

## Message from the Principal

Dear Parents, Carers and Community Members,

Welcome to the first 'official newsletter' for Term 2!

Due to the changing COVID-19 conditions we have had regular communication with you, our parents and carers, since the last newsletter back in week 8 Term 1, to the most recent letter published on Wednesday 29 April, which was our first day of this term. We hope you have found this communication helpful and informative.

We have had a fantastic start to Week 2 with exemplary student behaviour and an attendance rate of 88% today.

Thank you to all parents who have navigated drop off and pick up so well. Your cooperation, timeliness and consideration has ensured staff have been able to provide safe entry and exit for all students. While the wet and stormy weather persists, wet weather attire in students' bags will make it much more comfortable for all those waiting at gates. A gentle reminder that school starts for Years K-6 at 8:40am. Gates are opened at 8:30am and locked at 8:50am. Picking up students during the school day – if you have an appointment or need to collect your child during the school day we request that you:

1. Email the class teacher and [willetton.ps@education.wa.edu.au](mailto:willetton.ps@education.wa.edu.au) to inform the school of the time of collection and the purpose for leaving school.
2. Staff will send students to the office at the requested time to sign out.
3. Park outside the Kiss and Drive School Gate, Pinetree Gully Rd and phone 9376 8600 to inform office staff you have arrived. Staff will walk your child to meet you.

While we continue to operate under COVID-19 conditions; delivering a blended curriculum model, an additional day cleaner, gate duties, regular hand washing and sanitising, staggered recess and lunch areas, no visitors or parents on the school site, individual cleaning of library books and sports equipment, no physical contact games or sport and social distancing for staff we have observed a positive impact particularly joyfulness in the school yard and increased independence; getting to and from class and for personal items and starting and completing learning tasks.

### Term 2 (Pupil Free) School Development Day: CHANGE OF DATE

Due to our teachers being required to provide online home learning and face-to-face learning; the uncertainty of when all students will be required to return to school; along with uncertainty of what weeks 4-10 of second term will look like, the School Board has endorsed the following date change: Term 2 (Pupil Free) School Development Day, Week 5, Friday 29 May 2020 **has been postponed to –**

**TERM 3, WEEK 1, MONDAY 20 JULY 2020** This information can be found on the calendar on our website <https://willettonps.wa.edu.au> and in the Term Planner. Please remember to update your diaries.

### Where To From Here?

The Department of Education and the school will continue to adjust operations in line with current health advice. As updates become available, clear and consistent messages will continue to be shared with the school community by Connect email and through the school website.

*Best Wishes,*

*Heather McNeil*

**School  
Times  
8.40am-  
2.50pm**

**Important  
upcoming  
dates**

**SDD  
(Pupil Free  
day)  
Was  
Friday  
29 May  
2020  
Has been  
postponed  
to  
Monday  
20 July  
2020**

# Message from the Office

## Kindy Applications for 2021

Our Kindy applications for 2021 are now open. Children born between 1st July 2016 and 30th June 2017 are eligible for Kindy in 2021.

The following documentation requested for enrolment with a completed application form is:

- Child's birth certificate
- Passports of child and parents (if child or parents are not born in Australia)
- Visa documentation (if applicable) **OR** Citizenship Certificates (for child & parents)
- AIR Immunisation History Statement - please note the statement must be dated within 2 months of the date of application for enrolment

Given our current environment with the Covid-19 virus, we will be accepting **full application with all required supporting evidence (see above)** via the following methods:

- Scan and email all documentation to [Willetton.PS@education.wa.edu.au](mailto:Willetton.PS@education.wa.edu.au)
- Via Australia Post (14 Woodpecker Ave Willetton 6155)
- Alternatively, you can place the full application in the letterbox at the main gates on Woodpecker Ave.

Thank you.

## Absentees

The preferred way to inform us of your child's absence is via our website – [www.willettonps.wa.edu.au](http://www.willettonps.wa.edu.au) and complete the Absentee Form in the middle of the first page. Please see below

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We are RESILIENT, We show RESPECT and, We PERSEVERE towards SUCCESS. These four key values, known as the 'Willetton Way', underpin Willetton Primary Schools vision to develop the whole child to succeed in an ever changing world and are reflected in the school's motto: Inspiring Young Minds.

Willetton Primary School is a high achieving school of choice, offering educational opportunities for Kindergarten to Year 6.

**Absentee Form**

**Noticeboard**

Assembly A7 & A5 and Harmony Day Celebrations

20 Mar 2020 08:40am

You are invited to join us at WPS during Harmony...

[Read more](#)

# COVID – 19 Support Information

## Department of Health: Free Influenza (flu) vaccine for children

- Children aged 6 months to less than 5 years can receive the influenza vaccine for free.
- WA primary school-aged children can also receive the influenza vaccine for free (pre-primary to year 6).

## Why should children get the influenza vaccine?

- Rates of influenza infection and hospitalisation are highest among children.
- Children who become infected with influenza can develop serious illnesses, including convulsions (seizures or fits) and diarrhoea.
- The majority of childhood influenza-related hospitalisations and deaths occur among children without underlying medical conditions.

## Where can I get my child get vaccinated?

The influenza vaccine is available in metropolitan and country WA from [immunisation providers including GPs, community immunisation clinics and Aboriginal Medical Services](#). **Note:** Consultation fees may apply.

For more information: [https://healthywa.wa.gov.au/Articles/F\\_I/Flu-vaccine-for-children](https://healthywa.wa.gov.au/Articles/F_I/Flu-vaccine-for-children)

## Domestic Violence:

One of the most distressing bi-products of COVID-19 is the recorded spike in family and domestic violence across the State. The Department of Communities have compiled and shared some important information on how you can support families affected.

<https://www.yourtoolkit.com.au/>

<https://www.dcp.wa.gov.au/CrisisAndEmergency/FDV/Pages/Helpandadvice.aspx>

# Message from the School Nurse

## School Entry Health Assessment- Kindy and PP

All children in Western Australia are eligible for a School Entry Health Assessment when they are of school entry age. The School Entry Health Assessment is provided by the local School Health Nurse. It is an excellent opportunity to look at the health and development of your child at the beginning of school life.

The assessments are simple, non-invasive, quick and easy. They screen for problems which are best addressed, if picked up and treated early. The assessments include:

- Vision
- Hearing
- Teeth
- Growth (including weight, height and Body Mass Index).

Your child's results will be sent home after their health check has been completed. Results are always treated confidentially.

Please note, if the assessment results for your child suggest there may be a concern, the School Health Nurse will contact you to discuss.

School Entry Health Assessment forms are distributed for parents to complete several weeks prior to the assessment date. **Please complete and sign the back page of the form before you return it.**

**Please return the form to the class teacher as soon as possible.**

We look forward to working with you and your family.

If you have a concern about your child's health, development or wellbeing, or wish to discuss a future or completed assessment, please contact us on 92588053.


## Message from the P and C

A warm, but appropriately distanced, welcome back to Term 2 from the P&C Committee!

Our next meeting will be held on Monday May 11<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm via Zoom. EVERYONE IS WELCOME! Meetings are done in 90mins, starting at 7:30pm (to allow for bedtime routines) and if you need to leave earlier, you can just sign out! To attend the meeting (from your couch in your PJs if you want!) please get in touch- [willettonprimarypandc@gmail.com](mailto:willettonprimarypandc@gmail.com) for more details. As always, we would love to hear any ideas about how we can support the whole school community at this difficult time.

Thanks to support from the Job Keeper program, we're thrilled that the **canteen can continue to operate as a service for you and your children with ONLINE ORDERS ONLY**. Recess and lunch orders are available on MONDAY, WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY and FRIDAY. Please bear with us as we the team adjusts to this 'new normal'. Orders of pies, sausage rolls, toasties, pizza (under the lunch menu) or choc chip muffins, cheesies and popcorn (under the recess menu) can be placed at [www.quickcliq.com.au](http://www.quickcliq.com.au). Unfortunately, we are unable to accept cash sales at this time.

**Entertainment Books** are available again for this year- in a digital format only. The current restrictions will end at some point and when they do, with a subscription you'll be ready to go! For those Bali-lovers amongst us, the Perth city membership also includes Bali.



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**E'Co recycled clothing fundraiser.** Are you spending a LOT more time at home and getting around to that long to-do list, including sorting the kids' bedrooms! Remember that you can drop off donations of clothes, shoes, bags, hats and belts in the big white bins next to the Kiss and Drive area in the main car-park. The school does receive a small amount from these donations and they do help families in need, here and overseas.

**Second-hand uniforms.** Please ask your child to place any donated uniforms in the blue bin in the old undercover area. Contact us via email if you wish to make a purchase and we'll put you in touch with the lovely Julie ([willettonprimarypandc@gmail.com](mailto:willettonprimarypandc@gmail.com)).

The next meeting of the P&C will be on Monday June 8 (week 7 of the term).



# Term2 Planner 2020



	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<b>WEEK 1</b>	27 April Public Holiday	28 April School Development Day	29 April Students resume	30 April Brolga Kinder attends	1 May Bluejay 2 Kinder attends
<b>WEEK 2</b>	4 May	5 May	6 May	7 May Ibis Kinder attends	8 May Bluejay 1 Kinder attends
<b>WEEK 3</b>	11 May P & C Meeting 7pm	12 May	13 May	14 May Brolga Kinder attends	15 May Bluejay 2 Kinder attends
<b>WEEK 4</b>	18 May	19 May	20 May	21 May Ibis Kinder attends	22 May Bluejay 1 Kinder attends
<b>WEEK 5</b>	25 May	26 May	27 May National Simultaneous Storytime 2020	28 May Brolga Kinder attends	29 May Bluejay 2 Kinder attends
<b>WEEK 6</b>	1 June Western Australia Day	2 June	3 June	4 June Ibis Kinder attends	5 June Bluejay 1 Kinder attends
<b>WEEK 7</b>	8 June P & C Meeting 7pm	9 June	10 June	11 June Brolga Kinder attends	12 June Bluejay 2 Kinder attends
<b>WEEK 8</b>	15 June	16 June	17 June	18 June Ibis Kinder attends	19 June Bluejay 1 Kinder attends
<b>WEEK 9</b>	22 June	23 June	24 June	25 June Brolga Kinder attends	26 June Bluejay 2 Kinder attends
<b>WEEK 10</b>	29 June	30 June	1 July	2 July Ibis Kinder attends	3 July Bluejay 1 Kinder attends