



Wilston State School Ever onward

Term 2. Issue 3. 28 April 2016.

DATE CLAIMERS

28 April	Assembly Year 3 to 6 Year 5 and 6 Skate Night
2 May	Labour Day
3 May	City District Cross Country
4 May	Mother's Day Stall (all day)
5 May	Mother's Day Stall (before school) Assembly Prep to Year 2 Year 3 and 4 Skate Night
6 May	City District Rugby
10/12 May	Naplan
11 May	Yr 1 Incursion My Place, Your Place,
12 May	Yr 1 Incursion My Place, Your Place, Prep, Year 1 and 2 Skate Night
13 May	Yr 1 Incursion My Place, Your Place,
16 May	Brisbane Urban 6C Power Up Power
17 May	Brisbane Urban 6A Power Up Power
18 May	Brisbane Urban 6B Power Up Power APSMO Olympiad 1
19 May	Assembly Year 3 to 6 P&C Meeting. Staff Room
20 May	Gala Day
23 May	Save Our Soil 4A+4B Incursion
24 May	Met North Cross Country
25 May	Save Our Soil 4C+4D Incursion
26 May	Fanfare – Vivace Strings Assembly Prep to Year 2
27 May	Gala Day Under 8's Day
31 May	ICAS Science Ski Trip Parent Information Night
2 June	Assembly Year 3 to 6
3 June	Gala Day
4 June	Trivia Night
5 June	Choir Northey St Market Perform
7 June	City Cluster Band Blitz Day
7/9 June	Junior Strings Music Camp
7/24 June	Life Ed. Harold the Giraffe Prep-Yr 6
8 June	APSMO Olympiad 2 Year 5 to Planetarium Year 6 Camp
8/10 June	Year 6 Camp
9 June	Assembly Prep to Year 2
10 June	Gala Day (wet weather)
14 June	Ruben Meerman. Surfing Scientist Yr 3-6
15 June	Sticks and Stones Artslink Prep to Year 6
16 June	Readers Cup Assembly Whole School P&C Meeting. Staff Room
20 June	Pre Track & Field Carnival Events

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents

ANZAC Day Commemorations

Last Thursday afternoon the school assembled to pay our respects to the original ANZACs and to the many men and women who have lost their lives in subsequent conflicts. I thank Mr Medlin, coordinator of this event, for developing a very appropriate program for a young audience. The songs that we listened to and sang along with set the tone for this event. I thank our special guests, Mr and Mrs Fussell, Mr Jack Wighton, Rev Atkinson and trumpet soloist – Jack Duffy.

Year 3 ANZAC Biscuits

Our Year 3 students traditionally bake ANZAC Biscuits as part of the unit of work they undertake this term. Leigh Hofmeister and I were given the privilege to judge the "Best Presented" - Sarah H, the "Best Presented and Most Tasty" - Madison L and the "Most Tasty" - Abbey W.

This activity is organised by Ms Alys Doneley and most students participate. Leigh and I had over 80 biscuits to sample and were very impressed with the baking skills of the students.



Report Cards

This semester we intend sending all report cards home by email. Earlier this year the office staff sent home a form that asked you to update your personal details including email address.

If you have changed email address in the last few months could you please let us know as soon as possible? I will be sending a similar message out to all parents via the Parent Liaison Officers distribution list and accompanying that message will be a form that you can complete with any updated details and return via the class Blue Bag.

Black Shoes

I am receiving a large number of positive comments in regard to the improvement in the standard expected of the uniform including the wearing of black shoes. Observing the collection of shoes currently being worn, I have not been as clear as I should have been around our expectations. Accompanying this newsletter is a poster that shows the school standard.

This matter was discussed at the recent P&C Meeting and agreement was reached that if students are currently wearing black shoes then we would not expect that they alter or that you would have to buy new shoes to replace them. I would ask however that if you need to buy new shoes for your child this year that they conform to the standard we are endeavouring to set and that by the beginning of 2017 all student are wearing the appropriate footwear.

Guy Hendriks

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FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPALS

NAPLAN 2016

The National Assessment Program—Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) testing time is fast approaching.

We just wanted to remind parents of the dates so you can ensure your child is at school ready to participate.

These tests are usually conducted in the first session.

Tuesday 10 May (2 tests)	Language Conventions and Writing
Wednesday 11 May	Reading
Thursday 12 May	Numeracy.

The tests go for 40 to 50 minutes, however teachers must read instructions, children do practice and then have to fill out the front of the booklets before beginning.

To reduce any stress please ensure your child is here by 8.40am.

Year 6 Graduation

Save the date

Year 6 parents please note the formal Graduation Ceremony will be held on Friday 2 December 9.00 - 11.00am where students achievements are recognised and awards are presented.

The breakup day, pool party and disco evening will be held Thursday 8 December 2016.

STUDENT COUNCIL

Skate Nights

Year 5 and 6 Thursday 28 April 2016
Year 3 and 4 Thursday 5 May 2016
Prep to Year 2 Thursday 12 May 2016.

CHESS

It is with overwhelming support that we have seen Gardiner Chess take off in term 2. At the moment we have around 44 students participating in the program that runs from 7:40 – 8:40 every Wednesday morning. I would like to thank everyone for their support.

Gardiner's sessions begin with some friendly games, followed by a lesson and tournament to conclude. It is great to see the program catering for all students needs from beginners to the more experienced players. If you have missed signing up for Gardiners this term do not worry there will be another opportunity next term. In the meantime you are welcome to attend Wilston's Chess Club every Tuesday during second break in 3B.

Wilston's Chess Club does not require any sign on, only a smile and eagerness to learn. During the lunch break students have been practising what they have been taught at Gardiners and sharing their knowledge with others who missed out. It is great to see students from all grades participating and enjoying chess at Wilston!!

ECOMARINES

Over the next few weeks the EcoMarine Ambassadors will be announcing the Term 1 winner for WRAPPER-FREE-WEDNESDAY. We apologise that it is late, but better now than never! So keep your ears peeled.

Our wonderful Warriors have teamed up and adopted local shops to help them reduce their use of plastic bags.

They have already adopted 8 shops in our area and the numbers are rising! You can do your part by saying NO TO PLASTIC BAGS when you only have a few items that can easily be carried. Watch this space because there is heaps more to come!

ECO FACT: Every year, each Australian throws away on average:

- 330 kilograms paper
- 552 aluminium cans
- 118 kilograms plastic
- 74 kilograms metals
- 414 kilograms food
- 206 glass bottles/jars

GO-GREEN-ECOMARINE!

STUDENT PAYMENTS

Payments To Be Made By Due Date

It is important that payments for excursions and school activities are paid at least two weeks prior to the date of the activity/excursion. If you are unable to make payments by the due date, please contact the office to discuss payment plan options.

All payments are to be made through the class's blue bag – please do not pay at the office.

NEWS FROM HPE

Cross Country

Good luck to the Wilston SS cross country team who will be competing at the District Cross Country Championships next Tuesday at the Grammar Playing Fields. Students are trying to gain selection into the District team to compete at the Regional championships in May.

Gala Days

Permission forms have been sent home in regards to the upcoming Gala Day interschool sport. These notes need to be returned to your child's class room teacher. The Gala Day levy will also need to be paid ASAP otherwise students will be unable to attend.

Rodney Bell. PE Specialist

TUCKSHOP NEWS

If you can help we are selling treats at the Cross Country event at the Grammar Fields on Tuesday 3 May. Please pop in. Thanks.

The Tuckshop has been asked by the school and teachers if we can ensure that the children only buy one ice cream or one Tuckshop ice at the second break as many of them are having trouble finishing them before the bell goes.

We ask if you could talk to your child about the school rules so no one gets upset when they arrive at the window.

With the start of this new term some of our volunteers have dropped off the roster for various reasons. We are seeking your help to please come and volunteer with us in the Tuckshop. We provide you with coffee, morning tea, lunch and great conversation if you would like to join us.

Roster week beginning 3 May 2016

Monday 3	CLOSED
Tuesday 4	Leonie Crawford, Lorraine Tibbits, Sharon Waddingham
Wednesday 5	Sharon Darmody, Elissa Howey, can you help?
Thursday 6	Sian Pratt, Jacinda Geritz, Bev Mitchell

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Dot Milne 0408 729 021

FROM THE UNIFORM/BOOKSHOP

Thank-you to the families who have sorted through school winter items that no longer fit and brought them in to the uniform shop. We really appreciate them and are ready to accept more!

Here's a few more things you need to know this week:

Opening times: In Terms 2 and 3 the Uniform Shop opens on Wednesday and Friday: 8.15am-9.45am (next to Tuckshop).

MunchMonitor: Order all your uniform and stationery items online at www.munchmonitor.com. Username: wilstonss and Password: munch4051. Please place orders by 9.15am on Wednesday and Friday. This will ensure orders are delivered to teachers' pigeonholes for class delivery on those days.

Tip of the week: We've been snooping around shoe shops this week to help you source some of the best **black shoes** in the area. Here are a couple of suggestions: Podiatry shops like All Podiatry on Maygar St, Windsor have a variety of black school shoes, including Mary Jane, leather lace-up and jogger styles. Shoe prices start at around \$74 but if you have podiatry cover through your health fund you can claim up to \$50 toward this purchase.

Big W at Stafford City have a large area devoted to black school shoes at the moment with prices ranging from \$10 to \$39.

Wilston State School Principal, Guy Hendricks, has asked school families to buy all black shoes for school. Shoes with white soles, coloured laces or white/coloured branding and patterns on the shoe are not part of the new school uniform policy. If you've found a great black school shoe lately, please let us know where you found it and we'll spread the good news.

Did you know: The popular school shoe style, Mary Jane (which has a strap over the instep secured by a buckle or button), was named after a comic strip character created by Richard Felton Outcault in 1902. Mary Jane was the sweetheart of the main character, Buster Brown. The author allowed his characters to be used to advertise products and a shoe company took great interest in them as both Mary and Buster wore the same style of shoe. The shoe is known in schools throughout the world today as the Mary Jane shoe.

Ever Onward Wilston!

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SCHOOL SHOE POLICY



NEWS FROM THE P&C

Mothers' Day Stall

Shopping for Mother's Day is easy for Wilston kids (and their dads)! The P&C Mothers' Day Stall will be on all day **Wednesday 4th May**. Students can come to the stall with their class and choose a great gift for their special mum (and/or grandma, godmother etc). All gifts are still just **\$10**. Students **must** bring their money on the day.

The stall will also open before school (8.00-9.15am) on **Thursday 5th May** for anyone who is away or forgets their money on Wednesday.

ALSO, I really need some volunteers who can spare an hour or more on to help on the stall (next to the library) during class (9.00am-2.45pm) on Wednesday. Pick a timeslot that suits online (www.SignUpGenius.com/go/20F0E4FAEAE23A1F85-2016) or text me. Thank you!

Ingrid (042 405 1987)

2016 ANNUAL TRIVIA NIGHT

Saturday 4 June 2016

Theme - Film and Television

Tickets will go on sale Friday.

You can pay via Munch Monitor or the P&C Website

www.wilstonpandc.org.au/

\$250 a table or \$25 a ticket and we will find you a table.

Numbers are limited so don't miss out.

Contact Kath O'Hara (k-ohara@bigpond.net.au) or

Michelle Tribe (michmatt@bigpond.net.au)

to let us know your chosen table theme.

Note that this is an adults only event.

NEWS FROM WILSTON KIDS CARE

Run for Your Kids by You.

A New Wonder Display - Way up there!

Have you seen the new wonder display? It is located just next to the WKC office, making the most of some free wall space and a table. This time Georgia takes us into space with a display presenting our solar system. The planets and their satellites are all on there, though not to scale due to space constraints. Kids can learn about our system with little notes presenting some facts about the planets. There are two types of notes some for the junior kids and some for the older kids. Now the question is: "How long would it take to go to Mars?" Choose your means of transport and tell the WKC staff what you think.

How does the service work – Quality Improvement Plan

Each year, the service updates its Quality Improvement Plan (QIP) which aims at satisfying QCAN (Qld Children's Activities Network) requirements and enables WKC to operate. The wonder displays are part of the QIP and address element 3.3.2: "Children are supported to become environmentally responsible and show respect for the environment". There are many more elements to address ranging from safety to education.

The WKC staff has been working hard to update and submit the QIP for 2016, ahead of the assessment which will occur this week. All comments from the assessment will be taken on board to improve how our Centre operates.

WKC Committee and Staff - Come and join us!

The next Committee Meeting will be Wednesday, 18 May at 6.00pm in the WKC office.

Free kid-sitting and dinner provided on site for the children, nibbles for the adults.

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NEWS FROM WILSTON SWIM CLUB

LTS & Squad Training Windsor State School

Squad training has got off to a great start at Windsor SS, the water is warm and the plans for transport and everything else have gone like clockwork. If anyone was unsure about sending their kids to Windsor to swim, give it a go, have a chat to Kirsten or Noel (just send an email and I am sure they will call you back).

Now we are at Windsor and have clarity over how much of the pool we can use and when (Windsor's swim club operates until 29 May), we can also offer **Learn to Swim lessons on most afternoons and Saturday morning**. Please have a chat to Kirsten if this is of interest as it would be a shame for our future swimmers to miss out this term when we have the room and the instructors to teach them. Transport between Wilston and Windsor Schools cannot be provided for learn to swim children due to the age of the children and short length of the lessons.

Squad time reminder:

Morning squads will run Monday to Thursday at the follow times:

Training Development and Skills squad	6:30am-8:00am
Stroke Development squad	7:15- 8:00am

Squads will also run on Saturday morning from 7:00am.

Afternoon squads will run Monday to Friday at the following times:

Training Development and Skills Squad	4:00-5:30pm
Stroke Development Squad	4:00- 4:45pm

The next **Committee Meeting will be Thursday 5 May at 7.00m in B Block**. The position of Chairperson remains vacant so if you are interested in taking on this role or would like to discuss the role further please contact Matthew Crook for further information.

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

Queensland Academies Creative Industries Campus

School as usual Open Day Wednesday 27 April
1.00pm - 3.00pm

Book into a Tour with our Principal at
www.qa.eq.edu.au.

61 Musk Avenue, Kelvin Grove Urban Village

A selective entry state high school for
Creative Young Minds.

Think Clever, Creative, Global. Think QACI!

WAVELL STATE HIGH SCHOOL

Open Day Information Afternoon

Sunday 15 May 2016
2.00pm to 4.30pm

Assembly Hall
Telopia Avenue, Wavell Heights

Organised Guided Tours of the School

An Address by the Principal

Opportunities to meet Teachers and Students

Afternoon Tea

Parents and Students of any year level are most welcome to attend.

WILSTON GRANGE KINDERGARTEN AND PRESCHOOL
MOTHER'S DAY LUNCH
VICTORIA PARK GOLF CLUB
SATURDAY MAY 21, 2016
11 AM - 4 PM

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Gather your friends and join us for a fabulous, fun-filled afternoon, complete with live music, a fashion parade by Petrol Boutique, market stalls, raffles, silent and live auctions, a delicious 2 course lunch and a glass of bubbles on arrival

VENUE
The Marquee at Victoria Park Golf Club, Herston Rd, Brisbane

DRESS CODE
Frock up! Something fabulous ladies

RSVP
Friday 6th May 2016
wgkpmid2016@gmail.com

PRICE
\$75.00

BOOKING DETAILS
Please email wgkpmid2016@gmail.com for more information about booking tickets

AS A BONUS.....
Book a table of 9-12 and receive
2 bottles of complimentary sparkling wine

SPECIAL DIETARY REQUIREMENTS
Please notify of any dietary requirements on the **BOOKING FORM**

Check the Facebook page and website for details of sponsors, prizes and entertainment:
<http://www.facebook.com/WilstonGrangeKindergarten> or
www.annualmotherslunch.com.au

Mother's Day Stall



Wednesday 4th May

Kids, come to the P&C stall with your class & choose a gift to say thank you to your special mum (and/or grandmother etc)! We have huge range of great gifts to choose from.

All gifts \$10

*The stall will also open on **Thursday 5th May** (8-9.15am) for kids who are away or forget their money on Wednesday.*

Parents, can you spare time on Wed 4th to help 800+ kids choose a gift? If so, please call/text Ingrid (042 405 1987).

WILSTON STATE SCHOOL P&C ANNUAL

TRIVIA NIGHT

Theme - *Film and television*

**SATURDAY
4 JUNE 2016**

@ 7PM

**Prizes, raffles,
games and lots of fun!
BYO food.**

**\$250 table of 10 or \$25 per ticket and we will find you a table.
*Places are limited so get in quick!***

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WILSTON

Reserve your table via
www.wilstonpandc.org.au/index.php/events
Register your theme with k-ohara@bigpond.net.au or
Michelle Tribe michmatt@bigpond.net.au

This is an adults-only licensed event (no children please).

