

# Windale Public School

TERM 3 WEEK 7

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## Principal's Message



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Only three weeks to go until the end of Term 3 – where has the year gone! There is so much learning still to be done this year before we start looking towards 2019.

### SMS MESSAGING SYSTEM FOR ATTENDANCE

Attendance continues to be an ongoing focus area for our school. Our commitment to student wellbeing incorporates attendance as our students cannot become fearless learners if they are not at school to access the learning opportunities we offer. Illness is unavoidable but I am concerned that we still have far too many students missing too many days of school. For every day that your child misses of school, it takes three days for them to catch up. Our new SMS messaging system has been positively received by those community members I have spoken to. We want your children at school every day and we notice when they aren't. Thank you for your support in ensuring your mobile phone details are updated with our office if they change and for ensuring all absences are explained within 7 days as this is a legal requirement across all schools for students between the ages of 6 and 17.

## EVERY DAY COUNTS....

**A day here or there doesn't seem like much, but...**

When your child misses just...	that equals...	which is...	and therefore, from Kindy to Year 12, that is...	This means that the best your child can achieve is...
1 day each fortnight	20 days per year	4 weeks per year	Nearly 1 ½ years of school	Equal to finishing Year 11
1 day a week	40 days per year	8 weeks per year	Over 2 ½ years of school	Equal to finishing Year 10
2 days a week	80 days per year	16 weeks per year	Over 5 years of learning	Equal to finishing Year 7
3 days a week	120 days per year	24 weeks per year	Nearly 8 years of learning	Equal to finishing Year 4

*Give your child  
every chance to  
succeed...*

**Every day  
counts!**



### CHILDREN ARE AT THE CENTRE OF EVERY DECISION WE MAKE

As outlined in the Department of Education's Strategic Plan 2018-2022, **we at Windale PS believe it is our mission to prepare our students to lead rewarding and productive lives in a complex and dynamic world.** No matter how busy our school gets with special events and activities, our core business still remains improving the learning outcomes for every student in our school from Preschool to Year 6. This is only possible with everyone including students, parents/carers and the school working together in partnership. As part of our annual review of school procedures and guidelines to meet Department of Education policy requirements, we have recently completed our update of the school's **Anti-Bullying Plan** which is now available for viewing on our school website at <http://www.windale-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/our-school/anti-bullying-plan>. Thank you to Ms Melissa Carter who has coordinated this review with focus groups of students, community consultation and staff led professional learning to ensure our new plan meets updated Departmental requirements and is reflective of feedback from all stakeholders.

We wish our Kindergarten and Year One/Two students well on their excursions this week and know they will come back with lots of fantastic stories of their adventures. Have a fantastic week of learning everyone!

### IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

**Wed 5th Sept  
Kinder—Oakvale Farm  
Excursion 9am**

**Mon 17th Sept  
4H Apple Store Visit**

**Thurs 27th Sept  
Windale's Got Talent & Mini  
Fete**





HAPPY  
Father's  
Day  
♥









# School Leaders for 2019

Recently our Year 5 students were briefed on the expectations of being a student leader for 2019. If students aspire to be a School Leader for Year 6 2019, they need to fit the criteria as described in the "Expectations for a Student Leader at Windale Public School in 2019" that was handed out to Year 5 students recently. A copy of the guidelines will also be available on our Facebook page.

## **Expectations for a Student Leader at Windale Public School in 2019**

Student Leaders lead the student leadership team who support the Principal and Assistant Principals in delivering the school mission and vision statements. They develop student presence and voice within the school community and lead the student community in demonstrating citizenship throughout the school and across the wider community.

Role Description of a Student Leader:

- Provide a positive role model and leadership to the student body;
- Represent the student body at school and community functions;
- Coordinate school assembly programs;
- Chair Student Representative Council meetings with the assistance of the teaching staff;
- Take Pride and encourage students to take pride in their school;
- Assist any student in need when necessary;
- Willingly help teachers and the community.

Mr Garland

# Windale's Got Talent

*The school is alive with the sound of music.*

*Windale certainly does have talent! Rehearsals are already underway, if your student wishes to showcase a talent either individually or as a small group they are more than welcome to register their intent through our sign up tables run by the SRC during play time.*

# SRC

The SRC have been busy behind the scene this term with raising awareness of our farmers during the drought. We have organised a collection of non perishable items in the front office. If you would like to assist by donating some items, we are currently collecting, canned, boxed or packaged goods as well as toiletries.

Thank you to those that have already donated. Our package will be posted at the end of week 9.





## Windale PS Weekly Merit Award Winners WEEK 5

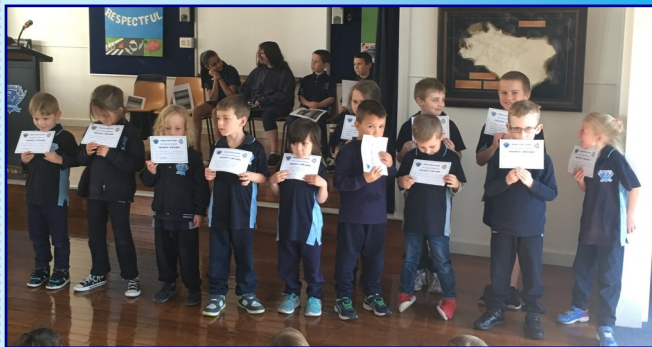
KD	Dominic H, Maleah S, Noah S, Ive-Lee	3D		Respect Awards
KM		4H	Tara G, Levi M, Harmony Y, Elijah W	
1/2M	Ashlyn S, Jayleigha M, Jericho D, Brayden B	5GM	Sierra H, Emily P, Chloe C, Bailey H	Lucky Awards
1/2S	Izayah D, Dakota, Freddie E-G	6C	Tenansy L, Morgan D-K, Craig C	



**CLASS AWARDS**



**HOME READER AWARDS**



**INFANTS AWARDS**



**PRIMARY AWARDS**

<b>INFANTS HOME READING AWARD</b>	
<b>INFANTS CLEANLINESS AWARD</b>	
<b>PRIMARY HOME READING AWARD</b>	<b>5GM</b>
<b>PRIMARY CLEANLINESS AWARD</b>	<b>4H</b>
<b>UNIFORM AWARD</b>	<b>KD</b>
<b>ATTENDANCE AWARD</b>	
<b>ASSEMBLY AWARD</b>	<b>KD</b>

# Friday Football

By Barry Williams

Last Friday both the Senior and Junior teams played outstanding attacking football. The Juniors were great against Mt Hutton. Players of the Match were Bailey and Izaak. Special mention to the girl brigade, Shontay, Bianca, Kiarni and Keely who are starting to really play great football and getting involved. The Senior team were fantastic against Mount Hutton and Floraville. Players of the match included William and Connor.

Thanks again to coaches Luke and Tim.



## 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!



Due to the cooler weather as of the beginning of Term 3, the canteen will no longer be open during recess. Students are still able to purchase ice-blocks as part of their lunch order at lunch time. We thank the volunteers who give their time and allow our canteen to be open 5 days a week, unlike many schools.



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.



UNIFORM SHOP