



## Wilston State School Ever onward

Term 4. Issue 4. 3 December 2015

### DATE CLAIMERS

3 December	Whole School Assembly
4 December	Graduation Ceremony, Morning Tea
9 December	Carols by Daylight Whole School Assembly WKC Committee Meeting
10 December	Graduation Bbq/Pool Party/Disco Break-up day and class parties
11 December	Last day of Term 4
<b>2016</b>	
26 January	Australia Day
27 January	First day of Term 1
14 March	Young Leaders Day
3/5 August	Year 5 Camp Currimundi

### FROM THE PRINCIPAL

#### Dear Parents

#### Eco Marine

To celebrate another successful year for the EcoMarine program our team headed off to Tangalooma on Wednesday. The day was filled with lots of exciting activities from beach and bush walks, beach swims, data collection on dolphins and who could forget dolphin feeding!!! It was such a lovely way to end the year with all of the other EcoMarine schools from around Brisbane and beyond.

We would like to thank Penny, Kylie and Jess for organising the day and all of their support and planning throughout the year. Our program at Wilston would not be the success it is without them and our support teachers! We have had a great time this year as the EcoMarine Ambassadors introducing Wrapper Free Wednesday, Turn to Tap, Adopt a Shop and much more.

We wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and we will see you all next year – remember this holidays GO GREEN ECO MARINE!



#### Swimming Carnivals

Currently our students are busily competing in this year's swimming carnivals. The events are running exceptionally well and I know Rod Bell our PE Specialist is enjoying the use of the Crocodiles Timing System. It is certainly a vastly more accurate way of timing each swim.

On display for the first time are the Wilston pop up tents that our P&C have provided us with. These tents are a real asset to the school and I whole heartedly thank the P&C for them.

#### Report Cards

Report Cards will be going home with the students this Friday. (Friday 4 December 2015).

#### Class Structure for 2016

Once again the final staffing for a school year is based on the number of students enrolled at the school on the eighth day. I am expecting a slight reduction in the number of students in our Preparatory Year and this will reduce the number of classes from our current allocation of 36 to 35.

Class structure will be: 5 Prep, 6 Year Ones, 6 Year Twos, 6 Year Threes, 4 Year Fours, 5 Year Fives and 3 Year Sixes.

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Principal**



## WILSTON STAR AWARDS

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The following students were presented with Star Awards in recognition of their outstanding behaviour through always demonstrating the Care Fors.

PA	Zac W and Abigail B
PB	Lauren V and Ruben P
PC	Mathew R and Tully H
PD	Aidan M and Avi R
PE	Bridget FM and Lachlan M
PF	Oliver G and William O
1A	Gabriella V and Darcey M
1B	Jade S and Sierra W
1C	Heidi S and Eliza B
1D	Adele W and Lucas TG
1E	Ethan B and Amy S
1F	Bridie S and Jamie McA
2A	Lucinda W and Riley BM
2B	Shaynae McA and Kaden B
2C	Neve M and Oren H
2D	Amelie S and Jackson L
2E	Jarrell M and Eva D
2F	Sedonie K and Anthony L

## STUDENT BANKING

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Thanks to all of our school bankers for 2015! We've had a fantastic year but it will be sad to see Year 6 school bankers leave us; we hope your excellent savings habits are continued next year and beyond.

Our banking co-ordinators will ensure that all banking bags have been returned from classrooms to school banking next week.

Don't forget that school banking prizes will be drawn this Thursday at whole school assembly. Good luck!

## CHOIR NEWS

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It has been a busy week! Our students sang beautifully at the St Columba's church services last Friday and had a lovely time enjoying the yummy food at our Christmas party on Monday. Today our students performed on assembly, singing a farewell song to Mr Draper. We also had our Year 6 ukulele group perform "Rock Around the Clock".

Next week "Carols By Daylight" is on Wednesday at 11.30am. This will be our final performance for the year. Thank you to parents, students and teachers for their support his year and we wish you a happy and safe Christmas!

Miranda Charters

## TUCKSHOP NEWS

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Thank you to all our wonderful volunteers for the support in the Tuckshop. We couldn't have done it without you.

**This Friday 4 December 2015 will be the last day our Tuckshop will be open this year.**

Good luck to all the Year 6 students embarking on their next adventure.

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## FROM THE UNIFORM/BOOKSHOP

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**SHOP OPEN:** Monday, Wednesday and Friday during Term 4, 2015 and Term 1, 2016. Closing day for 2015 is Wednesday 9 December. Shop reopens prior to Term 1 on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> and Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> January between 8.30am and 11.30am, then again on **first day of Term 1 (Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup>)**, Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> January and Friday 29<sup>th</sup> January 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.

### Thanks!!

A very big thank you to everyone involved with the Uniform Shop this year. Thanks to Tracey for being there when we needed her in September, to Debra for stepping in as our newest convenor, and especially to Janice for her hard work throughout the year and her keen design eye – we look forward to having you back next year! Thanks also to our hard-working and reliable volunteers Ingrid and Jane, plus all the extra helpers who count stock or just jump in on busy mornings!! And if you would like to help in the Shop next year, just let one of us know.

**Stock Update:** The NEW POLOS HAVE ARRIVED!!! The shop is fully stocked with our new two-colour shirts in sizes 4-16, and they are selling quickly. The price remains unchanged at \$28.

**Formal shirts and Dresses - Term 1 delivery** – our supplier has advised that the new check uniforms pieces (shirts and dresses) may not be available until mid-Term 1. So please don't rush in on the first day of school expecting these items, as the shop may not have them!

**House shirts** – House shirts are fully stocked, sizes 2-16. Shirts are \$25 each. New prep families to the School will be allocated a house early next year – existing family preps will be in the same house as their older siblings.

### Uniform Policy

It will be mandatory for all students to wear black closed-in shoes from the start of Term 1 2016. Preps commencing in 2016 will be required to purchase either the check shirt or a dress, to be worn on excursions, special assemblies and for school photos. Continuing students will be asked to update their uniforms with the new items as required, with the expectation that all students will have one formal uniform item for the above occasions by 2018.

### Senior Shirts

The school and P&C have decided that, from 2016, the current diagonal shirt will be replaced by the new 2-colour polo shirt. As in previous years, these shirts will be printed with the names of the entire year level. **To simplify this process, all 2016 Year 6 students are requested to purchase their new senior shirts before the end of this year.** These shirts will be held in the shop, ready for printing first thing next year. Payment for the shirt printing will be collected separately next year. Please note: All new size 12, 14 and 16 polos are being 'reserved' for the 2016 Year 6 cohort until all students have purchased one shirt each. Students in other years requiring these sizes may be asked to postpone their purchases until next year, or to purchase a plain mocha or gold shirt instead.

### 2016 Book Packs

All orders should be placed directly with Edsco to ensure delivery prior to the start of Term 1, 2016.

### Volunteers for Prep Orientation Afternoons and Stocktake

Stocktake (uniform counting) is scheduled for Wednesday 9 December.

If you can spare an hour or two on this day, your help would be very much appreciated. This is the final open day for 2015.

**Christine Matheson, Janice Nykiel and Debra Bela – Convenors**  
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## NEWS FROM THE P&C

How fantastic! A new prep parent has been in touch with me asking how she can be involved in the school next year. She is on our Prep Parent Welcome Committee and has a P&C membership form. Remember you can email me even if you're not at the school yet – [president@wilstonpandc.org.au](mailto:president@wilstonpandc.org.au)

The exciting news is the new uniforms are here. Christine Matheson has spent almost two years working on streamlining our uniform to a few choices, including consulting with parents on the uniform and patiently telling us 'no, we can't change the brown'. The best part about the new shirts – the kids are very excited to be wearing them.

I had the pleasure of thanking our teachers on Teachers Day in October, but I wanted to put it in here. Our teachers have chosen teaching as their profession and our children benefit from their commitment. I wish all the teachers and teacher aides the best of holidays. Six weeks without bells and schedules and disciplining our kids.

It follows then I offer my appreciation to the administration team for their work; the class reps and all the volunteers; and to the P&C regulars and Executive who have had to put up with a president who still needs her training wheels.

See you next year.

Julia Thornton

## NEWS FROM WILSTON KIDS CARE

### Vacation Care for December and January

Please book in early to secure a spot. The forms are available from the WKC office.

There are a variety of activities over the holiday period. Some activities involve travel to the Stafford Skate Centre and the Stafford Cinemas. Parents are urged to book their children in early to ensure a place. Please remember if you need to cancel we need to know 7-days in advance. We have very strict children to supervisor ratios to maintain so we need to staff accordingly. Late bookings and cancellations need to be managed carefully.

We would also like to remind parents they can always access the policies and procedures for WKC from our website at <http://www.wilstonpandc.org.au/index.php/wilston-kids-care/important-parent-information>

## NEWS FROM WILSTON SWIM CLUB

**Bookings for Term 1 Learn to Swim** are now open. Existing swimmers will need to confirm their current class times by the end of Term 4 otherwise your preferred time could be offered to another swimmer.

**Learn to Swim Christmas Holiday Intensives** - We are offering Learn To Swim Intensives over the Christmas school holidays, Monday 14<sup>th</sup> - Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December 2015 and Monday 11<sup>th</sup> - Friday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2016. We offer 5 x 30min lessons at the same time every day, with the same experienced learn to swim instructor. Lessons commence from 8:30am. Total cost for the five days is \$65. Places are limited.

Holiday squads will run from 14 December - 18 December and again from 4 January - 15 January 2016 with a camp in the last week. Time will be confirmed at the committee meeting this week and emailed out following this this.

**Term 4 swim fees** - Learn to Swim, Squad and Club Membership are now overdue. Please see Kirsten in the pool office if you are unsure if you have any overdue fees or to discuss payment. **New bookings will not be accepted until all outstanding fees are cleared.**

**Good luck to all the Crocs who are competing against Nundah and Virginia Swim Clubs for the Terry Sullivan cup this weekend.**

Reminder- Club Night nominations close **Wednesdays at 6:00pm.**

### Swim Club duties this week:

Canteen: **Victorsen, Mackay and Thompson families**

BBQ: **Shume, Shaw and McAlpine families**

If you are rostered on canteen or BBQ can you please arrive by 5:50pm. The final Swim Club meeting for this year will be held at **7.00pm Thursday 3 December** - pool side, all welcome. If you would like to understand what makes the Crocs tick, please come along.

**Swim Club resumes on Friday 29 January 2016.**

### Swim Club Vice-Chairman - An Opportunity

We have a vacancy - Election at last swim club meeting for 2015 - December 3.

We need someone like you to join our merry band of volunteers to keep this the best swim club in QLD. No prior experience necessary, just a willingness to have a go and have some fun

Call or email Matthew Crook for more information (0407 734 694, [swim.chair@wilstonpandc.org.au](mailto:swim.chair@wilstonpandc.org.au))

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



**2016 SIGN ON IS COMING!**

- Players from Under 6 to Premier Grade
- Online Re - Registrations Open 1 January 2016
- Sign On weekend 6/7 February 2016
- Pre-season Talent ID Clinic u12 -u17 commences 3 February 2016
- NEWLY focused Rugby development Pathway
- Half season U15/u16/u17 programs

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**School Holiday Soccer Camps**

MK13 has four exciting new holiday camps! MK13 Soccer will be running soccer clinics in the December / January school holidays in age appropriate groups catering for 5-14 year olds. Sessions will be fun, creative, thought provoking and skill developing.

DECEMBER:  
Downey Park (Noble Street) 15th - 18th

JANUARY:  
Grange Thistle FC (Prentice Park) 11th - 14th  
Rosewood United FC (Caledonian Park) 15th & 16th  
Downey Park (Noble Street) 18th - 21st

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