

Message from the Principal

Dear Parents, Carers and Community Members,

Year 6 Graduation Ceremony and Dinner Dance

Last week's Year 6 Graduation Ceremony was a wonderful occasion where we celebrated the achievements, perseverance and successes of an exceptional group of students. As parents, families and staff officially farewelled the senior students and announced academic, citizenship and leadership awards; tears were shed, faces beamed and hearts swelled with happiness and pride. We wish this great group of students the very best in their future studies and trust they take with them the Willetton Primary Values and lifelong memories and friendships.

Thank you to Adam Close for the many weeks of preparation and organisation to ensure the ceremony ran so perfectly. Thank you to the year 6 teachers, dance teachers and parent helpers for contributing to the final showcase. The support our students receive from their teachers and immediate and extended family establishes a fantastic foundation that enables them to undertake the challenges they face on a daily basis.

Monday's celebrations culminated in dinner and dancing at the Melville Glades Golf Club where staff joined the graduates for an absolutely lovely evening. For me personally, Monday's extravaganza was a moment of reflection on what has obviously not only been a great year for the children who attend Willetton Primary, but it also reminded me how proud I am to have been a part of all of our students' schooling for the past year.

Staff Leaving

I would like to thank the following staff for their valuable contributions to our school and wish them well in their future endeavours; Kim Fromant, Heather Swanson, Jodie Gavranich, John Wegner, Kate Bailey and Dian Leggett. All are valued teachers with much to offer in their future schools. New staff will be announced at the beginning of next year.

Area Numbers

A detailed map of Willetton Primary School is attached to this newsletter. Please note the changes to Area numbers and the new location of the Music Room, STEAM Workshop, Conference Room, School Psychologist Office and some classrooms.

Building and Infrastructure

During the school holidays upgrades of some areas of the school will commence on the following:
 Cluster 2 – ceiling and roof replacement, boys and girls toilet block renovation
 Area 20A, 20B – conversion to one classroom, conference room, office and storage
 Cluster 3 – renovation for LOTE office

The Music Room has been relocated to the purpose built music room in the new undercover building. The former Music room has been converted to a STEAM workshop.

Important upcoming dates

Thursday 13 December 2018

End of Term 4 for Students

Wednesday 30 January 2019

Office reopens

Monday 4 February 2019
Students return for 2019

Friday 8 February 2019
Welcome Back BBQ

Monday 18 February – Friday 1 March 2019
Swimming Lessons
Years 3-6

School Development Days 2019

Term 1
Thursday 31 January and Friday 1 February

Term 2
Monday 29 April

Term 3
Monday 22 July

Term 4
Monday 14 October, Friday 20 December

Message from the Principal Continued

School Board

I would like to thank Board members Andy Zell, Narelle Blackwell, Raelene Endersby and Kristy Turner for their time and commitment to our board this year. This was Narelle Blackwell's final year on the Board and I would like to thank her for her valuable contribution to the Board throughout my first year. Board elections were conducted this term and I am pleased to announce new Board members who will join Andy Zell and Raelene Endersby commencing 2019.

Parent representatives: Kristy Turner, Janine Cowey, Meeshant Jhaveri, Jason Porter and Vicky Coulson.

Staff Representatives: Desley Spencer-James, Scott Palmer, Lindsay Garside, Adam Close and Bindi Jones.

Classes for 2019

The class lists for 2019 will be displayed on **Friday 1st February 2019 at 1:00pm in the Undercover Area**. These class lists are considered final.

Teachers ensure that each new class has a mix of academic ability, gender and social groups from current classes, so new friendships can be formed. It must be noted that student numbers may change by commencement of the school year. If enrolments change, then the class structure may change. Staffing may not be finalised until the end of January.

For Your Diary

School Development Days

The Board have ratified the following dates:

Term 1 Thursday 31 January and Friday 1 February

Term 2 Monday 29 April

Term 3 Monday 22 July

Term 4 Monday 14 October, Friday 20 December

Welcome Back Breakfast Barbeque

Week 1, Term 1, Friday 8 February Parents, carers and children are invited to a Welcome to Willetton 2019 Breakfast BBQ 7:30-8:30am

For a gold coin donation come along and have a sausage in a bun, a juice box, buy a coffee from the coffee van and meet other parents from your children's classes and the teachers and support staff across the school.

Timetable Change

To ensure our students gain maximum benefit from their learning time, the school will implement Literacy and Numeracy blocks for years 1-6 in 2019. Commencing on Monday 4 February, Week 1 Term 1, the following timetable will commence:

8:30am Classrooms open

8:40am -10:40am Morning Session

10:40am-11:00am RECESS

11:00am-1:00pm Middle Session

1:00pm-1:40pm LUNCH (15 mins eating time and 25 mins play time)

1:40pm -2:50pm Afternoon Session

School ends – 2:50pm

*CRUNCH AND SIP at classroom teachers' discretion.

Endorsed by Willetton Primary School Board 13th November 2018.

Thank You

The common retrospective and nostalgic comments at this time of the year like ...“Where on earth did the year go?” and “It's been a fantastic year!” are even more poignant to me having only had the pleasure of 12 months of being here with the many wonderful people who come together to make Willetton Primary School a great place for children to be. Thank you for your support in the education of your children. Education is a journey of partnerships and one I am excited about continuing in 2019.

I hope you enjoy the festive season and have a restful holiday with your families and friends.

Best Wishes,

Heather McNeil

School Map

Science Room
New Undercover Area
Music

Year 3 Area 9	Year 3 Area 10	Year 4 Area 11	Year 4 Area 12
Year 3 Area 8	Cluster 2		Year 4 Area 13

Year 3 Area 7

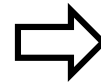
Year 6 Area 14	Year 6 Area 15
Cluster 3	Year 5 Area 16
	Year 5 Area 17
Year 6 Area 19	Year 6 Area 18

Old Undercover Area

Year 2 Area 5	Year 2 Area 6
Year 2 Area 4	Cluster 1
Year 1 Area 3	
Year 1 Area 2	Year 1 Area 1

Library

Early Childhood This Way



Staffroom & Toilets

STEAM Room	Conference Room	Year 4 / 5 Area 20
	Office Storeroom	

Dental Therapy

Administration Building You Are Here



Staff Car Park

Early Childhood Rooms

- Bluejay
- Ibis
- Kingfisher
- Woodpecker
- Brolga