



Heights Happenings

Winston Heights Newsletter

TERM 3

WEEK 4

Dear Parents/Carers,

Education Week 2019

Thank you to the many parents, family and friends who attended our Open Day last Tuesday. The open classrooms were very well attended, as too was the concert. Mrs Hinton was amazed at the generosity of families in donating 238 books to our school library. The children enjoyed sharing their Science Projects with all visitors and the artwork in the hall was absolutely spectacular. Our students continue to shine on stage as they played, sang and danced their way through their performances.

On Friday our school performed in front of the community at Winston Hills Mall. There were many supporters to watch and listen to our fabulous students. Thank you to the parents who assisted with the transport for some of the larger instruments and stands.

Father's Day Raffle

Raffle tickets have been sent home for our Father's Day raffle. If you have already sold your tickets, please send back the left hand side of the booklet of the buyer's details with the correct amount of money. If you would like more ticket books to sell please contact the school office. Tickets are \$2 each and each book consists of 5 tickets, making a total of \$10 per book. The raffle will be drawn after the Father's Day Stall, at the K-6 Assembly, on Thursday 29th August.

1st Prize: \$250 Northmead Bowling Club Voucher and a case of Heineken (\$300+)

2nd Prize: \$150 Bunnings Voucher, \$50 George's Pizzeria Voucher and a bottle of wine (\$225)

3rd Prize: \$100 JB Hi-Fi Voucher, \$50 George's Pizzeria Voucher and a bottle of wine (\$175)

The raffle is sponsored by **Award Real Estate (major)** and **George's Pizzeria – Bella Vista (minor)**.

Mornings at School

Kindergarten students have now been at school for almost two and a half terms. The time has definitely flown by. We still have a couple of unsettled students at morning lines and this is sometimes caused by separating from mum or dad. We are asking that all parents please drop off your child in the morning before the 9am bell to allow them to settle with their friends at the K-2 COLA and get into their class lines with their friends once the bell goes.

Tell Them From Me Survey

During this term students, staff and community members will have the opportunity to complete a Tell Them From Me survey. This survey is set by the Department and occurs every year. All responses are

anonymous. We appreciate the feed-back you provide to ensure our school continues to improve in educational delivery for our students. The survey for students will be conducted for Years 4-6 only and will be held at school. Parents may wish to withdraw their child from participating in the survey. This will be outlined in more detailed information sent home about the survey shortly.

NCCD Survey 2019

Each year our school completes a survey for National Consistent Collection of Data. Our Learning and Support teachers go through all the specialised and differentiated learning programs that our students have undertaken at school in the last 12 months and record it through the Department of Education's secure collection site. This data is updated annually. Children who are also on health care plans and Individual Learning Plans also have their data recorded.

Public Speaking

Our class competitions have commenced for all students in Years K-6 with the prepared speeches. By the end of Week 4 all classes will have selected 2 representatives to go onto the Stage Finals to be held in the school hall during Monday of Week 5. Kindergarten will hold their final on Wednesday.

Rotary Club Writing Competition

A huge congratulations to Lorenzo, Reva and Will from Year 6 who were our school finalists in the Rotary Club Writing Competition this year. They attended a presentation evening on Monday and were fantastic ambassadors for Winston Heights. They each received a certificate and book voucher prize, with Lorenzo also receiving a 'highly commended' merit for his narrative. Well done to these talented and creative students.

Debates

We wish our Premier's Debating Team good luck for their debate next Wednesday 21st August against Yates Avenue Public School.

Winter PSSA Finals

Congratulations to all of our students and teachers who have participated in Winter PSSA sport. We have three netball teams, an AFL team and a soccer team make it to the Semi Finals. We wish them all the very best of luck.

Kindergarten 2020 Enrolments

We are continuing to accept enrolments for new Kindergarten students for 2020. Our school holds family interviews for our new Kindergarten families during late Term 3 and early Term 4 prior to our Kindergarten Orientation Program in November of this year. If your child turns 5 years of age before 31st July 2020 they are entitled to attend school. If you have any questions with regards to your child starting school please contact our school office so we can answer your questions. Enrolment forms can be downloaded from our school website or picked up from the office.

Kind regards,

Daniel Gorrie

Rel. Principal

Our PBL focus area for Week 5: Canteen.

Students are reminded to wait their turn at the canteen and only buy food for themselves. Our canteen is staffed by volunteers and we expect our students to use please and thank you.



Our PBL focus area for Week 6: Toilets.

When using the toilets, students are expected to respect others' privacy and wait their turn. We remind students to use toilets properly, wash their hands and turn off taps.

Too Sick for School?



Rash

Especially a body rash with a fever or itching. Stay at home until your doctor says you are well again

Vomiting

Stay home until at least 24hrs after vomiting stops

Head Lice

Treat your hair for head lice and keep coming to school. Check for new lice and eggs regularly

Diarrhoea

Stay at home until at least 24hrs after diarrhoea has stopped

Eye Infection

Stay at home until discharge has stopped, or your doctor has diagnosed a non infectious cause

Sore Throat

If you have a sore throat or are coughing, sneezing or if you have a very runny nose, stay at home until you are feeling better

Not Feeling Well

Stay at home if you have a headache or are unusually tired. Rest until you are feeling better

Fever

Stay at home until your temperature is back to normal

Messages from The Office

- Congratulations to all our PSSA teams for a fantastic Term 2 & 3 competition. The following teams have reached the semi-finals:

AFL Juniors playing at Caddies Creek Reserve, Millcroft Way Kellyville

Soccer Senior Boys playing at Bernie Mullane Complex, Kellyville

Netball Junior Blue playing at Kellyville courts

Please note: Both Senior Netball Teams will be playing their Semi Finals and Final matches next week. We wish all our players luck in their semi-final matches.

- We are now taking Kindergarten enrolments for 2020. Please see below for information on how to enrol. We will be holding interviews for all our enrolled Kindergarten 2020 students and their parents early in September.

Notes and Money due:

- Hills Performing Arts (Selected Students) \$10 by Friday 16th August
- Collaroy Centre (Yr 5&6) - 5th and final payment \$50 by Friday 16 August
- PSSA Zone Track & Field (Selected Students) - \$5 by Tuesday 20th August
- Father's Day Tickets (Whole School) - by Friday 23rd August
- Great Aussie Bush Camp (Yr 3&4) - 4th payment \$50 by Friday 30th August

Cheers, Mrs Lee Wood, Mrs Rachael Calvar & Mrs Carolyn Leverton

Office Hours 8.30am - 3.15pm



Enrolling now for Kindergarten 2020



Kindergarten enrolments are now being accepted at the office between 8.30 and 3pm.

To be eligible for enrolment for Kindergarten in 2020 your child must turn 5 by 31st July 2020.

You will need to bring the following documents with you to the office:

*Completed enrolment form

*Child's original birth certificate or passport

*Immunisation certificate

*Two forms of proof of address - eg: Utility bills, rates notice, lease agreement, home or contents insurance

*Parent's passport if both parents born overseas

For all enquiries please do not hesitate to contact the office on 9624 7485

Principal for the Day 2019 – Miss Aliyah Roberts

Being ‘Principal for the Day’ on Open Day was an amazing experience. I am so grateful to have been chosen for this special opportunity and I loved every minute of it. I did many exciting jobs with Mrs Creagh throughout the day. I had the pleasure of doing an address at the assembly, I visited some of the open classrooms to see children’s science projects, go on lunch duty and do some important paperwork too. When I began to write my letter, stating why I wanted to be ‘Principal for the Day’, I was staying positive and knowing that if I didn’t end up getting it, I would still be really proud of myself. When I made it to the top five, I felt more hope and I started believing in myself even more. When I found out that I was going to be ‘Principal for the Day’ on Open Day, I was so happy and proud of myself that I had actually done it. I am so thankful to have been chosen for the part. I made so many incredible memories and I believe that in the future anyone can become ‘Principal for the Day’ if they give it their all.



Diary Dates

TERM DATES 2019

Term 3: Tuesday 23rd July — Friday 27th September

Term 4: Monday 14th October — Wednesday 18th December

Term 1 2020: Years 1 - 6 start Wednesday 29 January 2020 - Thursday 9th April 2020

Kindergarten 2020 start Monday 3 February 2020 - Thursday 9th April 2020

Please note the following diary dates may be subject to change.

Further information will be sent home closer to the event being held.

August 2019

Tues 20th	Kinder Excursion, Featherdale
Thurs 22nd	Literacy and Book Character Dress - Up Cybersafety Workshop Stage 2
Mon 26th	Zone Athletics Carnival P&C Meeting 7pm
Tues 27th	Yr 2 Excursion Schoolhouse Museum
Thurs 29th	S3B Assembly Item Father's Day Stall Father's Day raffle drawn Cybersafety Workshop K-2
Fri 30th	Yr 1 Excursion Schoolhouse Museum

September 2019

Tues 3rd	Hills Performing Arts Festival Rehearsal and Performance Night
Tues 10th	Sport and Group Photos
Thurs 12th	SRC Disco S2O Assembly
Mon 16th	Stage 3 Camp, Collaroy
Tues 17th	Stage 3 Camp, Collaroy
Wed 18th	Stage 3 Camp, Collaroy
Thurs 19th	KB Assembly
Sun 22nd	Working Bee
Mon 23rd	P&C Meeting 7pm
Tues 24th	Zoomobile—Stage 2
Thurs 26th	CAPA Night

PSSA Sport Calendar

Soccer

Snr Boys at Bernie Mullane

Netball

Juniors at Kellyville Park

AFL

Juniors at Caddies Creek Reserve

Finals 23/8—TBC

Reminder:

**No lunch orders for
PSSA students on
Fridays**

Students leave
school at 12.10pm.
Play begins approx.
12.45pm

October 2019

Mon 14th	Students K-6 return Term 4 Interrelate Stage 3
Mon 21st	Interrelate Stage 3
Tues 22nd	Grandparents Day
Fri 25th	Halloween Family Movie Night
Mon 28th	Stage 2 Camp Kincumber Interrelate Stage 3
Tues 29th	Stage 2 Camp Kincumber
Thurs 31st	S2P Assembly



What's happening in S2A

For National Science week and 'Destination Moon', S2A has been discovering a lot about space. During open day in Education Week we were able to share our projects with our classmates. S2A even did a 'museum tour' of the other projects in Stage 2! We learnt about the order of the planets to create our own space artwork - they are out of this world!





Merit Certificates



Congratulations!

Well done to these PBL Award winners who have been Safe,
Respectful and Responsible Learners.

Zoe 1L, NFP 2P, Jackson S3G & Jane S3F

AWARDED TO

WEEK 4

KB	: Aria & Tyler
KH	: Estelle & Benjamin
KM	: Layla & Dimitri
1F	: Edward & Sophia
1H	: Oliver & Aman
1L	: Tayton & Jenny
2G	: Ananya & Eli
2L	: Elise & NFP
2P	: NFP & Rubie
S2A	: Mitchell & Anisa
S2N	Alice & Thomas
S2O	: Leroy & Hamilton
S2P	Rayan & Oleg
S3B	: Hayden & Bianca
S3F	: Alex & Zerrin
S3G	: Danny & Bryanna
S3N	: Enie & Sophie
S3S	: Sarah & Lauren

Library: 1L & S2O

Super Award: Shinae

RFF: KH—Science

S2O—Safety

S3G—History

PSSA Results Round 12 - 2nd August 2019

Senior Boys Soccer played Carlingford West
Won 3-0 Player of the match was Zach.

Junior Boys Soccer played Carlingford West
Won 3-1 Players of the match were Aaron as he talked heaps and was really strong in defence. The game was excellent, the team passed the ball around well and took their chances. They also communicated very well with each other. By Will.

Girls Open Soccer played Carlingford West
Won 4-1 Player of the match was the Whole Team. "We are the Champions! We are the Champions... We are the champions... we won a game so—we are the champions ... of the world! (To the rhythm of We Are the Champions). By Mr Nico

Junior Red Netball played Carlingford West
Won Player of the match was Alice for amazing intercepts and getting run away balls. It was a great game and we won. By Hayley

Senior Red Netball played Baulkham Hills North
Won 17-2 Player of the match was Alizaye who was encouraging all of her team members and was everywhere at once. By Leilani.

PSSA Results Round 12– 2nd August 2019

Junior Newcombe Ball played Carlingford West
Won 3-0 Player of the match was Leighton as he never dropped the ball. The game was a victory and good fun. By Ben.

Senior Newcombe Ball played Carlingford West
Lost 1-2 Player of the match was Blake. We didn't play that well in the first set, but came back in the next two sets. By Alice and Lorenzo.

Junior Blue Netball played Samuel Gilbert
Lost. Player of the match was Charlotte for a lot of intercepts. We played as hard as we could, but unfortunately we lost. By Paige.

Senior Blue Netball played Baulkham Hills North
Won 10-8 Player of the match was Bianca as she was very strong and quick with her passes. The game was competitive and a tight competition. Everyone did great, but we could do better. By Amelia

Junior AFL played Glenhaven
Won 14-5 Player of the match was Noah for great defensive work. Great game of footy-good win by the juniors! Keep up the great teamwork. By Miss Peksis

Senior AFL played Glenhaven
Lost 15-44 Player of the match was Leith for looking into space for options. Tough game but WHPS worked hard to stick with their players.



Father's Day 2019

The Winston Heights Public School P&C Father's Day Stall and Raffle Draw will take place Thursday 29th August, 2019. A small number of tickets have been sent home with your child, ticket prices are \$2.00 each. Please fill in the stub with a name and mobile number and return to school with the correct money by Friday 23rd August 2019. More tickets are available by contacting the school office. The raffle will be drawn at assembly on Thursday 29th August.

The Winston Heights P&C would like to acknowledge and thank the following local businesses who have donated our amazing prizes:

Award Group Real Estate

George's Pizzeria, Bella Vista

Last day to buy tickets will be Thursday morning 29th August outside the canteen.



There are 3 fantastic prizes up for grabs!

1st prize (Over \$300+ value)

- \$250 Northmead Bowling Club Voucher
 - Case of Heineken

2nd Prize (\$225 value)

- * \$150 Bunnings Voucher
- * George's Pizzeria Voucher
 - * Wine

3rd Prize (\$175 value)

- \$100 JB Hi-Fi Voucher
- \$50 George's Pizzeria Voucher
 - Wine

PSSA Results Round 13 - 9th August 2019

Senior Boys Soccer played Jasper Road

Won 5-0 Player of the match was Cameron for getting involved. Great passing and good sportsmanship. By Zach

Junior Boys Soccer played Jasper Road

Won 1-0 Player of the match was Lachlan because he scored a goal and played really well. It was a very close match but we managed to win 1-0. By Oleg

Girls Open Soccer played Jasper Road

Lost 0-5 Player of the match was Ellie. As the season comes to an end, I have nine young ladies who have developed their soccer skills and game power. Congratulations girls, a great season. By Mr Nico.

Junior Red Netball played Sherwood Ridge

Lost Player of the match was Hasan who tried his best. The game was great and everybody showed great sportsmanship. By Sarah.

Senior Red Netball played Baulkham Hills North

Won 9-4 Player of the match was Rebecca for good strong passes, intercepting the ball and all around the court. The game was good. Lots of good passes and catches. I saw lots of good sportsmanship. Everyone was cheering each other on. By Alizaye.

PSSA Results Round 13– 9th August 2019

Junior Newcombe Ball played Jasper Road

Won 2-1 Player of the match was Ben and Phillip. There was lots of good play and interesting catches in the wind. By Tommy.

Senior Newcombe Ball played Jasper Road

Won 2-1 Player of the match was Georgia. We enjoyed our last game together. By Emma and NFP.

Junior Blue Netball played Baulkham Hills North

Won 10-3 Player of the match was Charli because she was great at defence and shooting. It was a hard, tight game. The other team was a bit aggressive, but our team had great defence. We had a great game. By Ava.

Senior Blue Netball played Winston Hills

Lost 2-6 Player of the match was Bianca as she had some good intercepts and is a good sport. It was a good game. We had some great intercepts but Winston Hills came out on top. By Amelia

Junior AFL played Northmead

Won 9-20 The team played well in some difficult conditions. High winds made scoring challenging but Caleb and Noah helped the team get over the line with excellent plays.

Senior AFL played Northmead

Lost 0-57 The team continued to try and never gave up. It was great to see so many committed students giving it their all. Special thanks to all the year 6 students. We will miss you all next year.



To all our teams in the Semi Finals

Chaplain Chat

Grief and Loss in Children

Sadly we all struggle with the loss of loved ones from time to time and our children are not immune from such sad events. Maybe a grandparent, an aunt or uncle, even a sibling or a parent may pass away or leave that child's life. We as the remaining adults in their lives don't always know how to support them.

These days, the impact of grief on children is acknowledged by society, and many resources are available to help them cope with these inevitable changes. As chaplain, I can help you and them to navigate these changes. Please speak to me or to your child's teacher if this is the kind of support your child could benefit from.

Next week, Play School is presenting an episode specifically about grief and loss called Beginnings and Endings. Its screening on Monday 19th August, at 9am but you can see an advanced screen on this link. <http://www.abc.net.au/abcforkids/articles/playschoolbeginningsandendings.htm>

The Beginnings and Endings episode has been made in consultation with the National Centre for Childhood Grief, who worked with the Play School team throughout the development of the show. The Centre recognised that there is currently very little available to help children experiencing grief and that introducing the subject in a gentle, safe environment, as this episode is doing, is a great way to help children start to understand life and death.

Can I also recommend to you the National Centre for Childhood Grief (which is in Denistone) as a place where children can access counselling and other resources to help them through their grief. <https://childhoodgrief.org.au/how-we-help/kids-grief/> and <https://www.bhg.com.au/dream-and-play-space-for-kids?category=tv> both offer really helpful info about the Centre.

Please don't hesitate to contact me if you would like to discuss this more.

Robyn Bowman (School Chaplain) robyn.bowman2@det.nsw.edu.au



Book Character Dress-up Day Thursday 22nd August.

Students in K-6 are encouraged to dress-up as their favourite book character ready for a fun day to celebrate Children's Book Week with a parade, special assembly, literacy activities and Literature on the Lawn.



WINSTON HEIGHTS PUBLIC SCHOOL

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Open Days

**Come and see what is involved in volunteering
at your school's Canteen.**

See how all the lunches are prepared and delivered to the children.

Learn what a Frozen Fruit Cup is.

Do a shift with a friend.

*Serve all the wonderful children at our school,
they just love seeing you there.*

**Come and ask a volunteer and find out all this and more,
at one of the Canteen's Open Days.**

WEEK 4: Friday 16th August with Gabi (9am-12pm)

WEEK 5: Thursday 22nd August with Jodie (from 11am-12pm)

WEEK 6: Monday 26th August with Tanya and Stella (9am-12pm)

WEEK 6: Wednesday 28th August with Kylie (from 9am-11am)

WEEK 7: Monday 2nd September with Amber and Amanda (9am-12pm)

WEEK 7: Friday 6th September with Therese (from 9am-11am)

**You're welcome to visit at any of these listed dates & times.
Also don't forget to check-in at the Office first.**

If you would like to volunteer, or have further questions please contact:

Jodie 0412 442292

Kylie 0431 400197



Nominations for Parent Representative on the WHPS School Council

The School Council is seeking nominations from interested parents who would like to join the School Council as a parent representative. There will be vacant parent representative position on the council at the end of the year.

Aim and Role of the School Council:

The aim of the School Council is to foster closer links between Winston Heights Public School and its community, enabling formal school community participation in the planning and governance of the school.

The role of the School Council is to provide a consultative decision-making process for the Principal and the School Executive, relating to policies and goals for the school, according to the needs of the students and the local community. The School Council is made up of parents & carers (four representatives), school staff (Principal and two teaching staff) and a community member. The School Council plays an important role in making sure that the whole community is involved in important decisions made by the school.

Consultative decision-making means that groups in a school community have the opportunity to receive information, engage in discussion, put forward ideas, and have their views considered in making a final decision. This does not mean that a majority vote of any or all identified groups in the school community is required. The Principal, after consideration of the views of the school community, will make decisions that best meet the needs of students attending the school.

Meetings:

The School Council meets once a term in the fifth week of term on a Wednesday evening.

Interested in becoming a Parent Representative?

- Please complete and sign the nomination form below and return to the school office
- Each nominee must be proposed and seconded by members of the school community.
- Nominations will be confirmed prior to the last School Council meeting of the year.
- In the event that there are multiple nominations a voting slip will be posted in the newsletter.

Questions?

If you have any questions about the role of a parent representative or the School Council, please contact Dimitri Hondros(President) or Margaret Creagh – whps.schoolcouncil@gmail.com.

WINSTON HEIGHTS PUBLIC SCHOOL - SCHOOL COUNCIL 2020

PARENT REPRESENTATIVE NOMINATION FORM

We would like to nominate _____ for the position of

Parent Representative in the School Council for 2020.

Nominated by (Name) _____ (Signed) _____

Seconded by (Name) _____ (Signed) _____

Nomination accepted – YES

Signed by nominee: _____ Date: _____

Email Address: _____ Ph: _____

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