FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Octoberfest Performance
Congratulations to our school bands who played amazingly well at the recent Octoberfest in very hot conditions. You know it is hot when you see a team of parents, holding umbrellas over the percussionists. It was great to see the kids and parents going out of their way to contribute to such a positive community event.

Protecting our Community- Anti Racism Officer
As was seen at the Octoberfest celebrations mentioned above, Winston Hills is blessed with a very strong and cooperative community, however with many international conflicts occurring at the moment, several Australian communities have not been so lucky and have experienced some unfortunate racist incidents. It is imperative that during these times of unrest that our communities come together as a united force. It is just as important that when a member of our community experiences or witnesses any form of racism, that we protect our wonderful, multicultural and inclusive culture that we hold so dear at Winston Hills. To help protect these values, members of the community who require support or advice related to any form of racism are encouraged to contact our Anti-Racism Officer, Jenny Middleton, or the school Principal.

Management Plan
Last week a group of parents worked hard for two hours, generating some ideas for our new three year plan. There were many ideas discussed which will be implemented in the school’s strategic directions, but some issues that will be further explored include parent teacher communication, the use of technology, teacher professional learning and student welfare. These plus other issues are going to be fleshed out with a SRC survey next week. If you see a SRC student with a clip board in the morning, please ask them if you can complete the survey. It will only take a minute and it will contribute to making a great school and community, even better.

Selective High School
Parents of children who are interested in applying for a 2016 Selective High School Placement are asked to submit the note issued in this week’s newsletter. Applications are online and close 17th November 2014.

Enrolments for 2015 – Are you moving?
At this time of year we need to advise the Department of Education of anticipated enrolments for the coming year. This enables us to start the year with the correct number of teaching staff. If you are moving from the school next year could you please contact the office on 9639 8518 and let us know as soon as possible (excluding Year 6, of course).

Ian Short

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CALENDAR
Week 3
Friday, 24th October  Book Club Orders accepted
 Sunday, 26th October  Working Bee – 8.30am

Week 4
Tuesday, 28th Oct  P & C Meeting 7.30pm
 Wednesday, 29th Oct  Kinder 2015 – Class Visit
 Thursday, 30th Oct  ‘Count us In’ – Singing K-6
 (note: change from original date)
 Saturday, 1st Nov  Family Photos – fundraiser

Week 5
Tuesday, 4th Nov  Yr 6 Fundraiser – Teacher V’s Students Game
 Wednesday, 5th Nov  Yr 2 Transition – Parent Session 5.30pm
 Friday, 7th Nov  Parent Morning tea – 9.15am
 Friday, 7th Nov  Father & Son Camp Out 4.30pm

WHAT’S DUE?
Friday, 24th October  Father & Son Camp Out Payment
Friday, 31st October  Selective schools Intention to apply NOW OVERDUE
Term 4 Accounts

ACCOMPANYING NOTES
- Dr Shoe Flyer
- Working Bee Reminder
- Selective High School Note – for Year 5
- Year 2 to Year 3 Transition Program – Year 2
- Twilight Markets Flyer (Band Fundraiser)

Community Notices (email only)
- Doll & Craft Show
- Girraween High Open Night
- Energy Rebate
FROM THE DEPUTY

Parent Morning Tea – School Planning
A huge thank you to all the parents who attending the Term 4 Parent Morning Tea last Wednesday 15th October. We appreciate and value your ideas and suggestions for our three year school plan. Our SRC representatives will soon be surveying parents at the school gates to gain more feedback about our strategic directions for the next 3 years.

Parent Working Bee – Sunday, 26th October
We will be having our annual parent working bee this Sunday to revitalise our gardens and give our grounds a Spring makeover. Morning tea, a sausage sizzle and drinks will be provided. A reminder note was sent home today with the newsletter.

Year 6 High School Orientation Day
All NSW public high schools will be having their orientation day on Wednesday, 3rd December. Students going to Model Farms High School will attend an information session tomorrow afternoon with their Year 7 advisor, Mr Chris Puleo.

Peer Support
Congratulations to all Stage 3 leaders and co-leaders who did a fantastic job during our first peer support session last Friday. The Stage 3 teachers were very proud of the way they led their group and set a great example for the younger students – well done! Peer support will continue this Friday, 24th October.

New PBL Focus Area – ‘We include others in a game and take turns’.

Over the next 2 weeks, teachers will be encouraging students to include others in a game and take turns. This focus will be reinforced by the Stage 3 leaders during peer support lessons.

Year 6 Farewell Slideshow
Year 6 students are being asked to bring in photos (digitally or hard copy) for their Year 6 Farewell slideshow. The photos are to be of their experiences at Winston Hills throughout their school life.
Please hand your photos to Miss Ta or send them to meagan.tal@det.nsw.edu.au by Friday, Week 7.

David MacSporran

PARENT WORKING BEE
SUNDAY, 26TH OCTOBER

Come and join us for our annual parent working bee to revitalise our gardens and give our grounds a Spring makeover.

8.30am Sunday, 26th October
BYO garden tools
Morning tea, sausage sizzle and drinks will be provided

DENTAL CHECKS
Westmead Centre for Oral Health will be conducting free Oral health assessments on the 20th November, 27th November and 3rd December. More information will be sent home in the next newsletter along with consent forms.

ENERGY REBATE
With many families struggling financially, any opportunities to receive a rebate on energy bills are gratefully accepted.
A flyer explaining how to apply for such a rebate and who are eligible has been emailed with this week’s newsletter.

FAMILY PORTRAITS
Saturday, 1st November
There are still limited bookings available.
A photography sitting costs $55 per family
Each sitting will be divided into 15 minute intervals for photography, followed by a 15 minute image viewing session.
The booking form will be attached as an email. Please complete form and return it along with payment to the school office or email Judy Jones on JUDITH.A.JONES@det.nsw.edu.au

P&C Meeting – next week
Tuesday 28th October
7.30pm in the Staffroom
All Welcome!
**SCHOOL NEWS**

**PSSA**

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**ASSEMBLIES**

**Primary**

- Thursday, 23rd Oct | Stage 2 Item | 2.10pm
- Thursday, 30th Oct | 5/6P & 5B Item | 2.10pm
- Thursday, 13th Nov | 5/6S Item | 2.10pm
- Thursday, 27th Nov | Stage 2 Item | 2.10pm

**Stage 1**

- Wed, 29th Oct | 1K | 2.10pm

**Kinder**

- Wed, 22nd Oct | K A – Host, KJ display work | 2.10pm
- Wed 5th Nov | KJ – Host, K H display work | 2.10pm

**PARENT TIPS**

**Creative reading**

If your child is full of great ideas, share these 22 slides to help them tell their stories. Pixar’s 22 rules for great creative writing are brilliant! [http://bit.ly/1fyxNK3](http://bit.ly/1fyxNK3)

**Managing your child’s weight**

It’s all about family when it comes to influencing children’s waistlines and no number of wonder diets can beat some simple changes at home. Find out more: [http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/zh/wellbeing/fitness/managing-your-childs-weight](http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/zh/wellbeing/fitness/managing-your-childs-weight)

**Selective high schools**


**The simplest way**

Did you know that when it comes to sun protection, not all hats are equal? We all know that hats help protect against skin cancer and eye damage. But did you know that baseball caps do not provide adequate protection? There is now very clear evidence that baseball caps leave the cheeks, ears, chin and back of the neck exposed to ultraviolet radiation, increasing your child’s risk of skin cancer later in life.

**Bucket hat**

Bucket or surfer-style hats should have a deep crown and sit low on the head. The angled brim should be at least 5cm for children (6cm for adults) and shade the face, ears and back of neck.

**Broad brimmed hat**

Brim should be at around 6cm for children (7.5cm for adults). The brim should be proportional to the size of the child’s head and provide shade for the whole face.

**Legionnaire hat**

Legionnaire-style hats should have a flap that covers the neck. The side flap and front peak (brim) should meet to protect the sides of the face.

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**SunSmart Snippet**

[NSW Government Logo]

**Living and learning together**
SCHOOL NEWS

SCHOOL BANKING

School Banking Competitions
The Commonwealth Bank is running a competition this term from 20th October to the 30th November to encourage regular saving. There are 40 Go-Pros and 150 Slip’n’Slide Double Wave Riders to be won!

Each week a student banks will give them one entry into the competition. For more information visit: www.commbank.com.au/deepseasavers

A second competition is running up until the 31st October, where students can enter to win $1000 or an iPad. Students can follow the link below and write in 50 words or less what they are saving for and how they plan to save their money to achieve it. www.secure.commbank.com.au/cqforms/web/search-for-australias-smart-school-savers.aspx

Account Openings
A reminder that a CBA staff member will be in the New Hall opening new Youthsaver accounts on the 29th October between 9:00-9:30am and 10:30-11:00am. Just bring your child’s birth certificate to open a new account on the day.

For more information about the School Banking Program visit the School Banking Website below: www.commbank.com.au/personal/youth-students/school-banking-program.html

Micaela and Lynelle
WHPS School Banking Co-ordinators
schoolbankingWHPS@gmail.com

Sarah Johnstone
Book Club Coordinator

BOOK CLUB NEWS

Everyone should have now received their orders from the last bookclub in term 3. If you have not or have any questions regarding your order please contact me via email at sarah.johnstone@iinet.net.au.

Orders for the latest issue will be taken on Friday 24 October from 8.40-9.15am. Payment can be by cash, cheque (made payable to Winston Hills Public School) or by credit card. Credit card payments will need to be done online or by phone prior to Friday 24 October.

We are seeking a new volunteer for next year so if you are interested please email me at sarah.johnstone@iinet.net.au.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE PART OF OUR BAND IN 2015?

To those students in Years 3 in 2015 and beyond who may wish to become part of our school band in 2015 and you missed the Band information evening, please contact the band committee at bandwhps@gmail.com or come and see us in new school hall Mondays or Wednesdays 3-5pm to express an interest. But be quick spots are filling fast!!!!

Winston Hills Public School Band Twilight Markets

Friday 21st November
7.00pm to 9.00pm
In the new hall
$10 pp pre-ordered

Get in quick, organise a group of friends and order your tickets now!
All pre-ordered tickets receive a complimentary glass of champagne
First 100 tickets ordered will also receive a complimentary shopping bag and free entry into our lucky door prize draw.
P & C NEWS

BAND NEWS

Oktoberfest-
Again, many thanks to those children that attended the Lions Club Oktoberfest. A total of $400 was raised on the cake stall along with a very generous donation from the Winston Hills Lions Club, made for a very successful day.

Band information evening-
A positive response with 25 applications received on the spot. Many thanks to our mentors/band captains for assisting throughout the night.

Hornsby North Festival- Sunday 26th October
Training band- arrive at 8am
School ban-arrive at 10.50am
All details will be resent via email soon.

End of year celebration night-
Please note date change to Wednesday 26th November, 6pm invitations will be sent out shortly.

Term 4 fees-
Please pay asap so that we can finalize our accounts for 2014.

Band committee

UNIFORM SHOP

Opening Hours
Open during School term every Thursday morning’s 8.40-9.30am. 1st Thursday night of each month 6.00-7.00pm

Rosters
- 30th Oct Fiona West, Donelle Tamin
- 6th Nov: Libby Davis, Karen Carpenter, Lucy Chin
- Evening: Jen Barclay, Jackie Mardling

Alterations
For all alterations to school uniforms, please drop your clothes off at Uniform Shop on Thursdays. Finished alterations will be available for pick up the following Thursday. Thanks to Bernice Harker for this service who is also donating 10% of sales back to the school.

Uniform Shop Contact Details
Please email Kellie Bramble at kellie_irish@live.com to place an order or for any enquiries. Email orders can be delivered to your child’s class on Thursdays only.

P&C Meeting Tuesday 28 October at 7:30PM
Our P&C is a friendly forum where we discuss issues relating to the school and the work of our sub-committees involved in providing services to the school. This will be our first meeting for Term 4. Everyone is welcome. If you have anything you would like to discuss at P&C, please email me at vincentlisa@optusnet.com.au or phone me on 0403556654.

Vincent Riordan
President

UNIFORM CHANGES

Donating Uniforms
2014 has been our uniform changeover year where the old white long and short sleeved shirts for boys and the old yellow sports shirt for all students were able to be worn, as well as the new green long and short sleeved shirts for boys, and the new gold and green sports shirt for all students. In 2015 it is expected all students will wear the new uniforms. One of our parents, Sarah Johnstone, is involved in the Mitataa Foundation. They provide uniforms to students in Nepal. If you would like to donate any clean, good condition old uniform items to this charity, please leave them in bags outside the Infants shed (left hand side).

P&C Fundraising

Heather Brae Slice Drive:
Slices and cookies were delivered last week, hoping family and friends are enjoying these treats.

Bargain Buyers Shopping Trip:
We will be in contact with you this week to confirm final details. Don’t forget to bring a large bag so all of your purchases can be stowed in coach luggage hold. Bring along coins, as we will also be hosting raffles on the day.

Fundraising Committee
Kinder Crabs and Kinder Octopi have had a fantastic time in our classrooms this year. They are enjoying many fun and interesting activities.

KH love science and enjoyed making an erupting volcano!

KH loved dressing up as their favourite book characters.

KJ enjoyed the Drumbeats performance.

Beautiful friendships have blossomed in Kindergarten.

KJ loved creating octopus hats.

Octavia KJ’s mascot.