

Issue No 18**Term 4****20 November 2019**

Message from the Principal

Dear Parents, Carers and Community Members,

INTERSCHOOL NUMERO CHALLENGE

In the second year of competing in the state wide Numero Competition, Ms Christiner's Numero students brought home the trophy!! School leaders have commented on how difficult it is to win this event, particularly in only the second year of competition. Congratulations on this excellent achievement. The Numero Challenge set up in the new undercover area looked amazing and was filled with students from across the state and a large audience which included teachers, parents, families, sponsors and Department of Education Western Australia Director of Schools representing the Director General and other special guests. It was a great opportunity for our school to have been asked to host the event.

Congratulations Ms Christiner, and thank you to all of the staff and parents who have assisted and supported Sue and our students with the initiative throughout the year.

INTERSCHOOL ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

The weather for the interschool athletics carnival held over two mornings last week at Langford Park was very warm, but our students performed well and are showing positive progress with the general improvement of athletic performance which can be attributed to before school sport several days per week and whole school sport on Fridays. Thank you and well done Mrs Hughes, Mr Jardine and Mrs Becker. Congratulations to Annie Wang, Runner-Up Champion Year 3 Girl and Sakhila Wickramasinghe Runner-Up Champion Year 4 Boy.

REMEMBRANCE DAY

The Remembrance Day Ceremony was moving, informative, professionally conducted and a credit to the choir, instrumentalists, speakers, whole school audience, and particularly our music teacher Miss Flynn. Thank you for your attendance and support.

COLOUR RUN

I am looking forward to the Colour Run on Friday and seeing many of you in Parklands for the picnic lunch. Please come along and join in the colourful fun!

SCHOOL BOARD ANNUAL PUBLIC MEETING – ALL WELCOME

Our School Board guides the long term future of our school and provides strategic advice of the school's operation. The next School Board meeting on Tuesday 3 December from 5.30-7.00pm, in the Conference Room, will be an open meeting and all parents are welcome to attend. Agenda items will include focus areas for 2020. If you would like to attend, email Heather McNeil, at willetton.ps@education.wa.edu.au by Friday 29 November.

Best Wishes,

Heather McNeil

Important upcoming dates:

Thursday 21 Nov

Bendat Basketball
Championships

Friday 22 Nov

Colour Run

Monday 25 Nov

P&C Meeting

Tuesday 3 Dec

Parent Appreciation
Morning Tea

Dates to remember:

Friday 6 Dec

Assembly
IMSS - Strings &
Guitar

Thursday 12 Dec

Yr 6 Graduation
Ceremony
Yr 6 Graduation
Dinner

Friday 13 Dec

Assembly
IMSS - Brass, Choir &
Woodwind

**See Term 4
Planner on last
page for all other
events and dates**

**Our School Times
8.40am-2.50pm**



The Staff of



Invite you to a
Parent Appreciation Morning Tea

Date: Tuesday December 3

Place: Staffroom

Time: 10:30 am

This is our opportunity to say 'Thank you' for your hard work and support during the year.



Message from the Deputies

Dear Parents and Guardians,

KINDERGARTEN PARENT INFORMATION SESSION FOR STUDENTS STARTING IN 2020

There will be a session in the Library on Friday 29th November at 2:15 for parents who have children starting or going into Kindergarten in 2020. Please come along and find out what Kindergarten is all about and meet our current Kindergarten teachers. We ask that only parents attend this session please.

PRE-PRIMARY PARENT INFORMATION SESSION FOR STUDENTS STARTING IN 2020

There will be a session in the Library on Thursday 5th December at 2:15 for parents who have children starting Pre-primary in 2020. Please come along and find out what Pre-primary is all about and meet our current Pre-primary teachers. We ask that only parents attend this session please.

SEMESTER TWO STUDENT REPORTS: ONLINE DISTRIBUTION

As you were aware, our Semester One reports were only issued through *CONNECT*. In line with the Department of Education's move towards the electronic distribution of reports, we will again only be issuing Semester Two reports through *CONNECT*. There will not be any hard copies of reports sent home. You are able to print off your child / ren's report via the *CONNECT* Website not the app.

We still have a small number of families who are not using their *CONNECT* accounts. To ensure everyone receives the electronic distribution of reports, we ask that you complete the following steps over the coming weeks. You only need to do this if you cannot log in or you are not using your *CONNECT* account. Most people will not need to complete this.

1. Ensure you have your P-Number and Password to login to connect – If you require these to be re-issued, please email your name and child/ren's name to willetton.ps@education.wa.edu.au
2. Login to Connect and ensure you can see **ALL** your children under the 'My Learners' tab.
3. Access the Connect user guides located in the 'School Space' library.
4. Check the School Space regularly for important school updates.

Thank you everyone for your ongoing support with the transition to Connect and electronic reporting. Should you have any questions or are in need of any support, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Desley Spencer-James
Deputy Principal

Message from the office

Leaving Willetton Primary School?

We know that our Year 6 students are on the move to high school at the end of the year. **If your family is moving and we are not already aware**, please advise the office via email as soon as possible willetton.ps@education.wa.edu.au so we can take this into account for our planning for 2020.

Leave Requests

A reminder that all leave requests must be directed to our Principal Ms Heather McNeil for approval. If any families are planning to leave before the end of the school year or returning late for 2020 please provide these details as soon as possible. This can be provided via our absentee form on our website or a letter or email to willetton.ps@education.wa.edu.au

Scholarship Winners

Scholarship Winner

Congratulations to

Sebastien Turner

For earning a GATE Scholarship to
Willetton Senior High School 2020



Principal: *Sharon McNeil*

Resilience. Respect. Perseverance. Success



Message from Staff

This year on the 30th of November, Mr. Jardine, Mrs. Hughes, Miss. Yeoh and Mr. Wegner will be participating in the Ronald McDonald House Charity event: Up All Night.

It is a walking marathon (a full 42kms) around the city to show solidarity for the parents of sick children who often stay up all night to support their children battling illness. We will be conducting a school fundraising event later but if you would like to show your support and sponsor us for this fantastic event for a wonderful cause we would all really appreciate it.

The link to our team page is below,

<https://www.upallnight.org.au/fundraisers/Ignorance-is-Blisters>

Thank you for your support

Team Ignorance is Blisters,

Mr. Jardine, Mrs. Hughes, Miss. Yeoh and Mr. Wegner

Message from the Chaplain

Hello Parents, Carers and Community Members,

“Calm seas never make a good sailor.” Franklin D. Roosevelt

When we go through the storms of life, it is never easy and pain free. However, we know that the storms will pass and beautiful skies will surely follow. Through the tough journey, we can experience growth, insights, wisdom, new opportunities, new learning and hope. We build resilience and sometimes even new friendships. So don't give up.

Here are some tips for your family resilience and well-being adapted from bestprograms4kids.com.

1. **The Triple A's for Feelings.** Everyone has feelings and when they are big ones, take some steps to manage them. **A**cknowledge the feeling (yours/your child's). **A**ssess the intensity of the feeling. **A**ct – use your breathing, take a break ...
2. **Mindfulness** – is being present and doesn't require striking a yoga pose or humming, middle finger and thumb perched on a knee. Use all of your senses right now – what can you hear, taste, smell, feel and see. Stay in the moment. Breathe.
3. **Unhelpful Thinking** – negative and unhelpful internal dialogue can creep in and then hang around. How much time do you spend doing unhelping thinking in a day? 'But' is a great word to turn it around – “But I'll just get it done.” Try some but-thinking 😊
4. **Super Thinking** – positive and helpful internal dialogue is a powerful way to change your day. Are you able to turn your unhelpful thinking around? With the push and pull of family life, practising managing and modifying your thinking makes sense.

Have the best week!

Best regards,

Charis Chua 😊

Community Nurse

National Skin Cancer Action Week – 17 – 23 November

Sun safety

With the hot weather approaching, it is important to talk to your children about sun safety and teach them good sun protection habits.

- **Slip** on some sun-protective clothing that covers as much skin as possible.
- **Slop** on broad spectrum, water resistant SPF30+ sunscreen. Put it on 20 minutes before you go outdoors and every two hours afterwards. Sunscreen should never be used to extend the time you spend in the sun.
- **Slap** on a hat that protects your face, head, neck and ears.
- **Seek** shade.
- **Slide** on some sunglasses – make sure they meet Australian Standards.

Extra care should be taken between 10am and 3pm when UV levels reach their peak.

For more information see the Cancer Council website: www.cancer.org.au.

https://youtu.be/Uy6_csWyyL4

P&C News

We are so excited for the events that are filling the last few weeks of term 4, and can't wait to share them with you all. Thank you to everyone that has volunteered to help out with these and other events throughout the year – from organisation, admin, notes, facebooking, newsletters, baking, donating, helping out on the day. We appreciate you giving your scarce time and energies to making our school community a better place. We couldn't do it without you, you are our HEROES!

The Colour Run is on this **Friday 22nd November!**

A BIG THANK YOU to all the children, families, relatives, friends and community members that have helped us raise over ELEVEN-THOUSAND-DOLLARS!

For everyone who has registered online and raised over \$10...PLEASE finalize your prize selections by Wednesday evening at www.schoolfundraising.com.au.

Thank you to all those that have volunteered to help on the day. The roster is on its way to you!



FOODBANK FOOD DRIVE

Donation Dates Extended until Wed



- ✓ Canned meals
- ✓ Canned vegetables
- ✓ Canned fruit
- ✓ Long life milk
- ✓ Canned soup
- ✓ Canned tuna

All Non Perishable items not passed their expiry date are accepted

Willetton Primary School P&C is delighted to collaborate with Food Bank WA

Your contribution will go directly to our local Foodbank and make a big difference to so many people!
Did you know 94,000+ Western Australians seek help each month – around one third of these are kids!

To participate, please place your donated items in the collection bins:

- Behind the school office, or
- Outside Kingfisher in the KPP area

Foodbank cannot accept perishable products or items in glass or breakable materials. All seals must be in tact and canned foods must not be damaged or dented please ☺

Queries? E-mail: willettonprimarypandc@gmail.com

We understand that life can get really busy especially at this time of year, and so we have extended the **FoodBank Food Drive until Wednesday 27th November.**

We would really appreciate your donations as they will help many struggling families on a daily basis and especially through Christmas time.

Look for the special collection bins behind the school office near the staffroom, and in the KPP area by the Kingfisher classroom.



WANTED

Are you a qualified auditor? Do you know someone that is?

We are looking for someone that could audit the P&C's financials for this year financial year (January - December 2019). If you can help, please contact our treasurer, Fiona on willettonprimarypandc@gmail.com

Teacher Appreciation Morning Tea/Lunch Monday 25th November

Please show your appreciation for our wonderful teachers and school staff by helping us provide them with a delicious morning tea/lunch. This is a chance to thank them for the great work they do with our children and for the school.

Donations of sweet or savoury items or drinks can be dropped off at the school staffroom on the Monday morning from 8:00am. Please remember to label your containers so they find their way home!

Volunteers from 8:00am until around 11:30pm to help set up, serve and clean up are also needed.

Please contact Belinda on 0487300474 or willettonprimarypandc@gmail.com for more information or to volunteer.



School Canteen News

Our Athletics Carnival Meal Deal was a great success and we look forward to this week's Colour Run Meal Deal being just as great!

Our Halloween recess was very popular with the kids as we served them spooky treats, they couldn't get enough! Due to the success of Halloween, a Christmas themed recess will be coming soon, so keep an eye out in your Connect notifications for further details.

Just to let you know, as we near the end of the year, we are running low on some items as we are clearing stock before the holidays. But we still have unlimited stocks of our delicious Salads, Burgers, Toasties and Sausage Sizzles on offer so if you haven't had a chance to try those, we highly recommend them!

Thank you all again for your ongoing support of our school canteen.

Dana & Narelle



The **last P&C Meeting of the year is on Monday, 25th November at 7 pm** in the staff room. We would be delighted to see some more new faces in this last meeting of the year. We're taking the time to brainstorm new event ideas for 2020, so if you have a great idea, or want to share what you would like to see happen, come and join us.

By the way, as some members are moving on next year with children moving to high school, there will be a few vacant positions including president, secretary, newsletter writer, and fundraising coordinator. Check out the role descriptions below to see how you can help in enhancing our children's school environment. See you at the meeting!

If you are interested in helping out by taking a position on the P&C committee but not sure what it entails, have a read below. They are not as scary as they may look - some only take a couple of hours a month or term. If you have any questions about a role, contact us via email at willettonprimarypandc@gmail.com or PM us on Facebook (WillettonPrimarySchoolPandC) and we will talk you through it. :)

There are a number of committee members and P&C members moving on at the end of year so we'd love to see lots of new faces!

- The **PRESIDENT (Executive)** chairs all General and Executive Committee Meetings of the Association and offers leadership and management of the committee. Works with Secretary on meeting agendas.
- The **VICE-PRESIDENT (Executive)** assists the President, represents the P&C at WACSSO meetings (~1 per term), and chairs meetings when President is absent.
- The **SECRETARY (Executive)** takes care of correspondence and administration documents, takes meeting minutes, maintains a register of members, and notifies the school and WACSSO of the office bearers and committee members before 30 April. Works with President on reporting to the ACNC and Associations Online.
- The **TREASURER (Executive)** is responsible for all monies (receipts, payments, banking, and related documents), provides statement of accounts to each P&C meeting, maintains proper books of accounts and prepares annual financial statements for audit (end December), and forwards a copy of the audited annual financial statements to the school and WACSSO.
- The **FUNDRAISING CO-ORDINATOR** co-ordinates P&C fundraising projects and event teams.
- The **UNIFORM CO-ORDINATOR** liaises with uniform shop, manages the school dress sales, co-ordinates graduation shirt ordering with school, and co-ordinates the second -hand uniform collection & sales. This has been a shared role.
- The **SAFETY HOUSE CO-ORDINATOR** co-ordinates the safety houses in the area and the Safety House activities.
- The **SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE** co-ordinates sustainability initiatives and liaises with the school on more sustainable approaches.
- The **KPP LIAISON** co-ordinates Kindy and Pre-Primary events and activities with KPP class reps.
- The **SCHOOL BANKING CO-ORDINATOR** co-ordinates volunteers for school banking and banks student monies.
- The **CANTEEN SUB-COMMITTEE** is a team of parents that oversee the canteen. This committee requires a convener and a treasurer and at least 2 other members, and works with the canteen manager, assistant and volunteers on ensuring a sustainable canteen that serves healthy, delicious food for students and staff.
- The **PR TEAM** work to co-ordinate news and information to school and general community through school newsletter and website, notices to families, P&C notice board, P&C Facebook page and other avenues.

The P&C needs at a minimum 4 office bearers (a President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer) plus 3 other executive members to run and a minimum of 10 financial members at meetings to vote on things.

However, many hands make light work and are much more fun!



A promotional poster for Perth Wildcats Community Clinics. The background is red with a faint image of a crowd. At the top, the text 'Perth Wildcats' is in white, followed by 'Community Clinics' in large white and black letters. A basketball icon is between the words. To the right is the Perth Wildcats logo. Below this, it says 'Presented by Keystart.' in white and yellow. A paragraph of text describes the clinics. Two white boxes contain details for December and January clinics. At the bottom, there's a 'BOOK NOW!' button and three small photos of clinics in progress.

Perth Wildcats Community Clinics

Presented by
Keystart.

*Join us during the summer holidays
for fun skill sessions, games and giveaways, including
appearances from all Perth Wildcats athletes!*

December

1 Day Clinic
Monday 23 December 2019
1.00pm to 4.00pm
Warwick Stadium
5 to 12 year olds
From \$89 per child*

January

2 Day Clinic
**Monday & Tuesday
20 & 21 January 2020**
1.00pm to 4.00pm
Bendat Basketball Centre
5 to 12 year olds
From \$149 per child*

BOOK NOW!





VACSWIM 2019-20

Enrol your children in swimming lessons during the summer holidays.

Choose from three programs:

<h3>8 Days</h3> <p>Program 1 31 Dec – 10 January 45 minute lessons Enrolments close 10 November</p> <p>Program 2 13 – 24 January 35 minute lessons Enrolments close 17 November</p>	<h3>10 Days</h3>	<h3>5 Days</h3> <p>Short program 6 – 10 January 35 minute lessons Enrolments close 10 November</p>
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<p>\$30 per child / \$20 concession \$81 for a family of three or more / \$54 concession (plus pool entry).</p>	<p>\$16 per child / \$10.50 concession \$41 for a family of three or more / \$27.50 concession (plus pool entry).</p>	
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Enrol now
 Visit education.wa.edu.au/swimming or call 9402 6412.



OSHClub
Outside School Hours Care

Join OSHClub for some

Holiday Fun

 this summer!

If your child is school-aged and enrolled to start school in 2020, then they can attend **OSHClub Vacation Care** in January.



Become familiar with the OSHClub programs, educators and daily routines



Make new friends and get involved in exciting activities



Build confidence and independence in the school environment

Come along for one day or the whole week, how many days is up to you.

ENROL TODAY!

oshclub.com.au
1300 395 735



Rostrata Town Project & Rostrata Family Centre presents

ROSTRATA MAKERS MARKET

Locally made arts, crafts, produce and more!

SUNDAY 24th November 2019

10am - 2pm

**ROSTRATA FAMILY CENTRE,
PRENDWICK RESERVE
PRENDWICK WAY, WILLETTON**

Free activities for kids, free sausage sizzle, free face painting, and much more! Over 40 stalls!



**SOUTHERN DISTRICTS
NETBALL ASSOCIATION**

Please come and join us on Tuesday 3rd December 2019

from 5pm – 7pm



No Limits Netball is an opportunity open to people of all ages and abilities to engage with Netball, meet new friends and play sport in a safe environment.

Free to come and try skills and modified games sessions.

Demonstration Match by the SDNA No Limits Red Devils 5.30pm - 6.30pm. (our No limits Devils will play Harlequins Netball Club)

We hope to see you there if you require any further information please call 9451 3377 or email – development@sdna.com.au

Term 4 Planner 2019

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
WEEK 1	14 Oct Staff Development Day	15 Oct Students resume	16 Oct Bellatton Numero Challenge (Belmay v Willetton) half day	17 Oct School Review	18 Oct Lakeside Basketball cup
WEEK 2	21 Oct Art Exhibition	22 Oct Jumps & Throws, 800m	23 Oct Newsletter issued Crazy Hair Day	24 Oct	25 Oct Faction Athletics Carnival
WEEK 3	28 Oct Year 3 excursion Central Law Courts Year 6 Dance lessons 11 – 1pm	29 Oct	30 Oct Parent workshops BYOD 8:50 am & 5pm Willetton's Got Talent	31 Oct	1 Nov Assembly Pre-Primary classes Interschool Numero Heats half day P&C Disco
WEEK 4	4 Nov Year 6 Graduation Photos 9am Year 6 Dance lessons 11 – 1pm P & C Meeting 7pm	5 Nov Melbourne Cup BOARD MEETING	6 Nov Newsletter issued	7 Nov	8 Nov Vinnies School Sleep out Year 6
WEEK 5	11 Nov Remembrance Day Service Year 6 Dance lessons 11 – 1pm	12 Nov	13 Nov Interschool Athletics Willetton's Got Talent	14 Nov Interschool Athletics Numero Final half day	15 Nov
WEEK 6	18 Nov Year 6 Dance lessons 11 – 1pm	19 Nov	20 Nov Newsletter issued	21 Nov Bendat Champions Cup Basketball Year 5 Excursion to Old Mill & Kings Park	22 Nov Colour Run – P&C
WEEK 7	25 Nov P & C Meeting 7pm Year 6 Dance lessons 11 – 1pm	26 Nov	27 Nov Innovation Showcase Willetton's Got Talent	28 Nov Innovation Showcase	29 Nov 2.15pm Kindy 2020 Parent Information Session - Library
WEEK 8	2 Dec Year 6 Dance lessons 11 – 1pm	3 Dec Parent Appreciation Morning Tea BOARD MEETING	4 Dec Year 6 Graduation Ceremony rehearsal at JCCA 11am-1pm Newsletter issued	5 Dec 2.15pm PP 2020 Parent Information Session - Library	6 Dec Assembly Strings / Guitars Kindy 2020 Student Transition
WEEK 9	9 Dec Year 6 Orientation Day at Rossmoyne SHS & Willetton SHS PP Excursion to Spare Parts Puppet Theatre	10 Dec	11 Dec Willetton's Got Talent	12 Dec Year 6 Graduation Ceremony at JCCA 11am-1pm Year 6 Graduation Dinner 6-9pm Tompkins on Swan	13 Dec Assembly IMSS Brass / Choir / Woodwind
WEEK 10	16 Dec Reports issued via CONNECT	17 Dec	18 Dec K – 6 Whole school Christmas Concert Newsletter issued	19 Dec END OF TERM 4 FOR STUDENTS	20 Dec Staff Development Day