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Principal's Report

Staff Training Day Reminder

As mentioned in previous newsletters, please note that the school will be closed on Monday 4th November as teachers will be undertaking their final staff training day for 2019.

Year 2 'Camp In'

Congratulations to all Year 2 students and staff who participated in our first 'Camp In' program last Thursday evening. The broad range of activities over the two days provided students with a wonderful 'taste' of the camping programs they'll experience in years to come. Despite the excitement of sleeping with peers in a classroom at school, we were so impressed with how students settled for the evening and other than a few nervous moments from a small handful of students, everyone displayed commendable resilience and lasted through the night!

A huge thank you to all teachers in the Year 2 team for all of the detailed planning and organisation that went into this event as well as a big thank you to other staff who were able to assist/sleep over on the Thursday night. Another fabulous Willy North team effort.

Staffing News

This week we were very excited to welcome Michelle Barnes to Willy North as our new Performing Arts teacher. Michelle comes with impressive experience in the Arts and is looking forward to getting to know all students and staff over the course of this term. If you get a chance, please take a moment to warmly welcome Michelle to our great school.

As a result of selection processes that have been unfolding this term in preparation for 2020, we are delighted to announce the re-appointment of the following teachers to Willy North next year: Belinda Chandler, Georgie Petty, Kylie Missen, Anita Goldsworthy, Bridget Sherrin and Tahlia Giles. Stemming from a state-wide selection process, the re-appointment of these teachers exemplifies the depth of talented teachers we are extremely fortunate to have at Willy North!

New items added to the Calendar

School Assembly

Monday 28th October
Year 3 to Year 6 Assembly
3Mi Performing

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Friday 25th October
Big Night In—Year 1

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Wednesday 30th October
Year 4 Democracy Incursion

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Wednesday 6th November
Year 4 Police Visit

Calendar of Events

Term 4

Wednesday 23rd October
Year 3/4 Hoop Time Regional
Finals

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Wednesday 23rd October
Year 5 Japanese Incursion—
Karate Workshop

NO CONSENT REQUIRED

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Thursday 24th October
Year 3 Japanese Incursion—
Karate Workshop &
Year 6 Manga Drawing
Incursion for Japanese

NO CONSENT REQUIRED

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2020 Foundation Transition

October 24th Session 1

October 31st Session 2

November 7th Session 3

November 14th Session 4

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Friday 25th October
Foundation Japanese
Cooking Incursion

NO CONSENT REQUIRED

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Thursday 31st October
Prep Spooky Pizza Party

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Monday 4th November
Staff Training Day
No Students at School

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Tuesday 5th November
Melbourne Cup Public
Holiday

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Monday 11th November
2020 Foundation Parents
Information Evening
6:45-8:00pm



Compton Green



2019 Term Date

Term 4—7th October to 20th December

World Teachers' Day

This Friday 25th October is World Teachers' Day. As many of you are aware, Willy North teachers are all very passionate about their roles and I continue to be so impressed every day as I see how our teachers go above and beyond to support the individual needs of our 800 students. Maybe you could think of some small way to express your gratitude towards your child's teacher this Friday?



Foundation Transition Begins

This Thursday we will be very excited to welcome our 2020 Foundation students as they begin to their transition program in preparation for their start to school next year. We currently have exactly 100 students enrolled in this cohort, who will be accommodated across five classes next year. These students will participate in four transition sessions over the next month, as well as their final visit on Wednesday 18th December at 10:30am when they will meet their assigned classroom teacher and students in their class. A very exciting time indeed for these students and their families!



Learning Buddies for 2020



In the coming weeks, all students across the school will be asked to trace an outline of their hand and to write the name of a learning buddy on each finger. Learning buddies have been identified as those students within the classroom who support each other's learning; they may

help you when you are working on an activity so that you have a better understanding, or they may give you some ideas for how you may enhance your work as well as being someone that you interact well with during group activities. During these discussions in the classroom, we emphasise that learning buddies may be different to the students who you consider to be your close friends, as sometimes our good friends can distract us from our learning. The differences between the learning needs and social connectedness will be a key part of the classroom discussions over the next several weeks.

As we begin to draft our new classes for 2020, there are several factors that will be carefully considered. In each new class, teachers will aim to ensure that there is a balance of academic capabilities, social competencies, behavioural traits & special needs, so that the classes at each level have an almost identical profile. In addition to these factors, our teachers also take into account each child's nominated learning buddies to ensure **that every child is matched to at least one of their nominated learning buddies**. (Please note that the learning buddies are not listed in any preferential order and it is explained to all students that they could be placed with any one of these 5 nominated buddies). As you can appreciate this is a very complex undertaking, especially in light of our total school enrolment stabilising at around 800 students again in 2020.

To this end, please be assured that all of these factors are carefully considered. Like you, we want to ensure that we establish the best learning opportunities for all of our students in 2020. Given the rigour in this process, we ask that parents refrain from requesting friendship groupings and teacher preferences, unless there are extenuating circumstances that we may not be aware of which may potentially impact on a child's placement.

If you believe that extenuating circumstances exist in regards to your child's placement in 2020, please provide these details via email at cahill.jim.a@edumail.vic.gov.au

Japanese Day

A number of Japanese activities have taken place this week, with tomorrow being a 'dress up' day with a parade taking place on Tasmania at 9.15am. See the flyer in this week's Newsletter.

Enjoy the rest of the Week,
Jim Cahill—Principal

Semester Two 2019— (Term 4) Assembly Rotations		
Term 4		
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



The photo above is of the Year 6 Mums lunch which was held last Friday 18th October at The Conservatory at Crown, 52 mums in attendance! Fabulous turn out one of the biggest lunches to date.

Fresh Fruit Friday (FFF)

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

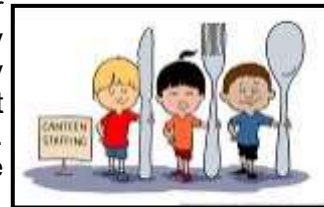


taylor.linda.l1@edumail.vic.gov.au.

Parents on the roster for Friday 25th October are: Kim Pannone, Rachel Burgess, Ray Price, Narelle Rabbidge, Bindi Wood, Sheena Hickman and 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 24th October—Georgianna Horsfall

Friday 25th October—Kelly Walker

Wednesday 30th—HELP NEEDED

Thursday 31st October—Kirsten Kent

Friday 1st November—HELP NEEDED

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.**



WNPS

JAPANESE FESTIVAL

OCT 21 - 25

F-6 DRESS UP DAY



**THURSDAY
24 OCT**



COSTUME PARADE

INCURSIONS

THROUGHOUT THE WEEK



**YEARS 4 & 6
MANGA DRAWING**



**YEARS 1 & 2
LIVE PERFORMANCE**

**FOUNDATION
CHARACTER BENTO**



**YEARS 3 & 5
KARATE**





JAPANESE DRESS UP DAY



FREE!

THURS



24
OCT



WHAT
WILL YOU
DRESS
AS?





NEWSLETTER

A message from the Coordinator

Just a friendly reminder to ensure you are booking your child/ren into care to ensure we have adequate staff to care for your children. For any late cancellations or late bookings please call or message the service phone on 0422 236 845.

We are still taking bookings for our student free day on the 4th November. Please book in early to ensure your spot on the day

We are also having our Halloween party on the 31st October (After school care) children are welcome to bring a costume to change into to get into the spirit of the night.

Please remember that if your child is not attending After School Care and they are booked in, to inform us as soon as possible it is policy and procedure that if we cannot confirm that your child has been collected from school by 4.00pm that we need to make a report to the police.

OSHClub News

We have been enjoying getting back into the swing of things this term as well as learning about SunSmart and how to stay safe from the UV rays now that we are in Term 4.

This week we are celebrating Diwali with different activities and crafts each day that will be on display and able to take home while getting into the spirit of the festival of light.

I have attached our program below for next week's theme of Halloween and what we have planned. We hope to see old and new faces joining us for the fun!

<u>MONDAY</u>	<u>TUESDAY</u>	<u>WEDNESDAY</u>	<u>THURSDAY</u>	<u>FRIDAY</u>
BEFORE CARE	BEFORE CARE	BEFORE CARE	BEFORE CARE	BEFORE CARE
Spot the difference	Moovosity (Active group game program)	Chinese Wall	Scarecrow/Toilet Tiggy	Crab Soccer
AFTER CARE	AFTER CARE	AFTER CARE	AFTER CARE	AFTER CARE
Halloween bats (Craft)	Cardboard Roll Monsters (Craft)	Paper Plate Pumpkin (Craft)	Halloween Party!	Witch Cauldron (Craft)
Indoor Tiggy	Indoor Basketball	Moovosity (Active group game program)	Halloween dress up competition/parade	Indoor Seated Volleyball
Halloween Tiggy	Monster Attack	Monster's Island	Monster Relay	Scarecrow Tiggy

Nutrition and Vitality

Each day we serve

Before school care: Wholemeal/Gluten Free Toast with a variety of spreads.

CEREAL: Cheerios, Cornflakes, Porridge, Rice Bubbles. Low Fat Milk/Soy/Water

FRUIT BASKET

Friday morning we have pancakes.

After school care: **FRUIT:** Watermelon, Rockmelon, Honeydew, Pineapple, Apples, Pears, Oranges, Grapes.

VEGETABLES: Cucumber, Carrot, Capsicum, Celery, Sugar Snap Peas.

Low Fat Milk/Soy/Water.

FRUIT BASKET

Each day there is an additional snack

Next week (week 4) we have:

Monday: Assorted Rice Cakes & Party Pies and Sausage Rolls

Tuesday: Cruskits with assorted spreads & Samosa's and Sausage Rolls

Wednesday: Variety of Sandwiches & Scary Fairy Bread and Sausage Rolls

Thursday: Party Food for our Halloween party

Friday: Rice Crackers with variety of dips.

Just a friendly reminder that at OSHClub we are a nut free service, please ensure that your child/ren do not bring any nut products into the service.

NIPPERS

Sunday Summer Fun!

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Come & Join Us
for Beach &
Lifesaving Fun!



INFO SESSIONS

Sunday 20 Oct, 11am
Thursday 24 Oct, 6.30pm
Saturday 26 Oct, 2pm

HAVE A GO!
Sunday 27 Oct, 9.30am
The Clubhouse Lawn
Free Sausage Sizzle!



Enquiries: juniors@williamstownslsc.org.au

www.williamstownslsc.org.au



Term 4 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 4 in the WNPS Performing Arts Room

Yoga Mats provided

F - Year 2: Monday lunchtime
\$80 per term (8 sessions)
Commences 14th Oct 2019

Years 3-6: Friday lunchtime
\$80 per term (8 sessions)
Commences 25th Oct 2019

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



gofundme

Please ease take a moment to read Jodie Wylie's story. Jodie is a parent of two Willi North children, Charlotte and Madeleine. What happened to Jodie could happen to anyone in our community. She has undergone 14 operations in recent weeks after a sudden illness. A "GoFundMe" page has been started on Jodie's behalf to help support her and her young daughters through her long recovery. Please read, and even the smallest donations add up!

<https://www.gofundme.com/f/support-Jodie-through-her-recovery>

Your local Tackers Centre Information:

Williamstown Sailing Club
The Strand, Williamstown

Come and discover sailing in January 2020 at WSC's Tacker's Program!

To register, go to the Tackers Sailing Program page on the WSC website under Sailing Information

www.williamstownsailingclub.org.au

For further information, please email us
tackers@williamstownsailingclub.org.au

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SA: 08 8346 1934
TAS: 0498 448 815
VIC: 03 9597 0066
WA: 08 9386 2438
Email: training@sailing.org.au



www.discoversailing.org.au/tackers



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Welcome to Tackers!

Tackers is a program aimed at getting more primary school aged kids sailing at clubs and centres across the country.

Everything about Tackers is centred on understanding how kids learn skills and have fun through sport. The boats used in the Tackers program are small and easy to handle, designed to be sailed by children under the age of 12.

Tackers is delivered at three levels:

- Tackers 1 – *Having Fun*
- Tackers 2 – *Tricks & Techniques*
- Tackers 3 – *Sailing Fast!*

Each program consists of:

- 20 hours tuition from qualified Australian Sailing Instructors and Assistant Instructors
- Combination of on-the-water and off-the-water games
- Certificate of achievement at the end of the course
- Check with your Centre today if a Tackers kit is included!

Is sailing a safe sport?

Safety in Tackers is paramount. As well as providing lifejackets there will be a safety boat on the water at all times when the kids are on the water. Weather conditions are checked prior to all sessions and kids will be under the supervision of qualified Australian Sailing Instructors, who are first aid trained.



Do I need to be a member of a yacht club to take part in a Tackers program?

You do not need to be a sailing club member to take part in a Tackers program at a recognised Australian Sailing Tackers Centre.

Do I need a boat to start sailing through Tackers?

No, the boats are provided by the Tackers Centre for use during the program.

Will I be sailing on my own?

Tackers is a program delivered to small groups of participants of the same level of ability. In **Tackers 1 – Having Fun**, participants sail in pairs to become familiar with the skills needed to sail. In **Tackers 2 – Tricks & Techniques** and **Tackers 3 – Sailing Fast!** participants sail in a boat alone, but with close supervision from qualified Australian Sailing Instructors and Assistant Instructors.

What happens after Tackers 3 – Sailing Fast?

It can take several sailing seasons to complete all three levels of Tackers. After Tackers 3 participants are encouraged to take part in 'Green Fleet' at their local club. 'Green Fleet' is the first stage of club racing. Your Tackers Centre will be able to tell you more about this.

www.discoversailing.org.au/tackers

