



Williamstown North Primary School

Newsletter

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Principal's Report

2019 Parent Opinion Survey

Williamstown North Primary School is conducting a survey in the coming weeks to gauge current parent opinion about our school. The Parent Opinion Survey is an annual survey offered by the Department of Education and Training that is conducted amongst a sample of randomly selected parents at each Victorian government school.

It is designed to assist our school in gaining an understanding of parents' perception of school climate, student engagement and relationships with our parent community. Our school will use the survey results to help inform and direct future school planning and improvement strategies.

The survey will be conducted online by **ORIMA Research Pty Ltd** and only takes **15 minutes** to complete. The survey can be accessed via desktop computer, laptop, tablet or mobile at any convenient time within the fieldwork period from **Monday 22nd July to Sunday 11th August**.

Approximately 30 per cent of Willy North parents will be invited to participate in this year's survey. All responses to the survey are anonymous. We ask that parents invited to participate in the survey, do not share the link with families not selected in the sample.

We sincerely thank you in anticipation of your support with this survey if you are one of the lucky families to be randomly selected!

Parent/Teacher/Student (PTS) Conferences

Our sincere thanks to the many families who have prioritised time this week to participate in a PTS Conference. Over both Monday and Wednesday this week, we anticipate that approximately 650 conferences will have been facilitated across the entire school.



New items added to the Calendar

School Assembly

Monday 29th July
Foundation to Year 2
Year 2Pa Performing

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Friday 26th July
Foundation RACV Visit

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Monday 29th July
Year 3 & 4 Camp Parent Info
Session 5.00pm Room 36

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Wednesday 31st July
100 days at School
Foundation Celebration

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Monday 5th August
Year 6 Chinatown Excursion

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Thursday 22nd August
Psychology Parent Info
Session 6.00—7.30pm

Calendar of Events

Term 3

Upcoming Events for Term 3

**
Wednesday 24th July
PTS Conferences
Foundation to Year 2
1.00pm to 7.30pm

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Extra School Tours
Thursday 25th July—9.30am
Tuesday 20th August—Noon

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Wednesday 31st July
Year 5 Excursion to
Immigration Museum

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Wednesday 31st July
PTS Conference Year 3Mc
1.00pm to 7.30pm

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Thursday 1st August
PTS Conference Year 5G
1.00pm to 7.30pm

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Year 3 Anglesea Camp
Monday 19th to Wednesday
21st August

&
Year 4 Anglesea Camp
Wednesday 21st to Friday
23rd August

**
Book Week
Monday 26th August to
Friday 30th August &

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Reading Writing Together is
Magic Evening
Wednesday 28th August
6.30pm to 7.15pm



Compton Green



2019 Term Dates

Term 3—15th July to 20th September

Term 4—7th October to 20th December

The PTS Conferences are a central mechanism for strengthening partnerships between the home and school, which in turn ultimately enhance the learning opportunities for our students when we can all work so closely together. We hope these conferences provided you with a clear picture of your child/ren's progress over first semester, as well as an important opportunity to identify future learning goals.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank our wonderful teachers for the many hours they contributed to these conferences over the course of the week.



Bullying Prevention Policy

How fortunate we are to have such a positive school environment at Willy North where the incidence of bullying is very infrequent. When discussing bullying in schools, it's extremely important to distinguish between the minor mishaps and infractions that occur as one off behaviours, as opposed to targeted and sustained behaviours that clearly constitute bullying.

Our Education Sub-committee is currently reviewing the school's Bullying Prevention Policy, which has been drafted under the guidance of the Department of Education & Training (DET). It is particularly interesting to note the definition of bullying that is used in this policy in order to ensure heightened clarity for everyone when discussing this important topic.

In 2018 the Education Council of the Council of Australian Governments endorsed the following definition of bullying for use by all Australian schools:



Bullying is an ongoing and deliberate misuse of power in relationships through repeated verbal, physical and/or social behaviour that intends to cause physical, social and/or psychological harm. It can involve an individual or a group misusing their power, or perceived power, over one or more persons who feel unable to stop it from happening.

Bullying can happen in person or online, via various digital platforms and devices and it can be obvious (overt) or hidden (covert). Bullying behaviour is repeated, or has the potential to be repeated, over time (for example, through sharing of digital records).

Bullying of any form or for any reason can have immediate, medium and long-term effects on those involved, including bystanders. Single incidents and conflict or fights between equals, whether in person or online, are not defined as bullying.

Our school continues to work very hard in this area, with our 'School Wide Positive Behaviours Program' forming the cornerstone of our pro-active efforts to minimise bullying. This starts from the school's values, matrix and token system which clearly identify the positive behaviours we expect each day from students and extends right through to our agreed practices as teachers for how we consistently respond to what we refer to as minor and major behaviours.

Due to the important nature of this policy, we invite any interested parents to come along to our Education Sub-committee meeting this evening at 6.00pm in the Conference Room (opposite the main office). When reviewing our policies, we work hard to ensure that our policies reflect our daily practices and capture the agreed expectations of our school community. We look forward to sharing our updated Bullying Prevention Policy over the coming weeks when endorsed by our School Council.

Enjoy the rest of the Week

Jim Cahill—Principal

Semester Two 2019 (Term 3) — Assembly Rotations

Term 3 Begins		
Monday 29 th July	Foundation to Year 2	Year 2Pa
Monday 5 th August	Year 3 to Year 6	Year 3G
Monday 12 th August –Swap Shop	Whole School	
Monday 19 th August – Year 3 Camp	Foundation to Year 2	Year 1Br
Monday 26 th August	Year 3 to Year 6	Year 5R
Monday 2 nd September	Foundation to Year 2	Foundation M
Monday 9 th September	Year 3 to Year 6	Year 4B
Monday 16 th September—Swap Shop	Whole School	Year 6H

Semester Two 2019— (Term 4) Assembly Rotations

Term 4 Begins		
Monday 7 th October – Year 5 Camp	Foundation to Year 2	Year 2Pe
Monday 14 th October	Year 3 to Year 6	Year 3Mc
Monday 21 st October	Foundation to Year 2	Foundation P
Monday 28 th October	Year 3 to Year 6	Year 3Mi
Monday 4 November – Staff Training Day	No students at school today	No Performance
Monday 11 th November – Swap Shop	Whole School	Year 5G
Monday 18 th November	Foundation to Year 2	Foundation H
Monday 25 th November	Year 3 to Year 6	Year 4P
Monday 2 nd December	Foundation to Year 2	Year 1Bu
Monday 9 th December	Year 3 to Year 6	Year 3S
Monday 16 th December – Year 6 Graduation	Unavailable	No Performance

WHAT'S ON Term 3 - Williamstown North Lunch Time Program

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Butterfly Room	Butterfly Room	Butterfly Room	Butterfly Room	Butterfly Room
4-6 Mindstorms RoboCup (Melissa/ MMC)	Digi Tech 1/2 (Belinda/ MMC/ Y6 Leaders)	Digi Tech 5/6 (Sharon/ MMC/ Y6 Leaders)	3-5 Lego We Do (Melissa/ MMC)	Digi Tech Club 3/4 (Kylie/ MMC/ Y6 Leaders)
Library Club (Rachael/ Library)	Library Club (Critsy/ Library)	Library Club (???/ Library)	Library Club (???/ Library)	Library Club (Dianna/ Library)
Japanese Club (Helen/Japanese Room/Y6 Leaders)	3/4 Soccer (Patrick & Sarah/ Gym/ Whole Lunch)	4-6 Choir (5/6 1 st half/ Year 4 2 nd Half) (Tuppen/ PA room)	5/6 Basketball (Tristan & Dale / Gym/ Whole Lunch)	3-6 Yoga (External Provider/ Performing Arts room/ Payment required)
Chess Club (External Provider/ JLC/ Payment required)	3-6 Dance (Georgie/ PA Room / Y6 Leaders)	F-2 Science (Even Weeks) (Simon/ Science Room/ Y6 Leaders)	Art Club (Vicky/ Art Room / Y6 Leaders)	
F-2 Yoga (External Provider/ Performing Arts room/ Payment required)	4-6 Publishing Club (Anita/ Rm26)	1/2 Hockey Club (RECESS) (Jack / Gym)	Sustainability Club (Odd Weeks) (Bethany / R3 / Y6 Leaders)	
	1/2 Gardening Club (Julie/JLC & Outside)			

**WILLIAMSTOWN NORTH PRIMARY SCHOOL - 1409
PARENT/TEACHER/STUDENT CONFERENCES**

Foundation to Year 6 - Week 2, Term 3,

Monday 22nd July, for Years 3 to 6 (excluding Year 3Mc & Year 5G)

& Wednesday 24th July, for Foundation to Years 2 &

Year 3Mc will be held on Wednesday 31st July

Year 5G will be held on Thursday 1st August

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Parent/Teacher/Student (PTS) conferences will be held for all Foundation to Year 2 classes on Wednesday 24th July and Year 3 to 6 classes on Monday 22nd July. Year 3Mc will have their PTS Conference on Wednesday 31st July & Year 5G on Thursday 1st August.

This year we have been trialling on-going reporting to parents through Proficiency Scales, student reports and Parent/Teacher/Student (PTS) conference. This will provide you with a more comprehensive and ongoing picture of your child's progress throughout the academic year.

We now invite all parents/guardians to book a PTS conference with your child's classroom teacher. The conferences will be of 12 minute duration and scheduled from 1.00pm till 7.30pm, with a teacher break between 5.00pm and 5.30pm.

The focus of the conference will be to provide you with a clear picture of your child's progress in Semester 1. This will include shared commentary on work habits, progress, learning goals and connectedness.

Using Compass you can book your Parent/Teacher/Student Conference online from Monday 15th July, once the Newsfeed has been sent.

1. **Parents** will have a notification on their Compass dashboard advising them that they have a conference cycle open to make bookings for their child/ren.
2. **Parents** can click the notification to proceed to make a booking. Parent can either click **'Start Booking Now'** or **'Show Me How to Book'** to proceed'.

Please remember, that once a time has been booked, the options for parents are reduced. Be prompt to select your time. If all conference times are booked, please contact your child's teacher to make an alternative time.

If your appointment is during the school day, details of where your child/ren will be, will be advised in a Newsfeed. Collect your child and then proceed to the designated classroom to meet with their teacher.

The PTS Conference days are as follows:

Monday 22nd July Year 3 to Year 6 Excluding Year 3Mc & Year 5G	Wednesday 24th July Foundation to Year 2	Wednesday 31st July Year 3Mc Only	Thursday 1st August Year 5G Only
1.00pm to 5.00pm	1.00pm to 5.00pm	1.00pm to 5.00pm	1.00pm to 5.00pm
5.00pm to 5.30pm (Staff Break)	5.00pm to 5.30pm (Staff Break)	5.00pm to 5.30pm (Staff Break)	5.00pm to 5.30pm (Staff Break)
5.30pm to 7.30pm	5.30pm to 7.30pm	5.30pm to 7.30pm	5.30pm to 7.30pm

Jim Cahill - Principal

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.

Parents on the Roster for Friday 26th July are:
Kim Pannone, Rachael Burgess, Ray Price,
Narelle Rabbidge, Georgianna Horsfall, Bindi Wood, Sheena Hickman, Keryn Van Shaik

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.



Thursday 25th July—Kirsten Jones

Friday 26th July—Melanie Dmytrenko

Wednesday 31st July—Georgianna Horsfall

Thursday 1st August—Kirsten Jones

Friday 2nd August—Rachell Burbidge

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.

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.

- 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.

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.**



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

Please contact the school office

to register for a tour

**Additional Tours – Thursday 25th July at 9.30am
& Tuesday 20th August at Noon.**



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 2019, 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.

For our School Zone go to www.willynth.vic.edu.au / slider tab – Enrolments / WNPS Zone Map

WORKSHOP: POSITIVE PARENTING



WHEN:

THURSDAY

**22nd August
2019**

at 6-7.30pm

WHERE:

**Williamstown
North Primary
School**

**133 Melbourne Rd,
Williamstown VIC
3016**

COST:

FREE!

PRESENTED BY

MARIE HIRST-PSYCHOLOGIST

ABOUT THE SESSION

This will be a 90 minute information
session.

The session will cover:

- understanding children's development
- building skills that encourage cooperation, listening and problem solving
- helping children manage big emotions
- a range of practical parenting tips
- knowing when and where to get help if needed

Register your interest in attending
with the staff at Williamstown North
Primary School today!!

For More Information

Please Call

**PSYCHOLOGY ON PARADE
9397 0977**

School Readiness Information Session



Wednesday 21 August 2019
7.00pm to 8.30pm

Where: Meeting Rooms 3 & 4, Hobsons Bay Civic Centre,
115 Civic Parade, Altona Vic 3018

Cost: FREE

RSVP: Tienne Smith
tsmith@hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au or call 9932 1000

**Designed for parents and families,
this session covers:**

- **What is school readiness?**
- **How do I assess my child's readiness for school?**
- **How can I assist with my child's school readiness?**
- **What if my child is not ready?**

Presented by Melinda Vander Reest from Early Life Foundations, this talk is an informative session and is highly recommended for all parents and families. This session will give you an insight into the important aspects of school readiness.

Bookings are essential as places are strictly limited

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OPENING TIMES

Monday business hours to closed

Tues & Weds - 10am to 6pm

Thursday 11am to 8pm

Friday 9am to 8pm

Saturday 8am to 3pm

Sunday 10am to 2pm

Closed All Public Holiday

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Chess Coaching



Where: Science Room
When: Monday lunchtime
Cost: \$95 per term (\$85 for siblings)
Benefits: Strategic thinking, improved self esteem, attention span in class, analytical skills.

Registrations Close Friday 28th July

BOOK ONLINE @
www.chessforkids.com.au

Phil 0421 901 530
admin@chessforkids.com.au



Term 3 Lunchtime Yoga and Mindfulness at WNPS



Benefits of Kids Yoga & Mindfulness

- Improves focus and concentration
- Increases the ability to self-regulate
- Improves strength, flexibility and balance
- Decreases negative behaviours
- Teaches kids how to manage their own stress & anxiety
- Increases cognition
- Nourishes creativity
- Builds coordination
- Improves fine & gross motor skills
- Develops self-discipline & self-control
- Expands self-awareness

Creates a calmer, happier, more cooperative classroom!

www.glowingheartsyoga.com.au

Classes will run at lunchtimes during Term 3 in the WNPS Performing Arts Room

Yoga Mats provided

F - Year 2: Monday lunchtime
 \$90 per term (9 sessions)

Years 3-6: Friday lunchtime
 \$90 per term (9 sessions)

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

Glowing Hearts Yoga

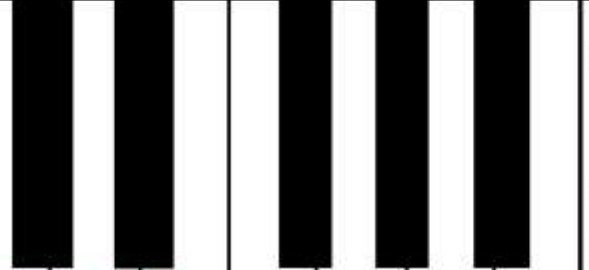
BSB: 063-179

Acc: 1059-6902

Ref: WNPS, Child's name, Grade

For more information visit FB Glowing Hearts Yoga or call Michelle on 0434 773 785





Piano Lessons

First lesson free

Suitable for all ages
 Beginner and Intermediate
 Williamstown area

Lucas Downer
 0402 306 287
lucaspdowner@gmail.com

COMMIT TO BE FIT

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TRAINING DETAILS

All Youth & Families are encouraged to attend
& participate in these community night activities!

SCHEDULE Every Monday & Wednesday – 4:30pm - 5:30pm
GYM ADDRESS West Gate Sports Centre – 61 Doherty's Road, Altona North
SESSION COST \$3 Per Youth Participant (10 – 18 years old)
MORE DETAILS 03 9369 6622 – Martin / 0404 120 549 – Shane



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You Are Invited

To a screening of

GIRL RISING

The innovative documentary at the
heart of the campaign to change
the way the world values girls.

Sunday 10th September 2018
Sun Theatre, Yarraville
4:30pm

Book your ticket today at
<https://www.trybooking.com/8BAQM>
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GIRLRISING.COM

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MID-WINTER CHRISTMAS

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RAFFLES PRIZES GAMES AUCTIONS

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SATURDAY 10TH AUGUST

TICKETS \$30

7PM ALTONA RSL CLUB, 31 SARGOOD ST, ALTONA

TICKET INCLUDES DRINK ON ARRIVAL, NIBBLES AND RAFFLE ENTRY

* DRINKS AVAILABLE TO PURCHASE FROM THE BAR (NO BYO) & MEALS CAN ALSO BE ORDERED
FROM THE BISTRO. TABLES WILL BE IN GROUPS OF EIGHT & CAN BE BOUGHT AS A GROUP OR YOU
WILL BE ALLOCATED A SEAT/S WITH OTHER AWESOME SMALLER GROUPS / SINGLES / COUPLES.
THIS IS AN OVER 16 EVENT ONLY.