Principal’s Report

STAFF TRAINING REPORT

Our third staff training day for 2015 was held last Monday 18th May. The program for the day enabled teachers to continue their valuable work on the school’s Power Standards in Reading.

Teachers worked in their professional learning teams (PLT’s) for the first session to deeply analyse the reading comprehension strategies that are used at each level across the school. A Prep—Year 6 Reading Comprehension Continuum was developed outlining how the following six strategies would be used to teach comprehension skills at every level: prediction & prior knowledge, questions & questioning, summarising, think-aloud, text structure & features and visualising. This continuum also outlined further strategies that could be used for students with an Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD).

During the middle session of the day, teachers worked with Arlen Oliver (Speech Therapist) and several of her colleagues to have a closer look at how phonological awareness enhances children’s reading development.

The final part of the day’s program provided teachers with further time to work in their PLT’s to explore the assessment strategies linked to our Reading power standards, with a particular focus on integrating the updated range of comprehension strategies.

It was an extremely engaging and productive staff training day and I would like to sincerely thank Sue Peterson (Literacy Coach) and Giorgia Moss (Literacy Leader) for their outstanding work in planning and facilitating the day’s program.

INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIONS AND ASSESSMENTS FOR SCHOOLS (ICAS)

All students in Years 3–6 were recently given a permission form for participation in this year’s ICAS testing. The ICAS program has been running for over thirty years in schools across Australasia. Students who participate have an opportunity to be challenged through rigorous testing in either English or Mathematics (or both). Whilst students will be able to demonstrate the skills they have developed at their particular level, the test will also enable students to display their capabilities at much higher levels. For many of our students operating at significantly higher levels than expected, we have found from past experience that they have revelled in the challenge of the ICAS tests.

If you would like your child to participate in this year’s ICAS program, please ensure a permission form and payment is returned to school by Friday 12th June.
LUNCHTIME ACTIVITIES PROGRAM
As we bunker down for the grey months ahead, we are always on the lookout for additional programs/activities that our students can participate in during lunchtimes. Last week I met with Kelleigh Evans (who has been a qualified PE teacher for over twenty years) who has approached the school about running a ‘Metafit’ program for students in Years 3 – 6.

‘Metafit Me for Kids’ is a 30 minute intense interval training session using just body weight which is suitable for any fitness level. Metafit enables children to build on, maintain or improve their fitness level in a fun and interactive manner.

If there is sufficient interest, we will trial a program for students in Years 3 - 6 once a week during term 3. The cost per session is $8.00 ($72.00 for the term). If you feel that your child would like to participate in this program, can you please send me a quick email at cahill.jim.a@edumail.vic.gov.au.

UPDATING YOUR CONTACT DETAILS
All students will be bringing home an envelope today with a copy of all of your current contact details on our system. We ask that you take a couple of minutes to check this information to ensure that we have your most up to date contact details. As you can appreciate, this information is very important, particularly if we need to contact you urgently. We would appreciate it if all families could return this information as soon as practicable, even if no changes are required.

Thank you in anticipation of your support on this important matter.

STAFFING UPDATE
In about three weeks, we will farewell Emma Holland (Year One teacher) as she leaves us for the birth of her first child – a very exciting period for Emma and her husband Tom! I’m delighted to report that Emma will be replaced with by Lisa Gammon, who is a permanent member of the Willy North team returning from a period of nine months leave. Lisa was in Year one before she commenced her leave in 2014, so it will be a very seamless transition back into year one. Lisa will begin with us after the Queen’s birthday holiday weekend, so that Lisa and Emma can work together that week, thereby facilitating a thorough handover of all information.

Manya West, who is our designated first aid officer in the Sick Bay, is having a well-earned break at the end of this week for the remainder of term 2. We are currently looking for a temporary replacement for Manya over the last 5 weeks of the term. The suitable replacement would need to have a minimum of level 3 first aid training and would be available to work between 11.00am and 2:30pm each school day. We would love to hear from any members of our school community who may be interested in undertaking this temporary work. Please give me a call of contact me at cahill.jim.a@edumail.vic.gov.au .

Enjoy the rest of the week
Jim Cahill—Principal

SCHOOL PHOTOS WILL BE TAKEN ON: TUESDAY 2ND JUNE
STUDENTS RECEIVED THEIR ENVELOPE LAST THURSDAY. The information on the envelope needs to be completed and returned to school on School Photo Day – Tuesday 2nd June
Family Photo envelopes are available from the school office.
Change will not be available from the school office on school photo day. Please send correct money sealed in the envelope, or complete the credit card payment section.

Science Evening
Don’t forget to place the 16th July in your diary. This is the first Thursday in Term 3. This evening is designed for parents and students.

The online booking for the Science Evening will be in the Newsletter over the next couple of weeks.

RIDE 2 SCHOOL
The Ride 2 School program is Australia’s largest active travel program which supports schools to encourage students to get active on their journey to and from school. As of week 7, we will be undertaking the Ride 2 School program by gathering data from each class, Prep to Year 6, on what their mode of transport was to school, whether that be by bike, scooter, walk, car etc. The year level who has the most amount of people who were active on their journey to school will be awarded the Active Travel Champions for the week.

Hopefully, as the weeks go on we will see more students using active forms of travel to and from school. After continual involvement in the program, our school will be offered awards for dedication to the program. Awards would help us with setting up a bike education program for the school. Data will begin to be collected from Friday 29th May.
Provisional Prep enrolments for 2016 has commenced. ‘Enrolment Form’ and the ‘Preliminary Information Sheet’ are available from the General Office. A copy can also be downloaded from the school website located under the Enrolment slider tab.

If you have any enrolment questions, or concerns regarding enrolments, please contact the school office on 9397 5722.

Additional School Tours will be conducted on

- Wednesday 20th May – 11.30am
- Wednesday 3rd June – 9.30am
- Wednesday 17th June – 10.00am
- Tuesday 21st July – 11.30am

Please contact the school office to register for a tour.

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Please Provide the following information when lodging your enrolment

1. Enrolment Form and Preliminary Information Sheet
2. Proof of Age - (Child’s Birth Certificate)
3. Certificate of Immunization (School Entry Form)
4. Three documents for “Proof of Residential Address”. (Drivers Licence, a Rates notice and a third document with your full name & residential address).

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Enrolment Policy

Please note that in line with the “School Ceiling” endorsed by the South Western Regional Director, only families who reside within the defined school neighbourhood are eligible to seek enrolment. A map defining the school neighbourhood is available on the school website.

CONFIRMATION OF ENROLMENT WILL BE MADE IN WRITING BY THE END OF TERM 3, 2015

The ‘2016 Prep Parent Information Night’ is only for Parents of confirmed Prep enrolments.

Tuesday 24th November 2015, 7.00pm to 8.30pm.
Kay Margetts from Melbourne University will speak on “School Readiness” and “School Expectations”.

Transition Program

Our Kinder to School Transition program for our 2016 Prep children will commence week beginning Monday 12th October, Week 2 of Term 4.

All transition details will be included with the ‘Letter of Enrolment’ sent to families.

For our School Zone go to www.willynth.vic.edu.au / slider tab – Enrolments / WNPS Zone Map

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The NEW 2015-2016 Entertainment Book is here

Last years books expire June 1st so get your new book soon.

Willy High Parents & Friends are pleased again to be able to offer Willy North families the chance to purchase the Entertainment Books. The NEW 2015-2016 Entertainment Book has arrived at our school offices at Bayview and Pasco Street! Both Book and the New Digital version for smart phone users is available.

Our Entertainment Book fundraising assists school purchase items that are not covered in capital expenditure. We hope this year to have enough funds to assist with the plans to establish shade areas at Bayview. Remember primary school kids today are secondary school kids tomorrow.

You can collect books from either school office or order online. Order forms are available at WNPS school office or you can order directly via the link https://www.entertainmentbook.com.au/orderbooks/1884e76. For any queries or to arrange a book pickup contact our Entertainment Books coordinator Karen Needs on Phone: 0408547539 Email: karenneeds@hotmail.com We can also get Books from other regions if you are travelling, or perhaps buying for a gift.

Want to know more about Entertainment books? – Go to www.entertainmentbook.com.au
Rosters… Fresh Fruit Friday (FFF)
This is a very social and interactive group who volunteer an hour of their time each Friday morning. Thank you to the many dedicated parents that assist with Fresh Fruit Friday. Fresh Fruit Friday continue to need parent volunteers. If you are available on Friday, please email Linda Taylor directly to be added to the roster—taylor.linda.l1@edumail.vic.gov.au.

Parents on the roster for Friday 22nd May are: - Julia Hacket, Arlene Lawrence, Mel Maskey, Camilla Thompson, Zohreh Basiri, Kim Pammone, Larissa Deeth, Andrea Crabtree and Julie DuPlessis.

Canteen
Julieanne Weir manages our Canteen and is always very appreciative of the time parents or family members can volunteer to help in the Canteen. Julieanne can be contacted via the General Office. New parents or family members are always needed and most welcome. So, if you can spare any of your valuable time, it would be greatly appreciated.

Thursday 21st May—Arlene Lawrence  Friday 22nd May—Help Needed
Wednesday 27th May—Tracey Somerville
Thursday 28th May—Anne Tobin  Friday 29th May—Caroline Wilkinson

Uniform Shop News Primary School Wear (PSW) is our official Uniform supplier. Uniforms can be purchased at the new store located at Unit 1, 128 Bertie Street Port Melbourne. Items will also be available for purchase online. Email portmelbourne@psw.com.au. Trading hours for Term One and Term Four are Tuesday to Friday 8.30am to 5.00pm, Saturday 9.00am to 1.00pm and closed on Sunday and Monday.

School Banking School banking day is Wednesday. Don’t forget to send in your child’s bank book.

Student Safety Please take the time to regularly remind your child/ren about safety, especially when going to and from school. Here are the important points to mention:

- Do not talk to strangers and never accept a ride from a stranger, or accept lollies or gifts from a stranger.
- Immediately report any issue or problem you may have when going to or from school, to your mum and dad, or to your teacher, the Principal, Assistant Principal or office staff.
- Always get permission from mum or dad before going to play with a friend after school and always let mum and dad know where you will be and what time you will be home.

We advise that, wherever possible, children should travel to or from school with an adult or with their friends, rather than travel alone.

Early Release All children collected from school before 3.30pm must be signed out at the Office. Parents will be handed an ‘Early Release Pass’ to hand to the supervising teacher. If a child is signed out at Recess or Lunch time, the Office staff will call the child to the Office and then ensure the Early Release Pass is given to the supervising teacher.

Bikes & Scooters Many children ride bikes and scooters to school each day. All bikes and scooters must be locked up in either the Bike or Scooter Enclosure to prevent theft. Please ensure your child has a chain and a lock. All children who ride a bike or scooter must wear a helmet which is a requirement by the Government. The school regularly reminds all children about wearing helmets for their safety. All bikes, scooters, skateboards, ribtics and helmets must be labelled, with your child’s name and class. Children are reminded they must walk their bike, scooter, skateboard or ribstic to and from the school gates. No bikes are to be brought through the school buildings and we request, where possible, that Scooters are also not walked through the building.

Working With Children Checks From early April 2014, cardholders who are required to renew their WWC Check will no longer need to go to Australia Post to lodge a paper form and present their current card. From this time, cardholders will go to the WWC Check website to complete their renewal application online and, if applying for an Employee Check, pay the fee using a credit card. The online renewal process Cardholders will be notified by SMS, letter or email 28 days before their WWC Check is due to expire. It is important for cardholders to keep their contact details up to date so that they receive this important reminder.

After receiving a notification, individuals continuing to do child-related work should go to MyCheck on the WWC Check website and apply to renew their Check. Cardholders will be asked to register with MyCheck if they have not already done so. Once logged in to MyCheck, cardholders will be prompted to confirm or update their personal contact and work details, complete the online form and, if applying for an Employee Check, pay the non-refundable $102.70 fee. More information, an FAQ guide to online renewals will be available in ‘Publications’ under ‘Resources’ on the WWC Check website. Or contact the Customer Support Line on 1300 652 879 8.30am – 5.00pm weekdays except public holidays.
Don’t yell, move closer

As a busy parent it’s easy to give your voice a work out when you don’t get the cooperation you want from your children.

You know how it goes.

You want your son or daughter to give you some help and they don’t respond.

Perhaps, you want a child to stop annoying his or her sibling.

Or you simply want your kids to QUIETEN DOWN inside.

When your request for cooperation is ignored.

So you do what over 90% of parents do. That is, you repeat yourself. Then if that’s still ignored you RAISE the volume.

‘I’ll yell at them. That should work!’

Hmm, I’m not so sure. Usually yelling only succeeds in producing parent-deaf kids.

If yelling, shouting or raising your voice is a habit you’ve developed to get cooperation then here’s a great strategy to use instead.

Next time your kids ignore a reasonable request move close to them and quietly repeat your request once.

No aggression, just expectation.

It means you may need to stop what you are doing. So be it.

Proximity is a powerful influencer. Great teachers know this. That’s why they move around in class so much: to teach and also to manage.

So save your voice for conversation, encouragement and affection.

Use your body effectively to manage kids.

The key, of course, is to do it.

My challenge for you is to bite your tongue when you want to yell. Take a deep breath (as the Mood Meter teaches you) and move into your child’s proximity. Don’t stare him down. Just be close to him or her.

Keep doing it and the cooperation levels you get from your kids will increase astronomically over time.

But you’ve got to do it.

In future don’t yell, move closer.

Michael Grose
## Canteen Menu & Price List – Term 2 2015

Canteen Manager: Julienne Weir
Telephone 9397 5722

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### LUNCH PACKS

- **Kids Combo**
  - Vegemite sandwich, popcorn, Juice
  - **Healthy Delight Combo**
    - Cheese sandwich, Choc Chip Muffin & Juice
    - **Wrap Attack**
      - Chicken, lettuce & mayo wrap with a Cookie & flavoured milk
  
  $4.50

- **$5.00**

### HOT FOOD ITEMS

- Chicken Crackle – 3 pieces
- Chicken Crackle – 5 pieces
- Fried Rice (Vegetarian – No Egg)
- Glenroy Pizza – Ham & Pineapple
- Glenroy Pizza – Margherita
- Glenroy Pizza – Vegetarian
- Mini Cobbett (Corn)
- Pasta – Lasagne
- Pasta – Macaroni Cheese
- Pasta – Ravioli
- Pasta – Twirls
- Party Pie
- Pie (Pattie’s Light)
- Sausage Rolls
- Steamed Dim Sim

### SANDWICHES – WRAPS

- Sandwiches – wholemeal or white bread
  - All fillings available
  - Wraps – 30 cents extra

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### SNACK TIME ITEMS

- Choc Chip Muffin
- Cookie – Chocolate Chip
- Frozen Juice Cup (Term’s 1 & 4 only)
- Piranha Rice Snacks
- Chocolate
- Koala
- Noodle Snacks
- $1.00

### DRINKS & ICE-CREAMS

- Cooray Mountain Water – Plain (600mls)
  - $1.50
- Cooray Mountain Water – Plain (250mls)
  - $0.90
- Quelch 99% Fruit Tube
  - $0.50
- Flavoured Milk – Low Fat
  - (Chocolate or Strawberry)
  - $1.90
- Just Juice (200ml)
  - Orange, Apple, Apple/Blackcurrant, Paradise Punch
  - $1.70
- Paddle Pop – Chocolate or Rainbow
  - $1.30

### Extras

- Paper Bag
  - $0.10
- Tomato Sauce – per item
  - $0.20
- Soy Sauce – per item
  - $0.20
- Spoon or Fork
  - $0.05

### SUSHI

- Term 1 and Term 4 Only
  - Tuna Handroll Sushi – per roll
    - $2.50
  - California Handroll Sushi – per roll
    - $2.50

### Please Write

Name, Room Number and Amount enclosed on the paper bag.
If not enough money is enclosed a deduction or alternative item will be given.

### Please Note:

- the Canteen does not sell peanut butter, nutella or nut products.
- All items on the Canteen Menu are ‘green’ or ‘amber’ rated items endorsed by the School Canteen Guide.
Williamstown Magic under 10 Div1 boys team are seeking one or two extra players for next season. All existing players are Willi Nth students and have made the grand final this Friday night in current season. Child must be 9 years of age and not turning 10 until 2016. Matches are Friday nights starting 22nd May and training is Monday nights 5.00pm till 6.00pm at Bayside School Williamstown Kororoit Creek Road. The current coach has many years of basketball experience. If interested please contact Kristian Daley on 0403059146.

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Family Information Session – Tuesday 26 May: Leaving School: What is next?

Are you starting to wonder what your son or daughter might do once they finish high school? Moving from the structured environment of the school system onto the next stage of life is a huge transition for young people, but especially for those on the Autism spectrum.

This session will look at how parents/carers can support their young person to make informed decisions about their future. We’ll explore further education, employment, as well as opportunities for other types of community engagement.

**When:** Tuesday the 26th May  
**Where:** The Optometrists’ Association in Carlton (2 doors up from Amaze).  
**Cost:** FREE for Amaze members ($20 for non-members)

**Book now:** Morning session 10:15am (for a 10:30am start) [here](#) Evenning Session 6:15pm (for a 6:30pm start) [here](#) If you have any queries, please contact our Information Session facilitator Pia Wrafter – [piawrafter@amaze.org.au](mailto:piawrafter@amaze.org.au)

Kind regards  
Cath Pettitt—Amaze Membership Team

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**Sing. Act. Dance. Perform!**

**Peter Pan Show**

**WE GIVE KIDS CONFIDENCE**

9.30am to 4.30pm. $150 per person.  
**20% Deposit Required on Booking.**  
**Aftercare**  
Morning drop-off from 8:30 am. Late pick-up until 5:30 pm.  
**5 to 13 YEARS**

Children work in their age group with specialist tutors.  
**MONDAY 6TH TO FRIDAY 10TH JULY**  
YARRAVILLE: PIGRIM UNITING CHURCH  
48 Rayners Road and Montague St, Yarraville

1300 821 828

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**Night in Nepal**

To help raise much-needed funds to help the Nepalese citizens, LF Australia is hosting a giant, double movie night!

6.30pm (pmw) & 9.30pm: Friday the 29th of May! Tickets are $20 per child and includes fresh hot popcorn! The cinema is at LFK!  

**Choose between:**

**Movie 1:** Night at the Museum; Secret of the Tomb (PG) OR  
**Movie 2:** Penguins of Madagascar (PG)

*There will also be a raffle to raise funds for the children. Tickets are $20 per pack.  
**Note:** All proceeds will go to The Australian Himalayan Foundation

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