



# NEWSLETTER



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## Term Dates

**Term 4:** Oct 3—  
Dec 20

## Dates to remember:

Dec 13: grade 6  
graduation

Dec 19 Grade 6  
Adventure Park



**State School's  
Spectacular—  
featuring stu-  
dents from  
WVPS—  
highlights show  
will be on chan-  
nel 7, Sat., Dec.  
3 at 7pm**

**Before and after  
school care:**

**BIG child care**

**0403 280 852**

Dear Parents

The end of the year is fast approaching and, as indicated, we have a lot going on. Please ensure that you keep up to speed with due dates, money needed etc so that your child does not miss out on anything.

### Last Day

Some forward notice for parents: **school will finish at 1.15pm following a whole school assembly on the last day of school, TUESDAY, December 20.** There will be NO lunch break on this day and students are not to bring any school bags to school. A small snack for recess time may be brought in a named, disposable container.

### School Council

At our most recent school council meeting the following information was decided on for the 2017 school year:

- The parent contribution to the student essential levy charge has been set at \$170 per child. We will continue to offer a \$25 discount for accounts paid by the end of February
- Curriculum Days for 2017 are as follows— Monday, January 30, Tuesday, January 31st, Wednesday, February 22 and Monday, November 6 (Day before Melbourne Cup Day)
- With the exception of the first day of school, Foundation students will have Wednesdays off as a rest day for the month of February— as well as Wednesday, March 1. On one of these days parents will be invited to bring their child along for teachers to complete some assessment

Also.....

- Student reports will come home on Monday, December 19
- First Day of school for ALL STUDENTS in 2017 is Wednesday, February 1. This may be different to other local schools

### Year Book

Have you put in your order for our first ever year book? We have only ordered a limited number and this allocation is now close to running out. You will need to get your order in if you wish to purchase one. Orders close **TOMORROW** and no late orders can be accepted as we wish to have these back before the Christmas holiday break. Spare forms are available at the front office



### Raffle

Thank you to all those families who have donated items for prizes in our Christmas raffle, and for those who have returned raffle tickets. Last year we had over 20 hampers to give away as raffle prizes.... Maybe you will be lucky this year?? *(We are still accepting donations for prizes at the front office, or in classrooms. The value doesn't matter: we combine items to make hampers. Raffle tickets also continue to be accepted)*

### School Captains:

Congratulations to the following students who have been selected as our student leadership group in 2017:



*Jas (Vice Capt), Rohith (Capt), Kokoa (Capt.), LJ (Vice Capt.)*

I am sure that they will do a wonderful job contributing to the development of our school next year. Their badges will be presented in early 2017. Well done to all students who were nominated for this role—you certainly did yourself proud, and it takes courage to present to a group of teachers when you are applying for this role.

## State Schools Spectacular



Don't forget to tune into channel 7 at 7pm on Saturday. Highlights from the State Schools Spectacular—featuring some students from WVPS—will be shown.

### Second hand uniform

We have numbers of students starting at our school next year looking to purchase second hand uniform. If you have some you no longer require, maybe you could send it along to school—either as a donation—or for you to sell yourself? If you wish to sell it, please write your child's name on an envelope, and the amount you are asking, pin it to the item for sale and send it to the office. Note that the school will add \$1 to each sale for fundraising purchases. It is my experience that for items to sell they do need to be less than half price of what the item would cost to buy it new. We would love to have a lot of things to sell on Step Up Day (Dec 6) as we invite the new students to attend that day.

### Upcoming events

Listed below are some of the major upcoming events.... I'm sure there will be others: watch this space!

- Foundation 2017 Parent information night: 7pm **TO-NIGHT**
- Foundation (2017) last transition: December 6th
- Step Up Day (all students): December 6th
- December 13: grade 6 graduation
- December 19: grade 6 excursion to Adventure park

### Student enrolment—2017

As a school we understand that from time to time people's family circumstances change, which will mean that their children will no longer be attending our school in 2017. If this is the case can we ask that you complete the **slip on page four** and return it to our office as soon as possible? Thank you for your assistance here—this helps us with our forward planning in terms of resources and staffing.

### Hats

A reminder that all students need a school hat when working or playing outside in terms one and four. Please ensure these are NAMED, as they very quickly get misplaced. Hats that are named will be returned to their owner.

## Home reading and library books

PLEASE see the notice from Mrs Glassford on page four. It contains important information for everyone!

## School Policies

In keeping with our commitment to engage the school community we once again invite parental input into our draft copies of the following policies. The policies below are available at the office for you to view and offer input.

- Critical incident recovery and plan



### Christmas Raffle 2016

Our final fundraiser for the year is our annual Christmas Raffle and we need your help to make it bigger and better than last year.

We are asking all our families to make a donation of items such as Christmas decorations, toys, perfumes, soaps and so on to be raffled off in the second last week of this term. Last year we were able to create 14 hampers and we would love to be able have at least 20 this year. (This would mean there would be a 1 in 20 chance of winning a prize!)

Please help the Parents and Friends group by making a donation. Remember that the money raised benefits your children.

**Tickets for the raffle have come home with the newsletter a fortnight ago — we would value any support you could give in relation to the purchase of some or all of these. Tickets cost \$1 each.**



### Step Up Day

On Tuesday, December 6th we will be running 'Step Up Day' at school. On this day our students all move up one year level to get a chance to experience some of what life will be like next year. Year ones will become year two students for example....just for that day. As we will not yet have all of our new staff on board it is important to note that the classes and teachers will NOT be the ones that we have in place for 2017. This is not a chance to meet the teacher, or your child's new classmates, it is simply an opportunity to have a bit of a taste of what is in store next year.

Enjoy your upcoming weekend everyone.... Hopefully you may even get a chance to do some Christmas shopping. I'm yet to start mine!

Kind regards

*Sue Seneviratne*  
Principal

**A message from our 2016 school captains, Joel and Carol (on behalf of the Junior School Council):**

**Just a reminder.....**

**School will be ending on Tuesday, 20th December 2016 (YAY!)**

**The end of term fundraiser is on the last Friday but school ends on Tuesday.**



## CLASS AWARDS

### Congratulations to the following students .....

00C	Akshay
00D	Sehjal
00M	Tayla & Harlen
00O	Murray & Aarav
1B	Harrison & Hariharsudan
1M	Angad & Ryandeep
1W	Waris
12S	Chryzilla, Washington & Richu
2G	Manya & Khushneet
3G	Ishita & Che
3W	Amach & Harshdeep
34B	Austin & Jordan
4G	Angel & Natasha
56H	Jacob
56T	Brodie
ART	Brodie
PE	Sheikah & Murray
AUSLAN	Tahlia M



### Parents and Friends Association (PFA)

Our next scheduled meeting of the PFA is Wednesday, December 14. This is held at the back of the library. All welcome—including preschool aged children.



Just some of the many hampers on a offer for our Christmas raffle.....



**The last day for home reading and Library books will be Friday, December 9<sup>th</sup>, 2016.**

Please ensure that all home readers and library books are returned to school by this date. Could you please check at grandmas and under the bed to find any extra home readers or library books hanging around? **There are many books that have not been returned over the course of the year and as you can appreciate the school is not in a position to be constantly replacing lost books, so if you could do that extra hunt for any of our books at home that would be much appreciated.** In the next few weeks invoices will be sent to families for books that are not returned.

During the week leading up to Friday December 9<sup>th</sup> students will only be returning library books during their library session and not borrowing.

During the last week of school a stocktake of home readers, library books and guided reading will take place for 2017. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all those parents who generously gave of their time to cover so many books as we are a growing school it is an ongoing process.

To ensure that your child gets off to a great start in 2017 keep reading at home over the holidays, the newspaper is a great resource. Take a trip to the library or just spend some time sharing reading of some old favourites.



*-If appropriate, please detach and return to the office ASAP*

**PLANS FOR 2017**

Dear Sue

My child/ren .....of grade(s)..... will **NOT** be attending WVPS in 2017. At this stage I expect they will be attending ..... Primary School. (We don't need a response from our year 6 students, we know about them!)

Signed: ..... Print name: .....

# 2017 K i n d e r g a r t e n

## 3 YEAR OLD APPLICATIONS NOW OPEN

Wyndham City will be continuing the delivery of three year old Kindergarten in 2017 and we are now accepting applications for the following locations:

- College Road Kindergarten - 34 College Road, Werribee
- Featherbrook Kindergarten - 33-35 Windorah Drive, Point Cook
- Iramoo Kindergarten - 60 Honour Avenue, Wyndham Vale
- Karobran Kindergarten - 64 Spring Drive, Hoppers Crossing
- Saltwater Promenade Kindergarten - 153 Saltwater Promenade, Point Cook
- Wyndham Vale Kindergarten - 86 Manor Lakes Boulevard, Wyndham Vale

Places are strictly limited; groups of 22 children with one Teacher and one Diploma staff member will be delivered. Groups are subject to minimum numbers and will only run if adequate interest is received.

Termly fees for 2017 are set at \$315 per term.

Please note: There are no concessions available for term fees, fees are payable before the start of each term. A concession will be provided on the application fee for eligible Health Care Card holders.

Families who are interested in being involved are invited to complete an application form by going to [www.wyndham.vic.gov.au](http://www.wyndham.vic.gov.au) and once completed submit the form with a \$15 Application fee and a copy of your child's birth certificate and immunisation history statement:

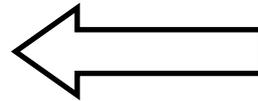
- In person at Civic Centre, 45 Princes Highway, Werribee or at one of our Community Centres
- Email to [Kinderenrolments@wyndham.vic.gov.au](mailto:Kinderenrolments@wyndham.vic.gov.au),
- By mail to Kindergarten Enrolment Officer, Wyndham City Council  
P.O. Box 197, Werribee, VIC, 3030

Applications close on Wednesday 30 November 2016. Families will be notified by end of December 2016 of the outcome. To be eligible to apply, your child must be three years old by 1 February 2017.

Further information can be obtained from council website [www.wyndham.vic.gov.au](http://www.wyndham.vic.gov.au)



**Do you have a 3 year  
old eligible for  
kinder next year?  
Enrolments are now  
open.**



## SCHOOL BANKING 2016

Well done to all the students who have participated in the Commonwealth Student Banking program this year.

The final day of student banking will be Wednesday, 14th of December, 2016.

The Commonwealth Bank has finalised issuing rewards for 2016.

Tokens will continue to be issued and may be redeemed next year. New theme yet to be announced—stay tuned for further details!

A big thank you to our parent volunteers Michelle and Nadine for your contribution to ensure this program was a success in 2016.





Charlie



Danniella



Joan

# Healthy lunch boxes at WVPS



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Holly