FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents

Gala Day
Last Friday I took the opportunity to visit a number of venues to watch our students play in their respective sports. It is always nice to see our students compete against students from other schools. I visited the rugby league, girls soccer and girls touch. The work of our coaches (teachers) has certainly paid off as the teamwork was very evident in the games that I observed.

Unexplained Absences
This is not a big issue at this school however even one unexplained absence is not acceptable. I spoke to all teachers yesterday afternoon and explained that if a child was away without explanation this had to be communicated to the office staff by 9:30am and my office staff would be contacting families to ensure their child was under their care. If your child will not be attending school on a particular day then we request that you contact the Wilston State School absentee line on 3552 8460 by 8:30am. If we are not notified of your child’s absence then my office staff will start contacting families by 9:30am. If you know in advance that your child is going to be away then we ask that you send a letter to your child’s teacher prior to this date.

Prep Enrolments
In order to assist with our future planning we are beginning to identify those students who will be attending our school next year in Prep. We have found in previous years that due to the policy that if you reside in our catchment area and have automatic entry to the school, a number of families do not approach us until very late in the year.

This year we are attempting to have a better understanding of the number of students that we will have in our Prep year so I ask families to contact us sooner than later. Our enrolment packs are available from the front office. Not all families, particularly those that do not have children currently enrolled at this school, read this newsletter. If you are aware of families with a child coming into Prep, could I ask that you notify them of this request? That is to let us know that their child will be attending Wilston State School in 2017.

Water Polo Australia
Earlier in the week I was notified that two of our past students, Zoe Balmanno and Bridget Leeson-Smith have gained selection in the Australian U19 water polo team. I wish them well in their upcoming tour of Europe.

Cooler Weather Uniforms
As the weather cools we are seeing a number of students come to school in a variety of coloured jumpers. In light of our endeavour to maintain a high standard in the school I ask all parents to use the approved school colours.

Guy Hendriks
Principal
LOST PROPERTY

There is a large amount of unnamed lost property. If you are missing any items of clothing, swim wear etc, please come to lost property and have a look. All named items are returned to students. If unnamed items are not claimed by the end of term, they are donated to a charity.

CANBERRA SKI TRIP

Just a reminder that the Parent Information evening for the Canberra Ski trip will be held on Tuesday 31 May 2016 in the Staffroom from 7.00 to 8.00pm.

Vanessa Stackelberg

BOOK CLUB

Scholastic Book Club

Our school is participating in the Scholastic Book Club this term. In the catalogue you will find award-winning books, as well as old and new favourites. They span a wide range of children’s reading levels and interests and are great value. Owning your own books is something special!

Issue 4 Book Club catalogues have been sent home. Orders will close on Monday 30 May.

Thank you for using – LOOP – Linked Online Ordering and Payment available on www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP or download the LOOP Apple or Android app.

Please note Wilston State School is not accepting cash orders. Please do not send any orders or cash to school. All orders must be selected and paid for online.

CHESS

It is great to see students participating in Tuesday’s lunchtime Chess Club. Students have been sharing new skills from Gardiners Chess and even challenging their teachers. I would like to remind everyone that this is open to all students and we would love to see you. Perhaps you can bring friends or a teacher too!

In other exciting news, on Thursday 9 June Wilston State School has been asked to participate in a school chess tournament at Nundah State School. This is our first school tournament and we are very excited about it. Two teams will be selected from our Wednesday morning Chess Club. If students are interested in participating in tournaments please do not hesitate to contact me and I will pass on the relevant information.

Alys Doneley. adone10@eq.edu.au

ICAS—SCIENCE

Testing for ICAS Science will be held on Tuesday 31 May at 7.45am SHARP.

Those students that are participating, please assemble in the room indicated below.

Year 3  D Block. Staff Room
Year 4  L Block Room 2 (Mr Fay’s room)
Year 5  F Block. Science Room.
Year 6  C Block Room 20 (next to SWD room).

2016 READING CHALLENGE

Wilston students are registered for the Premier’s Reading Challenge again this year! This annual statewide initiative aims to improve literacy and encourage children to read widely for pleasure and learning. For a student to successfully complete the challenge they must read (or read with parents) the allocated number of books for their year level during the reading period. Students who complete the challenge by 26 August 2016 will have their efforts recognised through the receipt of a certificate of achievement signed by the Premier of Queensland! Student Reader forms will be sent home with students this week. Happy reading everyone!

Sue Burgess

NEWS FROM HPE

Gala Days

Well done to all students who participated in the first of our three Gala Days last Friday. From all reports we had some great results and the students performed well throughout the day. We have our second day this Friday. Please ensure that students come prepared with all playing equipment as well as their essentials, hat, sunscreen and water as it is expected to be warm again this Friday. Please note that the buses will be leaving 9.00am sharp.

Track and Field

The school Track and Field Carnival will be held during the last week of term. Like previous years there will be some events run prior to the main carnival days.

Wed 22 June: 9-12 years Track and Field Carnival
Thur 23 June: Prep – 8 years Track and Field Carnival

There will be more information in the coming weeks.

Congratulations to Julian B who has been selected into the Presidents Invitational Team to compete at the Queensland Primary Schools AFL championships in Hervey Bay in June.

Good luck to the 9 Wilston SS students representing City District at the Regional Cross Country next Tuesday.

Rodney Bell

PE Specialist

CHOIR NEWS

Wilston Wonders

RINGBALIN CHORAL FESTIVAL: An important note regarding registration was sent home this week for those students who have elected to participate in this event. Please let me know if you have any trouble with the registration process. We have had 22 students elect to attend this event which is a wonderful response!!

NORTHEY ST MARKET PERFORMANCE: We are performing here next Sunday morning. There are still some outstanding permission forms so please get these in ASAP.

Sue Burgess

Prep enrolment packs are now available from the office for families of in catchment students or siblings of existing students at Wilston in 2017.
**GALA DAYS:** Choir is still running as normal for the next two Gala days. Children will be released to get to their assembly point at 8.30am.

**Upcoming Performances**
- **Northey St Market Performance**
  - Sunday June 5th
  - Arrive 9.45am
  - 10.00am performance
- **Assembly Performance**
  - Thursday June 16th, 1.45pm
- **Ringbalin**
  - Term 3 Week 1 Mon, Thurs, Fri July 11, 14, 15.

**TUCKSHOP NEWS**

**Pizzas Are On Holiday**

We have given the pizza a break from the menu and they may be back as once a term thing.

Our menu is constantly changing and all these changes are on Munch Monitor.

We will be out at Grammar Playing Fields for Gala Days this week and hopefully next. We will be selling lollies and chips.

**Roster for week beginning 30 May 2016**

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Dot Milne 0408 729 021

**FROM THE UNIFORM/BOOKSHOP**

Thanks for all the winter uniform donations. Keep them coming, they have been well received. Cargo pants are selling well and we have a new shipment of size 6 pants arriving in the next few weeks. We’ll keep you posted.

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.

**Entertainment Books:** Packed with discounts for restaurants, cafes, movies, shops, and travel, the Entertainment Book would make a great family investment or gift for someone special. It costs $65 and has over $20,000 of value inside. The Uniform/Bookshop is handling all Entertainment Book orders for this year so when you order online at www.entbook.com.au/221987b we’ll deliver the books direct to your class teacher’s pigeonholes on Wednesdays and Fridays. Or drop in and pay at the shop when we’re open on Wednesdays and Fridays. The best part for the kids is that 20% of sales is donated back to the school.

**Dress Registry:** Our next shipment of dresses will arrive at the start of Term 3. If you’re waiting for a new school dress in sizes 10, 12, or 14, we have started a dress registry to make sure you don’t miss out. Give us a call, send an email or drop in to the shop and we’ll contact you when they arrive. Dresses in sizes 4, 6, and 8 are available now.

**Tip of the week:** Mornings are starting to cool down and next week will be sunny with cold starts but warming up to the mid 20s, so when gearing your child for school, make sure they can peel off layers for when it warms up. Think about packing an extra pair of socks for girls who want to take tights off during the day.

**Did you know:** All our uniform items are a cotton/polyester blend so you have a fabric that is breathable (cotton) and doesn’t shrink as easily (polyester), holds its colour better (polyester), and is more durable (cotton).

**EVER ONWARD WILSTON!**

Janice Nykiel and Debra Bela – Convenors
Ph: 3552 8490/0403 153 096 (Janice)
bookshop@wilstonpandc.org.au

**NEWS FROM THE P&C**

**2016 ANNUAL TRIVIA NIGHT**

1 WEEKS TO GO

Don’t miss out - Final tickets on sale NOW.

Saturday 4 June 2016
Theme - Film and Television

Purchase your ticket through the P&C Website www.wilstonpandc.org.au/
$250 a table or $25 a ticket and we will find you a table.

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.

**2016 Trivia Night - Kids Trivia Challenge**

Week four of the Kids Trivia Challenge. The final week leading up to the Trivia Night on June 4 we will have a trivia question to answer. Return your answer, with your name and class, in the Blue Bag by next Wednesday for your chance to win!!!

**Prep - Year 2**

What is the name of the dog in Shaun the Sheep?

**Year 3 - Year 6**

Who fell in love with a robot called EVE?

**NEWS FROM WILSTON KIDS CARE**

**Run for Your Kids by You.**

**WKC – Bookings and Sign-in Update**

Unfortunately following a recurrence of “drop and run”, the centre has been forced to implement penalty rates, taking effect on June 27th. Leaving children into the care of the service without pre-bookings and without confirmation that space is available causes us problems with our staff ratios, rostering, catering, and ultimately in complying with our license conditions and requirements.
We really do need to ensure that we know in advance who will be coming to WKC, and if you are looking for a casual spot, please call beforehand or at the very least please check with management that space is available before rather than signing in your child by hand on the rolls and leaving.

For all children added by hand to the roll without the approval of management, the rates charged will be twice the permanent rates, that is:
- $28.00 and $39.00 for Preps for before and after school care
- $24.00 and $35.00 for Grades 1-6 for before and after school care
- $84.00 for vacation care + activity.

Please note - If you see us at the office and confirm space is available on a casual basis normal casual rates will apply, not the penalty rates!

**WKC Parents- Come and Join the Sub-Committee!**

WKC is run by you, the Parents, not by an external organisation, not by the school. The Sub-Committee needs your input and your help. Our meetings run from 6.00 to 7.30pm to allow for an early night. Bring your kids! They will be looked after including a proper dinner on site for the children.Nibbles are arranged for the adults. The next Committee Meeting will be Wednesday, 8 June at 6.00pm in the WKC office.
Tel: 3352 6753
wilstonkidscare@optusnet.com.au

**NEWS FROM WILSTON SWIM CLUB**

Our Head Coach, Noel Bertwistle, is excited to launch the Winter Warriors Program for 2016. The program is an incentive for all our squad swimmers to continue training through the winter months. All swimmers must sign a contract with Noel Bertwistle, Head Coach, at the commencement of the program and abide by his criteria throughout Terms 2 and 3. Targets and goals will also need to be set and achieved.

Upon completion of the program swimmers will receive their Winter Warrior merchandise - the design will be created by the swimmers. The top three designs will be selected and the swimmers will vote on the winning design. All successful participants will also receive a certificate of achievement. If you are wondering what you need to do to be a Winter Warrior- Noel’s criteria is listed below:-

- Swimmers must attend a minimum of two sessions per week
- You must be focused and give 100% effort at each training session
- Respect authority, your team mates and opponents
- Listen with positive intent and be open to learning
- Set targets and goals
- Earn your success and not look for short cuts
- Finish what you start and finish strong
- Eat healthy and drink more water.

The program will commence on Monday 30 May and continue to the end of Term 3, Saturday 17 September. Further detailed information regarding the program was sent to all squad swimmers earlier this week. Any questions can be directed to Noel or Kirsten on swim@wilstonpandc.org.au

**Reminder - Learn to Swim**

Learn to Swim is running Monday to Wednesday afternoons and Saturday mornings at Windsor pool. We are encouraged by the take up rate of these lessons - it’s not too late to book in if you have not already. Just contact Kirsten for more information on the LTS - remember it is always good to be consistent with swimming during winter.

The **East Brisbane A Grade Short Course Qualifying Meet** to be held Saturday 11 and Sunday 12 June. Results from this meet may be used to qualify for the Brisbane Short Course Championships to be held in July. This is also an opportunity to work on improving personal best times. Entries are to be sent via the Race Secretary and will close 6pm Sunday 29 May. Please email wilstonnominations@gmail.com with swimmer’s name and events.

The next **Committee Meeting** will be Thursday 2 June at 7.00pm in B Block.

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

**KGSC ENROLMENTS**

Parents intending to enrol for **Year 7 2017** (Current Year 6 students) at KGSC need to do so asap. Out of Catchment enrolments will be considered. Students wishing to be considered for the Academic Excellence Classes need to have applied before **May 31** as that is the date for testing. Students intending to apply for the excellence classes in Soccer, Tennis, Dance, Golf, Volleyball, Music and Art need to have applied prior to the trials and auditions which will occur in late August/early September.

Expressions of Interest (EOI’s) can be found on the College web site.

**Enrolments 2018 (Current Year 5 students)**

Please be aware that applications for enrolments for 2018 will open on **Monday 11th July, 2017**. Expressions of Interest (EOI’s) can be found on the College web site. It is recommended that this is done sooner rather than later.
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When: Saturday 28 May, 2016
Where: 15 Banks Street, Newmarket
Time: 8am - 11am

Come and meet our experienced staff and explore our engaging learning environment with your child. We really look forward to meeting you and your family.

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