



# Williamstown North Primary School Newsletter

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**2020 Term Date**  
Term 2—14th Apr to 26th Jun  
Term 3—13th Jul to 18th Sept  
Term 4—5th Oct to 18th Dec

**Respect — Resilience — Responsibility — Doing Your Best**



**New items added to the Calendar**

**Dates for your Diary**  
Tuesday 4th August  
School Photo Day

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**Return to School**  
See Newsletter

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**Provisional 2021 Foundation Enrolments** has begun.  
Forms are available at the office or download from the school website.

## Principal's Report

### Return to School Arrangements

There have been many exciting announcements this week regarding students returning to school. We are indeed all very eager to return to normal operations as soon as practical. Whilst there is still a lot of detail to confirm, some of the key dates to be aware of include:

**Monday 25<sup>th</sup> May** – State Wide Staff Training Day

(Our previously scheduled student free day for Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May has been cancelled.

**Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> May** – All Foundation, Year 1 and Year 2 students return to school for on-site learning.

**Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> May to Friday 5<sup>th</sup> June** – On-site supervision will continue for vulnerable students in Years 3 – 6 so that they can continue to work on their remote learning programs. This supervision will also be available to those parents/carers who cannot work from home (as has always been the case for the first five weeks of this term).

**Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> May to Friday 5<sup>th</sup> June** – Remote Learning will remain in place for all students in Years 3 to 6.

**Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> June** – All students in Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6 return to school for on-site learning.

Further details regarding the logistics of students returning to school will be provided over the coming fortnight. Please continue to track all school communication closely as we get closer to the above dates. We sincerely hope we can continue to call on your support and patience during the latter part of this term as we transition out of this extraordinary period of isolation!

## Remote Learning Update

We have continued to review our Remote learning framework over the last four weeks to ensure it is both accessible and manageable for all students, staff and parents. More recently, general feedback has indicated that by the end of the week, the engagement levels of some students with their Remote learning has certainly waned. During these last several weeks of remote learning, we will continue to explore some minor 'tweaks' to the platform to ensure optimal student engagement.

To this end, Years 2, 4 & 5 will be scheduling their Specialists subjects onto one designated day as a trial for the next few weeks. This will aim to ensure better engagement with our Specialist subjects, as well as providing a 'break' from the regular literacy/numeracy focus. Please note, where this is being trialled, classroom teachers will not be available to provide feedback to their students on that day as they would normally have done throughout the week. Fortuitously, this will also support our teachers with a chance to catch up and plan their next remote learning lessons. We hope our Remote learning platforms continue to support families with valuable and flexible learning opportunities until students return to on-site learning in their classrooms.

## 2021 Foundation Enrolments

Over the last week we have begun to accept enrolments for our 2021 Foundation classes.

Details regarding rescheduled tours will be available when normal school operations return.

In the interim, the 2021 enrolment form is available on the school website at:

[https://www.willynthps.vic.edu.au/uploaded\\_files/media/enrolment\\_2021.pdf](https://www.willynthps.vic.edu.au/uploaded_files/media/enrolment_2021.pdf)

If you have any queries in regards to your child's eligibility for enrolment in 2021, please don't hesitate to make contact with the school's main office on 9397 5722.



Enjoy the rest of your week

Jim Cahill—Principal

# FOUNDATION ENROLMENTS FOR 2021

## Williamstown North Primary School

### “Finding Out About Williamstown North Primary School”

Due to COVID-19 and the requirements that are in place according to the State and Federal Governments, our ‘Finding Out About Williamstown North Primary School’ will not be held. When circumstances change we will organise an Information Sessions and/or tours and post this information on our website.

If you have decided that your child/ren will be enrolling at Williamstown North Primary School for 2021, please complete the enrolment form and provide a copy of the required documents

Provisional enrolments for 2021 Foundation students has commenced. The ‘Enrolment Form’ and ‘Preliminary Information Sheet’ are available, 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.



### School Tours

To Be Advised



### 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 EMAILED & POSTED ON FRIDAY 28<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST, 2020.**

### **Parent Information Night for 2021 Foundation Students**

The parent Information Night for parents of confirmed 2021 Foundation students will be held on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> November, 6.30pm 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 2021 Foundation students will commence week beginning Monday 19<sup>th</sup> October, Week 3 of Term 4.



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

For our School Zone go to [www.willynth.vic.edu.au](http://www.willynth.vic.edu.au) / slider tab – Enrolments / WNPS Zone Map

## Fresh Fruit Friday (FFF)

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

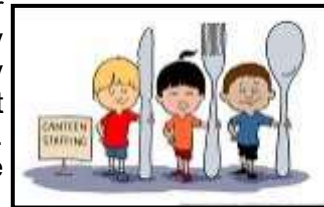


[taylor.linda.l1@edumail.vic.gov.au](mailto:taylor.linda.l1@edumail.vic.gov.au).

**Fresh Fruit Friday has been cancelled until further notice.**

## 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.



**No Canteen—Until further notice.**

## Uniform Shop News

Primary School Wear (PSW) is our Uniform supplier. Uniforms can be purchased at their outlet located at Unit 1, 128 Bertie Street Port Melbourne, or online.



Email—[portmelbourne@psw.com.au](mailto: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.



## Student Safety

Please take the time to regularly remind your child/ren about safety, especially when going to and from school.

- Do not talk to strangers and never accept a ride, 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 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 friends, rather than travel alone.

## 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.

## 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.**





## Year 4 Tower Challenge



