Friday 16th September
Early Finish 2.30pm &
No Canteen Lunch Orders

Principal’s Report

EARLY DISMISAL

Please note that students will be dismissed at 2:30pm this Friday 16th September to begin their Term 3 holidays. There will be a short whole school assembly at 2:15pm, with students being dismissed from the Gymnasium at 2:30pm.

We hope all students and families have a restful and enjoyable break. School will resume on Monday 3rd October to begin Term 4.

FINALISTS - VICTORIAN EDUCATION EXCELLENCE AWARDS (VEEA)

We are excited to now confirm that Williamstown North PS has been shortlisted for the 2016 Victorian Education Excellence Awards. Our application focussed on the school’s ongoing work to forge Inclusion practices that further support the additional needs of students on a daily basis, whether they be academic, social or emotional needs.

I am thrilled that the work of our wonderful teachers and Education Support staff has been recognised to this level. Each day they make very considered and reasonable adjustments to our practices to ensure the success and connectedness of every student.

Three schools from across Victoria have been shortlisted for this award. Our school leaders and Education Support staff will attend the awards evening on Friday 28th October to hear the outcome of this nomination. Regardless of the outcome of this award, we will all continue to work on a united front each day to ensure our students are the real winners!

ART & TECHNOLOGY SHOW

What an amazing ‘feast’ of the Arts we enjoyed last week as we celebrated our biennial Art and Technology Show. The gymnasium looked spectacular, as you can see from the collage of photos included in this Newsletter. It was a delight to watch our students excitedly leading in family members to proudly show their exhibited piece/s. Further testament to our above mentioned Inclusion Award nomination, where we go to exhaustive lengths to make sure every student is included.
On behalf of the school community, I would like to sincerely thank our Visual Arts teachers, Vicki Symons and Emily Millman, for the stunning artwork that has been developed throughout the course of the year, which culminated in such vibrant and impressive displays. Further thanks to Melissa Ziebowski (eLearning Leader) and Dean Pearce (Performing Arts), for the notable technology displays that were incorporated into the show for the first time. And finally, thank you to the many parents and staff, who worked tirelessly last week to transform the gymnasium into such a professionally presented gallery!

**BOOK FAIR NEWS**

We were very excited to learn this week that this year’s Book Fair generated $11,378.20 in overall sales, which earned the school $3,413.46 worth of books for our library!

What a wonderful outcome for our students with so many fantastic books purchased to take home as well as lots of new books to now read and borrow in the school library. Thank you again to all families who were able to support this year’s Book Fair, as well as a big thank you to Viv D'Aquino, Sue Smith and our Education Support staff members for the many hours of assistance with the set-up and book sales.

**GOOD LUCK LISA GAMMON**

We wish Lisa Gammon (Year 4 teacher) and her Fiancé Daniel, our heartfelt good wishes on their upcoming wedding in the school holidays. We have our fingers crossed for a lovely sunny spring day for this very special occasion and we hope everything unfolds according to plan. We look forward to seeing all of the photos next term!

**STUDENT ENGAGEMENT POLICY & PROCEDURES**

After extensive work by our Education Sub Committee, School Council unanimously endorsed the updated Student Engagement Policy and Procedures at the last school council meeting. This policy encompasses many important procedural elements of the school.

You may be interested to scan this updated policy by following the link below.

The above mentioned updated Student Engagement Policy & Procedures can be found at


Enjoy the Break!

Jim Cahill
Principal
Williamstown North Primary School
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.

Friday 16th September it is the last day of the term so there is no Fresh Fruit Friday. Thank you to all the parents that assisted with Fresh Fruit Friday throughout Term 3.

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 15th September—Footy Day Lunch (Sausage Sizzle) No other lunch orders on this day
Friday 16th September—NO CANTEEN LUNCH ORDERS
Term 4
Julianne to advise parents via text message who is on the first week of term.

Uniform Shop News
Primary School Wear (PSW) is our official Uniform supplier. Uniforms can be purchased at the store located at Unit 1, 128 Bertie Street Port Melbourne. Items can also be purchased online.
Email portmelbourne@psw.com.au. 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/
The ‘2017 Prep Parent Information Night’ is for parents of confirmed Prep enrolments. On Thursday 3rd 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 Friday 21st October through to Friday 11th November (4 Fridays)

- Session 1—Friday 21st October
- Session 2—Friday 28th October
- Session 3—4th November
- Session 4—11th November

All transition details were included with the ‘Letter of Enrolment’ sent to families at the beginning of September. Please contact the school if you have not received these details in the mail.

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

Asthma Club at WNPS!!

Asthma is the most prevalent chronic condition for children. At WNPS we have over 70 children managing their Asthma at school and symptoms often worsen in Spring. The school First Aid room has seen a steep increase in the number of children presenting with cough, wheeze and breathlessness. Children with Asthma including those with mild symptoms, can have a severe attack at any time in their lives, so it's important that they understand their triggers, symptoms and management.

Whilst some of our older children demonstrate a basic understanding of their asthma plan many children seem unsure of what to do. In response, the school will welcome the Asthma Foundation of Victoria on Thursday 6th October (first week of Term 3). Members from the Asthma Foundation will be hosting 40 minute workshops throughout the day grouped by year level. The workshops make Asthma education hands-on and fun.

Some students have been invited to attend the Incursion as they have been diagnosed or experienced symptoms of Asthma. We anticipate this will help build better awareness of Asthma in the whole school community and promote confident responsible children who can take ownership of their health and wellbeing.

The program is Government funded and therefore free.
To Parent/Guardians of Prep, Year 1 and Year 2 Students

As a part of the 2016 Musical this year, your child has been selected to play a special role in our musical.

We have been working hard with the students to collect their costumes, most the main items will be supplied to your child on the night of the musical.

We are asking if you could supply the following items to go along with your child’s costume. You can hold onto these at home and just wear them on the night to the venue.

You will be receiving a personalised note coming home soon, with your child’s specific details of costume requirements.

Please keep the items you are needing to gather at home until the night of the Musical, which is going to be held over 2 nights, during Term 4. Dates will also be placed in the school newsletter early next term.

Please see the below table for details about the costumes needing to be supplied and also the costumes we are supplying:

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HELP NEEDED!!!
IF YOU ARE ABLE TO HELP OUT WITH SOME CUTTING, SEWING OR GLUING, PLEASE CONTACT ME ON THE BELOW EMAIL…I NEED A FEW COSTUMES WORKED ON!

Tyson.crystal.a@edumail.vic.gov.au Or Classroom, Room 7 (Year 1T)

Regards
Mrs Crystal Tyson and Ms Julie Papazisis (Costume Coordinators)
Williamstown Swimming and Life Saving Club (WS&LSC) runs a fun Nippers Program for children aged 5-14 years (5 years old by Sept 30th).

Nippers are taught about surf awareness and surf safety through the Surf Life Saving Education Program.

The program is conducted on a Friday afternoon at Williamstown beach. The season begins in November and runs through to March, stopping for Christmas and January.

What do you need to do to sign up for Nippers?
To participate in the Nippers program, families are required to join the WS&LSC (New Family Membership starts from $275) – includes use of the pool and facilities for the year.

Every member 18 years and over (i.e. both parents/guardians) must have a Working with Children’s Check (WWCC), linked to both WS&LSC & LSV – details on website (http://www.williamstownslsc.org.au/membership/working-with-children) or at Information Sessions. Memberships cannot be processed until we receive WWCCs.

Attend the Information Session at the club house to answer questions you have!

Information Sessions
Sunday Oct 8th at 4.00pm
Wednesday Oct 12th at 6.30pm
Sunday Oct 16th at 10.00am

For further information, see our website www.williamstownslsc.org.au

If you are interested in competing for WS&LSC Nippers at carnivals during the summer please contact Fiona McCarroll on WSLSCnipperscomp@outlook.com or on 0407 106 160

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**SCHOOL HOLIDAYS**

KIDS CLASSES - 9 TO 12 YRS

sewing classes for boys and girls

20TH SEPT OR 27TH SEPT

SEW HAPPY WORKSHOPS

ph: 9399 - 2870
Come and try!

FREE Basketball Session!

Saturday 8 Oct
(9.30 to 10.30am ★ 10.30 to 11.30am)

Are you aged 5-10 years old? Then come along to Whitten Oval and see how much fun you can have playing basketball.

Get a taste of our Aussie Hoops and Pink Ball programmes with fun games and drills. We’ve got plenty of room, so bring your friends!

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and see you on court

www.westgatebasketball.com.au

Victoria University Community Sports Stadium
Whitten Oval, 417 Barkly Street, West Footscray

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Phone: 9399 1311 or 0438 399131
E: williamstown@citiwestrntals.com.au
**FRENCH CLUB!**

**Fun French for Kids**

**Wednesdays 3.45pm - 4.45pm**

**Williamstown Community Centre**

14 Thompson St

**Limited places available**

Our club is setting its 4th year!

- French fun through games, stories, songs and activities
- Learning program designed especially for 5-12 year olds
- Native speaker and experienced teacher of French.
- Enable your child to develop an ear and a feel for foreign language early.

Ph. 0432 719 034
jim.callahan@lcclub.com.au
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- Perform in a Showcase for your adoring fans!
- Kids aged 4-15yrs will feel like STARS in Altona North these holidays!

Enrol NOW online or PH: 9391 1736
www.artzcollective.com.au

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**HOBSONS BAY DENTAL**

We are pleased to welcome Dr. Meredith Merin to the team at our Altona North practice. With 20yrs experience and a gentle approach, nervous patients can feel at ease.

She sees both children and adults, and children eligible under Medicare CDBS will be bulk billed.

For an appointment please call: 03 9915 5175,
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Monday 26th - Wednesday 28th Sept 2016
10.00 am - 3.00 pm
$50 Per Day or $130 for 3 Days

Open to kids age 5-12. Kids will develop their passing, shooting and
cribbing skills through a range of exciting and interesting sessions
and fun activities. Meet new friends, have fun and stay healthy! A
great opportunity for new players to get into basketball!

Registration Link:
https://reg.sportingpulse.com/regform.cgi?formID=59643
Visit www.keilorbasketball.com.au or call 9336 0173 for more info.

Pink Breakfast
Tuesday 27th September 2016

Please join us at the beautiful Royal Victorian Motor Yacht Club for a morning of light
teppanyaki and mingling with like-minded people to help raise awareness and support for
Breast Cancer Research.

All proceeds from our fabulous breakfast will go to The Walter and Eliza Hall Institute
and The National Breast Cancer Foundation. Set in the atmosphere of the Motor
Yacht Club and enjoy the views of the Melbourne city skyline.

Treat yourself to a gorgeous morning in Williamstown.

Date
Time
Location
Cost
RSVP

Tuesday 27th September
6.45am to 9.00am
Royal Victorian Motor Yacht Club
360 Nelson Place, Williamstown
$35.00 per head
Includes a glass of champagne on arrival and a full breakfast. Raffle, silent auction, and door
prizes to be won. Early Bird discount of 15% applies if booking a table of
10 by the 17/9/16.
22nd September 2016

Nelson Place Presents

September School Holiday

FREE & FUN THINGS

For Kids.

Commonwealth Reserve, Williamstown

Twisted Science
Wednesday 21st September
10.30am to 12.30pm

Don't Move Puppet Theatre
Thursday 22nd September
10.30am to 11.15am (3 - 8 year olds)
11.45am to 12.30pm (5 - 12 year olds)

Yard Games - Giant Snakes & Ladders,
Quoits, Connect Four, Jenga
Wednesday 28th September
10am to 2pm

Jake Wilkinson and the Magician
Ali McLaren and the Minim Band
Thursday 28th September
10:30am to 12.30pm

Byo Picnic Rug / Chairs

* Look out for special Nelson Place trader offers

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Contact us for more information on void bookings or special events. Tel: 9336 0173
Well word is definitely spreading that **GIRLS LOVE AUSKICK!!**

Williamstown Auskick, Williamstown Juniors and AFL Victoria are now running a 6 week **GIRLS’ GROUP introduction Program** and as a result the girls’ are coming out in numbers.

Why do girls love Auskick? Well, for the same reasons as the boys:

- Auskick is great fun for girls too!
- Girls love playing with their friends and making new friends;
- Girls love being part of a group or team;
- Girls love kicking goals just like the boys do!

So a **GIRLS’ GROUP** at Williamstown Auskick is a great way for the girls to be included in Auskick while learning all about footy and socialising as well.

This 6 week Introduction Program is chance for the girls and all our families to experience the excitement and hype that is building and will continue to build from now onwards in anticipation to the AFL’s Women’s League in 2017 that will feature the Adelaide, Brisbane Lions, Carlton, Collingwood, Fremantle, Greater Western Sydney, Melbourne and the Western Bulldogs.

Next year promises to be a HUGE year for Williamstown Auskick **GIRLS’**.

**Details**

**When:**
- Thursday 8th September, Thursday 15th September,
- Thursday 22nd September, Thursday 29th September

**Age:** Prep to Year 6

**Where:** Williamstown Juniors Football Ground (Bayview St, Williamstown)

**Cost:** $30.00  **Time:** 4.00pm to 5.00pm (1hr)

**Details** – Contact Tyrone Lewis – 0411 510 176


** All girls who do register online for the program will receive a bag a goodies that will consist off a Football, Football Cards, Drink Bottle and will be presented with a Medal and Certificate on the last day as well as tuition from our Level 1 Accredited Coaches.**

Spread the news **“THE GIRLS ARE HERE” ITS AUSKICK LIKE YOU’VE NEVER SEEN IT BEFORE!”**
KIDS + BOATS = FUN    TACKERS at Altona Yacht Club

A “Learn to Sail” program for kids over the summer in a safe & fun environment on Saturday mornings.

All equipment, protective clothing & snacks are provided.

Commencing 8th October and 28th January

10 weeks for $205 (includes free club membership & a Tackers T-shirt)

Discounts apply for families in training courses at AYC.

25% for 1 adult & 1 child. 50% for 1 adult & 2 children.

Further information contact Gail on M: 0412 043 207   E: commodore@altonayachtclub.org.au

Registration on-line at http://www.altonayachtclub.org.au/tackers

Regards, Gail Lines  Commodore Altona Yacht Club, 10 Beach St, Seaholme

Surf Life Saving is highly regarded part of our Australian way of life. The Altona Life Saving Club is a volunteer community based club committed to bringing families together in a healthy and happy environment and we would love you to join us....

Joining ALSC gives you the opportunity to learn new skills, make new friends and contribute towards making Altona Beach a fun and safe place for us all to enjoy.

Nippers

The Altona Nippers program aims to provide the opportunity for children to gain valuable surf and water safety information and build their skills in a safe and fun environment. The Nippers program incorporates the national Surf Education Program with activities aimed at building lifesaving, surf, competition, teamwork and leadership skills and is a training ground for tomorrow's lifesavers.

come along to our “Information Day”

Sunday 9th October 2016

11:00am – 1:30pm

Altona Surf Life Saving Club Rooms, 139 Esplanade, Altona

Training

Nippers training is held at Altona Beach on Sunday mornings from November to the end of March. Activities include beach sprints, flags, wading in shallow water, board paddling, swimming, relays and lots of fun games.

In addition to our weekly Nipper sessions, additional training times are available for competition teams and there’s also a fantastic fitness boot camp open to all members.

Beach Competitions are held during the summer months from December through to March. From age 8, nippers compete in a range of aquatic and beach events designed to promote fitness and surf skills at all levels. Events include ironman & iron woman, surf swimming, board race, ski race (U17+), beach sprint, beach flags, surf boats (U19+), rescue & resuscitation, and a number of team related disciplines

Pool Competitions are held during the winter months from April through to September.

All age groups and events include obstacle swims, manikin carry, super lifesaver, Line throw, individual stroke races and team a variety of team relays.

For more information, enquiries and contact details visit—Website: http://www.altonalsc.com.au
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PRELIMINARY FINAL
2.40pm, Sunday 18th September
North Port Oval, Port Melbourne

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