



WINTERFOLD

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From the Admin Team

Term 1 Week 2, 12 February 2014

Dear Parents, Carers and Community Members,

Welcome to another jampacked year of learning, friendship and fun at Winterfold!

Winterfold Primary School continues to be an ever popular school of choice for our community and we are booming! At the end of last year we closed with 280 students and this year we start off with over 320, which is amazing and an excellent indicator of the strong educational and social programmes provided by the talented and dedicated staff in our school.

Our increase in student numbers will see a new purpose built transportable Pre Primary installed near Room 5 this term. This will mean our Italian classes will soon have their own home in Room 5, freeing up our library a little more.

Along with our increased enrolments and a new year come some staffing changes.

1. We welcome Mrs Amy Clement to our second Pre Primary, located in Room 5, with Mr Carmelo Miragliotta on Tuesdays - ably supported by Mrs Sharryn Murray and Mrs Kelly Cianfarani as our Education Assistants.
2. Mr Carmelo Miragliotta will also be in Kindy each Wednesday, allowing Mrs Jessica Hicks to have some valuable planning time.
3. Ms Noelle Hackett picks up 3 days a week of Education Assistant time across the school.
4. Miss Kristen Bassett will be working on Fridays in Room 2. Mrs Sallie Fullerton will be acting Deputy Principal each Friday for Term 1 and then working 4 days a week for the rest of the year.
5. Miss Leanne Hill will be teaching Room 10 each Friday.
6. Mr Andrew Wotherspoon will be teaching Room 3 each Thursday, releasing Miss Beth Rodgers to undertake her important Learning Support Coordinator duties.
7. Miss Chris Coppin will be working 4 days a week for most of the year and we welcome Miss Sian Fitzpatrick to Room 9 on Fridays.

With the wonderful news of increased student numbers brings many other advantages to our school.

1. We are now able to employ a Librarian for more hours per week and our multi skilled School Officer, Mrs Brianna Hunter, has been secured to help keep

the Library in order on a Friday.

2. Increased numbers in Junior Primary have resulted in increased Education Assistant time being given. Our other wonderfully talented School Officer/Education Assistant, Mrs Kelly Cianfarani, will be helping out here.

Thanks to all parents, students and most of all staff, for helping make our start to 2014 as smooth as possible.

We look forward to what the rest of the year will bring.

Cheers

The Admin Team

WHAT'S HAPPENING

Tuesday 4 February - Friday 14 February

- ◆ Year 6 & Year 7 Swimming Lessons commence at Fremantle Leisure Centre, departing school 8.30am. Concluding Friday 14 February

Wednesday 12 February

- ◆ P&C AGM Meeting 6.30pm in the Library

Monday 17 February - Thursday 20 February Parent Information Evening - 2.50pm til 3.20pm

- ◆ Monday 17 February - Rooms 1 & 2
- ◆ Tuesday 18 February - Room 9, 10 & 11
- ◆ Wednesday 19 February - Kindy, Pre Primary (Rooms 4 & 5) and Room 3
- ◆ Thursday 20 February - Rooms 6, 7 & 8

Friday 28 February

- ◆ Leaders Assembly in the PAC

Monday 3 March

- ◆ Public Holiday - Labour Day

Tuesday 4 March

- ◆ Staff Professional Development Day - Students **DO NOT** attend.

Friday 11 April

- ◆ Last Day of Term 1

Monday 28 April

- ◆ Students return for commencement of Term 2

VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS

Thank you to the many families who have already paid their Voluntary Contributions & Charges (VC). These funds further enhance your child's education so please support our school by making prompt payment. VC for Kindy, Pre Primary and all years through to Year 7 is \$60 per student.

Payment can be accepted at the office from 8.15am to 4pm and cash, cheque and EFTPOS are all accepted.



Kindy Carpark Instructions

All Kindy parents, please note that the Kindy carpark will be closed at 3pm everyday. If you think that you will be remaining on the school grounds past this time, please park on the road.

Thank you for your understanding.

York Street Crosswalk

WPS students are fortunate to have access to a crosswalk and an attendant every morning and afternoon. Can all students please abide by the pedestrian rules and use this crossing located opposite Christ The King School on York Street.

P&C Uniform Shop

Welcome back everyone. We hope you had a wonderful break.

As the beginning of the year is always so busy with getting things organised for the Term, we have **extended our opening hours for February only.**

The opening hours for Term 1 2014 are:
From Monday, 3 February, through to and including Tuesday, 25 February, we will be open from 8.15am to 9.00am every **Monday and Tuesday.**
We will be **CLOSED** Monday, 3 March, due to the Labour Day Public Holiday.

Commencing Monday, 10 March, we will only be open each Monday from 9.15am to 9.00am.

Alternatively, if you are unable to make it to the uniform shop on the days it is open you can complete an order form and leave it at the front office with money enclosed in envelope and we will fill order and deliver it to your child the next Uniform Shop day.

Cheers,
Natalie Baines and Leah Hess
P&C Uniform Shop Coordinators

WPS Staff Professional Development Days, Public Holidays & Term Dates for 2014

As you are aware there are a certain number of days set aside each year where your children are not required to attend school due to our staff attending Professional Development (PD) Days.

The PD Days for 2014 are:

1. Term 1 - Tuesday 4 March
2. Term 2 - Friday 30 May
3. Term 3 - Monday 18 August
4. Term 4 - Monday 27 October

Public Holidays for 2014 are:

- ◆ New Years Day - Wednesday 1 January
- ◆ Australia Day - Monday 27 January
- ◆ Labour Day - Monday 3 March
- ◆ Good Friday - Friday 18 April
- ◆ Easter Monday - Monday 21 April
- ◆ Anzac Day - Friday 25 April
- ◆ Western Australia Day - Monday 2 June
- ◆ Queens Birthday - Monday 29 September
- ◆ Christmas Day - Thursday 25 December
- ◆ Boxing Day - Friday 26 December

Please do not send your children to school on these days.

2014 Term and Holiday Dates are:

Term 1 - Monday 3 February - Friday 11 April
Holiday Break - Saturday 12 April - Sunday 27 April

Term 2 - Monday 28 April - Friday 4 July
Holiday Break - Saturday 5 July - Sunday 20 July

Term 3 - Monday 21 July - Friday 26 September
Holiday Break - Saturday 27 September - Sunday 12 October

Term 4 - Monday 13 October - Thursday 18 December
Holiday Break - Friday 19 December - Sunday 1 February 2015

P&C NEWS

Hello and welcome to Term 1 from the P&C. Our AGM will be held tonight, Wednesday, 12 February, at 6.30pm in the school library. Please make yourself welcome and come along, find out what we do and how to be involved. All executive positions are open for nomination if you want to take on a leadership role or if you would like to find out how to be involved with an event or two during the year we will also be discussing our fundraising schedule for the year.

If you would have any questions please **contact Leanne on [0400 467 996](tel:0400467996) and/or you would like to receive P&C emails drop us a line at winterfoldpandc@gmail.com.**

A Message from our Community Health Nurse

My name is Jan Hutchison and I am the Community Health Nurse who visits your school.

Community Health Nurses work in schools to promote healthy development and wellbeing so students may reach their full potential. A major part of my work is focused on early intervention and the School Entry Health Assessment program.

All children in Western Australia are offered a health assessment during their first year of primary school. This usually occurs in kindergarten. Forms will be sent out to Kindergarten students throughout the year.

Pre-Primary and Year 1 students who have not previously been assessed can obtain a form from the school office.

Community Health Nurses serve as a health contact point for children and their families, in collaboration with the school, providing information, assessment, health counselling and referral. The services provided are free and confidential.

If you have a concern about your child's health or development, please contact me, either through your child's teacher or the school office.



CAN YOU HELP OUR KINDY....

On Monday, 10 February 2014, our new **Kindy Police Bike** went missing from our fenced Kindy area. The children were playing with it at recess and when they returned to play at lunch time the bike had disappeared.

We would really appreciate parent and community help in locating our missing bike. If you think you may be able to help please contact our friendly staff in the front office or if you are able to help with its actual return, it can be left at the front office or Kindy door. Thank you.



P&C Canteen News

Welcome back students, staff and importantly - volunteers!

The canteen will be open on Wednesdays and Fridays this term to feed the hungry masses.

Did you know that in 2013 the canteen volunteers made 2578 cheesies, 1639 pikelets, 4428 pieces of sushi, 620 pizzas and 234 serves of fried rice? That is A LOT of food!

All our food is made fresh on the day and we would love your help.

Come and check out our kitchen and see where your skills - or garden produce - can be put to use. Whether you have 15 mins to spare at morning drop off, or one morning a term, every volunteer minute helps and is greatly appreciated.

Cheers
Pip



JMK
Karate.Fun.Wellbeing

Johnny Moran Karate teaches kids karate classes at Winterfold Primary, in the school hall.

A special offer for Winterfold students - 4 WEEKS FREE beginners karate lessons!

Classes are held after school and are a great way for children of all ages to learn self-defense in a fun and safe environment.

Students who attend the schools on-site After Care are collected and taken to the class in the hall and returned to After Care when their class is finished.

Karate has many benefits which include confidence, respect, discipline and fitness.

Call now to take advantage of this 4 week trial.

0402 830 402

Relationships Australia **60 years** CELEBRATING
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Mums Raising Teenage Girls
Tuesday 18 February from 6.30pm-9.00pm at
Lotteries House, 2232c Albany Highway,
Gosnells

The passage from girl to young woman is often challenging, not only for the girls but also for their mums. If we can better understand the developmental stages of teens we can achieve a level of harmony with our precious daughters.
To enroll please phone 9489 6322.

Friendly Reminders to all Parents....

- ◆ Please clearly label your child's hats and uniforms. We have many parents call into the front office frustrated that their child's belongings have already gone missing and it is only Week 2. Please check items coming home and if they are clearly marked with another child's name, can you please try and return them to their rightful owner. There is a lost property box located in the Under Cover Area as first port of call if you are searching for a missing item.
- ◆ Our Staff Carpark, located near the front office, the Staff Carpark located at the rear of the Performing Arts Centre, and the Kindy Staff Carpark are for staff use only. We have a large number of staff who need their car spaces to be available each morning so please refrain from using them to drop your children at school. Other than blocking our valuable car bays, it is also very unsafe for your children.
- ◆ The School Zone, which is clearly marked with signage, is only a 40km per hour speed limit. We have a number of students who walk to school without a parent due to work commitments and we would like to keep these children safe. Please adhere to the School Zone speed limit of 40km per hour.
- ◆ On a disappointing note we have recently completed a full stock take of our library resources and unfortunately we are missing over 70 books which have been lent out to students and never returned. Can all parents and students please check their homes for any of our precious library books and resources and return them to the front office - no questions will be asked! At the end of the week, invoices for missing items will start going home.

Thank you and sincere apologies for having a whinge in our first newsletter.

Newsletter Distribution

Hopefully you have received this newsletter electronically.

Paper copies will only go to those families without access to an email. Spare copies will still be available from the front office.

There are many ways you can let us know if you think we may have your email address recorded incorrectly -

- ◆ Check, record or amend the email address listed on the Student Update Form which will be being sent out shortly.
- ◆ Send us an email to Winterfold.ps@education.wa.edu.au
- ◆ Send a note via your child to the front office, telephone the front office or call in person to the front office.

We appreciate your patience and understanding while we move into the 21st century and reduce our paper use.

Attention All Year 6/7 Parents

Please keep an eye out for two notes which will be issued out shortly to all Year 6 and Year 7 parents.

- ◆ Our first note will be an expression of interest seeking numbers for all interested students for the end of year camp. Please also keep in mind that the end of year camp only occurs through the generosity of our wonderful Year 6/7 staffs own time. If there is not enough interest, the camp will be unable to go ahead.
- ◆ Our second note will be an expression of interest in orders of 2014 Leavers shirts. Please ensure you return this form promptly as this will affect the cost per shirt. Obviously the more shirts we order, the lower the price per shirt.



Hot Shot Tennis

Term 1 - Before School Hot Shot Tennis at Winterfold Primary School

Commences Wednesday, 19 February from 7.30am-8.15am. This is an 8 week Program suitable for all ages and levels.

Term 1 - Junior Hot Shot Coaching at Fremantle Tennis Club

Commences Monday, 10 February.

For further details on any of these programs please contact Brendan on [0401565051](tel:0401565051) or fremantletopspintennis@gmail.com.

PREMIERS SUMMER READING CHALLENGE

The Summer Reading Challenge has now finished but remember to send your completed log to:-

Premiers Summer Reading Challenge
c/- Department of Education
151 Royal Street
EAST PERTH WA 6004



Congratulations to all the Winterfold students who participated. Make sure you check the website, www.summerreadingchallenge.org.au, for your name in the prize draw.