

#### **Tell Them From Me Survey for Students**

The Tell Them From Me (TTFM) surveys provide schools with student, teacher and parent perspectives about the engagement and wellbeing of their students. This information is valuable to schools and can be used to identify strengths and successes, as well as areas to target for improvement.

Over the next two weeks, our Year 4, 5 and 6 students will have the opportunity to participate in the TTFM student survey. The student survey asks about a range of school experiences, including their engagement and wellbeing at school and beyond. It also asks students about teaching practices and the learning environment. The survey takes about 20 minutes to complete. Information about the TTFM survey and the non-consent form have been sent home.

#### NAPLAN Online and NAPLAN Practice Tests for Year 3 and Year 5

As children progress through their school years, it is very important that checks are made along the way to see how well they are learning the essential skills of reading, writing and mathematics – skills that will set them upon the path to success as adults.

NAPLAN is a point-in-time assessment that allows parents to see how their child is progressing in literacy and numeracy against the national standard and compared with their peers throughout Australia. At the classroom level, NAPLAN provides additional information to support teachers' professional judgement about student progress.

Test	Further Info	Duration	Test description
Writing	Year 3 students do a paper-based writing test Year 5 students do Online writing test	Year 3: 40 minutes Year 5: 42 minutes	Students are provided with a 'writing stimulus' (sometimes called a 'prompt' – an idea or topic) and asked to write a response in a particular genre (narrative or persuasive writing)
Reading		Year 3: 45 minutes Year 5: 50 minutes	Students read a range of informative, imaginative and persuasive texts and then answer related questions
Conventions of language		Year 3: 45 minutes Year 5: 45 minutes	This test assesses spelling, grammar and punctuation
Numeracy		Year 3: 45 minutes Year 5: 50 minutes	This test assesses number and algebra, measurement and geometry, and statistics and probability

We are currently preparing students in Year 3 and Year 5 with NAPLAN conventions through classwork and in some instances, homework.

In addition, to help familiarise students with the NAPLN Online interface, NAPLAN Practice Test sessions have been organised on a nationwide scale. NAPLAN practice sessions at our school will be held next week:

- Monday 22nd March Year 5 Writing
- **Tuesday 23rd and Wednesday 24th March** Year 3 Omnibus Test (this test contains elements of Reading, Language Conventions and Number).
- **Thursday 25th March** Year 5 Omnibus Test (this test contains elements of Reading, Language Conventions and Number).

Students in Year 3 and Year 5 will need to bring headphones on the day of their practice test.

Please note there is no coordinated practice session for Year 3 writing as this is a pen and paper test.

You may wish to access further information about NAPLAN from the following website for parents <u>https://education.nsw.gov.au/teaching-and-learning/student-assessment/naplan-online/getting-ready/parent-information</u>

A public demonstration site is now available which covers a sample of possible questions which may help students become familiar with the format of the online test. Please be assured that children will be participating in online practice tests at school. This site can be accessed at <u>https://www.nap.edu.au/online-assessment/public-demonstration-site</u>

#### Check In Assessments for Year 4 and Year 6

#### What is the Check-in assessment?

The Check-in assessment is a NSW Department of Education online reading and numeracy assessment for students in Years 3 to 9. The Check-in assessment window for 2021:

Term 2 Weeks 1-3 (19 April to 7 May) for students in Year 4 and Year 6

The Check-in assessment supplements existing school practices to identify how students are performing in literacy and numeracy and to help teachers tailor their teaching more specifically to student needs. The assessments are mapped to the NSW Syllabuses.

#### About the assessment

The Check-in assessment includes two online assessments for students:

- reading assessment
- numeracy assessment

Each assessment is designed to be quick, consisting of approximately 40 multiple choice questions. The Check-in assessments will provide feedback to teachers soon after the completion of the assessment.

#### Learning Support

This year our school is fortunate to have a team of five Learning and Support teachers working with our staff and students from Kindergarten to Year 6. The Learning and Support Team assists class teachers to deliver and differentiate essential aspects of the literacy and numeracy curriculum to students. They may also provide direct assistance to students with additional learning and support needs, including students for whom English is an additional language/dialect. (EAL/D). This year, another focus of the Learning and Support Team is to broaden the scope of literacy and numeracy skill development to a wide range of students.

The Learning and Support Teachers work in various ways depending on the needs of individuals and groups of students at different points in time throughout the year. This may include teaching alongside the classroom teacher, as well as withdrawing small groups or individual students for targeted skill enhancement. These sessions may be a one-off lesson (to develop specific skills such as understanding of syllables or spelling rule); delivered over a few sessions or weeks; or span longer than a term.

This year, our focus will be on literacy and numeracy. Kindergarten and Stage 1 priorities will focus on the development of phonological skills by assisting classroom teachers with the implementation of the Initialit Program. Stage 2 and Stage 3 programs will focus on enhancing skills in reading comprehension, vocabulary, spelling, punctuation and grammar. The development of number is a focus in every classroom.

The Learning and Support Team supports students on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday each week. Our Learning and Support Teachers are;

Mrs Sarah Kennedy - Kindergarten

Mrs Linda Bryant - 1L and 1S (Assistant Principal Learning and Support)

Mrs Amanda Wright – 1/2C and Year 2

Ms Gail Adams - Stage 2 (Years 3-4)

Mrs Janelle Su - Stage 3 (Years 5-6)

Information will be sent home to families of students participating in our long-term targeted literacy and numeracy initiatives in Years 1 to 6 over the coming weeks.

Please be advised, that all Kindergarten students will receive assistance at some point in time, as it is their first year of school.

If you would like any further information, please do not hesitate to contact your child's classroom teacher and/or Learning and Support Teacher.

#### OSHC Hub Program

As part of the NSW Government's \$120 million Before and After School Care (BASC) commitment, the Department of Education has invested in 47 purpose-built modular hubs which will be designed, manufactured and installed at NSW Government school sites for Out of School Hours Care (OSHC) services. It is part of the Government's commitment to expanding access to Before and After School Care for public primary school children across NSW.

The OSHC Hub Program aims to help families access flexible and affordable before and after school care by filling service gaps across the state and clearing waiting lists in areas of high demand.

One of these new hubs is scheduled to be installed alongside our existing OSCH building over the coming weeks. Work has already commenced - with the clearing of two trees (approved by Parramatta Council), ground preparations and building of the foundational piers completed.

At this stage, we do not have an anticipated installation date for the demountable building. However, we will let you know as soon as we have further details.

We believe the crane used to lift the sections of building onto the piers will be positioned safely within school grounds. The trucks carrying sections of the building will reverse onto school grounds (via emergency access gate on Langdon Road) to deliver the sections of building, before leaving the site. Approximately 14 trucks will be involved in this operation.

Please be assured that measures will be taken to ensure the safety of all students and visitors to our school during the installation.

The OSHC hub allocated to our school will include facilities to accommodate 60 students.

More information will be available soon and, in the meantime, if you have any questions, please feel free to contact the school on 9624 7485 or the BASC Program team by phone: 1300 244 145 or email at: BASCReform@det.nsw.edu.au.

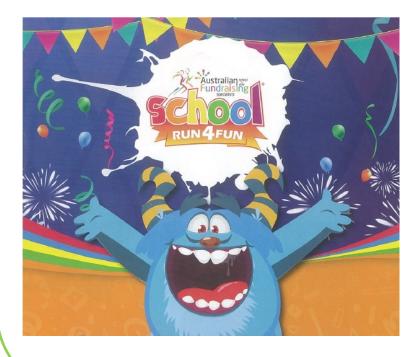
The week ahead is predicted to be extremely wet, with flash flooding and record rainfall predicted across parts of NSW. When out and about over the next week, please continue to monitor weather conditions, avoid driving through flood waters, and keep an umbrella handy. Take care and please be safe.



Terri Bullock **Principal** 

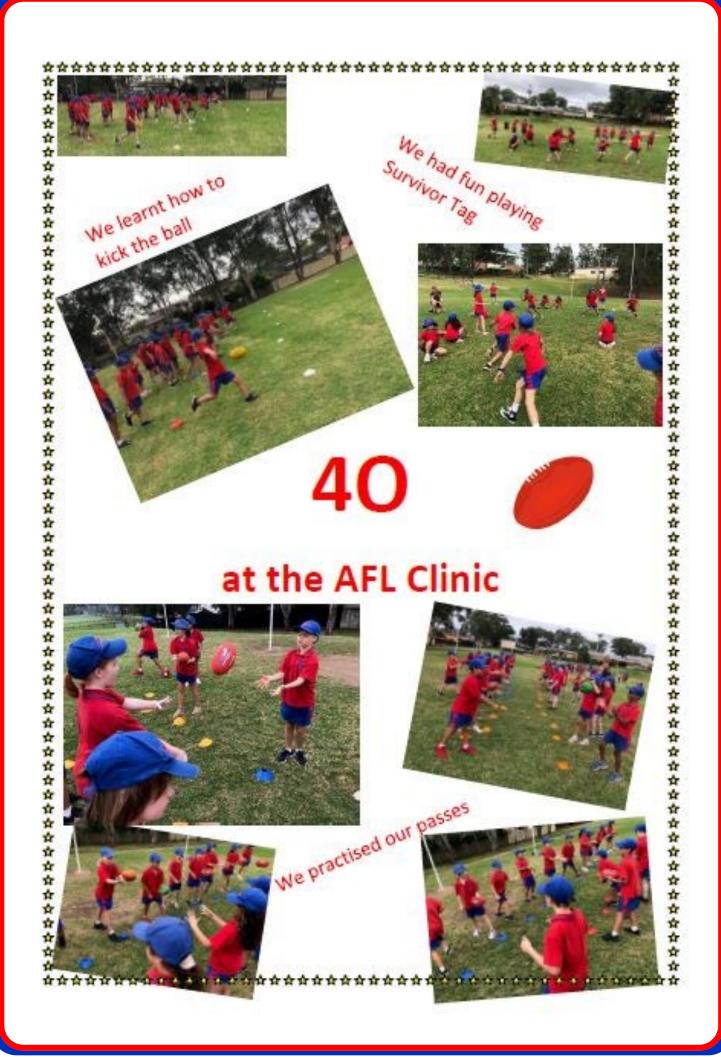
### **Winston Heights**

### **Run4Fun Colour Explosion**





New date: 1st June 2021



#### **Chaplain Chat Week 8**

### **Bullying NO WAY National Day of Action 19 March**

This year, our Bullying NO WAY day is focussing on the theme of **Empowering the Students' Voices**. The kids are being encouraged to think about their own abilities to speak up and be heard when they see bullying happening or experience it themselves. They are asking themselves "What would you say?"

As parents, your voice in this conversation is essential too. Here are some things you can do.

- Read the Bullying is Never OK Flyer (in this newsletter) and talk about it with your children.
- Watch these YouTube videos with your kids. They may have already seen them and have some insights they want to share with you.
- <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=86Rnc-AiZEo</u> <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QGMBRY1WIEg</u>
- Use the following tags, and even one of the logos you see here to keep the conversations happening. @BullyingNoWay #NDA2021 #BullyingNoWay #TakeActionTogether
- Visit and like Bullying No Way at Facebook. https://www.facebook.com/BullyingNoWay
- Look for the posters around the school on the 19<sup>th</sup> and ask your children what they think about the voice in each one.

So what would you say, if you witnessed bullying or were the target of bullying? We can all Take Action Together to support each other against bullying and violence.



National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence

Friday 19 March 2021

Robyn Bowman School Chaplain

Uniform Shop



Taking orders for winter uniforms NOW !!



Please note: winter uniform must be worn from beginning of Term 2 to the end of Term 3.



## **Diary Dates** TERM DATES 2021

#### Term 1 2021

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

#### March 2021

- Mon 22 Yr 5&6 Links @ Model Farms HS P&C Meeting 7pm in Staffroom
- Tues 23
   Run4Fun Colour Explosion

   POSTPONED until 1st June
- Wed 24 AFL Clinic– wear sport uniform
- Thurs 25Young Leaders Day forSchool and Vice Captains
- Wed 31 AFL Clinic- wear sport uniform Hot Cross Bun Day

#### **April 2021**

- Thurs 1K-2 Easter Hat ParadeLast day of Term 1
- Tues 20Students return for Term 2
- Thurs 22 Cross Country Carnival
- Mon 26 P&C AGM 7pm in staffroom

#### May 2021

Thurs 6

Mothers' Day Fundraiser

Mon 24 -Tues 25 Band Camp

#### **PSSA Sport Calendar**

Touch FootballStudents leave at 9am26/3Bus to Ted Horwood

Softball & T/Ball

Students leave at 9am

26/3 Bus to Eric Mobbs—Field 3 & 4

#### Cricket

Students leave at 9am 26/3 Walk to Max Ruddock

## Messages from The Office

- Unfortunately due to the bad weather forecasted for the next 7 days we have made the hard decision of postponing the Run4Fun Colour Explosion until Tuesday 1st June 2021. We know staff and students were looking forward to this fundraiser however we need fine weather to make it enjoyable to all students and staff. Thank you to those families who have already sent in their donations and donation books, we will keep them safe here at school. To those who have yet to finalise your online or cash sponsorship you now have a few extra months to raise money towards your prizes. Please ensure the back page of your sponsorship booklet is completed and returned to school by Friday 21st May 2021.
- A reminder to get your Easter Egg colouring in competition entries in by 3pm, Monday 22nd March! Extra forms are available in the foyer.

**The P&C Easter raffle prizes** are on display in the office foyer - don't forget to grab your tickets! This year just scan the QR code below to enter! Prizes drawn on Thursday 25th March.

• Term 1 ends Thursday 1st April. Students begin Term 2 on Tuesday 20th April 2021. Happy Holidays!



#### Notes and Money Due:

\* 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





## Merit Certificates



#### **Congratulations!**

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

Eliza, Leighton, Lucinda, Isaac, Ella & Keira

#### **AWARDED TO**

		WEEK 7
KB	:	Myra & Lincoln
KE	:	Darian & Aliyah
KL	:	Micah & Allegra
1L	:	Emily & Addison
1S	:	Damon & Ella
1/2C	:	Layla & Dimitri
2F	:	Sofia & Kenan
2LW	:	Arya & Neerav
3H	:	Geoffrey & Eliza
3P	:	Mitchell & Nate
3/4L	:	Evangeline & Benedict
4M	:	NFP & Neek
40	:	Andre & Ethan
5B	:	Ranay & Lucinda
5/6A	:	Oleg & Ben
6G	:	Ellie & Jacob
6N	:	Thomas & Paige

#### Library:

Super Award: Journii, Mikayla & Lily RFF/The Studio: KE & 3P

#### AWARDED TO

		WEEK 8
KB	:	Leo & Samuel
KE	:	Neev & Zachary
KL	:	Lillian & Aditya
1L	:	Hannah & Bryant
1S	:	Parmin & Isha
1/2C	:	Sienna & Emmeth
2F	:	Aria & Chester
2LW	:	Anisha & Yohan
3H	:	Hailey & Naythan
3P	:	Evie & Stacey
3/4L	:	Scarlett & Cavan
4M	:	Ben & Sienna
40	:	Karam & Jaylah
5B	:	Sunny & Matilda
5/6A	:	Mitchell & Caleb
6G	:	Ruby & Chloe
6N	:	Abbey & Kaubi

Library: 15 & 3/4L Super Award: Sofia RFF/The Studio:

For primary school students

# Bullying is NEVER OK!

### Tips for primary school students who experience bullying

Bullying is when a person, or a group of people, tries to upset or hurt you. Bullying can make you feel very sad, scared or upset. Bullying can happen anywhere — in person or online. When it happens online it is often called cyberbullying.

#### Bullying in person or online might look or feel like someone is:

- · repeatedly saying mean words to your face, teasing you, hurting your body or damaging your things
- hurting your feelings through mean online posts, comments or messages
- spreading lies about you
- leaving you out or ignoring you
- sharing something online that will make you feel bad, like a photo or video that you don't want anyone to see
- threatening to do any of the things on this list.

#### No one deserves to be bullied or hurt. You can choose to:

- treat others how you would like to be treated with kindness and respect
- include others in games and chats
- only share something about others if they say it's okay.





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## You have the right to feel safe and be safe. Here are some ideas about what you can do if someone is bullying you:

- If they are doing it to your face, tell them to stop and then walk away.
- Find somewhere safe and get help from a friend or trusted adult.
- Don't respond if they are doing it to you online.
- Protect yourself online by unfriending them or using privacy settings to block them.

#### It's okay to ask for help if you are being bullied or see it happening to someone else. You can speak to:

- a trusted adult this could be a parent or carer, an adult friend, or an aunty or uncle who will listen and help you
- your teacher or principal you can talk to your teacher about the bullying and how to stop it
- your friends they can listen to you and help you get support
- Kids Helpline they have counsellors available at any time who will listen and help you work out what to do
- the police If you are in immediate danger, call the police

1. Keep a record

2. Report and block

3. Get help from

eSafety

the eSafety team — you can report serious cyberbullying (see the steps below).

#### Reporting cyberbullying

#### An adult can help you take screenshots or keep a record of the cyberbullying. See eSafety's videos on how to take screen shots.

Most social media services, games and apps have a way to report and block someone. The eSafety Guide shows you how.

eSafety can help to remove serious cyberbullying content and get you support. Go to eSafety kids to learn more about how eSafety can help.

#### Important links

Bullying. No Way!	bullyin
eSafety kids	esafety
eSafety Guide	esafety
eSafety Report	esafety
Kids Helpline	kidshel

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## WINSTON HEIGHTS P&C EASTER RAFFLE

### Have you purchased your tickets for the P&C Easter raffle yet?

### Scan the QR code below for your chance to win!

1st Prize valued at \$100

A basket made up of a toy Easter bunny, an assortment of Easter eggs and an Easter craft pack.

2nd Prize valued at \$40 A basket made up of an assortment of Easter eggs and chocolate bunnies.

> 3rd Prize valued at \$30 A large one kilo chocolate Easter egg.









WINSTON HEIGHTS PUBLIC SCHOOL

Canteen

WEEKS 9 & 10

Date	Recess Orders	Lunch Orders	Over-the-counter sales	
Monday, 22 March 2021	CLOSED			
Tuesday, 23 March 2021	No	No	Yes-no lunch orders	
Wednesday, 24 March 2021	Yes	Yes	Yes	
Thursday, 25 March 2021	Yes	Yes	Yes	
Friday, 26 March 2021	No	No	Yes-no lunch orders	
Monday, 29 March 2021	Yes	Yes	Yes	
Tuesday, 30 March 2021	No	No	Yes-no lunch orders	
Wednesday, 31 March 2021	CLO	SED - EA	STER BUN DAY	
Thursday, 1 April 2021	Yes	Yes	Yes	
Friday, 2 April 2021		CLO	DSED	

## **Nut**rition Snippet

## AUTUMN FRUIT AND VEG.







Try these delicious recipes!

- Beetroot hummus
- Cauliflower nuggets
- <u>Healthy apple crumble</u> For more autumnal recipes
- visit <u>healthylunchbox.com.au</u>





## Healthy Lunch Box recipe

### Fried rice muffins



#### Ingredients

- 1 cup jasmine rice, cooked and cooled 100g cooked chicken, shredded
- ¼ cup frozen peas ¼ cup frozen corn
- 1 small red capsicum, finely chopped
- 2 spring onions, thinly sliced
- 2 garlic cloves, crushed
- 2 eggs, lightly beaten 2 tbsp reduced-salt soy sauce
- 2 tbsp reduced-salt soy ¼ cup wholemeal flour
- Olive oil spray

For more recipes visit: healthylunchbox.com.au

#### Method

Preheat oven to 200°C. Lightly spray a 12 cup muffin tray with olive oil.

Add chicken, peas, corn, capsicum, spring onion, garlic, egg, say sauce and flour to the rice and stir to combine. Spoon mixture evenly into the muffin tray. Lightly press with the back of spoon and spray with a little more oil.

Bake for 20 to 25 minutes or until golden and just firm to touch. Stand for 10 minutes then carefully remove.



## 2021 Canteen Easter Deal

As a lead up to Easter, the Canteen Will be having a HOT CROSS BUN Morning Tea Deal			
on Wednesday 31st March.			
There will be a choice of <b>Classic</b> or <b>Fruitless</b> Hot Cross Buns.			
You can just have a Hot Cross Bun for \$2.00 or there are three Drinks Deals to choose from, ranging from \$3.00–\$4.20. The Hot Cross Buns will be served at Recess time.			
Please fill in the form below, tape onto a <b>paper bag</b> and return with the correct money to the canteen by lunchtime			
FRIDAY 26th March. Alternatively orders can be placed         via Flexischools, and cut-off is midnight SUNDAY         28th March.			
Thank you, THE CANTEEN COMMITTEE			

NAME:			CLASS:		
CHOOSE YOUR FLA	VOUR				
Classic		Fruitless			
DEAL A: HOT CROS	S BUN only			\$2.00	
DEAL B: HOT CROS	S BUN with	Water (\$3.00)	) or Just Juid	ce (\$3.20)	
Water		Apple		Water <b>\$3.00</b>	
Apple Blackcurran	nt 🗌	Orange		Juice <b>\$3.20</b>	
Orange and Mang	o 🗌	Paradise Pun	ch 🗌		
DEAL C: HOT CROS	S BUN with	Flavoured Mil	k		
Chocolate Milk		StrawberryM	ilk	\$3.80	
DEAL D: HOT CROS	S BUN with	r Chill J			
SparklingRaspber	ry	SparklingGra	pe	\$4.20	



## "Mum, Dad can you volunteer to teach me Islamic scripture at my public school please?"

ISRE - Islamic Special Religious Education can help you teach your own kids. They will supply you with everything you need. You dont have to be a qualified teacher.



For more info please contact us: Head Office - 9708 0880 Email - info@isre.org.au Website - www.isre.org.au





### P&C AGM is on Monday 26th April at 7pm

This will be followed by our monthly P&C meeting All welcome to attend We hope to see you there!

# Messages from P&C



Don't' forget to buy your tickets for the P&C Easter raffle for your chance to win some fantastic prizes!

Raffle closes on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> March, 2021 at 9am.



### Our next P&C meeting

is on Monday 22nd March at 7pm

Our AGM will be held on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> April at 7pm This will be followed by our monthly P&C meeting All welcome to attend We hope to see you there!







## OUR EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT HAS MOVED

Westmead Health Precinct

The Children's Hospital at Westmead's Emergency Department has moved to the Westmead Health Precinct's newest building.

When travelling down Hawkesbury Road, turn left when you see the Children's Emergency sign. It is also just a 250m walk up Hawkesbury Road from our main entry. You can also access the Emergency Department from inside the Hospital.

Parking is available underneath the building as well as a 15 minute drop-off and pick-up zone, located outside the front doors.



Walking route from our current Hospital to the new building.



With the current COVID restrictions in place the P&C will be unable to host this year's Peddlers Parade fundraising event. As we are still keen to celebrate the Easter season, we have decided to run an Easter raffle online and an Easter egg art competition. Funds raised will go towards resources and programs that will benefit both your children and the school as a whole. Click on the link below to order your tickets now!

https://www.rafflelink.com.au/whpspceasterraffle

## <u>Uniform Shop</u>

Taking orders for winter uniforms NOW !!

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