Principal’s Report

**PARENT HUB LAUNCH**

As an avenue for furthering strengthening the connectedness of parents at Willy North, we would like to warmly invite all parents to drop into our ‘Parent Hub’ each Friday morning from 8:45am – 10:00am for a cuppa and a chat. This will essentially be an informal opportunity to meet and chat with other parents at around drop off time. Room 9 (the large new portable next to the soccer field) will be used to facilitate the Parent Hub.

The Parent Hub concept emanates from the hard work of our Community Engagement subcommittee and the school’s broader community engagement strategy. Each morning, it is great to see so many groups of parents standing around in the grounds for a chat, however with the cooler months coming on we thought it would be great if we had a dedicated space indoors, which would consequently make it infinitely more comfortable for parents.

The Parent Hub will be trialled for the remainder of this term and if the idea proves to be successful, we can then explore how this concept could be extended in the future. A small group of parents will be responsible for the maintenance of the Parent Hub as no staff members will be involved. The only stipulation we have on any parent visitors at this stage is that toddlers are closely supervised whilst in this space.

So instead of standing out in the cold this Friday morning after drop off time, please feel welcome to head over to room 9 for a warm cuppa and chat!

**STAFF TRAINING DAY REPORT**

We certainly had a very productive day last Friday as all staff participated in the school’s third staff training day for 2016. The morning program began with teachers at each level of the school sharing their favourite ‘warm up’ activities for beginning their maths lessons. We then progressed to trialling activities that were specifically linked to our school’s measurement and geometry program. Staff then had a chance to delve deeper into the Victorian Curriculum and to explore some key resources that can be used to further promote measurement and geometry across the school.

The second part of the day, saw all staff members begin to collaborate on the first stage of our Whole School Review process. We revisited the goals of our Strategic Plan (2013 – 2016) and shared the school’s key achievements over the last four years. As a Professional Learning Community (PLC), we also recognise that we still have further opportunities for improvement as a school and so the next part of the day’s program engaged staff in identifying future opportunities for
the school.
The final part of the training day saw staff members working in teams to identify the core competencies that we hope all Willy North students will have when they exit the school in 2020 and beyond. These posters are currently on display outside the library, so please take a few minutes to have a look at what our staff members compiled. We hope to run a similar activity for parents when we have our future parent forum as part of our review process.

**EDUCATION WEEK THANKS**
A huge thank you to the many parents, grandparents, aunts/uncles and carers, who visited the school last Wednesday and spent some time in our classrooms as part of Education Week. As I wandered around the school, it was terrific to see so many family members enthusiastically involved in the technology activities that had been planned. The photos capture some of the action:

Fortunately the weather on our Open Day was quite mild which then provided a lovely opportunity for some families to enjoy a picnic lunch. We understand how busy our Willy North families are and we are always very grateful for when you prioritise your time to be involved in the school – thank you again to everyone who visited the school last Wednesday!

Enjoy the rest of your Week!
Jim Cahill
Principal
Provisional Prep enrolments for 2017 have now commenced. A copy of the ‘Enrolment form’ and ‘Preliminary Information sheet’ can be collected from the General Office or downloaded from the school website.

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

**Additional School Tours will be conducted on**

Friday 10th June – 10.00am
Tuesday 19th July – 11.30am
Wednesday 3rd August – 10.00am

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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.

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**CONFIRMATION OF ENROLMENT WILL BE MADE IN WRITING BEFORE THE END OF TERM 3, EARLY SEPTEMBER**

The ‘2017 Prep Parent Information Night’ is only for parents of confirmed Prep enrolments. On Monday 21st November 2016, 6.45pm to 8.00pm, Kay Margetts from Melbourne University will speak on “School Readiness” and “School Expectations”.

**Transition Program**

Our ‘Kinder to School’ Transition program for our 2017 Prep children will commence week beginning Monday 10th 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](http://www.willynth.vic.edu.au) / slider tab – Enrolments / WNPS Zone Map

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**PSW Retail Port Melbourne Store will be closed on Monday 20th June for stocktake. We do apologise for any inconvenience.**

You can find our regular trading hours online, please visit [www.psw.com.au](http://www.psw.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 from 9.00am to 10.00am. Fresh Fruit Friday continues to need parent volunteers. If you are available on a Friday, please email Linda Taylor directly, so she can add you to the roster — taylor.linda.l1@edumail.vic.gov.au. Parents on the roster for Friday 27th May are: Kim Pannone, Larissa Deeth, Ray Price, Shadi Momeni, Mel Maskey, Helen Gibbs, Kathryne Samyue, Julie Du Plessis and Lana Hutton.

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

**Thursday 26th May—Shadi Moneni**
**Friday 27th May—Kaylynn Rasmussen & Rachel Burbridge & Dawn Bridgeman**
**Wednesday 1st June—Caroline Wilkinson & Dawn Bridgeman**

**Thursday 2nd June—Sandra Ensabella**
**Friday 3rd June—Melanie Dmytrenko**

**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 can also be purchased online. Email portmelbourne@psw.com.au. Summer Trading hours are Monday to Friday 8.30am to 5.00pm, Saturday 9.00am to 1.00pm and closed on Sunday.

**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 to 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, ribstic 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 Cards**
Cardholders who are required to renew their WWCC will no longer need to go to Australia Post to lodge a paper form and present their current card. Cardholders will go to the WWCC website to complete their renewal application online and, if applying for an Employee Check, pay the fee using a credit card when using the online renewal process, cardholders will be notified by SMS, letter or email 28 days before their WWCC 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 WWCC 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 WWCC website, or contact the Customer Support Line on 1300 652 879 8.30am – 5.00pm weekdays except public holidays. http://www.workingwithchildren.vic.gov.au/
Transport yourself...

JAPANESE DAY 2016
Wednesday June 8th

Don't forget to dress up!

- Taiko Drums
- Costume Parade
- Ayatorii
- Sumo
- Judo
- Kendo
- Onigiri
- Manga Drawing

...and much MORE!!
Calling All Curious Minds

Willy Lit Fest invites you to #staycurious

The Willy Lit Fest aims to enrich children’s lives by fostering a love of reading and books. ‘We are very pleased to be offering many author talks for children and young adults in this year’s program. Encouraging young readers to come to the Willy Lit Fest and get up close with their favourite authors is an important consideration in putting together our program’ said Programming Director, Loraine Callow.

“We’re so excited to be promoting reading, creativity and story in the lives of young people by bringing them into in contact with their favourite authors: Andy Griffiths, Sally Rippin, Morris Gleitzman, David Astle and audiobook star narrator Styg Wemyss”.

Top Picks for Kids

**Audiobooks Come Alive** with Stygg Wemyss, an actor, writer and the wildly popular voice behind hundreds of children's audiobooks.

**Billie B Mysteries with Sally Rippin**, acclaimed children's author who has had more than fifty children's books published, including the renowned Billie B Brown and Hey Jack! series.

**Meet Morris Gleitzman** – meet one of Australia's funniest and best-loved children's authors with over 36 published books.

**Andy Griffiths Kid’s Show** - Over the last 20 years Andy's books have been New York Times bestsellers, adapted for the stage and television and won more than 50 Australian children's choice awards.

**Wordburger** – how to be a champion word puzzler with David Astle, full-time word nerd; whip up a flurry of riddles, puzzles, and pen puns!

Top Picks for Young Adults

**The Willy Lit Fest Debate** - teams from Bayside Secondary College and Mount St Joseph Girls' College will debate 'Curiosity Killed the Cat – But Will it Kill Us?’

**A Passion for Footy** with Nicole Hayes, whose debut young adult release, *The Whole of My World* (Random House 2013) was the first 'footy novel' featuring a girl. She will be joined by Michael Hyde, Angela Pippos and Alicia Sometimes who are all made for footy.

Check out the full listing of events online. Early bird discounts are available until midnight on the 31 May. Tickets will be available online, over the phone (9932 4074) and in person at the Williamstown Library.

www.willylitfest.org.au  
www.facebook.com/willylitfest  
www.twitter.com/WillyLitFest  
https://www.instagram.com/willylitfest/

Enchanted Years will be hosting a very special FREE event on Saturday 4th June at 2.00pm. Lulu Bell author Belinda Murrell & illustrator Serena Geddes will be in store to talk about the Lulu Bell books (reading age 7 years +) and Belinda will also be talking about her NEW book "The Lost Sapphire" (suitable for ages 9 years +).

This is a FREE event but bookings are recommended. For bookings please call Enchanted Years on 9397 1154.
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Williamstown North Primary School's 2016 Social Event of the Year
REWIND 80's
With their retro hits, cherry lips and high kicks, REWIND 80's take the stage performing tunes from one of music's most iconic eras - the sensational eighties!

Friday, August 5th
dance opens 7pm for 7:30pm show (adults only)
WILLIAMSTOWN TOWN HALL
Tickets On Sale Friday June 3

Jawbone Marine sanctuary Care
invites you to join us for a free community screening of the Melbourne Down Under documentary

The stunning natural history documentary will take viewes on an incredible journey of discovery, revealing the city's best kept secret, Port Phillip Bay, a vibrant and dynamic marine environment. See the colours and spectacular diversity of the bay come to life.

You'll meet charismatic marine mammals, deadly jet powered predators and witness remarkable feeding behaviours that have never been filmed before. Footage includes the marine life of Jawbone Marine Sanctuary.

So grab your mask and snorkel and join us for this epic event and meet the producer and aquatic scientist Sharae Maris who will host a post screening Q&A.

Where: Hobsons Bay Yacht Club, 270 Nelson Place, Williamstown
When: Thursday 3rd June, 2016
Time: 7:30pm

RSVP: This is a free community event. No tickets are required, we just ask that you register your interest by emailing jawbonemarine@sanctuary.com.au or we can ensure we have enough seating.

STREAMLINE PROGRAMS
In Partnership with:
Pelicans
Three Year Old Program
for 2017

Applications are open for the Pelicans Program at the Williamstown Community and Education Centre, Joan Kirner House. Delivered by a qualified kindergarten teacher with over 20 years experience, children learn through play and planned activities while creating new friendships and developing social skills. For more information contact the Centre on 9397 6168.

Fun French for Kids

Wednesdays 3.45pm – 4.45pm
Williamstown Community Centre
14 Thompson St

Limited places available

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