term we're offering the new Galaxy Glider frisbee. If you've collected ten tokens, simply leave us a note that you'd like to redeem your tokens for the Galaxy Glider.

TUCKSHOP NEWS

This time of year the Tuckshop needs your help. We all have busy lives so we are hoping that you can give just a little time to us. All we are looking for is a couple of hours any day of the week except Monday. Times like 11.00am-2.00pm or 12.00-2.00pm. You could also help in the morning from drop off until 12.00pm. If we could just get some help from each class just once before school ends it would be a big help.

Slushies are back this term they are only \$2.00.

Other new items for Thursdays are rice paper rolls and Asian salad.

All Tuckshop orders are done on the MunchMonitor website.

Prep children are now able to come and buy from the Tuckshop at big lunch, please coach them on what they want so they aren't confused at the window.

Roster for the week beginning 26th October 2015

Monday 26: CLOSED
 Tuesday 27: Elissa Hoey, Tracey Woolaston(12-2)
 Wednesday 28: Liezel Boshoff, Sarah Bender, Kelly family
 Thursday 29: Jacinda Geritz, Megan Beattie
 Friday 30: Natalie 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: Monday, Wednesday and Friday during Term 4, 2015 and Term 1, 2016.

New Shop Open Times: For a short time only, the shop will close at 9.15am on Monday and Wednesdays. On Fridays, the shop will be open until 10.30am to allow for Prep uniform fittings.

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, 8 and 10), 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.

New Uniform Update: The estimated arrival time for the new polos and button-up shirts is mid-late November. The new dresses will be available at the start of Term 1 2016. As fitting samples are not available for these new items, it is requested that families delay their uniform purchases until late November or December, if possible. In the meantime, the shop is fully stocked with hats, shorts, skirts, school bags and lots of other essential uniform items.

Staff Changes: A big thank you to Tracey Jukes for minding the shop at the end of Term 3/start of Term 4. But with Tracey moving on to other work, we now warmly welcome Debra Bela as our new uniform co-convenor. Debra would appreciate your patience over the next few weeks as she learns all about running the shop! Come and say hi!

****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 and Debra Bela - Convenors
Ph. 3552 8490 / 0448 633 737 (Christine) /
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. **This is a paid position.**

For a full position description please contact
treasurer@wilstonpandc.org.au

Last lap of the year! Soon we'll be shouting at horses and wondering when we'll get the time to get to the post office to collect the Christmas shopping and squeeze in another catch-up before the end of school.

I'm pleased to announce the appointment of an operations management team. I say team because we ended up with a job share arrangement of two local mums with extensive experience in human resources, compliance and risk management. **Nicole Caligaris and Susanne Flaherty** – welcome to (and back, in Susanne's case) Wilston State School.

We also have the annual transition, where long-term parents move on and new parents come in. So many parents have made a huge contribution to our events and the management of the subcommittees. I'm inviting all parents to consider sitting on a subcommittee - Kids Care, Tuckshop or Swim Club and people to form committees for each of the major events for the year – starting with the Beach Party in February.

Email me at president@wilstonpandc.org.au if 2016 is the year you dip your toe in the pool of school volunteering. I promise you: you will get so much out of it.

Julia Thornton
President

Magical Disco

Don't forget the school disco is on Saturday 14 November 2015.

There are two sessions for the disco, with the Preps to Year 2 children attending from 4:30pm until 6.00pm and the Years 3 to 6 children from 6:15pm until 8.00pm.

Tickets are **now** available through Munch Monitors via the *School Shop* page. Ticket sales close 9.00am Friday 13 November.

We need parent helpers for set up and on the night. You can easily choose what you would like to help with and the time from our **volunteers sign-up page** at www.SignUpGenius.com/go/20F0D4DAFA92CA7FD0-disco

For any further information please contact Saskya saskya_hunter@hotmail.com or Claire glenandclaire2@bigpond.com

NEWS FROM WILSTON SWIM CLUB

Please welcome Noel Bertwistle our new Head Coach to the Wilston Crocs. It is great to see so many enthusiastic swimmers in the pool for him to coach every morning and night. Parents, make sure you say hello when you are in the area.

Pancakes Saturday

There will be pancakes this Saturday morning after swimming for all swimmers and parents who attend. A great way to watch the kids swim and say hello to Noel without the rush of a week day.

Congratulations to all swimmers who competed at the Redcliffe Leagues Meet last weekend. Max H, Abby A, Josh A and Charlotte C all did PB's with a number of qualification times swum for the Brisbane Metropolitan Swim Championships in two weeks.

Congratulations to Josh A who has broken the pool record at Wilston for 50 metre breaststroke for his age twice in two weeks. This record has stood since 1992.

The Crocs need YOU. We need volunteers to help keep this the best primary school swim club in QLD. We need a race secretary to coordinate the nominations for competitive meets. We also need a backup computer operator to ensure we have the nominations processed for Club Night.

There is a lot of support for both roles and neither require experience. Reminder - Club Night nominations close **Wednesdays at 6:00pm**.

The race program for this Friday night will be emailed out to all members by 12 noon on Friday.

Swim Club duties this week-

Canteen: **Edwards, Cameron and Munday families**
BBQ: **Williams, Gladman and Reilly families.**

If you are rostered on canteen or BBQ can you please arrive by 5:50pm.

There is limited availability for Term 4 Learn to Swim Classes run Monday to Thursday afternoon and Saturday mornings. Please email swim@wilstonpandc.org.au. All squad times are available on our website swim.wilstonpandc.org.au.

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

See you at the pool!

We invite you to extend an invitation to:
Parents interested in Languages Education and to parents in Bilingual families
USQ Ipswich Campus, 11 Salisbury Road, Ipswich
Sunday October 18 at 1:30-2:45pm (free of charge) – BOOKS AND BILINGUAL FAMILIES WORKSHOP
Sunday October 18 at 12:00–2:4 pm (with lunch \$30)
Uneasy partners in pedagogy: Principles, languages and parents + Bilingual Workshop
Full program in the attachment + weblink for parents below
<https://www.usq.edu.au/bela/school-linguistics-adult-and-specialist-learning/deep-languages-conference-2015/literacy-and-language-parents>
+ more information about the whole conference for **teachers** and public
<https://www.usq.edu.au/bela/school-linguistics-adult-and-specialist-learning/deep-languages-conference-2015>



**GET ACTIVE
HAVE FUN
PLAY NETBALL!**



**At 'FLUGELS'
WE ♥ NETBALL!!**



We are an established, family-friendly and inclusive club based at Downey Park, Windsor. We are looking for players of all ages from 8 years to Opens to participate in competitive, healthy exercise whilst learning the rules of the game and developing motor skills in a fun and safe way!
We train on Tuesday evenings and play fixtures on Saturdays at Downey Park.



SIGN-ON DAY!
SUNDAY 31 JANUARY 2016
2PM TO 4PM
THE WOMEN'S HOCKEY CLUB HOUSE, DOWNEY PARK
More info and 2016 registration forms: www.flugel.qld.netball.com.au
Other inquiries: netball.flugel@gmail.com

Gonski Family Fun Day



Come along to show you support fairer education funding for our kids.

Sunday 25th October

10am-2pm

Wilston State School

11 Primrose Street, Grange

ALL FREE

- + Puppet Show + Jumping Castle + Petting Zoo
- + Snow Cones + Helium Balloons + Barbecue
- + Popcorn + Minion Knock 'em Down + Giant Bubbles
- + Fairy Floss + Giant Inflatable Soccer field + Badge Making

and heaps more...

(Parents - there will also be a coffee cart where you can buy your morning cup while the kids play)



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WILSTON STATE SCHOOL
presents

School disco

Saturday 14 November

Join us for a mystical night of music & magic!

Entry

\$8 per child

Parents, teachers &
Pre-Prep **FREE**

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| Pre-Prep to Gr 2 | 4.30–6pm |
| Gr 3 to 6 | 6.15–8pm |

Tickets
available via
Munch
Monitors

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PROPERTY

Children **MUST** be accompanied by a responsible adult while on school grounds.