



Winthrop Primary School Newsletter

Newsletter No: 2

Tuesday 20th February 2018

NEWS FROM THE PRINCIPALS

Coming Events

Mon 19th February to Fri 2nd March	Yr 4 - 5 Interm Swimming
Tue 20th February	Edu Dance Lesson
Wed 21st February	School Board Meeting 6pm
Thurs 22nd February	B4 Chinese New Year Lunch
Fri 23rd February	Edu Dance Lesson
Fri 23rd February	Assembly A2&B3
Tue 27th February to Fri 2nd March	Year 6 Camp
Tue 27th February	Edu Dance Lesson
Fri 2nd March	Edu Dance Lesson
Mon 5th March	Labour Day Public Holiday

Important Dates

P&C Meeting
(AGM)
19th March 2018
7.30pm Staffroom

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Dear Parents and Carers

Parent Information Afternoons

Thanks to those of you who were able to come along to our parent information and classroom meetings last week. Both meetings were well attended and provided a valuable opportunity to share an overview of our fabulous school and to be introduced to a range of staff members from across the school as well as to members of our School Board and Parents and Citizens Association. If you were unable to attend, please do not hesitate to contact your class teacher who will provide you with links to this very useful information.

Swimming

With the term well under way, our Year 6's have already completed a very successful series of swimming lessons at Cottesloe Beach and our Years 4 and 5's are commencing swimming lessons at Melville Aquatic Centre this week, running all the way through to March 2nd. Please ensure that your child has all required equipment and clothes and that these are clearly marked with their name and year level.

WALT and WiLF

Your child may have come home referring to WALT and WiLF and you might be wondering, who or what is that? If you have wondered that, ask your child, they should be able to tell you that a WALT (We are learning to ...) is a statement of learning intention and a WiLF (What I'm looking for...) is a statement of success criteria.

WALT and WiLF are two key components of our whole school Instructional Framework which all teachers across our school are working to implement. We are seeking to support students in being able to:

- Articulate what they are learning
- Explain the next steps in their learning
- Set learning goals
- See errors as further opportunity for learning
- Evaluate their own work and understanding
- Know when they are stuck and to seek feedback.

By using WALT and WiLF teachers are explicitly supporting students to focus on the learning/understanding/skill, rather than the 'doing' of the task or activity.

To find out more, be sure to speak with your classroom teacher.

Julie Carlson and Karina Meldrum

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News From Around The School

Gung Xi Fa Cai

Best wishes for a happy and prosperous new year to all our parents who celebrate Chinese New Year!



UU CHINESE MADE EASY CLASS

2018 Semester 1 is now open for registration.

Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday after school

Location: Winthrop Primary Library

Registration form in front office.

Contact Reena (0422 286 635 or pingye@live.com.au) for more information.

WANTED

Plastic containers, such as ice cream or yoghurt containers, suitable for students to play with in the nature playground sand pit.

If you can help please drop off containers to Mrs Davies or Ms Chua in C4.

CAR PARK SECURITY

Although rare in Winthrop, incidences of cars being broken into have happened occasionally and in most cases they are opportunistic crimes with visible items of value being targeted. So even if you only intend to leave your car for a short time, please remember to take valuables with you.



Help raise money for our school by shopping at Winthrop Gardens Supa IGA

School	Number of Participants	Total School Benefits
Winthrop PS	261	\$26,655.60

VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS 2018 ARE NOW DUE

These contributions are voluntary; however, the quality of our teaching and learning program will be enhanced when every family makes a contribution to the cost of supplementing funding gained from other sources including the State and Federal Governments. The amounts decided for these voluntary contributions are as follows;

Kindergarten to Year 6 - \$60 per student
P&C Voluntary Contributions \$40 per student

The funds collected are used to purchase additional teacher assistant time, playground equipment, reading books, maths, science and history resources, sport and technology equipment. These resources benefit all students and allow our school to provide the very best learning opportunities for all students

Payments can be made by Qkr App, Cash, Cheque or Credit Card

Many thanks to parents who have paid these contributions

ROAD WISE MESSAGE

Thank you to the smooth start to the 2018 school year. Both our Kiss and Drop areas are working well in the morning and the afternoons.

Some reminders for all.

- Keep your speed down. 40 kph around our school zone.
- Avoid using Edmiston Way as a pick up and drop off area.
- The School Canteen Service Road on Edmiston Rd should not be used for pick up and drop off.
- Avoid using the staff car park entrance as a drop off and pick up zone

Thank you for doing your part in keeping our students safe.

TERM ONE ASSEMBLY DATES

February 23rd - A2 & B3

March 9th - D1 & D2

March 23rd - E1 E2 & E4

April 12th - Music (ANZAC)

2018 SCHOOL TERM DATES

Term 1 Wednesday 31st January - Friday 13th April

Term 2 Monday 30th April - Friday 29th June

Term 3 Monday 16th July - Friday 21st September

Term 4 Monday 8th October - Thurs 13th December

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Would you like to expand your network, learn new skills and feel good about making a real difference in your community this year?

If you've been thinking about volunteering in some capacity this year, Winthrop Primary P&C would love to welcome you on board!

On 19th March we will be holding our P&C annual general meeting (AGM). At this meeting, we will be appointing roles within a team who work together to raise money, improve school infrastructure and support our children's school in many ways. Some of our valued P&C leaders will be stepping down from their roles this year - it's purely a coincidence that they are no longer able to serve in the same capacity this year, not an indication of any issues! We currently have these roles available to fill - can you help us this year?

President: Nominations now open

If you have experience in any level of management or running a meeting, we invite you to nominate as President. The role involves chairing 4-6 meetings per year and occasionally addressing groups of parents at assemblies and other events such as the Quiz Night. Our outgoing President, Jamie Fogarty, is still involved in the school community and will be able to help with any questions you may have at any stage. Register your interest now - pncwinthropps@gmail.com

Secretary: Nominations now open

Your fantastic keyboard skills (computer, not piano!) could be an asset to our school community as you take and distribute the minutes of 4-6 meetings per year, email class reps and sign cheques. Our outgoing Secretary, Leigh Emmert, will also still be active in the school community and available to answer any questions at any stage. **Register your interest now**

Treasurer: Nominations now open

If you know your way around a spreadsheet, the role of Treasurer might suit you. The role consists of reconciling the accounts for our Fundraising Dept amongst other number related tasks. Our outgoing Treasurer Georgina Yap will still be active in the school community and available to answer any questions at any stage.

Register your interest now

If you would like to be involved, or know somebody who would like to take on a volunteering role close to home, please get in touch!



