



# WINTERFOLD

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### *From the Admin Team*

Dear Parents, Carers and Community Members,

Welcome to another fun filled and educational year at WPS! May we welcome the number of new families to our school – I am sure that you will find us friendly, relaxed and focussed on fun and learning.

As an opener to the year, we thought that we would remind parents of our school vision. The vision statement below guides all our thinking as a staff and learning community and we trust that our parent community will work hard to support the WPS vision. **Our Vision** - Winterfold Primary School aims to promote optimum learning and opportunities to empower our students to access the curriculum; to develop in our students a positive attitude and resilience to changes and challenges; and to develop a commitment to life long learning so that our students will become valued members of the wider community

As each new year commences, there are always some staffing changes. As an Independent Public School, now in our fourth year, we have significant flexibility in the selection of our staff. Late last year we ran a state wide selection process for some Education Assistants. May I welcome to their new, permanent part time positions Sharryn Murray, Kelly Cianfarani, Fiona Benino, Noelle Hackett and Sandra Scarfo. Also joining our teaching staff are Mrs Sharp-Nippiard, Year 5/6, Room 8, and Miss Shani Webb, Year 5/6, Room 6. We welcome all these great practitioners to WPS and I know that our students and parents will make them welcome.

2015 has started very smoothly for our staff and students. Classes are settled and working on quality learning activities, with staff collaborating across year levels to ensure consistency of curriculum delivery.

We would like to ask all parents to seriously consider contributing to our P&C association. This group works tirelessly to make things better for our kids and they are a great bunch of people to engage with!

Thanks  
The Admin Team

### *Term 1 Week 2, 11 February 2015*

#### **Important Car Parking Information:**

Attention all Parents,  
PLEASE, Please, please **DO NOT** park in the staff car parks located at the back of the school, at the front of the school and in the Kindy staff car park.

Our teachers need all these car bays and are often carrying heavy loads. You may think you'll be ok doing a quick drop off but we have had a few close calls with students nearly being hit by vehicles reversing.

Please consider our teachers and our students and use the designated student pick up areas or better still park a little further away and ask your child to meet you there to avoid busy car activity.



Thank you.

#### **Can our Local Community Please Help?**

Our wonderful Kindy students would love to be playing with some pre loved small Lego.

Do you have any you would like to donate to our Kindy?

If so please feel free to visit Kindy and get the thanks you deserve or you can drop at the front office and we will pass it on.



#### **Birthday Cake Celebrations in the Classroom**

We are sorry but....due to the Healthy Food and Drinks Policy we are unable to allow cup cakes or similar be brought into the school.

Fruit kebabs, vegie sticks or anything considered a green light food are fine. If you are unsure, please call the front office and we will be able to advise.

Apologies...sad we know!

We are a very please to advise that we have a local hero in our student community.

Angus Filsell was able to utilise his quick thinking and swimming skills to save a young boy having difficulty keeping afloat in the Adventure World Pool. Angus's quick actions were praised by paramedics, who advised it would have been a grimmer story had Angus not been on hand to help.

Well done, Angus. We are very proud of you!

## WHAT'S HAPPENING

### **Tuesday 2 February - Friday 13 February**

- ◆ Year 5 & Year 6 Swimming Lessons commence at South Beach

### **Monday 16 February - Thursday 19 February Parent Information Evening**

- ◆ Monday 16 February - Rooms 6, 7 & 8  
4.30pm to 5.00pm
- ◆ Tuesday 17 February - Rooms 1, 2 & 3  
4.30pm to 5.00pm
- ◆ Tuesday 17 February - PP1 & PP2  
3.00pm to 3.30pm
- ◆ Rooms 9, 10 & 11 had their Parent Info Session on Tuesday 10 February

### **Wednesday 18 February**

- ◆ P&C Afternoon Tea in the Under Cover Area at 2.45pm - All parents welcome

### **Wednesday 25 February**

- ◆ P&C Meeting 1.30pm in the Library

### **Friday 27 February**

- ◆ Leaders Assembly in the PAC

### **Monday 2 March**

- ◆ Public Holiday - Labour Day

### **Tuesday 3 March**

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

### **Wednesday 18 March**

- ◆ P&C AGM 6.30pm in the Library

### **Thursday 2 April**

- ◆ Last Day of Term 1

## WPS Staff Professional Development Days, Public Holidays & Term Dates for 2015

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 2015 are:

1. Term 1, Week 5 - Tuesday 3 March
2. Term 2, Week 6 - Friday 29 May
3. Term 3, Week 5 - Monday 17 August
4. Term 4, Week 5 - Monday 9 November

### Public Holidays for 2015 are:

- ◆ New Year's Day - Thursday 1 January
- ◆ Australia Day - Monday 26 January
- ◆ Labour Day - Monday 2 March
- ◆ Good Friday - Friday 3 April
- ◆ Easter Monday - Monday 6 April
- ◆ Anzac Day actually falls on Saturday 25 April 2015 but the Public Holiday is - Monday 27 April
- ◆ Western Australia Day - Monday 1 June
- ◆ Queen's Birthday - Monday 29 September
- ◆ Christmas Day - Friday 25 December
- ◆ Boxing Day - Saturday 26 December

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

### 2015 Term and Holiday Dates are:

**Term 1** - Monday 2 February - Thursday 2 April  
Holiday Break - Saturday 3 April - Sunday 19 April

**Term 2** - Monday 20 April - Friday 3 July  
Holiday Break - Saturday 4 July - Sunday 19 July

**Term 3** - Monday 20 July - Friday 25 September  
Holiday Break - Saturday 26 September - Sunday 11 October

**Term 4** - Monday 12 October - Thursday 17 December  
Holiday Break - Friday 18 December - Sunday 30 January 2016

## P&C NEWS

Welcome back to the new school year from the P&C. We particularly welcome those new families to our wonderful school. We look forward to getting to know you and encourage you to come and say hello or ask any questions that you may have.

As a formal welcome and introduction the P&C invites parents and carers from our school community to an afternoon tea in the Under Cover Area next Wednesday, 18 February, straight after school at 2.45pm. A flyer will be going home today with more information.

Our first meeting for the year will be on Wednesday, 25 February in the school library. Parents are welcome to come along as observers if you would like to find out more about the P&C. Following this meeting our AGM will be held on Wednesday, 18 March at 6.30pm in the school library also. We will invite nominations for Executive roles at this meeting; President, Vice-President, Secretaries and Treasurers. Please feel free to contact us if you would like to nominate for a position or would like to know more.

The P&C has some exciting events and projects planned for the year and we invite parents to get involved and help make a difference.

If you would like to join our mailing list or ask any questions please email us at [winterfoldpandc@gmail.com](mailto:winterfoldpandc@gmail.com)