



# Williamstown North Primary School Newsletter

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**End of Term—Friday 20th December  
Early Finish @ 1.30pm**

**No Fresh Fruit Friday**

**No Canteen on Thursday 19th &  
Friday 20th December**

## Principal's Report

### End of Term Arrangements

Please note that there is no scheduled assembly next Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December, due to the Year 6 Graduation being held that evening in the Gymnasium.

The final assembly of the year, will be held at approximately 1:10pm in the Gymnasium on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December. All students will be dismissed from this assembly at 1:30pm to begin their summer break.

**Please note the early dismissal time of 1:30pm on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December.**

### Thank You Brekky

We had a terrific turn out for our Parent Thank You Brekky last Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December. For those who weren't able to make it, we sincerely thank you for your assistance throughout 2019. We wouldn't be able to offer our students such a broad range of opportunities if it wasn't for the wonderful parent support that is so kindly offered across so many



different functions of the school. For those families who will be with us again next year, we hope you may be able to prioritise some time for volunteering at the school!

### New items added to the Calendar

#### School Assembly

Monday 16th December  
No Assembly

Thursday 19th & Friday 20th  
December

NO CANTEEN LUNCHES OR  
COUNTER SALES

Friday 20th December  
NO FRESH FRUIT FRIDAY

### Calendar of Events Term 4

Mon 2nd to Fri 13th Dec  
Foundation Swimming  
FH & FS—leaving at 11.45am  
FM & FP—leaving at 12.30pm

Wed 11th to Thurs 12th Dec  
Year 5G & 5P Beach Program

Monday 16th December  
Year 6 Graduation &  
Foundation—Sun Theatre &  
Year 4—Sun Theatre

Tuesday 17th December  
Year 2—Sun Theatre &  
Year 3—Sun Theatre &  
Year 6—Adventure Park

Wednesday 18th December  
Community Carols— 7.00pm



Thursday 19th December  
Foundation & Year 6 Buddies  
Picnic

Friday 20th December  
Last Day of Term  
Early Finish—1.30pm



Compton Green



### 2020 Term Date

Term 1—29th January to 27th March

Term 2—14th April to 26th June

Term 3—13th July to 18th September

Term 4—5th October to 18th December

## JSC – West Welcome Wagon

WOW. The response to last week's JSC food drive was certainly impressive. Representatives from the West Welcome Wagon were astonished at the mountain of food that had been so kindly donated by our school community. These donations will now be used to put together many hampers for families in the West. Sincere thanks to all Willy North families who supported this very worthy cause last week. These collective efforts will go a long way to making a difference to many families over the upcoming festive season.



## 2020 Teaching Teams

After many weeks of planning, we are excited to confirm the following teaching teams for 2020. Individual teacher preferences, staff promotions and the need to recruit several new staff have all resulted in the need for quite a few changes to the teams for next year. Despite these changes, we are blessed with such highly capable teachers who will spend all of this week participating in a planning week to ensure 2020 kicks off smoothly.

The leaders for each of these teams are listed in bold in the first column.

|                   |  |                   |                                |                  |                                  |
|-------------------|--|-------------------|--------------------------------|------------------|----------------------------------|
| <b>Foundation</b> | <b>Kaitlyn Hayes</b>                   | Bronwyn Murray    | Tahlia Giles                   | Julie Papazisis  | Emilie Kaparis                   |
| <b>Year 1</b>     | <b>Danielle Marshall</b>               | Joanne De Mesa    | Ashleigh Paton & Felicity Fyfe | Tania Brown      |                                  |
| <b>Year 2</b>     | <b>Belinda Randall</b>                 | Georgie Petty     | Julie Case                     | Virginia Irvine  | Carey Dewerson & Rachael Burgess |
| <b>Year 3</b>     | <b>Kylie Missen</b>                    | Fran McCormick    | Tom Drummond                   | Bridget Sherrin  | Wendy Drayton & Kate Richards    |
| <b>Year 4</b>     | <b>Dianna Lane</b>                     | Jamie Peters      | Crystal Gunter                 | Vicki Symons     | Maggie Snowden                   |
| <b>Year 5</b>     | <b>Cathy Graham &amp; Lisa Hibbert</b> | Anita Goldsworthy | Sarah Nobbs & Dale Evans       | Belinda Chandler | Tess Holland                     |
| <b>Year 6</b>     | <b>Bethany Johnstone</b>               | Dean Pearce       | Sharon Hunt & Crissy Samaras   | Patrick Kelly    |                                  |

### Specialists:

**Science:** Simon Radford

**Visual Arts:** Robyn Law

**Performing Arts:** Michelle Barnes

**Japanese:** Helen Atkins

**Digital Technologies:** Dale Evans

**Physical Education:** Jack Rhodes & Bill Manoleras

Two existing members of staff have requested leave for next year as they travel and explore other work/career options. We send our best wishes with Zach Schmidt and Tristan Bugler for 2020.

Sadly, we say farewell to Tess Bullock who has been teaching in our Year 1 area in 2019. Tess has been at Willy North for the last four years and has forged strong connectedness with students, staff and parents over this time. Tess is relocating to NSW to be closer to her family. On behalf of the school community, we sincerely thank Tess for her wonderful commitment to her students and the school over recent years. Best wishes Tess; we're all going to miss you!

Kitty Black will begin the first few weeks of 2020 in a support role, before heading off to begin her maternity leave. We look forward to sharing this exciting time with Kitty and husband Nathan, as they anticipate the birth of their first child early next year.

*As part of the last stage of the whole school transition program, all students will visit their new teachers on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December, with their peers who have been allocated to their new class. All 2020 students will take home a notice next Wednesday confirming all of these details for parents.*

## Community Carols

We look forward to seeing all families at next week's Community Carols which will be held in the school grounds from 6.00pm onwards on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December. Families are invited to bring along a picnic

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dinner and rug, with the carols planned to get underway from 7.00pm.

This event is certainly a lovely way to wrap up the 2019 school year as well as coming together as a community to celebrate Xmas.

## Events Calendar

To support your 2020 planning, you will find enclosed in this newsletter a copy of our Events Calendar for next year and 2021. We have attempted to confirm as many dates as we can at this stage, with further dates to be added as our planning processes unfold. We hope you find this preliminary information very helpful. We aim to publish this calendar again next year with hopefully most dates confirmed for the school year ahead.



## 2020 Parent Payments

A huge thank you to the many families who have paid the 2020 Parent Payments that were mailed out to each family a few weeks ago.

To ensure your child/ren is equipped with all of their necessary materials for 2020, payments must be received prior to Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> January. Once payment has been received, your child's essential supplies will be delivered directly to their 2020 classroom ready for the first day of school.

Payment can be made by cash (up until Monday 16th December), EFTPOS at the office (up until Thursday 19th December) or BPay. If you have any queries regarding these payments, please don't hesitate to contact the main office on 93975722.

## Class Rep Survey

It's hard to believe that our Class Rep Program and eNews has been operating for nearly six years now thanks to the hard work of Julie Noonan and more recently Toni Burton.

As Julie and Toni pass the baton onto our two new parent Class Rep Coordinators in 2020, Georgie Evanson and Nicole Harvey, we thought it would be a great opportunity to gauge some parent opinion on how the program has been running and to ascertain the extent to which it has been supporting both the learning platform between home and school, as well the social connectedness of parents.

We would therefore be extremely grateful if parents could take five minutes to answer some very simple questions about the Class Rep Program and eNews platforms, so that we may consider how this can be further improved into next year.

The survey can be found at: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/DHK393C>

## Changes to the Canteen Menu for the last week of Term

On **Monday 16th December Hot Dogs will be available** to order, however Tacos will be unavailable on Monday 16th December.

On **Wednesday 18th December NO Hot Dogs available** to purchase only the other hot food options.

**No canteen lunch orders or counter sales on Thursday 19th and Friday 20th December.**



Enjoy the rest of the week

Jim Cahill—Principal

Year 4L are collecting Women's Weekly magazines for a Christmas activity.

Please send to room 23 by Friday if you have some available.

Thankyou—Dianna Lane



# Community & School Engagement Activity Calendar

|  | Year 2020  |
|--|--|
| <b>Term One</b><br><b>29<sup>th</sup> Jan to 27<sup>th</sup> March</b><br><b>STD – Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> January</b><br>*<br>28/01/2020<br>Teachers Resume<br>*<br>29/01/2020<br>Students Commence<br><b>STD – Friday 28<sup>th</sup> February</b> | New Families Morning Tea (1 <sup>st</sup> Day)<br>Foundation/New Families BBQ/Picnic (Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> February)<br>Foundation Photo Day (Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> February)<br>PLT Information Sessions<br>Year 3 Intensive Swimming Program (Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> to 13 <sup>th</sup> March)<br>Year 4 Intensive Swimming Program (Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> to 13 <sup>th</sup> March)<br>Year 3 & 4 Athletics (Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> March)<br>Year 5 & 6 Athletics (Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> March)<br>Foundation to Year 2 Tabloid Sports (Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> March)   |
| <b>Term Two</b><br><b>14<sup>th</sup> April to 26<sup>th</sup> June</b><br><br><b>STD – Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May</b>   | Japanese Day<br>Years 1 Intensive Swimming Program (Tue 15 <sup>th</sup> to Fri 24 <sup>th</sup> April)<br>Years 2 Intensive Swimming Program (Tue 15 <sup>th</sup> to Fri 24 <sup>th</sup> April)<br>Year 6 Canberra Camp (Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> to Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> April)<br>Foundation 2021 Parent Information Night (Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> May)<br>Education Week (May)<br>Mother's Day Stall (Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> May)<br>Foundation to Year 2 Showcase, Group 1<br>Parent Social Night (Saturday 13 <sup>th</sup> June)  |
| <b>Term Three</b><br><b>13<sup>th</sup> July to 18<sup>th</sup> September</b>  | Book Fair (26 <sup>th</sup> & 27 <sup>th</sup> August)<br>Reading & Writing Together is Magic (Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> August)<br>Year 3 Phillip Island 3 Day Camp (Mon 31 <sup>st</sup> Aug to Wed 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sept)<br>Year 4 Phillip Island 3 Day Camp (2 <sup>nd</sup> to 4 <sup>th</sup> September)<br>Father's Day Stall (Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> September)<br>STEAM Expo   |
| <b>Term Four</b><br><b>5<sup>th</sup> October to 18<sup>th</sup> December</b><br><br><b>STD – Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November</b>   | Year 5 Howqua Camp (Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> to Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> October)<br>Year 2 'Camp In' (Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> October)<br>Year 1 Big Night In (Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October)<br>Foundation Spooky Pizza Party (Thursday 29 <sup>th</sup> October)<br>Foundation to Year 2 Showcase, Group 2<br>Years 3 - 6 School Musical<br>Foundation Intensive Swimming Program (16 <sup>th</sup> to 27 <sup>th</sup> November)<br>Year 5 Beach Program (Week 9 – 30 <sup>th</sup> November)<br>'Community Helpers Thank You' <b>by the School</b> (Wed 2 <sup>nd</sup> Dec)<br>'Teachers Thank You Lunch' <b>by the Parents</b> (Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> December)<br>Year 6 Beach Program (Week 10 – 7 <sup>th</sup> December) |

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|---|---|
| <b>Term One</b><br><b>27<sup>th</sup> January to 1<sup>st</sup> April</b><br>*<br>27/01/2021<br>Teachers Resume<br>*<br>28/01/2021<br>Students Commence | New Families Morning Tea (1 <sup>st</sup> Day)<br>Foundation/New Families BBQ/Picnic<br>Foundation Photo Day<br>PLT Information Sessions<br>Year 3 Intensive Swimming Program<br>Year 4 Intensive Swimming Program<br>Year 3 & 4 Athletics<br>Year 5 & 6 Athletics<br>Foundation to Year 2 Tabloid Sports   |
| <b>Term Two</b><br><b>19<sup>th</sup> April to 25<sup>th</sup> June</b>   | Education Week (May)<br>Foundation 2022 Parent Info Evening (Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> May)<br>Mother's Day Stall (Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> May)<br>Japanese Day<br>Years 1 Intensive Swimming Program<br>Years 2 Intensive Swimming Program<br>Parent Social Night<br>Year 6 Canberra Camp (3 <sup>rd</sup> to 7 <sup>th</sup> May)   |
| <b>Term Three</b><br><b>12<sup>th</sup> July to 17<sup>th</sup> September</b>   | Reading & Writing Together is Magic<br>Book Fair (August)<br>Book Week (22 <sup>nd</sup> to 28 <sup>th</sup> August)<br>Father's Day Stall (Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> September)<br>Year 3 Anglesea 3 Day Camp (16 <sup>th</sup> to 18 <sup>th</sup> August)<br>Year 4 Anglesea 3 Day Camp (18 <sup>th</sup> to 20 <sup>th</sup> August)<br>STEAM Expo<br>Footy Week (September)   |
| <b>Term Four</b><br><b>4<sup>th</sup> October to 17<sup>th</sup> December</b>   | Year 5 Howqua Camp (4 <sup>th</sup> to 8 <sup>th</sup> October)<br>Foundation Intensive Swimming Program<br>Year 2 'Camp In' (14 <sup>th</sup> October)<br>Year 1 Big Night In (21 <sup>st</sup> October)<br>Foundation Spooky Pizza Party (28 <sup>th</sup> October)<br>'Teachers Thank You Lunch' <b>by the Parents</b><br>'Community Helpers Thank You' <b>by the School</b><br>Year 5 Beach Program (December)<br>Year 6 Beach Program (December)<br>Year 6 Graduation (Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> December) |

## Fresh Fruit Friday (FFF)

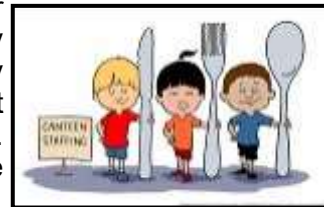
Thank you to all the parents/helpers that assisted with FFF this year. Your assistance has been very much appreciated.



Parents on the last roster for the year, Friday 13th December 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 12th December—Kirsten Kent**

**Friday 13th December—Mel Dmytrenko**

**Wednesday 18th December—HELP URGENTLY NEEDED**

**Thursday 19th December—CANTEEN CLOSED**

**Friday 20th December—CANTEEN CLOSED**

## 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.



## 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.**



# HOST FAMILIES WANTED 2020

## Japanese University Students Visiting WNPS

The students are studying Childhood Education at University in Japan. They will be visiting our school to observe classes and run some fun activities with the children to share their Japanese culture.

**Dates:** 25th February (Tuesday) to 7th March (Saturday) 2020

**Duration:** 11 nights

**How many:** One student per family (Total 15 students)

**Homestay fee:** Payment of \$440 towards your expenses

Please provide 3 meals per day (Breakfast, packed lunch & dinner)



If you have any questions, please contact the program coordinator, **Midori**:

Tel: **03 9572 3381** or **0418 540 865**

E-mail: **midori@japan-link.com.au**



## Host Family Application Form

Parents' names: \_\_\_\_\_

All children's name(s), age and gender (M/F):

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone No.: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Other household members' name(s)/gender: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Pet(s): \_\_\_\_\_ Method of transport to school: \_\_\_\_\_

Prefer to host a male or female student (please tick ✓): ☐ Male ☐ Female

**Please return the completed form to the school office, or via email to Helen Atkins:**

**[atkins.helen.h@edumail.vic.gov.au](mailto:atkins.helen.h@edumail.vic.gov.au)**

Thank you for your cooperation.





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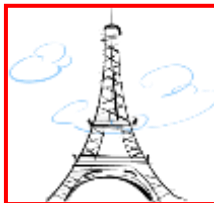
**Wednesdays**  
**3.50pm—4.50pm**

**Williamstown**  
**Community**  
**Centre**

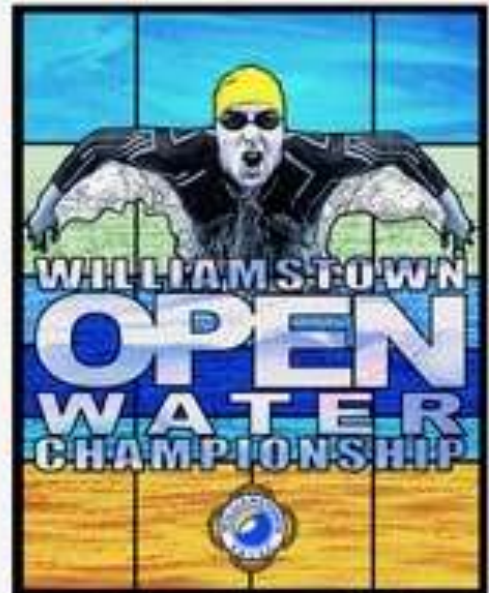
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**Sat. December 14th - 2019**



**400m - 800m - 1.2km - 2.5k - 5k - 10k**

Register: [wowchallenge.com.au](http://wowchallenge.com.au)  
Call: 0448 581 306



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JUNIORS FOOTBALL  
CLUB 2020**

**SIGN UP  
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NEW MODIFIED RULES INC SMALLER GROUNDS  
SEASON STARTS 5 APRIL 2020  
AGES 7 - 9 (MUST BE 7 @ 30/04/20)

REGISTER/MORE INFO: [WILLIAMSTOWNJUNIORS.COM.AU](http://WILLIAMSTOWNJUNIORS.COM.AU)  
ADMIN@WILLIAMSTOWNJUNIORS.COM.AU