



Heights Happenings

Winston Heights Newsletter

TERM 3

WEEK 10

Dear Parents,

Working Bee

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the parents and children who participated in our magnificent Working Bee held on Sunday. A brand new 40 metre garden bed was created with the addition of soil and plants. The mulch is still to be added along with another 80 plants in front of what has already been planted. The team of volunteers, led by John Civijovski, started digging at 12pm. The last helper left after 5pm. It was a tremendous effort by all involved and a special thank you to **Ideal Corporation** for loaning us a 'dingo digger' to make the ground breaking a lot easier. The 'dingo' was operated by Andrew and he even managed to break ground on the opposite side of the car park for further garden beds. Mr Batten, our GA, will be busy in the coming weeks planting the rest of the hedge plants that will be arriving soon.

NAPLAN Results

Today our Year 3 and Year 5 students were given their NAPLAN results to take home to their parents. If parents would like to ask questions about their child's NAPLAN results please contact the school office or send through a request on the School App to make an appointment with your child's class teacher early next term.

Planning for 2020

We are currently planning for the 2020 school year. It is important to let the school know if your child/children will be returning late to school next year due to family holidays. This will ensure a place will be kept for your child in a class for 2020. By informing the school of your return date in writing, either by a letter or completing the form that is included in the newsletter, will keep your position open. The note needs to be signed by a parent and include a contact phone number. The first day for school students in Years 1-6 for 2019 is Wednesday 29th January 2020. Kindergarten students will start on Monday 3rd February 2020. Kindergarten students will also be given a Best Start time and date and will be advised of this information through individual letters during our Kindergarten Orientation program.

Selective High School Applications 2021

Information has been distributed to Year 5 students this week with regards to Selective High School applications for 2021. Further details can be obtained online at <https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7/application-process>

If any family wishes to submit an application for Selective High School 2021 for their Year 5 child then please return the note to Mrs Creagh and then apply online. All applications must be made online. Applications close on 11th November 2019. The Selective High School Placement test will be held on Thursday 12th March 2020.

Term 4 Calendar

As we approach the end of the school year it is important to keep up to date with what is happening. I have attached an updated Term 4 calendar that you can print out and put on the fridge to ensure you don't miss out on any of the upcoming events.

Huge Planting Day

On Thursday 24th October (Week 2, Term 4) we will hold a huge planting day at school. This week all students will bring home a special gardening note with regards to our planting day. We are planning to plant 455 plants in the prepared garden beds below the 3-6 COLA. Each class/stage will be given a different plant type that each class member will need to purchase and then bring to school to complete our garden. We are asking families to help us out in this project to improve our school grounds. All the details of the plant type will be included on the special plant note coming home. We ask you to send in the plant to school at the commencement of Week 2 (Monday 21st October) so we are able to check we have the correct number of plants ready for Thursday 24th October.

Community Corner Project

During our upcoming holidays, work will begin on our "Community Corner" Project. The P&C, along with a State Grant have funded this mammoth project that will see an area of our school playground improved for the students. Four levels will be created using sandstone blocks and synthetic turf and fresh turf will surface the levels providing safe level areas for the students. Covered picnic shelters will be installed, along with above ground sandpits for the students to play in at lunchtime. It will take a number of weeks to complete but the majority of the work will be undertaken during the holidays. We are hoping to have a Grand Opening at the end of Week 4 next term to show the community what has been achieved.

Congratulations Miss Goodall

On Wednesday 4th September Miss Goodall welcomed her new baby girl into the world. Mackenzie Lee and Mum are doing very well. Congratulations Miss Goodall!

Tell Them From Me Survey for Parents (Term 3, 2019)

The Tell Them From Me survey is currently open for parents to participate. The survey asks parents and carers questions about different factors that are known to impact on student wellbeing and engagement. To date, only 15 parents have completed this survey. We have approximately 360 families at our school. It would be ideal to have the majority of our families complete this survey so we receive feedback of what is great at our school and also where we need to make improvements.

The survey is conducted entirely online on smartphones, iPads, tablets, laptops or computers. The survey will typically take 15 minutes or less to complete and is absolutely confidential. The parent survey has been open since the 27th August and will close on 25th October. Although participating in the survey is entirely voluntary, your responses are very much appreciated.

To access the survey for our school go to: <https://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/whps>

Kindergarten Grandparent's Day

Kindergarten children are inviting their Grandparents to visit our school on Tuesday 22nd October to celebrate Grandparent's Day. Our Kindergarten students will entertain their grandparents and then share a morning tea with them on the grass areas surrounding the 3-6 COLA. Please pass this invitation on to grandparents so they are able to share this special morning with their grandchildren.

Next Term

Tomorrow, Friday 27th September is our last day for Term 3. Students and staff all return on the same day for Term 4 – Monday 14th October. Students will need to be back in full summer uniform. Enjoy the 2 week vacation with the family before our final term of the 2019 school year.

Kind regards,

Margaret Creagh

Principal

Winston Heights PS - Term 4 2019

| Term Four | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SAT SUN |
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| 1 | 14 October Students return K-6 Interrelate S3 | 15 October K-2 Athletics Fun Day | 16 October Public Speaking Grand Final | 17 October | 18 October | 19 20 Oct |
| 2 | 21 October Interrelate S3 | 22 October Grandparent's Day - Kinder | 23 October Music Com. Meeting 6:30pm | 24 October Planting Day | 25 October Halloween Movie Night – P&C | 26 27 Oct |
| 3 | 28 October St 2 Camp Interrelate S3 P&C Meeting 7pm | 29 October St 2 Camp | 30 October | 31 October S2P Assembly | 1 November | 2 3 Nov |
| 4 | 4 November Band Tryout Night | 5 November Year 6 Mini Fair | 6 November | 7 November Kinder Orientation | 8 November Community Corner Grand Opening 3:30pm | 9 10 Nov |
| 5 | 11 November | 12 November | 13 November School Council Meeting 7pm | 14 November Kinder Orientation | 15 November | 16 17 Nov |
| 6 | 18 November | 19 November | 20 November Music Com. Meeting 6:30pm | 21 November Kinder Orientation | 22 November | 23 24 Nov |
| 7 | 25 November P&C Meeting 7pm | 26 November | 27 November | 28 November 1L Assembly | 29 November | 30 Nov 1 Dec |
| 8 | 2 December S2N CARES Band Presentation | 3 December HS Orientation S2P CARES Keyboard Presentation | 4 December Helpers Morning Tea Final Scripture | 5 December S2O CARES KB Assembly | 6 December | 7 8 Dec |
| 9 | 9 December S2A CARES Year 6 Surf Day | 10 December Yr 6 Assembly Yr 6 Farewell Evening | 11 December Presentation Assemblies | 12 December | 13 December | 14 15 Dec |
| 10 | 16 December | 17 December Carols Night | 18 December Talent Quest Last day for students | 19 December School Development Day | 20 December School Development Day | 21 22 Dec |
| Hols | 23 December | 24 December | 25 December | 26 December | 27 December | 28 29 Dec |
| Hols | 30 December | 31 December | 1 January | 2 January | 3 January | 4 5 Jan |

SCIENCE IN S3G



For Science this term S3G have been learning all about different types of natural disasters.

We have undertaken 2 key experiments.

The first was a STEM experiment where we had to protect a dog house from the aftermath of a tsunami. The second experiment was creating a simulation of an

explosive volcano!

Messages from The Office

- Reminder the canteen will be closed tomorrow for cleaning—no lunch orders.
- Students return to school on Monday 14th October to begin Term 4!
- Join us for the Kindergarten Grandparent Morning to be held on Tuesday 22nd October from 9.30am—11am. Please bring a small morning tea to share with your child/grandchild.
- 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:

- Interrelate Program for Years 5 & 6—\$34 OVERDUE
- School Sport Term 4 (Non PSSA students) - \$20 by 14th October
- Intention to Apply for Year 7 Selective High School in 2021 (Year 5) by 18th October

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

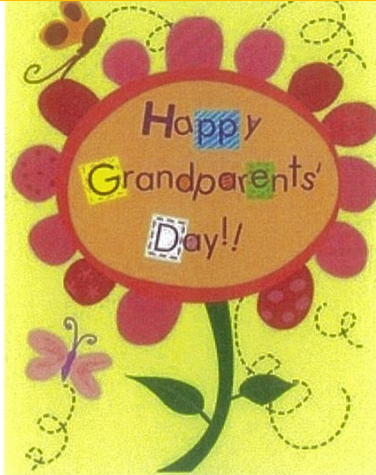


Canteen Closed

For cleaning

Friday 27th September 2019

No lunch orders or over the counter sales



Dear Grandparents and Parents,

Kindergarten are inviting you to our 2019 Kindergarten Grandparent's Day at Winston Heights Public School. This will be held on **Tuesday 22nd October** at 9:30am to 11:00am.

A small concert will be held in our school hall, followed by a picnic recess on the grassed area near the 3-6 COLA. Please bring your own morning tea to share with your child/grandchild. At 11:00am, the students will say farewell and go to the K-2 COLA.

We look forward to seeing you at this very special event.

Kindergarten Teachers

Stewart House Clothing Bags

Last week families received a clothing collection bag for the charity, Stewart House. Please take the opportunity to fill the bags with wearable clothing or items of manchester that you no longer need.

Please drop off the bags outside the computer room any morning before school.

The last day to return bags will be Tuesday of Week 1 next term - 15th October.

Thank you for your support.





Lunchtime Antics



Diary Dates

TERM DATES 2019

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.

October 2019

| | |
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| Mon 14th | Students K-6 return Term 4 Interrelate Stage 3 |
| Tues 15th | K-2 Athletics Carnival Sausage sizzle |
| Mon 21st | Interrelate Stage 3 |
| Tues 22nd | Grandparent's Day |
| Thurs 24th | Planting Day K-6 |
| Fri 25th | Halloween Family Movie Night |
| Mon 28th | Stage 2 Camp Kincumber Interrelate Stage 3 P&C Meeting 7pm |
| Tues 29th | Stage 2 Camp Kincumber |
| Thurs 31st | S2P Assembly |

December 2019

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| Mon 2nd | CARES S2O Band Presentation |
| Tues 3rd | Public High School Orientation CARES S2N Keyboard Presentation |
| Wed 4th | Helpers Morning Tea |
| Thurs 5th | KB Assembly CARES S2A |
| Mon 9th | CARES S2P Year 6 Surf Day |
| Tues 10th | Year 6 Farewell |
| Wed 11th | Presentation Assemblies |
| Tues 17th | Carols Night |
| Wed 18th | Talent Quest Last Day for Students Term 4 |

November 2019

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| Mon 4th | Band Tryout Night |
| Thurs 7th | Kinder Orientation |
| Friday 8th | Community Corner Grand Opening |
| Thurs 14th | Kinder Orientation |
| Thurs 21st | Kinder Orientation |
| Mon 25th | P&C Meeting 7pm |
| Thurs 28th | 1L Assembly |

PSSA Sport Calendar

Softball/T-Ball

27/9 @ Col Sutton Reserve

Touch

27/9 @ Ted Horwood Res

Cricket

27/9 @ Charles McLaughlin Oval

Students leave school at 12.10pm.

Play begins approx. 12.45pm

Reminder:

No lunch orders for PSSA students on Fridays



Merit Certificates



Congratulations!

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

Emily KH, Lora KH, Raja S3F, Maeve S2A, Marley S3N,
Ryan 2G, Liam KH, Elliot S2A and Thomas S2N.

AWARDED TO

WEEK 9

KB : Lauren & Zubair
KH : Liam & Stella
KM : Mackenzie & Jacob
1F : NFP & Georgina
1H : Angie & Benedict
1L : Havana & Joey
2G : Xavier & Charlie
2L : NFP & Jayden
2P : Beth & Cooper
S2A : Suryadev & Ella
S2N : Cheryl & Lucinda
S2O : Mya & Elijah
S2P : Kira & NFP
S3B : David & Priya
S3F : NFP & Sienna
S3G : Sreya & Alistair
S3N : Cohen & Marley
S3S : Caeleb & Ella

Library: KH

Super Award: Harry

RFF: Petar (camp) & Charlotte (camp)

AWARDED TO

WEEK 10

KB : Ebony & Eddie
KH : Ronan & Felix
KM : Kenan & Bodhi
1F : Willow & Jonah
1H : Kaira & Winnie
1L : Lucas & Hannah
2G : Sophia & Ryan
2L : Leyton & Penny
2P : Ryan & NFP
S2A : Zac & Caleb
S2N : Aydin & Shantel
S2O : Emily & Harry
S2P : Lily & Lucas
S3B : Isabel & Josh
S3F : Reva & Corey
S3G : Ava & Rebecca
S3N : Vedanth & Anika
S3S : Alizaye & Will

Library: 1L & S2A

Super Award:

RFF:



WINSTON HEIGHTS PUBLIC SCHOOL RETURN TO SCHOOL IN 2020

26th September 2019

Dear Parents/Carers,

During Term 4 the school will be organising classes for 2020. The students in Years 1 to 6 (2020) return to school on Wednesday 29th January 2020. Some families take longer school holidays and do not return to school until after this date. If you are intending to return your children to school **after** Wednesday 29th January 2020, can you please fill in the details on **Form A**, below and then return the form to the office as soon as possible. This will ensure that your child will be on a class list for 2020.

If you are **not** intending to return your child to Winston Heights Public School in 2020 **at all**, can you please indicate this on **Form B** below and return it to the school office.

If you are unsure about it now, you can still let us know when you have made a decision later in Term 4. Just send us a note or visit the office and let us know.

If you are intending to return your child to school on Wednesday 29th January 2020, you **do not need to return the form below**.

Margaret Creagh
Principal

FORM A – LATE RETURN TO SCHOOL IN 2020

My child/ren **will be taking an extended holiday** and will return to Winston Heights Public School after Wednesday 29th January 2020.

Child's name _____ 2019 class _____
Child's name _____ 2019 class _____
Child's name _____ 2019 class _____
Child's name _____ 2019 class _____

Expected return to school date: _____

Contact name: _____ Contact Phone Number: _____

OR

FORM B – NOT RETURNING TO SCHOOL IN 2020

My child _____ of 2019 class _____
My child _____ of 2019 class _____
My child _____ of 2019 class _____
My child _____ of 2019 class _____

will not be returning to Winston Heights Public School in 2020. My child will be changing

to _____ (name of new school in 2020).

Signed _____ Date _____

Please return to the school office only if necessary.

NB: If your child is returning to Winston Heights Public School on Wednesday 29th January 2020, you DO NOT need to return this note.

FAMILY FUN DAY

at the
NSW Parliament
October School
Holidays!

FRIDAY
11 OCTOBER
10 am to 3 pm

MEMBER
FOR A DAY

Member for a Day: What would you say?

**Free fun educational activities at
Australia's oldest Parliament for
children from 4 to 12 years.**

Follow the children's trail; enter the guessing competition, participate in the arts and crafts; visit the historic legislative chambers and places rarely open to the public; give your first speech as a Member of Parliament in the chambers; be entertained by roving musicians.

FREE ENTRY

Activities

10.00 am to 3.00 pm

Location

6 Macquarie Street –
opposite Martin Place

**The public café
will be open.**

Sausage
Sizzle
\$3.00
per person



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6 Macquarie Street, Sydney

**GROUP BOOKINGS FOR
10 OR MORE ESSENTIAL
9230 2047**



Northmead

Creative and Performing Arts High School

Audition Information for Parents and Students

Northmead Creative and Performing Arts High School.

Auditions will be held Monday 21st – Friday 25th October 2019

AUDITIONS YEAR 7 - 11 FOR PLACEMENT IN 2020

Talented students in Dance, Drama, Visual Arts and Music are encouraged to apply for positions in the 2020 specialised pathways in either Dance, Drama, Music or Visual arts.

Local (In Area) students wanting to be part of our selective Creative and Performing Arts program **MUST** also audition.

Northmead Creative and Performing Arts High School has a long tradition as a centre of excellence in the Creative and Performing Arts. An exciting opportunity is available for talented students to audition for placement in our outstanding CAPA programs.

Students in the specialised streams are afforded a wide range of opportunities to excel in their chosen field with extensive co-curricular programs and a whole school approach to fostering our gifted students' talents.

Auditions will be held for Dance, Drama, Music, and Visual Arts on:

Monday 21st - Friday 25th October 2019.

The cost of auditions is \$50.00.

Applications close and forms need to be submitted to NCAPAHS Monday 14th October 2019

Please register your interest via our school website or contact Mrs Stepic: on 9630 4116

Email: june.stepic@det.nsw.edu.au

Audition Application forms can also be downloaded from our school website.

Mrs Fiona Clifton – Relieving Principal

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