



Williamstown North Primary School Newsletter

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Principal's Report

Welcome back after a restful school break and the beautiful weather we experienced.

There are number of activities and events already planned for Term 2, so please regularly check the Newsletter, "Coming Events", or the Calendar of Events on the Website.

School Council

Our School Council member has been finalised for 2019. At the initial meeting the Executive was selected comprising the following Councillors—

School Council President	-	Julia Kaye
School Council Vice President	-	Matt Boyall
School Council Secretary	-	Wendy Emin
Executive Officer	-	Jim Cahill
Facilities & Finance Convener/Treasurer	-	Andrew Crichton
Education Convener	-	Matt Boyall
Community Engagement Convener	-	Nicole Ah Yick

Full details of our School Council membership is on our Website. School Councillors represent the school community and are happy to talk with you about the school or any clarifications or ideas at anytime.

Sign In / Out Process

Using the Compass platform a new Sign In / Out process has been implemented as of the start of this term, 'Compass Kiosk'.

Compass Kiosk :

- is an easy to use solution that is designed to streamline student arrivals, departures and visitor management. Compass Kiosk integrates seamlessly with the Compass Portal therefore student attendance will be updated with late arrivals and early departures.
- located in the office foyer allowing students and visitors to move through the office faster, reducing queues.

New items added to the Calendar

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Monday 6th &
Tuesday 7th May
School Photo Days

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Thursday 23rd May
Metro Tunnel
Art, Digi Tech & Science
Leaders

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Friday 24th May
Staff Training Day

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Thursday 16th May
Wednesday 22nd May &
Thursday 30th May
Year 6 Family Planning

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Wednesday 29th May
Division Cross Country

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Friday 21st June
Parent Social Event

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School Assembly
Monday 29th April
Foundation to Year 2
Year 1Bd performing

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Calendar of Events
Thursday 4th April
Hoodies for Autism
Gold Coin Donation—JSC

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Friday 5th April
Last Day of Term 1
Early Dismissal—2.30pm

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Term 2
Friday 26th April
Digi Tech Day

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Monday 29th April to
Wednesday 8th May
Year 1 & 2 Swimming

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Year 6 Camp
29th April to 3rd May

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Thursday 9th May
Mother's Day Stall
9.00am to 1.30pm

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Naplan Year 3 & 5 Students
Tuesday 14th May
Language Conventions
& Writing

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Wednesday 15th May
Reading

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Thursday 16th May
Numeracy



Compton Green

2019 Term Dates

Term 2—23rd April to 28th June

Term 3—15th July to 20th September

Term 4—7th October to 20th December

- facilitates Emergency Management by providing real-time information of who is present on school grounds.

This is a relatively easy process, however if you have any questions, the Administration staff will gladly assist you.

Year 6 Canberra Camp

Next Monday our Year 6 students, staff and volunteer parents depart for a week in Canberra. We wish them a great week as they experience the sights of Canberra. Fingers crossed the weather for the week is favorable. Enjoy the bus trip. We await photo's and reflections from the students to share on their return.

Swimming

Commencing Monday April 29th through to Wednesday May 8th, our Year One and Year Two students will be participating in an intensive swimming program at Maribyrnong Swim Centre. If your child is participating, please remember to have their swimming gear ready for next Monday.

School Photo's

School Photo's are scheduled for Monday May 6th. This year every child will receive their own personalized (named) prep-paid envelope. These envelopes have been handed out today and are to be returned, with the correct money in the envelope, on Monday 6th May. If you have any clarifying questions please, ask your child's teacher or inquire at the office.

Anzac Day

In a lead up to Anzac Day tomorrow, Mr. Bugler organized guest speakers from the Friends of Williamstown RSL to speak to our students in the Gym this morning. This raised awareness in the students of the sacrifices made, the meaning of ANZAC and how fortunate we are to live in Australia.

At the dawn service at the Cenotaph tomorrow morning, Mr. Bulger and our School Captains will represent the school and lay a wreath as a mark of respect.

I am looking forward to Term 2 and sharing activities and events with students, staff and Parents.

Have an enjoyable week.

Wendy Emin—Acting Principal

Parent Social Night

In response to survey feedback from parents last year, we now hope to be able to facilitate a parent social event each year for the Willy North school community.

Our School Council recently endorsed the proposal for the next parent social night which is being planned for Friday 21st June. Be sure to lock this date into your phone calendar now, as these events are certainly highly anticipated by our parents. Ally Maher (Social Night Coordinator) and a team of parents are already busy behind the scenes planning this upcoming event and they are excited to share more news with you throughout next term as we get closer to the date. Stay tuned to the Newsletter for more details as they become available!

MOTHERS DAY STALL

We are seeking volunteers to help with the Mothers Day Stall on Thursday 9th May from 9.00am to approximately 1.30pm.

If you can spare any time to assist, could you please contact the school on 9397 5722 or email williamstown.north.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au

FOUNDATION ENROLMENTS FOR 2020

Williamstown North Primary School

"Finding Out About Williamstown North Primary School"

An Information Session for prospective 2020 Foundation Parents will be held on **Thursday 2nd May** from 7.00pm to 8.00pm at the school. An opportunity to tour the Foundation Classrooms will be available from 6.45pm to 7.00pm.



Provisional enrolments for 2020 Foundation students will then commence on Friday 3rd May. The 'Enrolment Form' and 'Preliminary Information Sheet' will be available at the Information session. From Friday 3rd May, a copy can be collected from the General Office or downloaded from the school website.

If you have any questions, or concerns regarding enrolments, please contact the school office on 9397 5722.

Additional School Tours will be conducted on

Tuesday 7th May – 10.00am

Thursday 16th May – 10.00am

Tuesday 28th May – 10.00am

Tuesday 11th June – 10.00am

Monday 17th June – 12.30pm

Tuesday 25th June – 10.00am

Other Tours if required via appointment only.

Please contact the school office to register for a tour.



Please Provide the following information when lodging your enrolment

1. Enrolment Form and Preliminary Information Sheet
2. Proof of Age - (Child's Birth Certificate)
3. Certificate of Immunization (School Entry Form)
4. Three documents as "Proof of Residential Address".
(Drivers Licence, a Rates notice/Lease Document and a third document with your **full name & residential address**).
5. Additional documentation maybe requested by the Principal/Assistant Principal.

Enrolment Policy

Please note as endorsed by the Department of Education, only families who reside within the defined school neighbourhood are eligible to seek enrolment.

A map defining the school neighbourhood is available on the school website.



**CONFIRMATION OF ENROLMENT WILL BE MADE IN WRITING
BY THE END OF TERM 3, 2019**

Parent Information Night for 2020 Foundation Students

The parent Information Night for parents of confirmed 2020 Foundation Students will be held on Monday 11th November 2018, 6.45pm to 8.00pm,

Kay Margetts from Melbourne University will speak on

"School Readiness" and "School Expectations".

Transition Program

Our 'Kinder to School' Transition program for our 2020 Foundation students will commence week beginning Monday 14th October, Week 2 of Term 4.



All transition details will be included with the 'Letter of Enrolment' sent to families.

The ART ROOM

is looking for donations of these items

- ◇ 2L, 3L AND 5L empty & washed plastic milk bottles
- ◇ Colourful bottle caps, lids with smooth edges
- ◇ Wool

A donations box will be left outside the main office for drop-offs in Term 2.

Thank you



Semester One 2019 (Term Two) — Assembly Rotations

Term 2 Begins

Monday 29 th April – Year 6 Canberra Camp	Foundation to Year 2	Year 1Bd
Monday 6 th May	Year 3 to Year 6	Year 4C
Monday 13 th May—Swap Shop—Room 33	Whole School	Year 5P
Monday 20 th May	Foundation to Year 2	Year 1E
Monday 27 th May	Year 3 to Year 6	Year 6K
Monday 3 rd June	Foundation to Year 2	Foundation S
Monday 10 th June – Queens Birthday	Public Holiday	No Performance
Monday 17 th June	Year 3 to year 6	Year 6B
Monday 24 th June—Swap Shop—Room 33	Whole School	Year 3I

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Day



*Digital
Systems*

Friday
26th April

We are

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Fresh Fruit Friday (FFF)

Fresh Fruit Friday needs parent volunteers. Please email Linda Taylor directly, so she can add you to the roster—

taylor.linda.l1@edumail.vic.gov.au. See reply slip in this week's Newsletter.

This is an interactive group who volunteer an hour of their time each Friday morning.

Thank you to the parents that assisted with Fresh Fruit Friday this term.



Canteen

Julianne Weir manages our Canteen and is always very appreciative of time parents or family members can volunteer. Contact Julianne via the General Office. New parents or family members are most welcome. Any time you can spare would be greatly appreciated.



Thursday 25th April—ANZAC DAY

Friday 26th April—Mal Dmytrenko

Wednesday 1st May—Georgianna Horsfall

Thursday 2nd April—Kirsten Kent

Friday 3rd May —Nicki Chamber / Bec Gill

Uniform Shop News

Primary School Wear (PSW) is our Uniform supplier.

Uniforms can be purchased at the store located at Unit 1, 128 Bertie Street Port Melbourne, or online.

Email—portmelbourne@psw.com.au.

Trading hours are

Tuesday to Friday 9.00am to 5.00pm,
Saturday 10.00am to 1.00pm.



School Banking

School banking day is Wednesday.

Don't forget to send in your child's bank book.



Early Release

All children collected from school before 3.30pm must be signed out at the Office. With an 'Early Release Pass' to hand to the supervising teacher. If a child is signed out at Recess or Lunch time, your child will be called to the Office and the Early Release Pass will be given to the supervising teacher.

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 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.

Working With Children Cards

Cardholders who are required to renew their WWCC will no longer need to go to Australia Post to lodge a paper form and present their current card. Cardholders will go to the WWCC website to complete their renewal application online and, if applying for an Employee Check, pay the fee using a credit card when using the **online renewal process**, cardholders will be notified by SMS, letter or email 28 days before their WWCC is due to expire. It is important for cardholders to keep their contact details up to date so that they receive this important reminder.

After receiving a notification, individuals continuing to do child-related work should go to MyCheck on the WWCC website and apply to renew their check. Cardholders will be asked to register with MyCheck if they have not already done so. Once logged in to MyCheck, cardholders will be prompted to confirm or update their personal contact and work details, complete the online form and, if applying for an Employee Check, pay the non-refundable fee.

More information: an FAQ guide to online renewals will be available in 'Publications' under 'Resources' on the WWC website, or contact the Customer Support Line on 1300 652 879 8.30am – 5.00pm weekdays except public holidays.

<http://www.workingwithchildren.vic.gov.au/>


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, ribstic and helmets must be labelled, with your child's name and class. **Children are reminded they must walk their bike, scooter, skateboard or ribstic 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.**





 WILLIAMSTOWN
 HIGH SCHOOL

Parents and prospective students are warmly invited to attend our
 WILLIAMSTOWN HIGH SCHOOL
BAYVIEW CAMPUS
Open Night

Tuesday 7 May 2019 6:30pm
 6:30pm—7:00pm Welcome & Presentation by Campus Principal
 7:05pm—8:30pm Student led tours & workshops

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 Phone 9399 9228
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jim.callahan@lcfclubs.com.au



Woolworths Earn & Learn

This year we will be participating in the Woolworths Earn and Learn program. Through this program we will be able to get new educational resources for our school.

Starting between 1st May to 25th June, anyone from our school community—parents, grandparents, neighbours and friends who shop at Woolworths can collect the stickers.

Place the stickers onto a Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker Sheet and when it's complete, the sticker sheet can be dropped into the collection box here at school.

We'll be able to get some great new equipment with your help.



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To enrol your child, please email michelle@glowingheartsyoga.com.au and make payment to:

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Katrina Lambert: Hampton Primary School

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