

Issue No 4**Term 1****20 March 2019**

Message from the Principal

Dear Parents, Carers and Community Members,

Harmony Day

Harmony Day is a day that celebrates Australia's cultural diversity. It is an Australian government program that centres on the message that 'Everyone belongs', reinforcing the importance of inclusiveness to all Australians. To celebrate Harmony Day this year, we will commence the day with a cultural costume parade at 8:50am. This will be followed by an Incursion for Years 2-6 and class rotations of Harmony Day activities. At 1:00pm there will be a special Family Picnic. I am unfortunately unable to attend these celebrations as I will be attending a STEM Conference, but I wish all of our parents, friends and students a lovely day of celebration of inclusiveness.

Mathematics Problem Solving

The Western Australian Curriculum Mathematics learning area covers four proficiencies – Understanding, Fluency, Problem Solving and Reasoning. Our data analysis indicates that Problem Solving is an area where we are not meeting our 2017-2019 Business Plan targets. Staff recently attended Professional Learning with Paul Woodley on Approaches to Mathematics - Problem Solving: Teaching *for* problem solving; Teaching *about* problem solving and; Teaching *through* problem solving.

STEM Innovation Partnership Schools

In Term 1 the Western Australian Department of Education sought expressions of interest for schools to collaborate with existing Innovation Partnership Schools to test and refine practices in STEM (Science Technology Engineering Mathematics)

A huge thank you and congratulations to our Science/STEAM Specialist Mr Joshua Jardine, who's application for Willetton PS was successful. This is an opportunity for schools to benefit from the prototyping developed by other schools, to trial these ambitious new ideas in their own contexts and collaborate on how they can be adapted to scale and have a positive impact on a diverse range of learners. Through participation in the program, we would expect to upskill the whole staff in the assessment of Digital Technologies and other learning areas through STEM projects. We would like to explore ways of utilising project based learning to challenge and extend our high achieving students while fostering a lifelong interest in STEM related subjects and fields. In return, we would hope to share our whole school approach to STEM projects known as 'SPARC' with others and gather feedback to continue to develop and refine the approach. Willetton Primary STEM journey has only recently begun and we are proud of our progress so far. The Innovation Partnership will provide us with the opportunity to share our journey, particularly in the development of our makerspace, the implementation of our before school coding program 'Code Orange' (which has seen nearly 200 students participate since 2018) and the implementation of our BYOD iPad program. I will be joining three of our teachers, Joshua Jardine, Jane Patching and Christy Walmsley, as we attend our first 2-day Conference this week on Thursday 21 & Friday 22nd March.

New School Times

8.40am-2.50pm

Important upcoming dates

Friday 22 March

Harmony Day
Incursion Years 2 – 6

Family Harmony
Picnic

Tuesday 26 March
Board Meeting

Friday 29 March
Assembly Area 1 & 3

**Thursday 4 April -
Friday 5 April**
School Photos

Friday 5 April
Interschool Summer
Carnival

Thursday 11 April
Swimming Carnival
Years 5 & 6

Friday 12 April
ANZAC Day Assembly
Last Day of Term 1

Message from the Principal continued

Hong Kong Visitors

A group of 24 Year 4 & 5 students from S.K.H. YUEN CHEN MAUN CHEN JUBILEE PRIMARY SCHOOL in Hong Kong, visited our school today to experience a few hours in an Australian Primary School. They were hosted by Ms Simons and the Year 6's from Area 15 where they completed a range of activities whilst getting to know a little bit about what it's like to go to school here in WA at Willetton Primary. Our Year 6's also learnt about Hong Kong and the similarities and differences between our schools. The teachers from Hong Kong enjoyed some strong pedagogical conversations with some of our teaching staff.

Best Wishes,

Heather McNeil



Message from the Deputies

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Our 2019 school photos will be taking place over two days from Thursday 4 April to Friday 5 April. Student photo order envelopes have been sent home this week. Please ensure all students are dressed in full school uniforms on these days. All Years 5&6 class photos including Student Councillors and Faction Captains will take place on Thursday 4 April due to the Summer Carnival on Friday 5 April. Sibling photos will take place during recess and lunch periods over both days.

Scott Palmer
Deputy Principal



SCHOOL PHOTO DAY IS COMING!

Dear Parents,

Our school photo day is coming! Approximately two weeks prior to the photo day every student will receive a Kapture Photography order envelope to bring home. The recommended method of ordering your photos is online through Kapture's website as your payment is secure and can be easily verified at any time. If you pay online, there is no need to return the order envelope to school.

Alternatively you can pay by cash and return the provided envelope to the school on the photography day. Please note the photographers cannot open sealed envelopes and cannot provide change.

SIBLING ORDERS CAN ONLY BE PLACED ONLINE: Late requests cannot be granted.

You have the option to order a sibling photo package online, however please note **sibling orders will close in most instances @midday sharp at least one business day before the first photo date.** We suggest you place your online sibling order as soon as you receive your order envelope with your order instructions.

Log on to kapture.com.au for your sibling photo order cut-off date and time.

Late payment envelopes cannot be accepted by the school office or by Kapture. You can place an order online for class or individual photographs at any time for the remainder of the current school year however a \$15 fee will apply if you order more than 10 days after photography.

If your child is in a sports or special group photo, you can use the same school code on your order envelope to view and order these photos on Kapture's website, around the time that school photos are ready to be delivered. Please note; Class group, individual and sibling portraits are not available to view online.

Kapture offer a money back guarantee for any parent who is not fully satisfied with their photo package. Should you have any queries before or after photo day, please direct them to the Kapture office on 9240 1714 or email enquiries@kapture.com.au.

*All students will be photographed individually on photo day for school administration records AS WELL as included in their class group photo available for purchase to all families. Should there be any reason why your child should **NOT** be included in the photo shoot –please contact the school office.*

Merit & Values Certificate Winners

Congratulations to the following winners of
Certificates at our last assembly:

	MERIT CERTS	VALUES CERTS
Area	Students	Students
Kingfisher	Charlie Scorer Joseph Na	Amiee Zhang
Woodpecker	Teddy Crosby Joshua Zhou	Selina Zhang
1	Mio Huang	Rachel Killen
2	Christopher Berger Navneet Chekuri	Krish Rao
3	Paige Granato Teyjashri Saravanan	Bristin Lazar
4	Ashton Hanisch	Tanishka Vinoth
5	Eveleen Lau Shelby Ting	Sithuli Kottawatta
6	Amily Niu Laya Biju	Will Murray
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11	Cindy Zhao	Taylah Mitchell
12	Evan Zell Thomas Mendonca	Jessica Masyuk
13	Tanya Tham Hardy Herrmann	Maya Gilmore
14	Amelia Chi Kylan Wong Patrick Ying	Jack Maxwell
15	Avani Santosh Laila Vice	Jarvis Faulks
16	Michael Long Sophie Budas-Dickens	Sithuki Jayasinghe-Hewage
17	<i>Coco Li</i> <i>Raymond Hou</i>	Sanuja Ranaweera
18	Chhavi Singh Maria Joseph Shriesh Senthilkumar	Chris Shen
19	Saoirse Smart	Alex De Oliveira
20	Liam Hutchison Porshia Fernando	Connor Riedel

Harmony Day



Please join us on the school ovals for a huge **family picnic** at lunchtime on Harmony Day 2019 – Friday 22nd March from 1 p.m. to 1.50 p.m.

Harmony Day is a day of respect for all cultures that call Australia home. Students will be taking part in Harmony Day themed activities during the day and years 2-6 will be attending an incursion called Suitcase Stories which is all about the history of immigration to Australia. You may enjoy this fabulous site <https://geografia.com.au/dlgsc/#/> by the Office of Multicultural Interests which shows maps and statistics of where immigrants have settled. You can see Perth or WA and even Canning or your local area. See you at the picnic!

P&C News

Thanks to everyone who attended our second P&C meeting for the year (can you believe that there are only 6 more for the year?!).

Highlights of the meeting:

Welcoming our new Secretary and discussing fundraising activities for the year.

On the fundraising front, we're focussed on making the most of another Federal election (sometime in May) and our 'Democracy Sausage Sizzle'. **We're planning a big raffle for this event and are currently seeking significant donations for major prizes- e.g. hotel stay.** We love to support local businesses, especially those within our school community, so please let us know if this is something that you'd like to be involved in.

Upcoming events:

FRIDAY MARCH 22- We have **Special Harmony Day meal deals** on sale at the Canteen, please see quickcliq.com.au for orders.

Sushi, nachos or beef sausage in a roll with berry choc chip muffins and a drink.
(As per details already sent home through Connect)

FRIDAY MARCH 29- "**Decorate your Wheels**" **Ride to School Day** to celebrate Bike Week and Ride to School day we're encouraging children to bling up their bikes/scooters/unicycles and ride them to school on this day. No prizes, just a fun way to promote being active on the trip to school.

Promotion Offer:

Our good friends at Dinner Twist are giving us (the P&C) a **\$60 donation when you order your first delicious Dinner Twist box** (oh, hello new air-con!!).

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Night session and *morning* session available:

Thursday 28th March 2019

6pm - 8pm

Rostrata Primary School – Library.

Rostrata Avenue, Willetton WA.

Tuesday 7th May 2019

9am – 11am

Willetton Primary School – Library.

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Healthy eating for families

In our modern society, very few of us use up enough energy to take on the extra calories of 'treat' food and drinks. The Australian Dietary Guidelines provide up-to-date advice about the amount and kinds of foods and drinks that we need regularly, for health and well-being.

By providing your family with the recommended amounts from the Five Food Groups and limiting the foods that are high in saturated fat, added sugars and added salt, your family will get enough of the nutrients essential for good health, growth and development. A healthy diet reduces the risk of chronic diseases such as heart disease, type 2 diabetes, obesity and some cancers.

The amount of food your child will need from the Five Food Groups depends on their age, gender, height, weight and physical activity levels. For further information go to www.eatforhealth.gov.au



Healthy lunchbox ideas

Your child's lunch box can contain food from all of the five food groups. The food groups are; breads and cereals, fruit, vegetables, meat/meat alternatives and dairy/dairy alternatives.

Try these in the lunchbox:

1. lean ham and salad wrap
2. banana and handful of grapes
3. sliced vegetables (carrots, cucumber, tomatoes)
4. handful of reduced fat cheese cubes
5. bottle of water

Remember, children who help plan and prepare their own lunch are more likely to eat it. Your child might like to try out this fun, 'Interactive Lunchbox' website: www.goforyourlife.vic.gov.au/hav/articles.nsf/html/index.html.

Shop smart and eat healthy - tips for parents

Go shopping with your children and allow them to choose the healthy foods that they enjoy eating. For example, ask children to choose some of the fruit and vegetables.

Shop twice a week - fresher fruits, vegetables, breads and meats are more likely to appeal to the whole family.

Buy in season - seasonal fruits and vegetables taste great, are better quality and are better value for money.

Select small pieces of fruit - younger children prefer smaller pieces of fruit as they are easier to handle.

Choose quality - try to avoid bruised fruit or vegetables.

Encourage variety - so that your child does not get bored with their food

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The best part about the program is that it's FREE!

Programs run every school term at various locations.

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Community News

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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 Parent information session 3:30 – 4:30 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 iPad workshops 9am & 1:50pm	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
WEEK 8	25 Mar Code Orange 7.45-8.25am	26 Mar BOARD MEETING	27 Mar Willetton's Got Talent	28 Mar	29 Mar Assembly – Area 1 & 3 Code Orange 7.45-8.25am
WEEK 9	1 Apr Code Orange 7.45-8.25am	2 Apr Basketball Competition (Warwick)	3 Apr Newsletter	4 Apr School Photos Staff Meeting	5 Apr School Photos Interschool Summer Carnival Code Orange 7.45-8.25am
WEEK 10	8 Apr Code Orange 7.45-8.25am	9 Apr	10 Apr Willetton's Got Talent	11 Apr Swimming Carnival Fremantle Leisure Centre Years 5- 6	12 Apr ANZAC Day Ceremony Code Orange 7.45-8.25am