Dear Parents, Caregivers and Community Members,

Welcome back to another action packed term of learning and fun at Winterfold! We trust that everyone had a relaxed break and that all our students are ready to learn.

This term we have swimming lessons (Pre Primary to Year 5 - almost finished now) as well as Edudance plus our energetic Edudance Concert, a Science incursion and our Athletics Carnival. It looks like being another big term at WPS! By the way, please note that our fabulous P&C are paying for half of the Edudance lessons to reduce the cost burden on our parents. Hopefully you will assist them to recoup this cost by supporting the Edudance concert to occur late this term.

In an endeavour to improve communication with parents, we are making a slight change to our Bluey system. Now, most parents will have never heard of a Bluey as this form is a part of our Behaviour Management system. Historically, if a student was referred to buddyroom or the office via a Bluey for inappropriate behaviour at a low level, parents were not necessarily advised. Commencing this term, any student who gets a Bluey to Buddyroom or the Office, will actually then bring the blue form home for parents to view, comment on and sign. Should your child present you with a Bluey, please read it carefully, discuss the inappropriate behaviour with your child, fill out the parent section at the bottom and have your child return the form to Mr Hodge or Mr Berry.

Whilst we know that our school starts early, we appreciate the efforts of parents to get students here on time. Prior to 8.15am, students must come directly to the admin bench where they remain until they head to class at 8.15am. After 8.15am students may go straight to their classroom. When students arrive after 8.25am, they must come through the front office and get a late note and their time of arrival is recorded. Students who constantly arrive late do jeopardise their learning and they also interrupt the teaching and learning programs of the school. Please endeavour to support your children to arrive at school between 8.15am and 8.25am.

And on the subject of our front office, please note that all visitors to the school must report to the front office and may not, for example, go and drop lunch off in a bag - without coming through the office. This rule is so that we are aware of who is on school grounds.

You may see a couple of new or returned staff faces around the school. Keep an eye out for Ms Lindsey Clark (Fridays in Pre Primary), Mr Carmelo Miragliotta (Fridays in Room 10), Ms Noelle Hackett (Ed Assistant) and Ms Amy Clement (Fridays in Room 2).

Welcome to all!

Cheers from the Admin Team

From the Admin Team

Term 3 Week 2, 31 July 2013

WHAT’S HAPPENING
Tuesday 23 July through to Friday 2 August
♦ Swimming Lessons will commence Tuesday 23 July for students in Pre Primary to Year 5. Concluding on Friday 2 August

Friday 2 August
♦ Leaders Assembly in the PAC

Thursday 8 August and then every Thursday during Term 3
♦ Edu Dance for students from Pre Primary through to Year 7

Wednesday 7 August
♦ P&C Meeting 6.30pm in the Library

Wednesday 14 August
♦ School Cross Country - 12.30pm, Dick Lawrence Oval - A separate note was sent home on Friday 26 July detailing this event

Thursday 22 August
♦ Science Incursion - The Spacedome
A parent consent form for this incursion was sent home last Thursday 25 July. Cost is $3 and spare notes are available from the front office

Tuesday 27 August through to Tuesday 3 September
♦ Scholastic Book Fair

Tuesday 27 August
♦ Book Week Character Assembly

Wednesday 4 September
♦ School Board Meeting at 7pm in the Library

Friday 20 September
♦ School Sports Carnival
More Fantastic Winterfold News...

Winterfold Primary School are pleased to announce that we have been successful in applying for a Grant for Interactive Whiteboards to the value of $10,000.

Our new interactive whiteboards have already been installed. Students in Room 5 and Room 9 are enjoying the added benefit in all areas of learning that they offer.

Congratulations to our Year 7 student, Ruby Goodwin, on her success in attaining a place in the Netball Specialist Program at Melville Senior High School for 2014.

Well done Ruby!

Attention All Year 7 Parents!!
Available to Purchase....

We have one size 12 Leavers Polo which has not been claimed and is now for sale at the low price of $13.50.

Call into the school front office to pay and claim...

Canteen News

It was an instructive holiday break for me as I attended the WA School Canteen Association (WASCA) Conference in the first week. Excitingly, our school menu has been included in a new WASCA publication called “The big book of menus”, a new resource being delivered to all schools. The second highlight of the conference was the in-depth discussion on the new national nutrient criteria, which underlies the Department of Education’s Healthy Food and Drink Policy. The most significant changes for our canteen are several ‘green’ items changing category to ‘amber’. All fruit juice, plain or carbonated or in icy pole form, has changed from green to amber. Flavoured water, such as ‘Amuse’, ‘Playwater’ or ‘Sportswater’ is now red and will not be on the menu. Processed meats such as lean ham or bacon was previously green but has become amber. When served in a sandwich with salad it remains green as it is a balanced meal. Some small changes will be made to our Winter menu as a result and new menus will be sent home as soon as they are ready.

Pip Slaughter
Canteen Manager

Literacy News

As parents you are your child’s first and most important teachers.

Regular home reading helps to reinforce the concepts taught at school and consolidates learning. Good books help to open up the world and its people to your child. I believe the greatest gift you can give to your child is to instil in them a love of learning and reading. Home reading also fosters positive partnerships between home and school.

I have purchased many new home reading books that will help you to discuss and interpret the text with your child. I will be advertising a parent session explaining their effective use and how else you can assist your child’s literacy development in the near future.

The Early Bird Reading sessions will commence in week 3 of this term. More details will follow.

In order to reinforce its importance, I am launching a school wide Home Reading Challenge for the remainder of 2013.

At the completion of each 25 night’s home reading – your child will be able to select a book to keep and read at home.

A reading log will be sent home and must be signed each night by parents. If your child is an independent reader, you do not need to listen to them read – just ask them a couple of questions about the text.

At the conclusion of the year the class with the highest participation rate will receive a special literary award.

I will also be providing tips in each newsletter to help you make home reading a successful and pleasurable experience for you and your child.

First Tips
1. Make a regular time for home reading every day.
2. Turn off the TV.
3. Let your child know that you enjoy the time together.
4. Make listening to reading a special time.
5. Be seen as a reader yourself.
6. Encourage your child to take responsibility for remembering to take their home reading folder to school everyday.

More tips to follow. If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to see me

Kylie Bonser
Literacy Specialist
UNIFORM SHOP NEWS

The Uniform shop is proud to announce the arrival of the new school jacket, cost $35.00. A much warmer and smart looking jacket, similar style to a baseball jacket and is now on display in the front office. The shelves are jammed packed so come in and grab one before they go. To those of you with a dress on order we thank-you for your patience and hope they will be arriving soon.

Cash or cheque payments accepted on purchases. Alternatively, you can place your order at the office, along with payment in an envelope. We will complete the order on our next Uniform Shop day and have it delivered to your child.

Remember we are happy to accept any old uniforms donations. Please leave them at the front office or drop them into our uniform shop. All donations are greatly appreciated.

Feedback and volunteers are always welcomed. Have a great Term 3.

We look forward to your continued support at making our kids look great!

Cheers
Natalie and Leah
Uniform Co-Ordinators

P&C News

School Disco - Friday 28 June
Thank you to all the fabulous parents and volunteers who made the Disco night such a great success!!! Lots of fun and dancing was had by all who attended.

A very special thank you to the wonderful parents that formed the Disco Committee, your time and organisation made it all happen.

We look forward to putting our dancing shoes on again....

Congratulations to Pip Slaughter & Canteen Committee!!
Our Winterfold Canteen menu has been included in a new WASCA publication called "The big book of menus", a new resource being delivered to all schools in Western Australia.
Well done Pip and Committee – your time and commitment to the Winterfold Canteen is much appreciated by students, parents, staff and the wider school community.

P&C Executive
The next P& C Meeting will be held Wednesday 7 August at 6:30pm in the Library. We look forward to seeing you at the meeting.

Not a member of the P&C? Would you like to join and become a part of our exciting events, fundraising and informative mailing list? – Drop us an e-mail at winterfoldpandc@gmail.com

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

Has your child lost a School Hoodie...

There is a large number of school hoodies in the lost property located in the Under Cover Area. Whilst every endeavour to return lost property to the rightful owner is made sometimes it’s hard to keep up. So can all students who have lost or misplaced a hoodie please have a look there first. Thank you.

Shymikar and Terence Riley are the first students to purchase the new school jacket and don’t they look smart!!
Tour Dates
South will be conducting tours for interested parents on two dates this term. The first tour date is on Thursday the 15th August and the second date will be on Friday the 13th September. Tours will last for approximately one hour and parents must make a booking with the school’s front office as places will be limited to 15 per group.

For more information and to be allocated a time, please call South Fremantle SHS on 9337 0500 and ask to speak to either Julie Duthie or Di Romagnolo. If you are unable to make these times, there will be another two tour dates in term 4.

Term 3 Testing
South will be testing for specialist programme entry for 2014 and 2015 this term. Year 5s will be able to test for Year 7, 2015 entry into our specialist programmes. Application forms have been sent to all feeder primary schools but are also available online on the school’s website. For further information, please ring the school.

Year 7, 2015
A working party has been established to begin working with feeder primaries on transitioning Year 7s to secondary schooling in 2015. We are working to ensure that all students will know what Year 7 will involve and parents will feel informed about what 2015 will look like for their children. Information will be distributed to all feeder primary schools on an ongoing basis and parents will have an opportunity to attend a parent night in Term 4 of this year. Details will follow in a later newsletter.

Julie Duthie
Transition Coordinator
South Fremantle SHS

Have a Go at Baseball
For all kids 8 years & over the Melville Braves Baseball club is holding two “Have a Go at Baseball Days”. These days are also the clubs registration days for the 2013/2014 season. Please come along to Winnacott Reserve, Winnacott Street, Willagee, on either the 3rd or 17th of August 2013 between 1pm & 4pm.

For further information please call Wayne Chase on 0420 820 476.