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TERM 3 WEEK 5

20TH AUGUST 2019

Principal's Message

JUST TURN UP – MISSING SCHOOL MEANS MISSING OUT

This week sees the Waiyarang Community of Schools coming together for a shared purpose that is consistent across all our sites at Windale, Wiripaang and Mount Hutton Public Schools and Hunter Sports High School. At the end of the day, children need to be at school regularly to achieve success – it's that simple. Over the coming weeks we will be releasing a positive advertising campaign with colourful and engaging designs developed specifically to raise the profile of the importance of attending school every day for all students to achieve their personal best.

This week's focus is on **Turning Up Your Motivation**. To do this, students need to attend school every day and set goals to ultimately achieve success. We want the best for your children and to do that we need your help. We look forward to working in collaboration with you to ensure your child gets the best possible education possible at Windale PS.

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

Netball Gala Day
Wednesday 21st August

**Newcastle Permanent
Maths Competition**
Thursday 22nd August

Kindergarten Excursion
Oakvale Farm
Tuesday 3rd September



Eastlakes PSSA Athletics Carnival

Congratulations to the students who represented Windale PS at this year's Zone Athletics Carnival. Your sportsmanship throughout the carnival was outstanding. Equal to your sportsmanship towards other competitors and your schoolmates. We were blessed with two beautiful sunny days and the Windale students and families were shaded under our brand new **BIG BLUE** gazebo with our WPS logo on show. A very special thank you to our wonderful parents and families for their outstanding support with transport and encouragement. Your continued support of our school and your children is very much appreciated.

Ribbon Results:

100m Finals- Kiarni Simon 4th (9yr girls), Joel Simon 3rd (12 yr boys).

200m Finals- Joel Simon 3rd (12 yr boys).

Day 2 started with a spirited march past to warm up our competitors. The Windale students marched with pride.



FRIDAY FOOTBALL

Another outstanding afternoon of football. Windale Juniors were brave on a rock hard surface. Battered and bruised, they kept on getting up, dusting themselves down and putting in courageously for each other. Every player gave their utmost. Player of the Match Awards went to Emily, who scored a brilliant try, and Cody who always plays at 100%.

Windale Seniors were also brilliant against Eleebana, scoring some great team tries. Player of the Match Awards went to Guy and Tyrell. Joel was his usual brilliant self. A big 'THANK YOU' to coaches Tim and Luke.



Junior Relays Teams



Senior Relays Teams



Congratulations to all the representatives on a fantastic carnival. You can be extremely proud of your efforts!

NSW PSSA Touch Football

This week, our very talented Joel Simon will compete at the NSW PSSA Touch Football championship in Wallsend. We wish him all the very best for the three days of competition.

We are very proud of your achievements. Good Luck Joel!

Windale PS Weekly Merit Award Winners WEEK 4

HOME READING & INFANTS AWARDS



KD	Phoenix Jones
K/1M	Landon Roberts, Georgina Sullivan, Ayla Sams
1/2L	Ashtyn Millan, Peyton Ayres, Archer Hennessey, Lucy Hinton
1/2S	Isaac Edwards, Ryan Lowe
2/3S	Riley Baddock, Arlia O'Neill, Talan Martin, Hannah Green

Windale PS Weekly Merit Award Winners WEEK 4

PRIMARY AWARDS



3/4H	Bailey Aiston (previous page), Jensen Evans
4/5D	Cody Castle, Guy Hilditch, Thaddea Stephenson
5/6C	Lee Thornton
5/6T	Bailey Hatcher, Emily Patrikis

ATTENDANCE AWARDS & PUBLIC SPEAKING AWARDS



Left:
Cody Barry
KD
Ethan Read
1/2S
Right:
Tenzin Jungney
4/5D
Lucy Hinton
1/2L



Respectful & Responsible Awards Week 4



Lucky Legend Award Week 4



Top Left:

Ethan Read 1/2S, Jericho Dewar 1/2L, Guy Hilditch 4/5D, Archer Hennessey 1/2L, Dakota Oaten 3/4H

Top Right/Bottom:

Mathew Lambkin 5/6T

CELEBRATING FATHER'S DAY

To celebrate Father's Day this year Windale PS will be holding a barbeque brunch at 11am on **Wednesday, 28th August** followed by sports games and activities for all the dads, grandfathers, uncles and significant male role models in our students' lives.

One complimentary egg and bacon roll per family will be provided. Any extra rolls may be purchased at \$4.00 per roll.



Complimentary Egg and Bacon Roll for one visitor per family,
followed by an afternoon of SPORTS games with our special
visitors.

**Congratulations to our
Spelling Bee Award winners!**

Left to right:

Tenzin Jungney 4/5D

Traie Williams 2/3S

Emily Patrikis 5/6T



A Word from one of our AP's...

EVERY DAY COUNTS—Primary School Attendance

Going to school every day is the single most important part of your child's education. Students learn new things at school every day – missing school puts them behind.

Why it's important

We all want our students to get a great education, and the building blocks for a great education begin with students coming to school each and every day.

If students miss school regularly, they miss out on learning the fundamental skills that will set them up for success in the later years of school.

There is no safe number of days for missing school – each day a student misses puts them behind, and can affect their educational outcomes.

Each missed day is associated with progressively lower achievement in numeracy, writing and reading.

Getting in early

Attendance patterns are established early – a child regularly missing days in kindergarten or in the early years of school will often continue to miss classes in the later years, and receive lower test scores than their classmates. It's vital that students go to school every day – even in the early years of primary school.

What we can do

The main reasons for absence are:

Sickness – There are always times when students need to miss school, such as when they're ill. It's vital that they're only away on the days they are genuinely sick, and setting good sleep patterns, eating well and exercising regularly can make a big difference.

It's vital that holidays are planned during school holidays where possible, and not during the term if it can be avoided.

Day off – Think twice before letting your child have a 'day off' as they could fall behind their classmates – every day counts.

The best way to address this is for schools and parents to work together.

If for any reason your child must miss school, there are things you can do with your school to ensure they don't fall behind:

Speak with your classroom teacher and find out what work your child needs to do to keep up.

Develop an absence learning plan with your teacher and ensure your child completes the plan.

Remember, every day counts. If your child must miss school, speak with your classroom teacher as early as possible.

Openly communicating with your child's school about all absences is a good way to prevent attendance issues being escalated to a School Attendance Officer. A Home School Liaison Officer is a Department of Education employee who has authority to follow up attendance issues. Attendance issues that are escalated can lead to a notice. If you're having attendance issues with your child, please let your classroom teacher know so we can work together to get your child to school every day.

On Friday 30th August we have planned to have a 'Jersey Day' at school. Students and community are invited to wear a jersey from their favourite sporting team, their favourite colours or a jersey of Australian colours. This day is being promoted to raise awareness of the Organ and Tissue Authority and the DONATE LIFE network. There is no requirement to raise funds but to wear a jersey and begin the conversation with friends and family about organ donation. Make your decision count.

JERSEY DAY

FRIDAY 30TH AUGUST 2019

JERSEYDAY.COM.AU

JERSEY DAY is all about promoting awareness of The Organ and Tissue Authority and the DONATE LIFE network.

Each JERSEY DAY we ask schools and workplaces across Australia to allow students and employees to wear their favourite sporting jersey to school or work to show their support for the DONATE LIFE network and begin the conversation with their friends and families about Organ Donation.

JERSEY DAY has been inspired by the story of NATHAN GREMMO who was tragically lost in an accident in May 2015. Nathan's family chose to give the gift of life to others to honour the legacy of Nathan's generous personality. This campaign is all about raising awareness – there is no requirement to raise funds. Simply wear your favourite sporting jersey to school or work on JERSEY DAY, and begin the conversation with your friends and family about Organ Donation.

Make your decision count.

Join the Australian Organ Donor Register to save lives at donatelife.gov.au

Discover

the facts about organ and tissue donation

Decide

about becoming a donor and register online

Discuss

your decision with your loved ones

#makeitcount #donatelife





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Term 3

Parent Planner

(as at 1st August and subject to change)

	SUN	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT
Week 1	21/07	22/07 Staff Development Day	23/07 Matter of Seconds Show Preschool NAIDOC Performance @ Belmont Hospital	24/07	25/07 Preschool 2020 Information Session 3pm-4pm	26/07 Netball and Football Resumes	27/07
Week 2	28/07	29/07 P&C Meeting @ Milabah 12.30pm-1.30pm Assembly	30/07	31/07	01/08	02/08	03/08
Week 3	04/08	05/08 Education Week	06/08 Education Week Zone Athletics Carnival	07/08 Education Week 2NURFM Live Radio Broadcast from the Hall Zone Athletics Carnival	08/08 Education Week Student Art Exhibition in Hall Open Classrooms showcasing Numeracy or Literacy P-6 Book Week Parade 1pm-2pm	09/08 Education Week	10/08
Week 4	11/08	12/08 Assembly	13/08	14/08 Stage 3 Canberra Excursion	15/08 Stage 3 Canberra Excursion	16/08 Stage 3 Canberra Excursion	17/08
Week 5	18/08	19/08	20/08	21/08 Netball Gala Day	22/08 Newcastle Permanent Maths Competition	23/08	24/08
Week 6	25/08	26/08 Assembly	27/08	28/08	29/08	30/08	31/08
Week 7	01/09	02/09	03/09 Kindy Excursion to Oakvale Farm ICAS Digital Tech Assessment	04/09	05/09 ICAS Science Assessment	06/09	07/09
Week 8	08/09	09/09 Assembly	10/09 ICAS Writing Assessment	11/09 Debating Gala Day	12/09 ICAS Spelling Assessment	13/09	14/09
Week 9	15/09	16/09 P&C Meeting @ Milabah 9.30-10.30am	17/09 ICAS English Assessment	18/09 Touch Footy Gala Day	19/09 ICAS Maths Assessment	20/09	21/09
Week 10	22/09	23/09 Assembly	24/09	25/09	26/09 Windale's Got Talent 11.40am – 1.40pm	27/09 PBL Blackbutt	28/09