

Windale Public School

TERM 3 WEEK 9

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Principal's Message



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Only two weeks to go until the end of Term 3 but still so much exciting events before everyone can enjoy a well deserved break over the holidays.

NAPLAN ONLINE

As many people would have already heard in the news, there has been much discussion around the difference in results being achieved in schools by Year 3 and Year 5 students who did their NAPLAN tests online this year as opposed to the schools who used the traditional pen and paper format. We are yet to receive the NAPLAN reports to be sent home to parents but they are expected any day now. These will be sent home as soon as we receive them. At Windale PS we chose to move to the online testing platform as soon as we were able to as this is the way of the future – all schools must be completing NAPLAN testing online by 2020. Our students having been part of the trial have already had two years more experience than many other students in other schools. I am also unaware of any other local Primary school that has a computer lab that caters for a full class with one computer per child as we have here at Windale. Significant funding over past years and into the future will allow us to ensure we continue to be at the cutting edge when it comes to future focused learning which incorporates such new initiatives as NAPLAN Online.

STAGE THREE OPPORTUNITIES

The next few weeks are particularly busy for our Year 5 and 6 students as they prepare for the next stage of their schooling careers. These students will be attending Yakka Day on Wednesday 19th September which is an opportunity for them to get hands on experience and learn about new skills and trades from more than 50 participating

businesses that they may be interested in pursuing when they leave school. Yakka Day encourages young people to think about their future and the importance of education for getting the job they want which fits perfectly with our continued focus at Windale PS on thinking about life outside the school gates and into the future. We believe all our students can be successful and should aim high with their goals and aspirations for life after school.

Year 6 will also be having their first transition visit to Hunter Sports HS on Monday 24th September since many of the newly renovated areas of the school have been opened. I have personally been on a tour of the new buildings and it is truly spectacular! Our kids are going to love it! Such an exciting time for us to be working in partnership with Hunter Sports High with these amazing new facilities and I cannot wait to hear what our Year 6 students think about what they see.

WINDALE'S GOT TALENT AND MINI FETE

I am looking forward to seeing as many families and community members at our Mini Fete on Thursday 27th September. As we did last year we will be holding our Windale's Got Talent finals in the morning session with audience members welcome for a gold coin donation and our Mini Fete festivities will be kicking off from 11.00am. Wrist bands for rides will be \$20 per child with all money raised going towards purchasing more future focused technology for students to use in our classrooms on a daily basis. Thank you for coming along and supporting us with your presence on the day. It is one of our most rewarding and exciting community days of the year and we can't wait!

Have a fantastic week of learning everyone!

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

Thurs 27th Sept	Friday 19th October
Windale's Got Talent & Mini Fete	Swim Scheme starts



WINDALE PUBLIC SCHOOL MINI FETE

THURSDAY 27TH SEPTEMBER
11AM - 2PM
IN THE INFANT'S PLAYGROUND

UNLIMITED MEGAMANIA RIDES \$20
PAY AT THE OFFICE BY 26TH SEPTEMBER

NSW Fire & Rescue
NSW Police
PCYC Van
Sausage Sizzle \$2

Food
Craft Stalls
Community Garden
Botanical Gardens

Hunter Water
Centrelink
Housing NSW
OOSH

Supported by Windale Public School, P & C and Milabah



Windale's GOT TALENT

Attention Parents, family and community members!

Our annual talent contest is fast approaching and you definitely will not want to miss it.

When: 9.15am Thursday 27th September

Where: Windale PS Hall

Gold coin donation with proceeds to go towards technology.

**Make sure you don't miss this amazing showcase of our student's talents.
It will be an event to remember!**

FRIDAY NETBALL

We had two good games of netball last week. The junior team played their best even with players that who ere feeling unwell. Tara showed her resilience by playing through her sickness. Special mention to Lee for having the courage to play goal shooter. Unfortunately, we didn't have a win but it was a close game.

The seniors had a fabulous game. The team played so well and were very impressive. Special mention to Sierra Hudson who played so well as goal attack. The seniors had a good win against Belmont North.

We are hoping to get to the semi-finals and then finals.





Dance2bfit is coming to WPS

We are having the Dance2bfit Program at our school in Term 4 this year from Week 1 to Week 8. The Program is energetic, innovative and a fun way for our students to get fit and funky learning the latest dance styles to the hottest music tracks. This is a great program to improve the fitness levels of students while they are having a great time.

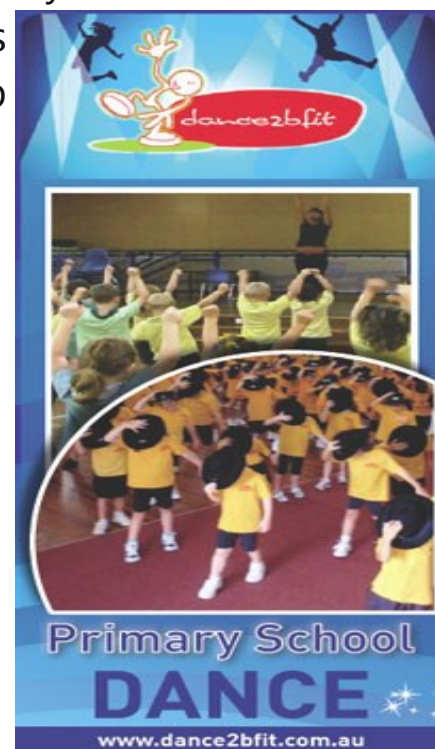


Dance2bfit has been developed specifically for NSW Primary Schools under the PDHPE syllabus. Students will learn a range of routines suitable for their age and ability level as well as develop their confidence and skill in this area of the Arts.

Students will be taught a new dance every lesson over the 8 week program.



Our Stage 2 & 3 students will be taught the SLAM routine using drum sticks to drive the beat of the music.



Windale PS has been very fortunate in gaining a grant in order to fund this program which would normally cost \$23 per child.



Windale PS Weekly Merit Award Winners WEEK 8

KD	Aliya M, Isaac E, Ella C	3D	
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	
1/2S	Izayah D, Jai L,	6C	Jasmine 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

Friday Football

By Barry Williams

Despite the wet conditions Windale Junior and Senior teams played outstanding football. The Juniors had a great game against Eleebana. Player of the Match Awards went to Elijah and Keely. Special mention to Shontay who scored a great individual try, running through the entire Eleebana team. Well done girl!



The Seniors were also impressive against Mt Hutton with all players getting involved. Jaxxon and Joel are to be congratulated on showing great teamwork and encouraging their fellow players. A big, big thank you 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



Term 3 Week 8

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.



Free Legal Service

Our Legal support at Milabah, Pat, has changed 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

Coffee and Craft

Give yourself some timeout to relax, have a chat and discover that creative self you have hidden away. Bring along unfinished projects, or create something new, children welcome under parent supervision.

Thursdays 12.30 – 2.30 pm at Milabah.



TAFE Outreach

Term 4 will see an exciting opportunity to participate in a TAFE program, right here at Milabah. An Introduction to Animal Care will run term 4.

If you are interested, give me a call, or come down and put your name down.

Roselea



**Is your child 4 years old
or turning 4 before 31 July 2019?**

Do you live in:

Belmont	Belmont North
Charlestown	Charlestown South
Gateshead	Mt Hutton
Tingira Heights	Windale

If so, join HIPPY
(Home Interaction Program for Parents and Youngsters)!
It is FREE!

HIPPY is a two-year, home-based early childhood learning and parenting program that builds the confidence and skills of parents and carers to create a positive learning environment to prepare the child for school.

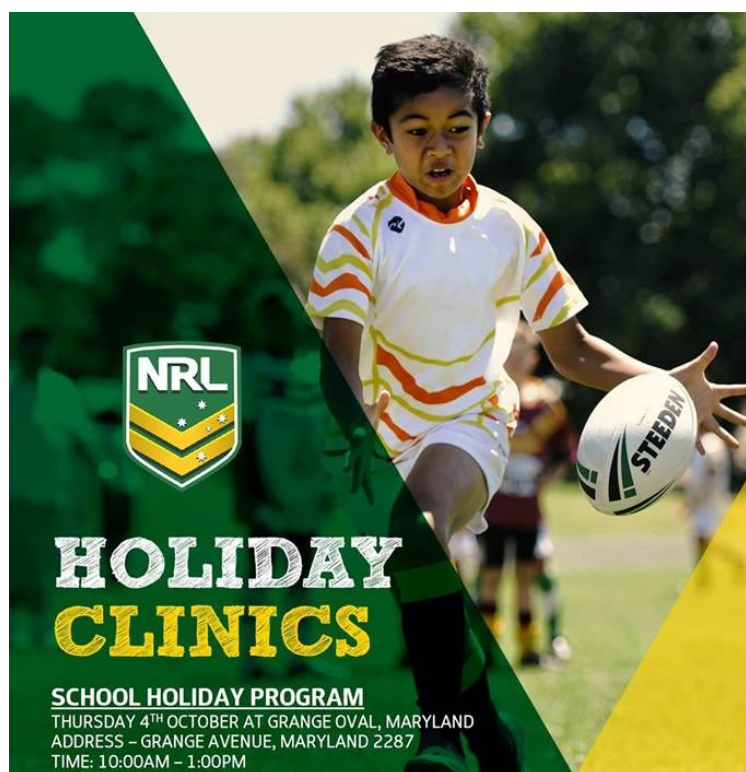
Benefits for children and families:

- ✓ Encourages a love of learning in children: setting them up for school
- ✓ Maximises the chances of children enjoying and doing well at school
- ✓ Builds children's self-esteem and confidence in learning
- ✓ Provides opportunities for parents/carers and children to enjoy time together
- ✓ Increases parents' knowledge of child development and the way children learn
- ✓ Enables parents to be more actively involved in their children's education
- ✓ Creates employment and training opportunities

Do you want to find out more?
Contact Jaylene McKenzie (HIPPY Coordinator) on
0413342667 or jaylene@jobquest.org.au

The Home Interaction Program for Parents and Youngsters is funded by the Australian Government through the Department of Social Services. The Brotherhood of St Laurence holds the licence to operate HIPPY in Australia.

Community News



NRL

HOLIDAY CLINICS

SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM
THURSDAY 4TH OCTOBER AT GRANGE OVAL, MARYLAND
ADDRESS - GRANGE AVENUE, MARYLAND 2287
TIME: 10:00AM - 1:00PM

SCHOOL HOLIDAY GYMNASTICS WORKSHOPS

ALL WORKSHOPS RUN FOR THREE HOURS.
COST IS \$35 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

Tuesday 2nd October
Wednesday 3rd October
Thursday 4th October
Friday 5th October

Monday 8th October
Tuesday 9th October
Wednesday 10th October
Thursday 11th October
Friday 12th October

Please ensure students bring:
Water bottle
Hair tie
Snack

All classes run from 10.00am - 1.00pm

PLAYNRL HOLIDAY CLINIC AT THE HOME OF THE WALLSEND/MARYLAND TIGERS

The PlayNRL Holiday Clinic is a day program for kids aged 5-14 of any gender that focuses on fun, fitness and participation.

Cost: \$40 per child which includes a PlayNRL Holiday Pack.

What to bring: Hat, water bottle & lunch

Game Development Office Contact Details:

Name: Luke Lawrence Phone Number: 0402 892 487 Email: llawrence@nrl.com.au

REGISTER NOW AT www.playnrl.com UNDER THE CLINICS & PROGRAMS SECTION

PLAYNRL.COM



NEWKULELE Festival

General admission on Saturday and Sunday is FREE for all the family

The weekend includes workshops plus over 50 groups and solo performers showcasing the ukulele and accompanying instruments.

Come along and watch kids from local schools perform from 9am to 12 noon on Sunday, 21 October 2018.

Tickets to the evening concerts and workshops are available by visiting the Newkulele Festival's website www.newkulelefestival.com



Good times.
Good music.
Good memories.

Newcastle City Hall
19 - 21 October 2018

Kids Workshop



Perfect for kids of all ages

Presented by: Tom the Pom

12:00pm - 1:00pm

Sunday 21 October 2018

No uke, no experience, no worries. This workshop will have everyone strumming along. Music is in your hands with the mightiest of instruments, the ukulele. Each child will learn about rhythm, pitch, harmony, tempo and tone while working towards playing a song as a ukulele ensemble.

Tickets \$12 (Limited to 50)

Beatboxing Workshop



Bandmouth, beatbox & beyond

Presented by: Mal Webb

2:10pm - 3:10pm

Saturday 20 October 2018

Around the world and into your gob, vocal explorer and songwriter Mal Webb takes you on a lip to lung journey. Sideways yodelling, beatbox/mouthdrums/vocal percussion, harmonics/throat singing, mic technique, looping, advanced clapping and vocal distortion are all explored on the way to being a band with your voice.

Tickets \$20 (Limited to 50)

MARKETS • WORKSHOPS • TWO EVENING CONCERTS • FREE DAYTIME

Spring Vacation Care 2018

Fair Play OOSH Gateshead

Monday 1st**Tuesday 2nd**Pizza & PJ's

Slip out of bed and straight to OOSH in your PJ's and enjoy a yummy pizza lunch.

Pamper and Playdough

Paint your nails and have your hair done or be creative and hands on making your very own playdough.

Day Camp

Wednesday 3rdJust DreamDinosaur Fossils

Dig up a fossil and enjoy interacting with Slash the dinosaur.

10am arrival

Daring Dinosaurs

Create your own dinosaur using recycled materials.

Incursion

Thursday 4thMattara festival

Enjoy a full day of unlimited rides with your friends.

9am - 3pm

Relax with a movie

Put your feet up & relax with a movie after a big day out.

Excursion

Friday 5thGold Class Movies"Small Foot"

Kick back with your popcorn in recliners and enjoy the movie.

10am - 1pm

Music Madness

Dance, sing and be creative with all types of music.

Excursion

Monday 8thCool Commando's

Dress up in your camouflage clothes and tackle the crazy commando course as you pretend to be a soldier in the army.

Face Painting

Get your face painted to blend in with the surrounds to tackle the commando course.

Day Camp

Tuesday 9thKavon Theatre

Enjoy an exciting interactive show with games, prizes and more.

9am - 1pm

Super Science

Become a little Einstein and take part in the science experiments.

Excursion

Wednesday 10thCube Sports

Build your skills in a sports program and take part in first aid training.

10am - 12pm

Creative Crafts

Make the room bloom with spring crafts.

Incursion

Thursday 11thCircus Fun

Join in on the fun and experience the circus at Morisset under the Big Top for a fun filled day.

9am - 3pm

Wild Wild West

Shoot Cans and enjoy a horse race as we pretend we are in the wild west.

Excursion

Friday 12thHunter Sports Stadium

Jump, bounce and flip the morning away learning new skills in gymnastics.

11am - 12:30pm

Super Sports

Pick a sport and challenge your OOSH friends and staff.

Excursion

Fair Play OOSH- Gateshead

Felton Street, Gateshead

Ph: 0412 728 915 Email: stpaulsgateshead@fairplayoosh.com.au

Enrol and book via the Family lounge @ www.fairplayoosh.com.au



October 2018 Vacation Care information

fees

Day Camps \$50

Incursion & Excursions- \$65

- The daily incursion and excursion fee of \$65 is inclusive of incursion, excursion and travel costs.
- Daily fee reduced by Child Care Subsidy
- No cancellation Policy for Vacation Care Excursions & Incursions & 24 hours for Day Camps.
- Once bookings are made we will email or print you a statement with the WEEKLY total of your bookings.
- Collection after 6pm incurs a fee of \$10 per family.

things your children will need daily

- Send your child each day with a packed recess, lunch, snacks & drink bottle.
- A wide brimmed hat and sun safe clothing.
- Enclosed shoes. No sandals, thongs or ballet flats
- Positive attitude
- Fair Play **Green** Shirts are compulsory on all Vacation Care Excursions and will be available to purchase in the weeks leading up to Vacation Care. The cost of the shirt is **\$15** and is payable by cash or can be added to your account.

how to book

Phone - 0412 728 915 Email stpaulsgateshead@fairplayoosh.com.au

Family Lounge- www.fairplayoosh.com.au

You will be required to complete a booking form to confirm bookings



Operating hours & Location

7am - 6pm

St Pauls Primary School

Felton Street, Gateshead NSW 2290

PCYC | POLICE CITIZENS
YOUTH CLUBS NSW



OUT OF SCHOOL HOURS

October School Holidays Week 1

Monday 1 st	Tuesday 2 nd	Wednesday 3 rd	Thursday 4 th	Friday 5 th
  	 <p>TODAY WE ARE GOING ON AN EXCURSION TO HUNTER VALLEY ZOO!</p>   <p>ANIMAL FOAM CUP CRAFT</p> 	 <p>BRING YOUR OWN DEVICE TODAY CHILDREN CAN BRING IN THEIR DEVICES FROM HOME TO PLAY THROUGHOUT THE DAY</p>    <p>RECYCLING CRAFT CREATIONS</p>	 <p>TODAY WE WILL BE MAKING AN AWESOME TACO LUNCH AFTER RETURNING FROM A FUN FILLED MORNING AT SPRINGLOADED</p>  	 <p>TODAY WE WILL BE GOING TO HOYTS TO SEE SMALLFOOT!</p>  <p>MAKE YOUR OWN DREAM CATCHER!</p> 

With the Child Care Subsidy, fees can be considerably low. As low as \$6 per day (in club days). To find out if you are eligible for this benefit, contact your local Centrelink branch and inform them you want to put your child into approved Vacation Care with PCYC Lake Macquarie.

PCYC Lake Macquarie
2b Lake St, Windale
Ph: 4948 6622
OOSH Hours: 8.30am – 5.30pm


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YOUTH CLUBS NSW

OUT OF SCHOOL HOURS

October School Holidays Week 2

Monday 8 th	Tuesday 9 th	Wednesday 10 th	Thursday 11 th	Friday 12 th
<p>TODAY WE ARE GOING ON A PICNIC TO SPEERS POINT PARK!</p>    	<p>TODAY WE ARE GOING ON AN EXCURSION TO PCYC CESSNOCK FOR ROCK CLIMBING & GYMNASTICS FUN!</p>   	<p>TODAY WE WILL BE BAKING & DECORATING OUR OWN CUPCAKES TO HAVE FOR AFTERNOON TEA (& MAYBE SOME FOR HOME TOO)</p>   <p>WE WILL ALSO LEARN SOME MAGIC TRICKS & HAVE A MAGIC SHOW</p> 	 <p>TODAY WE ARE GOING TO HAVE A FUN DAY ALL ABOUT 'WORLD SIGHT DAY'</p>  <p>LET'S MAKE SOME FUN MASKS USING SCRATCHING TOOLS</p>  <p>LET'S WATCH A MOVIE ON THE BIG SCREEN!</p>	 <p>YOU GUYS ASKED FOR IT, SO HERE IT IS... WERE GOING ICE SKATING!!!</p>  <p>MAKE SURE YOU BRING A WARM JACKET</p>  <p>LET'S LEARN TO MAKE AN 'EGG IN HOLE'</p>

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