

Windale Public School

TERM 1 WEEK 6

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Principal's Message

We are always trying to improve how we do things at Windale PS and this year is no different. We have moved our parent teacher interviews to this week in Term 1 for several reasons. We have gathered the first five week cycle of data with regards to each child's learning and this is what we would now like to meet with you and discuss. Rather than waiting until half way through the year, you have told us that you want to know sooner rather than later how your child is doing academically, socially and behaviourally. This enables us to get together from the very beginning and collaborate on what goals we are focusing on for your child in their Individualised Education Plans (IEPs) and for our Aboriginal students through the MGoals platform. This is the time for you to raise with the classroom teachers any issues your child may be having in the classroom or the playground. Gone are the days when parents would say the teachers don't need to see me about my child – we want to see everyone! This is also the time when class teachers will discuss with you if they have any concerns with your child's progress and suggest additional ways in which we can support them both within the school and beyond. This may involve such strategies as referral to our school Learning Support Team and/or School Counsellor, as well as additional Wellbeing programs we are offering students this year at Windale. It is so very important that we work together in collaboration for the benefit of your child and parent teacher interviews are the perfect example of this. If you haven't made an appointment yet with your child's teacher, please check on our school Facebook page or Skoolbag app and click on the link – it's as easy as that.

NSW public schools are committed to providing safe, supportive and responsive learning environments for everyone. We teach and model the behaviours we value in our students. Windale PS is no different to any other public school in NSW and it is the expectation of the NSW Department of Education that we follow and enforce these rules on a daily basis. It is my responsibility as the leader of the school to ensure that this happens and in my absence that the same procedures and guidelines are followed by members of the school executive when they are in charge. I have attached a copy of the behaviour code for students for your reference which clearly outlines the guidelines by which we make our decisions, particularly when it may come to incidents serious enough for suspension based on student behaviour.

Similarly, as we have very high expectations of our conduct with you our families and community members, the same is expected in return. Anti-social or inappropriate behaviour by members of the community of any kind on school grounds or at school events will not be accepted, particularly when directed at another student, parent/carers or staff member. Our focus at Windale PS is learning and every child deserves the very best education possible that they could receive at any school in the state. That is the standard we strive to achieve and only with your cooperation and support can we hope to meet this very highest of expectations. Help us to help your child be the very best that they can be. That is all we ask. Have a fantastic week of learning everyone!

Ms Cindy Sadler

Principal

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

Mon 5th - Fri 9th March	Fri 9th March	Wednesday 14th March
Parent Teacher Interviews	Knights Knockout	School Disco
		K-2 3.30pm—4.15pm
		Years 3-6 4.30pm—6pm

Introducing...

Ms Vanessa Edwards-AEO

Aboriginal Education Officer

My name is Vanessa Edwards and I am a proud descendant of the Worimi people and have lived on Awabakal land all my life. I have worked at Wonderful Windale for 12 years after starting out as a parent volunteer. For the last 5 ½ years I have been in the relieving role of Aboriginal Education Officer.

Within my role I assist teachers to embed local cultural knowledge into lessons and programs. I work alongside teachers to empower the 71 Aboriginal students in our school achieve their potential. I make sure I am a positive role model for all students and ensure they can learn in a safe and happy time at school. I encourage and support parents and community to engage with the school by attending meetings, supporting school and community events and just being a friendly face in the playground.

When you see me out and about at school come over and say hello. Let's have a yarn!



Every student being safe, showing respect and being responsible.





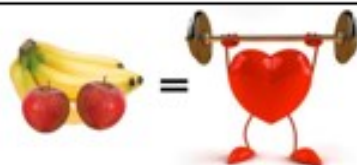
Kookaburras and Possums

*Promoting
Healthy
Living*

Preschoolers have been learning about healthy food and sometimes food. Possums visited Milabar with Roselea and made traffic light sandwiches. Kookaburras made cookies and enjoyed cookies and milk for recess.



Any parent/carer or family member who would like to come in to Preschool and share a cultural or family recipe, please speak to staff. Staff and children would love this opportunity for you to share with us.



Milabah - Place of Fun.



Term 1 Week 6

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 23rd Feb and delivery is on Monday 26th

\$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.
1st Saturday of the month from February 3rd 8am – 1pm

Roselea
49487786

Come and meet new friends



Give yourself some 'Time-out' 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 49487796 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. 1st Saturday of the month from February 3rd 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. wqtm.news@gmail.com

Awabakal Medical Outreach.

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



Medical Outreach

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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 - Hillers 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

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



Windale PS Weekly Merit Award Winners WEEK 4

KD	Mia, Victor, Meleah	3D	Malaya, Levi, Shontay	Respect Awards
KM	Jacobi, Archer, Ryan	4H	Owen, Hayley, Mathew, Amelia	
1/2M	Ashlyn, Seth, Raymond, Cameran	5GM	Jarrama, Victor, Laykin, Chloe	Lucky Awards
1/2S	Traie, Olivia, Isabell	6C	Bindah, Kyte, Morgan, Lucas	Keely



LUCKY AWARDS



ASSEMBLY ITEM



INFANTS AWARDS



PRIMARY AWARDS



ASSEMBLY ITEM

Windale PS Weekly Merit Award Winners WEEK 5

KD	Ella, Namiyah, Jaxon	3D	Kayla, Jensen, Kiarni	Respect Awards
KM	Jessie, Cody, Lexxi	4H	Taylor, Benjamin, Bianca, Nicole	
1/2M	Kathleen, Khalifa, Talan, Dekland	5GM	Kiesha, Lucien, Tallyn, Sierra	Lucky Awards
1/2S	Jai, Freddie, Traie	6C	Kyte, Robert, Emily, Jamine	



ATTENDANCE AWARDS



AWARDS



INFANTS AWARDS



INFANT & PRIMARY AWARDS

Dream, Believe, Achieve

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!



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.



Behaviour code for students

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Information for parents/carers and students

NSW public schools are committed to providing safe, supportive and responsive learning environments for everyone. We teach and model the behaviours we value in our students.

In NSW public schools students are expected to:

- Respect other students, their teachers and school staff and community members.
- Follow school and class rules and follow the directions of their teachers.
- Strive for the highest standards in learning.
- Respect all members of the school community and show courtesy to all students, teachers and community members.
- Resolve conflict respectfully, calmly and fairly.
- Comply with the school's uniform policy or dress code.
- Attend school every day (unless legally excused).
- Respect all property.
- Not be violent or bring weapons, illegal drugs, alcohol or tobacco into our schools.
- Not bully, harass, intimidate or discriminate against anyone in our schools.

Schools take strong action in response to behaviour that is detrimental to self or others or to the achievement of high quality teaching and learning.

Telephone interpreter service

If you would like to discuss this document with the Principal and need assistance with English please call the telephone interpreter service on 131 450, tell them what language you need and ask the operator to phone the school. The operator will get an interpreter on the line to assist you with your conversation. You will not be charged for this service.

Behaviour Code for Students: Actions

Promoting the learning, wellbeing and safety of all students in NSW Public Schools is a high priority for the Department of Education.

We implement teaching and learning approaches to support the development of skills needed by students to meet our high standards for respectful, safe and engaged behaviour.

Respect

- Treat one another with dignity.
- Speak and behave courteously.
- Cooperate with others.
- Develop positive and respectful relationships and think about the effect on relationships before acting.
- Value the interests, ability and culture of others.
- Dress appropriately by complying with the school uniform or dress code.
- Take care with property.

Safety

- Model and follow departmental, school and/or class codes of behaviour and conduct.
- Negotiate and resolve conflict with empathy.
- Take personal responsibility for behaviour and actions.
- Care for self and others.
- Avoid dangerous behaviour and encourage others to avoid dangerous behaviour.

Engagement

- Attend school every day (unless legally excused).
- Arrive at school and class on time.
- Be prepared for every lesson.
- Actively participate in learning.
- Aspire and strive to achieve the highest standards of learning.

The principal and school staff, using their professional judgment, are best placed to maintain discipline and provide safe, supportive and responsive learning environments. The department provides a policy framework and resources such as Legal Issues Bulletins, access to specialist advice, and professional learning to guide principals and their staff in exercising their professional judgment. In this context the NSW Government and the Department of Education will back the authority and judgment of principals and school staff at the local level.



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



Sunday March 11th

7km .. there and back

Along the foreshore path to Warners Bay.

Starts at Speers Point Park between

9.30 & 10.30 am

The family charity ride takes place simultaneously with the traditional Loop the Lake event.

Join us for a fun day!

Morning tea, lunch and a pass to Speers Point Swim Centre are included. Register online at for great family prizes:

www.loophthelake.com.au

Your fun-day contributions make it possible for the Rotary Club of Warners Bay to support the efforts of major charities who do such good work in our community.

In addition, donations are made throughout the year to other worthy projects, some that are local and some elsewhere in Australia and in the wider world beyond.



Are you in Kindergarten in 2018

1 X Free BSC Session

Bring in this flyer to receive a free before school care session free of charge.

Valid for Term 1 2018 only.



Good for Kids good for life

SUGARY DRINKS

The NSW Healthy School Canteen Strategy was introduced in 2017. As part of the strategy, sugary drinks are not to be sold in the canteen.

Sugary drinks include: regular soft drinks, flavoured mineral waters, flavoured waters, sports waters, sports drinks, fruit drinks, coconut waters, cordials, slushies and frozen fruit drinks with less than 99% fruit juice. All energy drinks are also included.

Our canteen stocks refreshing everyday drinks for the students and includes water, plain and/or flavoured milk and 99% fruit juice.

Why not try cutting back on sugary drinks at home too?



PHONE 4924 6499

CLOSETHEGAP

Join us for our Closing the Gap Morning Tea to show your support for Indigenous Health Equality

Where: Windale Community Medical Centre

When: Thursday, 15th March 2018

Time: 10.00am



I'M PLEDGING TO
CLOSETHEGAP
ON INDIGENOUS HEALTH EQUALITY
YOU SHOULD TOO!
oxfam.org.au/closethegap



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.



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.

