



Heights Happenings

Winston Heights Newsletter

TERM 1

WEEK 4

Whole School Organisation

It has certainly been a very busy start to the year! However, there was much excitement last Monday when our students moved into their 2021 classes. Please find below information about our school organisation and class structure for this year.

2021 Leadership Team

Principal	Mrs Terri Bullock
Early Stage 1 Assistant Principal	Mrs Kathryn Lee
Stage 1 Assistant Principal	Miss Gemma Stormon
Stage 2 Assistant Principal	Mr Greg Leeson
Stage 3 Assistant Principal	Mr Daniel Gorrie
Learning & Support Assistant Principal	Mrs Linda Bryant

2021 Classes and Teachers

KE	Mrs Colleen England	3H	Mrs Margaret Hall
KL	Mrs Kathryn Lee	3P	Miss Jamiela Peksis
KB	Miss Melissa Bolluk	3/4L	Mr Greg Leeson
1L	Miss Dania Lukic	4M	Ms Jennifer Moir
1S	Miss Gemma Stormon	4O	Miss Holly Oryzak
1/2C	Miss Jessica Curtin	5B	Mrs Laura Booth
2F	Miss Tayla Favell	5/6A	Miss Rachel Allen
2LW	Mrs Olympia Linas & Mrs Rebecca Wilkinson	6G	Mr Daniel Gorrie
		6N	Miss Debbie Neilson

2021 Support Teaching Staff

Teacher Librarian	Mrs Jenine Hinton (Mon-Thurs)
RFF (The Studio)	Mrs Dyan Sim
Learning Support & EAL/D	Mrs Linda Bryant Mrs Sarah Kennedy (Mon-Wed) Mrs Gail Adams (Mon-Wed) Mrs Amada Wright (Mon-Wed) Mrs Janelle Su (Mon-Wed)
School Counsellor	Mr Jason Cull (Thurs)
School Chaplain	Mrs Robyn Bowman (Tues & Thurs)

2021 Administration Staff

School Administration Manager	Mrs Lee Wood	
School Administration Officer	Mrs Carolyn Leverton	Mrs Rachael Calvar
	Ms Marlaine Schulz	Miss Teneille Lowe
SLSO (Teacher Aide)	Mrs Ronda Pringle	Mrs Asli Alca
	Mr Jayden Campion	Mrs Paulina Ibara
General Assistant	Mr Adam Batten	

Assemblies

K-6 assemblies are usually held weekly at Winston Heights PS in the school hall. However, due to the current COVID guidelines, weekly assemblies will be held outside in the COLA areas. Unfortunately, parents are not able to attend. We will keep our community informed of organisational changes to our assemblies as we respond to changing COVID guidelines. Weekly assemblies will take place on:

K-2 Assembly - 2:00pm Friday

3-6 Assembly - 11:20pm Friday

Celebrating birthdays

If you would like to send a treat in to school for your child's birthday, please ensure the treats are:

- Commercially produced and individually sealed.
- If providing lollies or other treats, each lolly must be commercially and individually wrapped.
- be in the original packaging.

Please be aware we have students in our school with life threatening allergies to nuts, so please do not send items containing nuts to school. We request you include a list of ingredients to accompany the food items sent into school. If your child has an allergy, you might like to send in some treats for your child to enjoy during these times. We are more than happy to keep these in the freezer at school if required. Due to health and safety regulations, candles should not be sent in.

Meet the Teacher - Parent Information Chats for Students in Year 1-6

Meet the Teacher - Parent Information Chats will be held in Week 6 (Monday 1 March to Friday 5 March) for Years 1-6. This year, there will be individual 10 minute interviews to enable parents to meet their child's teacher and share valuable information about your child. Each 'chat' will take place in your child's classroom - either before 8:30am or after 3:00pm.

Further information will be sent home detailing how to book your 10minute chat with your child's teacher via School Interviews online.

In order to meet the Department of Education Term 1 COVID-19 Guidelines we have put the following measures in place for the Meet the Teacher Chats:

- only one adult per student will be able to attend
- no students will be able to attend the 10 minute meeting
- meetings will be held in your child's classroom
- parents are asked to wait outside the classroom and to maintain a minimum of 1.5 metres from other adults on school grounds
- hand sanitiser and Service NSW QR Check-in code will be available at the entrance to each classroom
- parents will need to leave the school grounds as soon as their meeting has finished
- meetings are scheduled over five days to minimise the number of visitors on site
- a COVID-Safe Plan has been created to manage and minimise risks as per DoE requirements

Meet the Teacher - Parent Information Chats for Students in Kindergarten

Our Meet the Teacher information session for our Kindergarten parents will be held on Wednesday 3 March 6pm to 7pm. During the presentation held in your child's Kindergarten class, the teacher will outline important information about our Kindergarten programs and school life at Winston Heights PS.

In order to meet the Department of Education Term 1 COVID-19 Guidelines we have put the following measures in place for the kindergarten Meet the Teacher information session:

- only one adult per student will be able to attend
- no students will be able to attend the information session
- information sessions will be held in your child's kindergarten classroom
- parents are asked to wait outside the classroom and to maintain a minimum of 1.5 metres from other adults on school grounds
- hand sanitiser and Service NSW QR Check-in code will be available at the entrance to each classroom
- parents will need to leave the school grounds as soon as their meeting has finished
- a COVID-Safe Plan has been created to manage and minimise risks as per DoE requirements

Dogs Not Permitted on School Grounds

We understand that pets are often a much-loved part of your family and walking your dog to and from school is a healthy experience for you all. I have noticed that, on occasion, some people have brought their dogs onto school grounds while waiting to pick up their child/ren.

I remind all visitors to our school, that dogs are not allowed on school grounds except where the principal has given permission. With the exception of working dogs, all dogs must be kept on a leash if permitted to be on school grounds.

Thank you in advance, for your understanding with this matter.

Keeping Everyone Safe - Pedestrian Safety

You and your child should always use a pedestrian crossing if there is one available. It is the safest point at which to cross a road.

We have observed some unsafe practices around the pedestrian crossings on Langdon Road and Buckleys Road recently. We have noted the following:

- cars parking on the pedestrian crossing to let students out of the car;
- parents with their children running out onto the pedestrian crossing without looking left and right for cars

Thankfully, no-one was hurt when we saw the above incidents happen. However, I would like to take this opportunity to remind all parents and students about safe road and pedestrian behaviour around pedestrian crossings. Further information can be found on the Safety Town website at

<https://www.safetytown.com.au/families/>



Children's crossings

Children's crossings are usually part-time crossings that operate before and after school hours. They can also operate at other times when children use the crossing for excursions or during break times. When the

red 'Children Crossing' flags are displayed, you must stop at the white line if pedestrians are waiting to cross. Drivers must remain stopped until the crossing is clear of pedestrians.



Pedestrian crossings (zebra crossings)

Talk with your child about waiting until all vehicles have stopped before starting to cross. Some drivers may not stop for pedestrians. If you are driving, you must slow down and stop when a pedestrian steps onto a marked crossing. You must give way to any pedestrian on the crossing. Crossings with poor visibility have zigzag white lines painted on the road to warn drivers.

If there is school crossing supervisor, hold hands with your child and wait together on the footpath, at least one step back from the edge of the road, until the supervisor indicates that it is safe to enter the crossing.

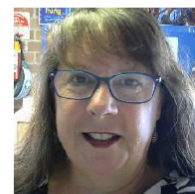
If you are driving, you must stop until the crossing supervisor's hand-held sign is no longer displayed, or until the supervisor indicates that you may proceed through the crossing.

Have a fantastic fortnight – keep dry and stay safe!

Terri Bullock

Principal

Chaplain Chat Week 4, 2021



Hi everyone, and thanks for checking out the Chaplain Chat again. Today, I want to tell you about our great online resource, the **Winston Heights Wellbeing Space Google Classroom**. Your child can access it via their student portal, and join using the code **m5sbxex** . None of the activities are assignments, so please don't feel anything is compulsory. Look around and choose what resonates with you. Wellbeing is the focus, so there are lots of mindfulness activities and other strategies and games to help manage stress and anxiety. There are plenty of activities for parents as well as children. This Classroom was built during the COVID isolation and is gradually being added to and upgraded for the present day. Your feedback is gratefully accepted.

This week, I am putting out permission notes for Stage 3 Girlpower. Its an awesome program that builds resilience and self-confidence in girls. If you have any more questions about it, don't hesitate to contact me at the school. I plan to start the first group next week so please return the permission notes asap.

If you have any topics you would like to see covered in this Chaplain Chat please don't hesitate to email me at winstonhts-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

Mrs Bowman, School Chaplain.

P&C Meeting
Monday 22 February
7pm
in Staff room

School Clean Up

**Friday 5th
March**



**Remember to
bring some
gloves so you
can help collect
rubbish and keep
our school
grounds
beautiful.**



Diary Dates

TERM DATES 2021

Term 1 2021

Years 1-6 - Students start **Friday 29 Jan to Thurs 1 April**

Kindergarten start Wednesday 3 February 2021

Term 2 - Tuesday 20 April to Friday 25 June

Term 3 - Tuesday 13 July to Friday 17 September

Term 4 - Tuesday 5 October to Thursday 16 December

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

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

February 2021

Mon 22 P&C Meeting 7pm in staff room

March 2021

Mon 1– Fri 5 Meet the teacher chats

YRS 1 to 6

Wed 3 Meet the teacher chats **Kindy**

Fri 5 School Clean Up Day
Bring gloves

Wed 10 AFL Clinic– wear sport uniform

Mon 15 School Photos

Wed 17 AFL Clinic– wear sport uniform

Tues 23 Colour Run

Wed 24 AFL Clinic– wear sport uniform

Thurs 25 Young Leaders Day for
School and Vice Captains

Wed 31 AFL Clinic– wear sport uniform

PSSA Sport Calendar

Touch Football

Students leave at 9am

26/2 Bye

5/3 Bus to Ted Horwood

12/3 Bus to Ted Horwood

Softball & T/Ball

Students leave at 9am

26/2 Walk to Gooden Reserve

5/3 Bus to Murray Farm Reserve

12/3 Bus to Eric Mobbs—Field 3 &4

Cricket

Students leave at 9am

26/2 Bus to North Rocks Park

5/3 Walk to Max Ruddock

12/3 Bus to Masonic Oval

Messages from The Office

- During the week the P&C Canteen committee sent an email to families asking to complete a survey on the future of the Canteen. Here is the link if you have not already completed survey. <https://s.surveypal.com/sMdv-Pog3>
- Congratulations to those students selected to represent our school in the PSSA competitions. Permission notes have been sent home. Notes including the code of conduct and the payment is due by Wednesday 24th February. Once payments and notes are received students will be given a PSSA shirt to wear during the season. This shirt must be washed and returned to the office in good condition at the end of Term 1 or a replacement fee of \$50 will be charged.
- Annual School Fees have been invoiced to families and payment is due by 19th March 2021. Please click on the secure link that was emailed on Wednesday to pay these fees. These fees include Athletics and Reading Eggs online subscriptions for all K-6 students this year.
- Our school photos are on Monday 15th March - order forms will be coming home soon.
- **Notes and Money Due:**
 - * PSSA Cricket - Selected students - \$30 Due by Wednesday 24th February
 - * PSSA Touch - Selected Students - \$40 Due by Wednesday 24th February
 - * PSSA Softball/Tball - Selected Students - \$35 Due by Wednesday 24th February
(Reminder all students need their own Softball/Tball mitt)
 - * Year 6 Jackets - \$60 Due by Friday 26th February
 - * AFL Sport Clinic- Whole School \$10 due by Thursday 4th March
 - * Annual School Fees - Whole School Due by Friday 19th March

Office Hours 8.30am - 3.15pm

**Mrs Lee Wood, Mrs Rachael Calvar, Mrs Carolyn Leverton,
Ms Marlaine Schultz and Miss Teneille Lowe**



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Merit Certificates

Congratulations!

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



AWARDED TO

WEEK 3

KB : Zoey & Euan
KE : Mikayla & Kai
KL : Arvin & Alicia
1L : Ruby & Callum
1S : Jazz & Nicolas
1/2C : Alessandra & Harrison
2F : Liam & Lauren
2LW : Lucas & Jack
3H : Hannah & Izeiyah
3P : Eli & Jenny
S/4L : NFP & Kian
4M : Jonah I NFP
4O : Lily & Lachlan
5B : Hannah & Alex
5/6A : Ben & Sabeen
6G : Nicholas & Hayley
6N : Rebecca & Noah

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Library: 2F, 3H

Super Award: Aiden

RFF/The Studio: Lachlan, Lucas

AWARDED TO

WEEK 4

KB : Lara & Lucas
KE : Aria & Paarth
KL : Aanya & Zander
1L : Ethan & Theo
1S : Emily & Myrah
1/2C : Lora & Raihan
2F : Toby & Ebony
2LW : Leo & Abby
3H : Justin & Kaira
3P : Hannah & Oliver
3/4L : Paige & Oliver
4M : Eve & Beth
4O : Atio & Dena
5B : Declan & Ella
5/6A : Annabelle & Amelia
6G : Harry & Maeve
6N : Aakriti & Kieran

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Library: KL & 5B

Super Award: Callum 2F

RFF/The Studio: 1S & 6N



News from our *Library*

Borrowing has begun for all classes. Please ensure students have their Library bag with them. School library, shop purchased, homemade and plastic bags are all acceptable.

Library days for each class are listed below.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
6G	5B	5/6A	6N	1/2C
4M	3P	3H	3/4L	1L
2F	1S	2LW	4O	

Book Club

Thank you for your support of the first issue of Book Club for 2021. Our school library benefits directly from **all** orders. Book Club Issue 1 LOOP orders have closed.

Cash or late orders cannot be accepted. Thanks to Amber Edmonds for coordinating Book Club for 2021.

Library Monitors

Our 27 Library Monitors made their pledge and received their badges at a brief School Assembly last week. A video link of the assembly has been posted to the Library Google classroom. (code available from the Library or contact the school office). Library Monitors have begun their duties with commitment and enthusiasm.

Lunchtime Activities

Our Library is open Monday to Thursday first half of lunch. Students are able to borrow, read, play games, play chess, colour and draw. It is always a very busy place, especially on hot days! Due to Covid guidelines, Library @ lunchtime has a timetable below.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Year 5 and 6	Year 3 and 4	Year 1 and 2	Kinder



Please call, email or send a note if you have any questions or concerns.

Thank you for your continued support,

Mrs Jenine Hinton

Teacher Librarian



WINSTON HEIGHTS PUBLIC SCHOOL

Canteen

WEEKS 5 & 6

Date	Recess Orders	Lunch Orders	Over-the-counter sales
Monday, 22 February 2021	Yes	Yes (incl. Sushi)	Yes
Tuesday, 23 February 2021	No	No	Yes-no lunch orders
Wednesday, 24 February 2021	CLOSED		
Thursday, 25 February 2021	Yes	Yes	Yes
Friday, 26 February 2021	No	No	Yes-no lunch orders
Monday, 1 March 2021	Yes	Yes (incl. Sushi)	Yes
Tuesday, 2 March 2021	No	No	Yes-no lunch orders
Wednesday, 3 March 2021	Yes	Yes	Yes
Thursday, 4 March 2021	Yes	Yes	Yes
Friday, 5 March 2021	No	No	Yes-no lunch orders

Hills Junior Rugby Union

Come 'n' Try Clinics

Bring your brothers, sisters, cousins, friends and neighbors. Its time to 'Come n Try' Rugby.

Sunday 28th February 2-4 pm
Sunday 7th March 2-4 pm
Sunday 14th March 2-4pm
Yattenden Park, Baulkham Hills





Northmead

Creative and Performing Arts High School

Audition Information for Parents and Students

Northmead Creative and Performing Arts High School.

CAPA Auditions – Monday 22nd March - Friday 26th March 2021

AUDITIONS FOR YEAR 7, 2022 (AND FOR YEARS 8-11, 2021)

Talented students in Dance, Drama, Visual Arts, Music and Circus are encouraged to apply for positions in the 2022 specialised pathways in either Dance, Drama, Music, Visual arts or Circus.

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, Visual Arts and Circus on Monday 22nd March to Friday 26th March 2021. The cost of auditions is \$50.00.

Applications close and forms need to be submitted to NCAPAHS by Monday 15th March 2021.

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.

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