

Message from the Principal

Dear Parents, Carers and Community Members,

Welcome to the 2019 School Year

What a fabulous start to the 2019 school year. It has been a pleasure to visit classes over the first few days and see how smoothly and enthusiastically the children have settled in.

I would like to welcome all families back to Willetton Primary School for the 2019 school year and extend a very special welcome to all families who are joining our school community for the first time.

We warmly welcome our new staff, Ms Christy Walmsley (Year 4 Area 13), and Mrs Rebecca Cameron (Woodpecker Pre-Primary -Thursdays) who have joined our wonderful team.

My sincere thanks go to all of our staff members who have done an outstanding job in being prepared for the first days of school. Their level of professionalism and commitment to our students is commendable and it will ensure that we are set for a brilliant 2019 school year. My thanks also go to our gardeners and cleaning staff who have looked after our school campus over the summer break.

Our parents are interested and active in school life from helping in classrooms, attending excursions and involvement in a number of projects and committees. I look forward to a rewarding and productive year for students, parents and staff at Willetton Primary.

School Development Days

The year commenced for teachers and education assistants with two School Development Days on 31st January and 1st February. Staff attended professional learning on the following areas; Willetton Primary School Induction, Technology, STEAM & Science, Coding, English as an Additional Language or Dialect (EAL/D) and Guided Reading.

Cluster 2

During the school holidays work began on the refurbishment of Cluster 2. The roof, ceiling and toilets have been replaced, carpeting and painting throughout was completed and benches and shelving will be installed by 25 February. Stage 2 will be re-tiling and replacing the sinks and benches in both wet areas, followed by Stage 3 developing a teacher's resource room.

Congratulations

On behalf of the Willetton Primary staff and students I wish to congratulate our Science Specialist, Mr Joshua Jardine for his successful application to the Australian Government Department of Industry, Innovation and Science, for the Federal Maker Projects Grant for STEM spaces. Schools across Australia presented applications in a process that was full within an hour of opening. Maker Projects aims to foster creativity and inquiry based learning in Australian schools and communities through the establishment of maker spaces in schools where students can apply their STEM knowledge, develop entrepreneurial skills, and gain experience in working with emerging and advancing technologies.

Joshua's application was successful which means Willetton Primary will receive the maximum grant of \$5000 to support the establishment of a maker space for students to access and work on STEM-related activities

Please read more about our new STEAM Workshop in Joshua's article in this newsletter.

New School Times

8.40am-2.50pm

Important upcoming dates

Friday 8 February 2019

Welcome Back BBQ

Monday 18 February – Friday 1 March 2019

Swimming Lessons
Years 3-6

Monday 18 February
P&C Meeting

Friday 22 February
Welcome to school picnic – P & C
Parklands

School Development Days 2019

Term 2
Monday 29 April

Term 3
Monday 22 July

Term 4
Monday 14 October,
Friday 20 December

Message from the Principal Continued

Parent Information Sessions

One of the most important things we can do for our children is to ensure that we have excellent communication between home and school. In the next two weeks' teachers will be having information meetings to introduce themselves to you and to discuss classroom policies, routines, expectations and procedures. Please see the Parent Information Sessions timetable in this newsletter.

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.

I look forward to seeing you all at the BBQ Breakfast and at the Parent Information Sessions.

Best Wishes,

Heather McNeil



2019 Teaching Staff

Year	Area	Teacher
Kindy	Brolga	Ms Hay-Hendry (M, W, F am)
Kindy	Bluejay	Mrs Redman (M, W, F pm)
Kindy	Ibis	Mrs Schabert (T, Th, F am)
PP	Woodpecker	Mrs McAleer & Mrs Cameron
PP	Kingfisher	Ms Valentinusson & Mrs Redman (T1), Mrs Savage T2, 3, 4
Year 1	Area 1	Ms Patching
Year 1	Area 2	Ms Chadwick
Year 1	Area 3	Mrs Molloy
Year 2	Area 4	Mrs Gibson
Year 2	Area 5	Mrs Haddow (Mon,Tues pm, Wed, Fri) & Mr Palmer (Tues am, Th)
Year 2	Area 6	Ms Yeoh
Year 3	Area 7	Mrs Tonkin-Case (Mon, Tues, Fri) & Mrs Mattock (Wed, Th)
Year 3	Area 8	Ms Ainsworth
Year 3	Area 9	Mr Howard
Year 3	Area 10	Mrs Elsbury (M, T) & Mrs Taylor (W, Th, F)
Year 4	Area 11	Mrs Harding (Tues – Fri), Mrs Thomas (Mon)
Year 4	Area 12	Ms Vincent (Mon – Thurs), Mrs Thomas (Fri)
Year 4	Area 13	Ms Walmsley
Year 4 / 5	Area 20	Mr Stockley
Year 5	Area 16	Mrs Jones
Year 5	Area 17	Ms Christiner
Year 6	Area 14	Mr Close
Year 6	Area 15	Ms Simons
Year 5 / 6	Area 18	Mrs Garside
Year 6	Area 19	Mr Joseph
Specialist	Music	Miss Flynn
Specialist	Science	Mr Jardine
Specialist	PE	Mrs Hughes
Specialist	Languages & EAL	Mrs Long (Mon – Thurs)
Specialist	Languages	Mrs Kerr (Thurs & Fri)

Support Staff

Position	Area	Staff Member
Librarian	Library	Mrs Cobban
Education Assistant	Various	Mrs Pinder
Education Assistant	Various	Mrs Becker
Education Assistant	Various	Mrs Tod
Education Assistant	Various	Mrs Ravlich
Education Assistant	ECE	Mrs Fitt
Education Assistant	Various	Mrs Wright
Education Assistant	Various	Mrs Pickford
Education Assistant	Bluejay	Mrs Quadros
Education Assistant	Ibis	Mrs Davies (Thurs)
Education Assistant	Brolga	Mrs Scala
Education Assistant	Kingfisher	Ms Riach
Education Assistant	Woodpecker	Mrs Bowling
Gardener		Mr Sessoyeff
Gardener		Mr Sweeney
Chaplain		Ms Cheng
School Psychologist		Miss Peterson
Canteen Manager		Mrs Wilton

NEW SCHOOL TIMES

Classrooms open	8:30 am
Morning Session	8.40 - 10:40 am
Morning recess	10.40 - 11.00 am
Middle Session	11:00 - 1:00 pm
Lunch	1:00 - 1:40 pm
Afternoon Session	1:40 - 2:50 pm

TIMES FOR KINDERGARTEN

Two full days and one half day:

Doors open at 8:30am

Brolga

Monday and Wednesday: 8:40am to 2:50pm and

Friday morning 8:40am to 11:30am

Ibis

Tuesday and Thursday: 8:40am to 2:50pm and

Friday morning 8:40 to 11:30am

Bluejay

Monday and Wednesday: 8:40am to 2:50pm and

Friday afternoon 12pm to 2:50pm

Parent Information Sessions

Class	Week	Date	Time
Area 1	2	Tuesday 12 th February	3:30 – 4:30
Area 2			
Area 3			
Area 4	2	Wednesday 13 th February	4:00 – 5:00
Area 5	2	Tuesday 12 th February	3:30 – 4:30
Area 6	2	Wednesday 13 th February	4:00 – 5:00
Area 7	2	Wednesday 13 th February	4:00 – 5:00
Area 8	3	Tuesday 19 th February	3:30 – 4:00
Area 9	2, 3, 4	Starting Monday 11 th February individual parent meetings. Please fill in a time slot displayed on the classroom window.	
Area 10	2	Wednesday 13 th February	4:30 – 5:30
Area 11	3	Wednesday 20 th February	4:00 – 5:00
Area 12			
Area 13			
Area 14	3	Tuesday 19 th February	4:00 – 5:00
Area 15			
Area 16			
Area 17			
Area 18			
Area 19			
Area 20	2	Monday 11 th February	3:30 – 4:30

THE WILLETTON WORKSHOP

Willetton Workshop 2019

Welcome back everyone to another exciting and busy year at Willetton Primary School where it is full STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, Mathematics) ahead! As many of you would no doubt already know, last year the school placed an emphasis on STEAM, particularly coding and robotics, by introducing specialist STEAM lessons for years 1 & 2, Coding Clubs for year P-1 & 3-4 students and, investing a significant amount of resources into technology including additional iPads and robots.

In 2019, STEAM will continue to be a priority area and will be supported by a dedicated STEAM workshop located in the former music room. Thanks to a successful grant application at the end of 2018, the Department of Science & Innovation will provide the school with \$5000 to establish a brand-new makerspace. This grant money will be used to purchase several 3D printers, mobile steel benches, tools and consumables for students to explore design and construction. All classes from Pre-Primary to Year 6 will be rostered on for one one-hour session in the workshop per week as part of their classroom and Science curriculum.

A special thank you must go to our amazing gardeners Mr S and Mr Sweeney, Miss Patching and Miss Patching's mother, Mrs Hughes' son Will and Mrs Ravlich's sons Cade and Zac for the countless hours they have spent stripping the room, cleaning and painting to have it ready for everyone to use. Please make sure to keep an eye on the workshop this term as it begins to take shape and classes start to utilise this fantastic makerspace.

Kind Regards,

Joshua Jardine

Science Specialist



Watch this space!!!

Choir Information

Dear Parents/Guardians of students in years 4 to 6.

As you know, there are many extra-curricular activities that are run by staff before school which provide amazing learning opportunities for our students. With this in mind, and to allow our students access to these amazing experiences, I would like to move Choir practice from *before* school to *after* school this year. I realise that this may not suit everyone, so I'd like to give you the opportunity to give me some feedback by completing a survey. This can be found by clicking on the following link, or by scanning the QR code. All feedback is greatly appreciated.

Many thanks, Jillian Flynn <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/YFCCYCN>



Community Information

Gifted And Talented Selective Entrance Programs

For students entering Year 7 in 2020 (Students in Year 6 in 2019) Applications close **Sunday 10 February 2019**. Late applications will not be accepted. To apply please visit <https://apps.det.wa.edu.au/gate/>

Community Health Nurse

Community Nurses visit all primary schools in the Canning Region throughout the year. *My name is Sharon Madlener and I am the nurse for Willetton Primary School in 2019.*

The role of Community Nurses is to work with schools to promote healthy development and wellbeing, so students may reach their full potential. A major part of our work is focused on early intervention and the School Entry Health Assessment program.

Community Health Nurses serve as a health contact point for children and their families, providing information, assessment, health counselling and referral. The services provided are free and confidential.

If you have a concern about your child's health or development, please contact me on **92588053**.



FREE PARENTING SEMINARS

You are invited to attend the Triple P Seminar Series. You will learn practical, positive and effective ways to deal with common behavioural problems and ways to help your child achieve their best at school and in the future.

Parents are encouraged to attend all 3 seminars:

1. *Children's behaviour - the tough part of parenting*
2. *Raising Confident Children*
3. *Raising Emotionally Resilient Children*

The next **FREE** 3 week Series is held:

When: Starting **Wed 13 Mar 2019**
Location: Cannington Leisureplex
RSVP: Bookings are essential and places are limited.



Please visit healthywa.wa.gov.au/parentgroups
to book your place.

To find other available programs visit our website
www.healthywa.wa.gov.au/parentgroups

Community News

Term 1 Enrolments are now open for our 2019 After School Art classes.

Classes start next week on Monday from 3.30 pm onwards.

Enrolment link : <https://www.afterschoolartclass.com.au/classes/kids-after-school-art-class/>



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Young Engineers Club (YEC) @ Science Room (Fridays 3:15pm to 4:30pm) – calling all Yr3-5 students. The Young Engineers club that meets weekly on Friday afternoons in the Science Room will be accepting new students for term 1 2019. Registration will open next week. If you will be in year 4-6 in 2019, then this is your chance to join in. We have lots of fun building, coding and learning about Lego machines & robots. It's the perfect way to prepare for the robotics revolution. Limited to 16 places only. Fees apply.
Contact Chee directly to express your interest to join YEC >> email perth@young-engineers.com.au / SMS 0423 267 517



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TERM 1, 2019 PROGRAMS

CENTRE PROGRAMS STARTING FROM FEBRUARY 16TH 2019

CALL NOW TO BOOK YOUR PLACE!

Mite-E Soccer (2-3yo)

A great introduction to Soccer!
Children work with their parents
to learn new soccer skills and
develop their motor skills!
Lots of fun games in
a non-competitive environment
35 minute classes
\$135 for 8 weeks



Pint Size Soccer (4-5yo)

Children take their first kicks in soccer!
They'll be introduced to shooting,
dribbling, goal keeping and more.
Children get to play lots of fun, skill
based games. Grasshoppers get
introduced to the Pint Size 1v1 Big Game!
50 minute classes
\$140 for 8 weeks



Intro to Micro (5-6yo)

Micro (6-8yo)

The ultimate challenge for young
soccer players! They'll learn the rules
of the Grasshopper Soccer Big Game
and develop their skills in passing,
dribbling, shooting and more.
Intro - 60 mins \$145 for 8 weeks
Micro - 75 mins \$150 for 8 weeks



Micro Plus (8-12yo)

This program focuses on skill
development and teamwork in
preparation for club soccer. Children
will enjoy all the favourite soccer based
games, fine tune their skills as well as
play the Grasshopper Soccer Big Game!
75 minute classes
\$150 for 8 weeks



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Seniors, Pioneers
6.30pm - 8.15pm

Riverton Baptist
Community Church
38 Modillion Avenue
Shelley 6148

GIRLS' BRIGADE
Western Australia

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Riverton
Girls' Brigade

Term 1 Planner 2019



TERM 1 2019	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
WEEK 1	4 Feb STUDENTS COMMENCE	5 Feb Chinese New Year	6 Feb Newsletter	7 Feb	8 Feb 7:30 – 8:30 Welcome to school Breakfast – Admin carpark Welcome assembly – school leaders
WEEK 2	11 Feb A20 Parent information session 3:30 – 4:30	12 Feb A1, A2, A3, A5 Parent information session 3:30 – 4:30	13 Feb Willetton's Got Talent A10 Parent information session 4:30 – 5:30 A4 & A6 & A7 Parent information session 4:00 – 5:00	14 Feb Staff Meeting	15 Feb
WEEK 3	18 Feb SWIMMING LESSONS Years 3 – 6 P & C Meeting	19 Feb A14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19 Classes Parent information session 4:00 – 5:00 A8 Parent information session 3:30 – 4:00	20 Feb Newsletter	21 Feb	22 Feb Welcome to school picnic – P & C - Parklands
WEEK 4	25 Feb SWIMMING LESSONS Years 3 – 6	26 Feb BOARD MEETING	27 Feb Willetton's Got Talent	28 Feb	1 Mar
WEEK 5	4 Mar LABOUR DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY	5 Mar	6 Mar Newsletter	7 Mar Nyepi (Bali)	8 Mar
WEEK 6	11 Mar	12 Mar	13 Mar Willetton's Got Talent	14 Mar	15 Mar Assembly Areas 14 & 18
WEEK 7	18 Mar P & C Meeting	19 Mar	20 Mar Newsletter Staff Meeting Holi (Hindu)	21 Mar	22 Mar Harmony Day Incursion Years 2 – 6 Family Harmony Picnic Assembly – Area 1 & 3
WEEK 8	25 Mar	26 Mar BOARD MEETING	27 Mar Willetton's Got Talent	28 Mar	29 Mar
WEEK 9	1 Apr	2 Apr	3 Apr Newsletter	4 Apr Staff Meeting	5 Apr
WEEK 10	8 Apr	9 Apr	10 Apr Willetton's Got Talent	11 Apr Swimming Carnival Fremantle Leisure Centre 3- 6	12 Apr ANZAC Day Ceremony