Principal’s Report

CRE Christmas Celebrations

We are looking forward to our CRE Christmas Celebrations tomorrow, which are being held in the school gym this year. There are three scheduled services with classes from all levels scheduled into each service. We are very grateful to our CRE volunteers for all of the organisation that has gone into these services. Please note that parents are more than welcome to attend any of these services.

As in past years, St Stephens Uniting Church at 179 Melbourne Road would also like to invite all school families to their annual Christmas Carol celebration on Sunday 15th December at 7:30pm.

Whole School Transition Program

Yesterday we began the first stage of our transition program with students from all year levels visiting teachers at their 2014 levels. This was an initial meeting to discuss some of the aspects that will be unique/different at their next level, as well as giving the students an opportunity to ask lots of questions about their impending progression.

Next Tuesday, all students in Prep to Year 5 will be involved in a half day of lessons/activities at their 2014 levels. This will provide all students with a sense of how their learning will continue to be developed next year, as well as building some sense of the expectations at this new level.

The final stage of our transition program will involve all students meeting their 2014 teachers in their allocated classrooms with their new classmates on Wednesday 18th December at 10:30am. We will also invite all 2014 prep students to join us at this time.

We hope that through this extensive program that students at all levels are well prepared for a seamless transition to their 2014 levels.

School Concert

Anticipation is building with our end of year Concert being staged next week on Wednesday 11th and Thursday 12th December. All tickets were distributed earlier this week to families. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Melissa Eastwood and Jan Zahra for all of the terrific work in organising the seating for both nights.

Please follow all Concert communication included in the Newsletter over the next week to ensure you are familiar with all of the necessary logistics.
YEAR 6 UNIFORM FOR 2014
For the first time next year we will offer Year 6 students a chance to purchase a Year 6 polo shirt (not personalised) as well as a Year 6 jumper/jacket with their names printed on the back. Order forms were distributed this week to all Year 5 students. Year 6 polo shirts will be delivered in the first few weeks of 2014 and the jackets will be delivered towards the end of term one. We hope that through this initiative our Year 6 students will have improved access to these special uniform items in 2014. Please note that orders for the new Year 6 polo top must be received by Friday 13th December to ensure early delivery next year.

INCLUSION SUPPORT PROGRAM
I am delighted to report that the school’s exemplary Inclusion Support Program (ISP) has been recognised with a further $100,000 of additional funding in 2014. This funding will support the employment of our ISP Coordinator as well as ongoing learning for all staff, to further develop our collective knowledge of the special needs of students with an Autism Spectrum Disorder. I commend the ongoing work of Sue Ongarato (ISP Coordinator) who provides fantastic support to students, staff and parents in this important area.

SCHOOL COUNCIL THANKS
Tonight our 2014 School Council will meet for their last scheduled meeting for the year. I would like to take this opportunity to thank this hard working group on the wonderful achievements they have generated for the school in 2014. The Council has enjoyed a harmonious synergy with councillors coming together to add rigour and depth to the policy directions of the school. I am extremely indebted to our councillors for the time they have taken from their busy schedules to undertake this important role.

On behalf of the school we thank:
Samantha Cross (President), Michael Lynch (Vice President), Neil Robertson, Bruce Campbell, Stephanie Trikash, Stuart Toplis, Julia Kaye, Megan Taylor, Jo Hayes, Wendy Emin, Giorgia Moss and Crissy Samaras. A special mention also to Kara Kreis who filled a casual vacancy on School Council during the second half of this year.

FAMILY LIFE COORDINATOR NEEDED
A huge thank you to Hazel Finnie (parent) who has coordinated our Family Life sessions over the last several years. In 2014, we are looking for a new parent volunteer to liaise with Family Life Victoria to coordinate these sessions for the school. If you would be willing to organise this opportunity for families, could you please drop me a line at cahill.jim.a@edumail.vic.gov.au

PARENT HELPERS MORNING TEA
We have had 26 parents RSVP so far for our Parent and Community Helper’s Morning Tea on Tuesday 17th December in the gym. We would really like to thank as many parents as possible for the wonderful help we receive each day at the school. If you are able to join us, please register your attendance at https://willynthps.wufoo.com/forms/parent-and-community-helpers-morning-tea/

LIBRARY BOOKS
To assist with our end of year procedures, we would be grateful if all library books could be returned to the school by the end of this week. These can either be left at the office or the library.

CONCERT LATE START—NO CANTEEN LUNCH ORDER
If your child is having a late start on either Thursday 12th or Friday 13th December due to the Concert, they are unable to have a lunch order. On either of these days, children are asked to arrive at school by 11.00am.

Enjoy your Week
Jim Cahill—Principal

MOVEMBER!
A big thank you to the Willy North community for your generous donations throughout the month of Movember. In total we raised $1747.20 over the month, which is a fantastic effort. Thank you also to 3B, 4R, and 2M for the Movember Moustache Market which was a great success.

Well done also to the Willy North Mo’s who in total raised $5643 for the Movember charity.
Seating and important arrangements for students

1. Students in Years 1—6 will sit in the balcony with their class. Prep students will sit at the front of the main ballroom near the stage. Additionally, selected Year 5 and 6 students will sit at the back of the ballroom.

2. We encourage the children to bring a drink of water in a plastic container, clearly named, to the Concert. This will be stored in the supper room during the Concert.

3. The children should wear their costumes to the Concert.

4. Instrumental students, guitar students and comperes are asked to arrive by 6.00pm. All children in Prep M and Prep H, Year 6R and Year 6B, please arrive by 6.15 pm. These students must meet their teachers at the ‘Assembly Area’ in the Town Hall car park and then proceed directly to the supper room. Due to renovation work, access to the supper room is via the front of the town hall, along the link way and around the back of the Town Hall and enter through the back-door entrance to the supper room.

2013 CONCERT Drop off points for students

Drop off process:

- All children are to be dropped off in their respective year groups in the Town Hall car park, from 6.00pm (see plan). Staff will be there to supervise all children. The car park is closed to traffic.
- Parents then enter the Town Hall via the main/front entry doors.
- Please allow sufficient time to be seated as it is a full house on both nights.
- Our team of ushers—wearing black concert t-shirts will direct you, to your seats and a 2013 CONCERT help desk will be located in the front foyer.
- Students must be seated by 6:20pm. Your assistance is appreciated.
**Rosters…**

**Fresh Fruit Friday (FFF)**

The parents on the roster for Fresh Fruit Friday this week **Friday 6th December** are: - Martin Ray, Pamela Fernando, Larissa Deeth, Mette Nielsen, Gail Chew, Ivana Musura, Moyra McCann and Meredith Cooper. **LAST FRESH FRUIT FRIDAY FOR THE YEAR.**

If you are able to help out weekly, fortnightly or even once a month, please contact Linda Taylor at, taylor.linda.11@edumail.vic.gov.au. This is a very happy and social group.

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**Canteen—NEW HELPERS MOST WELCOME**

Julieanne Weir manages our Canteen and is always very appreciative of the time parents or family members can volunteer to help in the Canteen. Julieanne can be contacted via the General Office. New parents or family members are always needed, so, if you can spare any of your valuable time, it would be greatly appreciated.

- **Thursday 5th December**— Anne Tobin
- **Friday 6th December**— Kellie Walker & Leanne Sutton
- **Wednesday 11th December**— Rachelle Burbridge
- **Thursday 12th December**— Kaylynn Rasmusen
- **Friday 13th December**— Tracy Somerville

**Concert late start**— no lunch orders.

**No Lunch Orders in the Last Week of Term.**

**Counter Sales for the last week of Term on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday only.**

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**Uniform Shop News**

Primary School Wear (PSW) is now our official Uniform supplier. For Term 4, they will supply uniform items from the Uniform shop on Monday and Thursday mornings from 8.30am to 9.15am. Alternatively, uniform items can be purchased on-line by visiting www.psw.com.au. Kara Kreis is now employed by PSW, and for all enquiries, please contact Kara on 0413 008 185.

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**School Banking**

School banking day is Wednesday. Don’t forget to send in your child’s bank book.

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**Student Safety**

Please take the time to regularly remind your child/ren about safety, especially when going to and from school. Here are the important points to mention:

- Do not to talk to strangers and never accept a ride from a stranger, or accept lollies or gifts from a stranger.
- Immediately report any issue or problem you may have when going to or from school, to your mum and dad, or to your teacher, the Principal, Assistant Principal or office staff.
- Always get permission from mum or dad before going to play with a friend after school and always let mum and dad know where you will be and what time you will be home.

We advise that, wherever possible, children should travel to or from school with an adult or with their friends, rather than travel alone.

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**Early Release**

All children collected from school before 3.30pm must be signed out at the Office. Parents will be handed an ‘Early Release Pass’ to hand to the supervising teacher. If a child is signed out at Recess or Lunch time, the Office staff will call the child to the Office and then ensure the Early Release Pass is given to the supervising teacher.

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**Bikes & Scooters**

Many children ride bikes and scooters to school each day. All bikes and scooters must be locked up in either the Bike or Scooter Enclosure to prevent theft. Please ensure your child has a chain and a lock. All children who ride a bike or scooter must wear a helmet which is a requirement by the Government. The school regularly reminds all children about wearing helmets for their safety. All bikes, scooters, skateboards, ribtics and helmets must be labelled, with your child’s name and class. **Children are reminded they must walk their bike, scooter, skateboard or ribtic to and from the school gates. No bikes are to be brought through the school buildings and we request, where possible, that Scooters are also not walked through the building.**

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**Working With Children Checks**

As from the 1st July 2013 the process for applying for a Working With Children Check has changed. Due to the continual changes to the forms they are no longer available at School or the Post Office. The only way to apply for a Working With Children Check is online. These forms are available at [http://www.workingwithchildren.vic.gov.au](http://www.workingwithchildren.vic.gov.au)

Reminding Parents, if you wish to assist in the Canteen, Fresh Fruit Friday, Sport, Swimming, Excursions or Camps, you must have a current Working With Children Check. If you have a current WWCC and have **not** provided a copy to the office, please bring your WWCC to the school office, where a copy will be placed on file. Working With Children Checks remain valid for 5 years.
Dear Amaze Member

Are you a parent with Autism Spectrum Disorder?

Amaze is looking for families to participate in an important project to better understand parents with ASD and identify effective parenting strategies. We are seeking parents with ASD and their partners to be involved. The project will include small focus groups and is designed to be a respectful and positive experience for everyone involved.

To find out more or to be part of the development of this innovative parenting program for parents with ASD, please contact us:

Project manager: Stacey Rabba email stacey.rabba@amaze.org.au or telephone (03) 9657 1619 (Thursdays & Fridays only or leave a message).

Kind regards

Cath, Emily, Maria & Fran
The Amaze Membership Team

CANTENEEN HOURS 2013

COUNTER SALES ONLY – NO LUNCH ORDERS

MONDAY 16TH DECEMBER
TUESDAY 17TH DECEMBER
WEDNESDAY 18TH DECEMBER

NO COUNTER SALES OR LUNCH ORDERS LAST 2 DAYS OF TERM 4 2013

THURSDAY 19TH DECEMBER CLOSED
FRIDAY 20TH DECEMBER CLOSED
Year 1&2 Update... Traditional Toy Making

This term the Year 1 & 2 children had the opportunity to make some traditional Japanese toys with Leanne O'Sullivan from Kimono House. Let's see what they made!

**Kokeshi Dolls**

*Kokeshi* dolls are cylindrical wooden dolls that are thought to date back to the early 19th Century. Kokeshi doll designs vary from region to region in Japan. They are said to have originally been sold as souvenirs to people visiting the various hot spring tourist areas of Japan. I’m sure they still serve as beautiful souvenirs today. If you have ever seen the range of Kimmidoll toys and accessories, you may recognize the Kokeshi doll as being the inspiration for their design too.

The children from Year 1V are very proud of their Kokeshi Doll designs.

**Daruma Dolls**

*Daruma* dolls are seen as a symbol of perseverance and good luck, making them a popular gift of encouragement. The eyes of Daruma are often blank when sold. The recipient of the doll fills in one eye upon setting the goal, then the other upon fulfilling it. The Year 2 children had fun making their own papier-mâché doll to take home.

The children from Year 2I are pictured here enjoying their Daruma Doll making.
Willy North Concert 2013

11th & 12th December at 6.30pm
Williamstown Town Hall
2013 CONCERT: start time—Allow time to be seated

Starting Time for both Concerts is: **6:30pm** sharp. **Due to the all patrons entering the hall via the main entrance, please allow more time to be seated.** All patrons will enter the Town Hall from the **front entrance only**. Our ushers will be closing the doors at 6.30pm, therefore, late patrons will be shown to their seats during a break in the Concert. It is anticipated each CONCERT will finish at 8.40pm, as we do not have an interval.

2013 CONCERT: DVD pre sale details

A **2013 CONCERT pre purchase order** envelope has been sent home. The cost to purchase a DVD is $25.00. It is a timeless keepsake capturing the whole event and presented in a library case with a coloured cover that matches our program. It is professionally edited and provides total viewing pleasure, with an easy navigation from a custom menu designed specifically for your child’s performance. Just click on the scene you want for instant access. Would you like to see some of Costello video work? Go to www.costellovideo.com.au. As the Concert is so close to the end of the year, it is vitally important that we pre-sell the DVD’s. This allows the DVD company time to complete and distribute them before the last day of school. **Orders must be in before the Concert to ensure a speedy delivery.** Please return your envelope to the office by next **Monday 9th December. We have been assured that the slight audio problem in a section of the 2011 Concert DVD will not happen this year.**

2013 CONCERT: information briefing for all ushers and backstage crew

Last call for parent helpers: Parent Helpers are a centrally important to the smooth running of the 2013 CONCERT. Jan and Melissa are calling for parent helpers to assist with ushering and setting up the hall. If you are new families to the school, please consider giving us a hand.

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The 2013 CONCERT team invite

**all helpers to an**

**INFORMATION BRIEFING**

**Venue:** The Staffroom

**Time:** Monday 9th December @ 9.00am till 9.20am
2013 CONCERT Collection points for students—please note changes

The following arrangements will be in place to collect your child after each Concert:

- Year 5 and 6 students sitting at the back of the ballroom exit first and proceed to their respective collection point—the front of the Town Hall.
- All patrons, must then exit the ballroom, via the main entry doors/front doors of the Town Hall, and proceed directly to the designated students' collection points.
- All students, will exit the Town Hall via three different exit doors and walk to their designated collection points and meet their parents.
- Parents will collect students from locations outline on the attached map of the Town Hall.
- When exiting the ballroom, please do not obstruct the foyer area or entry/exit doors.
- Our team of ushers will direct you.
- If parents do not have a ticket, unfortunately, you are not permitted to enter the ballroom and stand at the back area during the Concert. Entry and exit doors must not be obstructed. We ask you to wait outside at your child’s collection point.
- At the collection points, please stand well back to avoid obstructing the exit doors for students.
- If you have more than one child, please make appropriate arrangements for collection.
- Please refer to the attached map—outlining the Town Hall emergency procedures. Due to renovations, this is the most updated map available, therefore, for our purposes, it will act as WNPS collection points.

2013 CONCERT: thank you

This week rehearsals have stepped up further on the tempo range, and the excitement levels are on a crescendo, as we enter the final days. Students in the Willy North band and guitar ensemble have been rehearsing two crowd pleasing numbers. They are committed music students and their efforts need to be celebrated. Best wishes for a wonderful performance.

I am Fran McCormick, catch you next week!
Art News

Visual Art Award

Congratulations to Year 1H who have been awarded the Class Art Award this week. They received the award for the great cooperation, attitude and for the creative focus they have displayed all year. Well done, Year 1H!

Artist of the Week

Alex from Year 6B received the Artist of the Week Award at Assembly on Monday. He received the award for showing great effort and attention to detail when undertaking Visual Art tasks throughout of the year.

Further Art News

Portfolios

All students will be bringing home their Art Portfolio’s on either Monday 9th or Tuesday 10th December. If your child/ren are finishing the year earlier, please let their teacher know and arrange to come to the art room to collect their portfolio before they finish.

Artist in Residence

On Friday the 6th December the Year 3/4 students will be working with Jo Daniell, who is an artist in residence at the Newport Substation. Jo will be working intensively with classes of children throughout the day focusing on drawing and design skills.

Thank you
Julie Kelly, Visual Arts Teacher.

CRE Christmas Celebration, Thursday 5th December 2013

All the school students enrolled in CRE will be involved in this wonderful celebration of Christmas. It will be held in the school Gym. Students not currently enrolled for CRE may attend the Celebration if their parents write a note give this to the class teacher.

The service is repeated three times to enable all classes to participate:

9.30am-10.30am: Prep S, Prep B, 1H, 1V, 2I, 2H, 4R, 6R, 6B
11.30am-12.30pm: Prep M, Prep H, 2L, 3L, 3B, 4V, 5S, 6C
2.00pm-3.00pm: Prep G, 1M, 2M, 1S, 3/4P, 3D, 4M, 5B, 5P

The CRE team leaders wish to acknowledge the CRE teachers who are assisting with the class preparations:

Patti Gerkens 3B & 3D Sue Russell 1H & 1M Shaya Minns 6R & 5B
Linda Sutton 1V & 2M Tessa Clark 5S & 5P Astrid Jasper 2I & 1S
Paul Riessen 6B & 6C Liza Minns 2L & 2H Sophie Clayton 4R, 4M & 4V

This celebration will be the final event in the CRE calendar for 2013.

Williamstown Emergency Relief

Williamstown Emergency Relief plans to distribute over 150 Christmas hampers again this December, to local families across Hobson’s Bay, who are in financial hardship and would really welcome donations of non – perishable food items. Please send donations to your child's classroom by Thursday 5th December.

Suggested donations are: Christmas puddings, Tinned fruit & vegetables, Mince pies, Christmas cakes, Tea/Coffee/ UHT milk, Shortbread, Sweet biscuits, Christmas treats e.g. Chocolates, Tuna or salmon, meat based tinned food, Soft drinks/Mineral water, Rice/pasta

We hope the CRE Christmas Celebration is a time of Reflection, Joy and Peace for all.

Please contact us via the office if you have any queries:
Astrid Jasper & Sophie Clayton
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**Typhoon Relief Concert for Kids**—Sunday December 8 at 3.00pm. The Newport Substation - Market Street Newport. Featuring family friendly music by the mudcakes and the mighty buzzniks. All funds raised from ticket sales will go to Unicef Australia to help children in need of food, water and medical aid as a result of the typhoon in the Philippines. The coffee cart will be open. Tickets $10 at the door or from trybooking.com.

**Drum Lessons**—Ages 5 to 18. A comprehensive and flexible approach to learning the drums involving the essential elements of stick control, coordination and timing and most importantly, learning to play to the music with love. Contact Michael on 0415 214 765 or email mikaah247@gmail.com. See flyer on school notice board.

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**Important Changes to School Banking Reward Redemption**

Dollarmites Moneybox Rewards will no longer be available in 2014. The Commonwealth Bank has removed the rule of only one moneybox per student per year for 2013. A student can redeem more than one moneybox this year if they have saved 10 tokens.

In 2014 the Commonwealth Bank will be introducing two new reward items for the students to choose from each term. These new items offer students a wider selection of items to redeem from.

The maximum tokens that can be carried over into 2014 is nine (9).

Any students currently holding 10 or more tokens must redeem them for their chosen reward before the end of Term 4, 2013.

All items from 2013 are still available as well as a limited number of USB sticks from 2012. Please complete a rewards card for 2013 rewards to avoid missing out on items or losing tokens at the end of 2013.

If you have questions please email either:

- Our School Banking Co-ordinator Leanne Sutton - leanne@e-counting.com.au or
- Susan Brailsford – Commonwealth Bank School Banking Specialist - Phone 0422 116 040 or email susan.brailsford@cba.com.au

Thank you for supporting our School fundraising efforts and teaching your child how to save. Keep up the great work and remember to bring in your deposit book each Wednesday.

Williamstown North School Banking Volunteers

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**After School Care**

Dear parents,

Bookings are now open and can be made for 2014. Please log onto soshclub.com.au to create an account.

End of year is fast approaching. School will finish at 1.30pm on Friday 20th December. After care will be open at 1.30pm on this day.

Please remember to supply your child with a hat for After School Care, it would be great for younger children to have a spare in their school bag. If your child cannot use the Coles brand of sunscreen at After care, please supply Leanne with a note to add to your child’s enrolment form and provide your child with their own specific type.

**oshclub Fees 2014**

After School Care Fees Range from $8.85 to $11.45 per session

(Maximum fee of $22.90 will apply to families who haven’t applied for or are eligible for the 50% Tax Rebate)

Before After School Care Fees Range from $6.25 to $9.25 per session

(Maximum fee of $18.50 will apply to families who haven’t applied for or are eligible for the 50% Tax Rebate)

Please ensure you apply for the 50% tax rebate as it IS NOT MEANS TESTED and most families are eligible!

Fees range from family to family depending on their Childcare Benefit Discount and 50% Tax Rebate eligibility. Bookings made within 24 hours of the session starting will be charged an additional $1.65 late/casual fee. ($3.30 if you don’t have the 50% Tax Rebate)
2014 Languages Program Centre Classes

For Students in Years 1-12

Languages mode is also available for 11 languages—see our separate brochure.

*Literature in Schools (for languages programs also available).

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Why learn a language?

Learning a language is one of the most rewarding experiences you can have. It opens doors to new worlds, expanding your cultural understanding, providing opportunities to learn about new ways of thinking, and enhancing your problem-solving skills. Language learning is also an essential life skill in today’s globalised world, where communication in English is required in many fields and careers.

How many languages can I choose from?

In the Victoria School Languages Program, you can choose from over 20 languages, including English, French, German, Chinese, Japanese, and many more.

Where and when can I learn a language?

The Victoria School Languages Program is available to students in Years 1-12. Classes are offered in various locations across Victoria, including Victoria, Melbourne, and regional Victoria.

Distance Education

Distance Education is available in 11 languages: Arabic, Chinese, Danish, English, Greek, Hungarian, Indonesian, Japanese, Korean, Persian, and Thai.

Am I eligible to enrol?

Yes, any student in Years 1-12 is eligible to enrol in the Victoria School Languages Program. However, enrolment in some languages may be limited by demand.

How much does it cost?

Distance Education is free for all students. Costs for on-site classes may vary depending on the language offered.

Learning a language makes a world of difference.

There are many benefits to learning a new language. It can improve your cognitive abilities, enhance your career prospects, and provide a unique personal challenge.

Language Centres

Please note the following:

Languages are offered on Saturdays, unless otherwise stated.

- Literature in Schools (for languages programs also available).

Languages available at the Victoria School Languages Program Centre include:

- Arabic
- Bengali
- Chinese
- Czech
- Dutch
- French
- German
- Greek
- Hungarian
- Indonesian
- Italian
- Japanese
- Korean
- Polish
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Other languages or locations may be hosted, depending on available resources and demand. Some levels may not be available in all languages.
Williamstown North Primary School
2013 Christmas Raffle

We are having another Christmas Raffle. Over the next two weeks we are requesting if all families can ‘donate’ an item, or two for our Christmas Raffle. Please send items to school from Monday 25th November, to Friday 6th December.

Your donated item/s can be left in the box/basket located at the general office.

Items provided do not have to be a ‘Christmas’ theme. You can provide items such as: - e.g. ladies’ products, men’s products, children products, red, green or colorful item’s, canned food, packet food, candles, writing material, toys, deodorants, books, tea, coffee, mugs, BBQ equipment, gardening gloves, gardening tools, golf balls, nuts, chocolate, moisturizer, hand cream, soaps, serviettes, biscuits, kitchen accessories, bowls, tea towels, oven mitts, jams, socks, sauces, condiments etc. Think creatively.

No perishables please.

Thank you for supporting Willy North’s Christmas Raffle.

The more donations we receive the more hampers we can make and the more chances you have to win a prize.

Please place your donation in the box/basket located at the office.

Tickets will be sent home to each family. A book of 10 tickets - $5.00 (50 cents a ticket).
Parent and Community Helpers’ Morning Tea

Are you one of those special people who have helped us out in some way this year? You may have –

- listened to the children read
- made resources for the classroom
- assisted on an excursion or camp
- been a guest speaker
- helped in the garden
- cleaned up the lost property bin
- covered books
- cut up fruit for Fresh Fruit Friday
- assisted in the Uniform Shop
- worked in the canteen
- worked with Parents and Friends
- been on School Council
- taught CRE
- helped on Sports Days/Athletics/Tabloid Sports/Swimming
- assisted in the classroom or with a special event
- been on the Sick Bay washing roster
- helped in grounds maintenance
- been a Class Representative

However you have helped us, we are happy that you did, and to show our appreciation we’d like to invite you to our special ‘Thank You Afternoon Tea’, to be held in the Gym, on Tuesday 17th December, from 10.45am to 11.30am.

If you are able to attend, click on the link below and reply, by Tuesday 10th December.


Ordering a replacement WWC Check card online

Following the successful implementation of the online application form in July this year, the Working with Children (WWC) Check Unit plans to launch an online replacement card service later this year.


How to use 'MyCheck'

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10am Sunday, 16th February 2014

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Gloucester Reserve, Williamstown – 8.00am

7 - 9 years : 8:30am (375m – 3km – 375m)
10 - 11 years : 8:40am (750m – 4km – 750m)
check in 7.15am - 8.15am

$20 to register online via www.etpa.com.au

Registration closes Thursday 12th December
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Bag it: is your life too plastic?

As Christmas approaches, it’s a good time to think about improving our consumption habits. Join us for a screening of the motivating enviro-documentary ‘Bag it: is your life too plastic?’

An average guy makes a resolution to stop using plastic bags at the grocery store. Little does he know that this simple decision will change his life completely. He comes to the conclusion that our use of plastic has finally caught up to us and looks at what we can do about it. Today. Right now.

Come along and be inspired
EnviroCentre
Altona Library, 123 Queen Street
Thursday, 12th December
6.30pm arrival for 7.00pm screening
Light refreshments provided