

# Windale Public School

TERM 1 WEEK 4

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## Principal's Message

It is amazing how we manage to fit so much into our weeks at Windale PS. Wednesday 7th February saw us hold one of our most successful swimming carnivals in the school's history. Our students loved competing and most importantly having a go, with many of them pushing themselves to go in events they previously wouldn't have had the confidence to compete in. We had more community members than ever come to the Charlestown Pool to cheer on our students and build upon the caring, collaborative school spirit we hold so dear at Windale. We even had parents participating in the last event of the day against our school staff in a combined relay. Congratulations to everyone for having a go on the day and to our winning house Hunter. I couldn't have been prouder of you all as Principal. Thank you to Miss Davies and the Sports Committee for all their hard work that ensured the carnival ran even better than last year.

While we were busily running the Swimming Carnival, back at school we had four new Promethean boards installed in our classrooms to replace some of the old Smartboards which are coming to the end of their lifespan. This is the very latest technology available and puts our school at the cutting edge of classroom innovation. We now have six boards in total across the school, with plans to increase these numbers when additional funding becomes available due to each board costing upwards of \$4000 per board. If you would like to see one in action, you can see them in KD, 1/2M, 3D, 4H, 5GM and the Library. Our students and staff are loving them! I am putting in a grant application for a 3D printer at the moment through an outside agency and fingers crossed we might be

successful in this. Watch this space hopefully for some good news in the near future!

Our first P&C meeting was held last week which was pleasing to set the directions we are working on together in 2018 as a collaborative school community. It would be fantastic to see some of our new families, particularly our new Kindergarten ones, coming along to have a say in what is going on in the school. We have moved the meetings to a Wednesday morning at 9.15am to allow community members to come straight after dropping off their children. Our next meeting is on Wednesday 14th March and will be our AGM for the year. Coming along doesn't mean you get volunteered for anything, just that your voice on behalf of your child/ren can be heard. I look forward to seeing you all there.

We have been successful in being chosen as one of a handful of schools who will participate in NAPLAN Online testing in 2018. Not all schools who wanted to participate were chosen but we were. This is due in no small part to our dedication and commitment of funding, resources and time to the allocation of the latest technologies across the school at school cost. Not every school has a computer lab, we do. Both our Year 5 and Year 6 classes now have access to Chromebooks on a daily basis which the children find very engaging. This again is completely at school cost. We want people to continue to talk about how Windale PS is leading the way in innovation and excellence in teaching and learning. The word is spreading and for us, this is just the beginning.

Have a fantastic week of learning everyone!

Ms Cindy Sadler

## IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

Thurs 22nd & Fri 2nd February ZONE SWIMMING	Friday 2ND March Clean up Australia Day Activities	Mon 5th & Tues 6th March Parent Teacher Interviews
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# Introducing...

## Mrs Lyn Stokes -ARCO Anti Racism Contact Officer



My name is Lyn Stokes and in addition to my classroom teaching role, I am also the Anti Racism Contact Officer (ARCO). I have been trained in this role which is to:

1. Receive the suggestion, complaint or allegation regarding racism
2. Assist the complainant to write the complaint, if required
3. Advise the complainant of their rights and the process to be followed in lodging a complaint
4. Refer the complaint to a member of the school executive who will be responsible for resolving the complaint

All members of the school community are able to report complaints to me. The school community includes students, parents, staff members and members of the school's wider community.

## The Newcastle Knights came to visit us this week!





# 4H

## Learning to be future focussed learners.

This term we are learning to use “Google Classroom” which is a blended learning platform that is preparing our students to be future focussed learners.



Every day we practise “Mindfulness” in our class after lunch using the “Smiling Mind” educational program. This program provides a sequence of lessons that aim to improve well being for all children.



## 4H love Mathematics!!!



We are champions at solving number talk problems. We are learning to work mathematically where we select and use appropriate mental strategies to solve problems.





# PRESCHOOL NEWS



Welcome Kookaburras and Possums Preschoolers and their families for 2018. We have had a busy start to the year and it is great to see our returning families and also meeting our new families. Preschool has started the year with a good number of enrolments and with some places still available.

Parents are invited to attend our term 1 preschool meeting at 8:15am on Thursday 21<sup>nd</sup> February. Please contact staff if you can attend or with any matters you would like be discussed. Your input is invaluable to running a successful preschool.



## Milabah - Place of Fun.



Term 1 Week 4

### Jarjums playgroup

Is for 0–5 year olds and is held in Milabah every Tuesday, 9.30am – 11.30am.

Come and join Belinda, have some fun and pick up some great ideas to keep your children's active minds busy with reading, nursery rhymes playdough and lots of craft activities.

We request a gold coin donation for craft items and morning tea will be provided.

Term 1 we have Sing & Grow music program join us on the following dates:

1 - Feb 13 - School Week 3

2 - Feb 27 - School Week 5

3 - Mar 13 - School Week 7

4 - Mar 27 - School Week 9

5 - Apr 3 - School Week 10

6 - Apr 10 - School Week 11

Numbers are limited, so book early.



### Free Legal Service

Our Legal support at Milabah, Pat, is changing the way she outreaches with us, as Pat has been fitting us in between other work commitments, sometimes it is difficult for her to get here. Our new legal outreach will work by appointments. If you need legal advice and would like to talk to Pat, ring Roselea and book in a day and time. This way, Pat can utilise her time to better accommodate everyone's needs. If the matter is urgent I can organise for Pat to give you a call

### Samaritans Supported Playgroup

Come along and join Sharna for lots of fun, crafts, games, music and stories – and it's free

**When:** Wednesdays, 9.30 – 11.30 am

**Where:** Milabah Schools As Community Centre,  
Windale Primary School – Kilfera Street Windale

*Morning tea provided.*

*For information call:*

Allison Forsythe on **0428 166 119**

### Windale Fresh

The next Windale Fresh is this week, orders need to be in by Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> Feb and delivery is on Monday 26<sup>th</sup>

\$25.00 for a washing basket of fresh fruit & veg. Good value, good quality, so why not order from us and give it a try.

### WICA

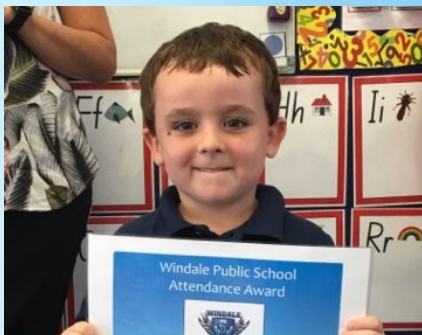
WICA community markets @ Mount Hutton, local stallholders at Lake Macquarie Tavern car park.  
1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month from February 3<sup>rd</sup> 8am – 1pm

Roselea  
49487786



## Windale PS Weekly Merit Award Winners WEEK 3

KM		3D	Aliqua, Sienna, Cody	Respect Awards
KD	Annalee, Landon , Noah	4H	Lee, Felecity, Ty-Rhys, Keely	
1/2M	Annabelle , Bailey, Hannah, Jayleigha	5GM	Joel, Yalondha, Emily, Matthew	Lucky Awards
1/2S	Sophie, Emily, Jaxon	6C	Ruby, Tenasy, Krystal, Nate	



ATTENDANCE AWARDS



LUCKY AWARDS



KINDER AWARDS



INFANTS AWARDS

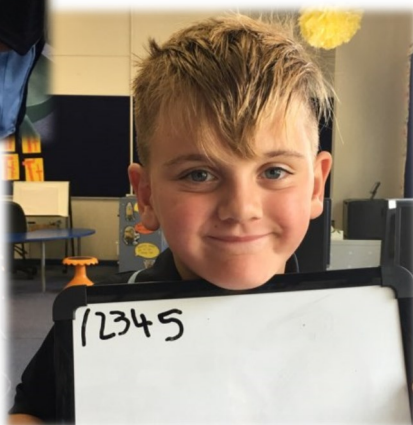
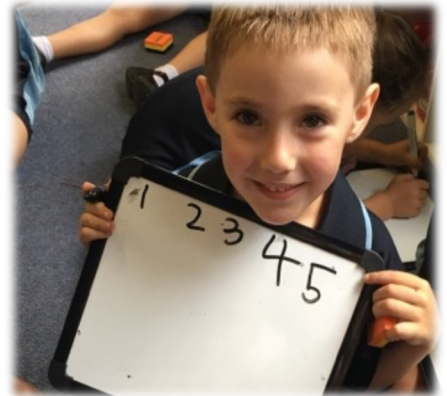
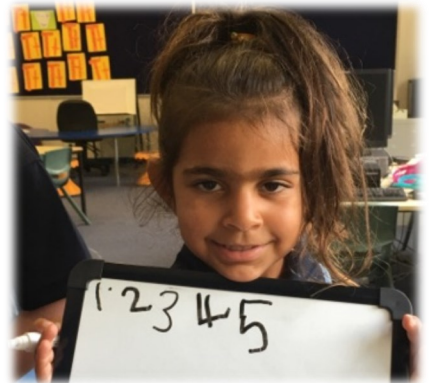
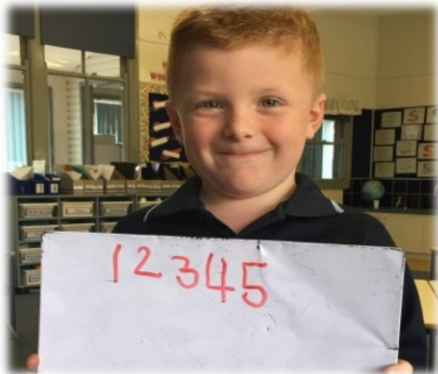


PRIMARY AWARDS

INFANTS HOME READING AWARD	
INFANTS CLEANLINESS AWARD	
PRIMARY HOME READING AWARD	
PRIMARY CLEANLINESS AWARD	
UNIFORM AWARD	
ATTENDANCE AWARD	KM
ASSEMBLY AWARD	



In Kinder we are...  
Learning  
numbers!





## Come and meet new friends



Give yourself some 'Timeout' to relax, have a chat and discover that creative self you have hidden away.

Thursdays 12:30 - 2:30pm

MILABAH  
SACC

Windale Public School

Please phone Roselea on 49487786 for expressions of interest.  
Children are welcome under parent supervision.

## Coming in 2018

### Term 2

Circle of Security attachment program

Friday nutrition/ cooking and social skills program

## Happening in the Community

### Community Garden

The Windale Community Garden is a project for ALL residents of Windale/Gateshead. If you have an interest in gardening or skills and knowledge to share, come and see Roselea at Milabah. We would love to see the gardens used by our community.



WICA community markets @ Mount Hutton, local stallholders at Lake Macquarie Tavern car park. 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month from February 3<sup>rd</sup> 8am - 1pm

WICA also produces the Phoenix news, so if you have an interesting story or a local champion you'd like to brag about, send your story with contact information. [wgtm.news@gmail.com](mailto:wgtm.news@gmail.com)

## Awabakal Medical Outreach.

The Medical Outreach starts again Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> February, appointments can be booked by calling Awabakal Health on 49078555



## Medical Outreach

Windale  
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Awabakal will be hosting weekly Medical Outreach clinics to promote the health and wellbeing of our local Aboriginal communities.

**Date** Weekly starting from Thursday 7th September  
**Location** Windale Public School - Hilliers St, Windale NSW 2306  
Van will be based in the infants playground  
**Time** 10am-3pm  
**Bookings** Appointments are essential. Book by calling Awabakal Medical Service on 4907 8555.

The clinic will have a GP Nurse, Family Health Worker and Aboriginal Liaison Officer. You will need to have a current Medicare card and parents must attend if the appointment is for a child. Awabakal will be on-site to provide information about other services and referral pathways.



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Do you have a child turning 4 in 2018? If so, there are vacancies in the HIPPY (Home Interaction Program for Parents and Youngsters) free program. HIPPY is a 2 year home-based early childhood program that builds the confidence and skills of parents and carers to create positive learning environment to prepare their child for school.

Do you want to find out more?

Please call HIPPY Eastlakes Coordinator Kathie Mackay on 0490503994

Or email [kathie@jobquest.org.au](mailto:kathie@jobquest.org.au)

Limited spaces- Don't miss out!



For further events and updates keep an eye out in your School newsletter and School Facebook page.

Or call Roselea on 4948778





# P&C NEWS

## Easter Raffle

A message to parents and carers & children,

If you could please help out the P & C Easter Raffle by donating an Easter Egg for our school. Please give Easter egg donations to the canteen.

## School Banking

Just a reminder SCHOOL BANKING is on a FRIDAY. Please return your banking folder to the office on Friday mornings. Students are able to sign up for school banking at any time. Some of the prizes that students are able to choose from once they've earned their 10 tokens include bouncy balls, key rings, a tablet case, a pencil case, ear phones, textas and crayons and you can also win a holiday!



## UNIFORM SHOP

The uniform shop is open on Thursday and Friday mornings from 8.45am – 9.05am.

The Uniform Shop has also been restocked with all shirt sizes available.

The P&C AGM Wednesday 14th March in The Uniform Shop room at 9:15am



## Coles Sports for Schools is back!

We are collecting the Schools for Sport tokens here at Windale Public School. Every voucher received at our school will go towards our tally to help us order more sports equipment.

Please place vouchers in the box located in the office.



# Swimming Carnival 2018

Wednesday of week 2 was Windale Public School's Annual Swimming Carnival at Charlestown Swimming Centre. Congratulations to all competitors, a great day was had by all. The carnival was filled with impressive individual performances, high levels of encouragement from our new house sports leaders and fierce competition between the Sports Houses. Thankyou to the parents who provided support and encouragement to the students on the day. Your presence is always welcome and encouraged.







# SAFETY around schools



## ROAD RULES IN SCHOOL ZONES:

### Pedestrian crossings

You cannot stop within 20 metres before a pedestrian crossing or 10 metres after a pedestrian crossing unless there is a control sign permitting parking.

*Maximum penalty: \$439 and two demerit points*

### Double parking

You may not stop on the road alongside to another vehicle at any time even to drop off or pick up passengers.

*Maximum penalty: \$330 and two demerit points*

### Parking on a verge

You cannot stop or park on a verge area (footpath, nature strip, dividing strip or kerb).

*Maximum penalty: \$183 and two demerit points*

## PARKING RESTRICTION SIGNS



### You cannot stop here

Unless there is a medical or other emergency

*Maximum penalty: \$330 and two demerit points*



### You cannot stop here

You are not allowed to stop your vehicle unless you are driving a bus.

*Maximum penalty: \$330 and two demerit points*



### You can stop here for two minutes only

You have no more than two minutes to drop off or pick up passengers or goods and the driver must stay within three metres of the vehicle.

*Maximum penalty: \$183 and two demerit points*



### You cannot stop here

Unless a current Mobility Parking Scheme (MPS) permit is displayed.

*\$549 and one demerit point*



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# BELMONT

## BASEBALL CLUB

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SUNDAY 11 FEBRUARY 9AM - 10.30AM

FRIDAY 16 FEBRUARY 5.30 - 7PM

WEDNESDAY 21 FEBRUARY 5PM - 6.30PM

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## BACK to SCHOOL

**Operating hours**

**Before School Care**  
7am - 9:30am

**After School Care**  
2:30pm - 6pm

**Vacation Care**  
7am - 6pm

**Schools we Service**

St Pauls Primary School  
Wiripaang Public School  
Redhead Public School  
Windale Public School  
Charlestown Public School  
Charlestown South Public School  
Dudley Public School

**What we Offer**

- A nutritious Breakfast and Afternoon Tea
- A range of stimulating activities such as cooking, homework club, sporting, art & craft and more.
- Bus transport to & from external schools at no extra charge.

**fees**

**Before School Care**  
Casual- \$18 Permanent- \$16

**After School Care**  
Casual- \$21 Permanent- \$19

**Vacation Care /Pupil Free Day**

**Day Camps**  
\$45

**Vacation Care/ Pupil Free Days**

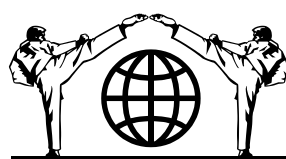
**Excursions/Incursions**  
\$60

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## HOSIN SUL



## TAE KWON DO

Learn self defence, get fit and have fun in a family oriented club.

Training at Jewells Primary School hall Monday and Wednesday 6:30-7:30pm, all ages welcome.

Most *reasonable* training fees in Lake Macquarie.

First month training **free** and **free** uniform on registration

If interested contact Senior Instructor Rick Budden 4th Dan on 0401 579 037





## PBL Reflection Room Changes

At Windale PS we have very high expectations of our students and their conduct. In line with our Positive Behaviour for Learning framework, students may at times be required to attend Reflection Room to discuss their behaviour during lunchtime. Students who attend Reflection Room this year will not be able to visit the Canteen while in Reflection Room. They of course can still order their lunch through the Canteen which will be delivered to them in their classrooms beforehand. We thank you for supporting us in ensuring we uphold the highest expectations for all our students in 2018.

## **Did you know that you can make payments to Windale Public School online?**

We have launched a new online payment portal linked to our school's website to make it easier for you to pay for school related payments. This is a secure payment page hosted by Westpac.

### **What expenses can be paid online?**

- Voluntary School Contributions
- Subject Contributions
- Excursions
- Sport
- Creative and Practical Arts
- Sales to Students
- Other

### **How?**

Log onto School site at <http://www.windale-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/> Click on "Make a Payment" and follow the prompts to make a payment via Visa or MasterCard.

