

# Windale Public School

TERM 2 WEEK 9

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## Principal's Message



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Only two weeks to go and we are at the school holidays again. Can you believe we will be halfway through the school year by then - wow!!

### **NAIDOC WEEK CELEBRATIONS - BECAUSE OF HER, WE CAN!**

NAIDOC Week 2018 will celebrate the invaluable contributions that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women have made - and continue to make - to our communities, our families, our rich history and to our nation. At Windale PS we will be holding our celebrations on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> July and as always invite our community to be actively involved. More information will be coming home regarding what we have planned in the coming days. We hope to see many faces that we know and also hopefully some new ones in the school on the day, everyone is welcome to attend.

### **BIKES AND SCOOTERS**

Just a reminder to our students and families that if you ride a bike or scooter to school, you must wear a helmet and provide a bike lock to secure your bike or scooter outside the Library in the bike racks. Unfortunately we have had a few students who have been coming into

the school grounds in the mornings and thinking it is appropriate to ride these within the school grounds when this is not allowed. Students who continue to disregard this expectation will be dealt with according to our school PBL system. We thank you for your support with this matter.

### **ATTENDANCE**

We will be continuing to work with those students and families who have attendance patterns of concern. Just a reminder to all families that absences need to be explained within 7 days to the school either in person, written note, via the Skoolbag app or over the phone. Thank you to those families who have been working with us to ensure students are at school on time and ready to learn each day. It does make a difference and we appreciate your support.



Looking forward to seeing as many people as possible at our P&C meeting today at 12.15pm in the Uniform Shop. Have a fantastic week of learning everyone!

### IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

**Wednesday 27th June  
Netball Gala Day**

**Friday 29th June  
Knights Knockout**

**Tuesday 3rd July  
Touch Football  
Gala Day**



### WEEK 9

Each week in our newsletter we will be focusing on an issue related to attendance. This week we would like to focus on **the importance of regular communication between home and school**. If for any reason you are finding it difficult to get your child to come to school, please contact your child's class teacher as soon as possible. By working together we can ensure that your child gets the very best education possible at Windale PS.

### WEEK 10

This week we would like to focus on the importance of students attending school for the full school day. This includes being on time to start school in the morning, as well as remaining at school until the end of the day at 3pm. *We would particularly like to discourage parents from picking their children up early from school during school open days, carnivals or after school assemblies.* Students need to become aware that regardless of the particular activity being held at school, their attendance for the whole school day is just as important as at any other time. We thank parents and caregivers for their support with this matter.



#### Creativity

**Myth:** Apps are killing children's creativity.

**Fact:** Some apps foster creativity while other apps can hamper children's creativity. It is really determined by how the app is designed and how the children use it.

Consumption Apps include	Creativity Apps
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• YouTube</li> <li>• Pre made content</li> <li>• Apps children just watch</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Drawing</li> <li>• Art</li> <li>• Music</li> <li>• Creating Animation</li> <li>• Digital book creation</li> </ul>

Make Technology Time count and monitor which types of apps your child is using.

## Windale PS Weekly Merit Award Winners WEEK 8

KD	Ailya M, Isaac E, Ella C	3D		Respect Awards
KM	Mataio T, Lucy H, Zahkyra C	4H	Felecity B, Georgia H, Taylor A, Bianca T-T	
1/2M	Ethan R, Khalifa A-B, Jakobi N-S, Paige G	5GM	Bailey H, Sierra H, Emily P	Lucky Awards
1/2S	Izayah D, Jai L, Freddie E-G	6C	Jamine K-B, Taleisha D, Tenasy L, Connor P	



**CLASS AWARDS**



**HOME READER AWARDS**



**INFANTS AWARDS**



**PRIMARY AWARDS**

INFANTS HOME READING AWARD	KD
INFANTS CLEANLINESS AWARD	KD
PRIMARY HOME READING AWARD	6C
PRIMARY CLEANLINESS AWARD	4H
UNIFORM AWARD	1/2S
ATTENDANCE AWARD	1/2M & 4H
ASSEMBLY AWARD	1/2M

# SCHOOL HOLIDAY GYMNASTICS WORKSHOPS

ALL WORKSHOPS RUN FOR TWO HOURS.  
COST IS \$25 PER WORKSHOP.

WE ARE RUNNING  
GYMNASTICS  
WORKSHOPS EACH  
DAY OF THE  
HOLIDAYS

Bookings are essential  
as we need a minimum  
of 4 children per class  
Book in at reception

Monday 9th July  
Tuesday 10th July  
Wednesday 11th July  
Thursday 12th July  
Friday 13th July

Monday 16th July  
Tuesday 17th July  
Wednesday 18th July  
Thursday 19th July  
Friday 20th July

Please ensure students  
bring:  
Water bottle  
Hair tie  
Snack

All classes run  
from 10.00am -  
12.00pm



## P&C NEWS

### 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. 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 are available.





If you have any spare time available, we would love your help in the classroom for:

#### Literacy Sessions 9-11

- listening to our students read
- helping with group tasks
- mentoring with writing
- sight words

#### Maths Sessions 11.40-12.40

- Counting and number recognition
- Maths activities and games

Please see your classroom teacher, Mr McLean or Mrs Smith if you can volunteer!



### 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.



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