Dear Parents, Caregivers and Community Members,

Our famous Father’s Day Breakfast will be held this Friday morning in the Undercover Area from 7.30am. Information has previously been sent home and we really hope to see lots of Dads or Significant Males at this function. As with our Mother’s Day shindig, students can sit their Dad down, organise brekky and get them a cuppa - then sit with them and have a chat.

We will also be having Room 7’s Assembly after the brekky - to be held in the PAC at around 9.00am.

To acknowledge Literacy and Numeracy Week we are, and have been, holding a range of events and activities. Last week, our Literacy and Numeracy Specialist teachers, Kylie Bonser and Lea Hill, conducted a Parent Information afternoon for Kindy and Year 1 parents.

We are holding our annual Book Fair in the Library before and after school all of this week and yesterday we conducted our Book Character assembly which was great fun!

A number of letters will be sent home shortly to advise some parents that their child's attendance is not satisfactory. The Department of Education identifies any student whose attendance drops below 80% as At Risk of not reaching their full potential. Even if your child attends 80% of the time, they miss a day a week. An attendance rate of 80% means that, during their time in schools, they will miss 520 days of school - or over two and a half years! Please prioritise your child’s attendance and also assist them to start the day well by ensuring they are at school on time.

Cheers
The Admin Team

Will you be leaving us at the end of this year?

Winterfold Primary School is starting to plan classes for 2014. We hope everyone will be returning to us next year but do realise there are varying reasons why some students won’t be coming back. To help the school start putting together classes, can all parents of current Pre Primary to Year 6 students please contact the school if your child/ren are not returning to WPS next year?

A letter, phone call or email to Winterfold.ps@education.wa.edu.au would be very much appreciated.

WHAT’S HAPPENING

**Early Bird Reading**
- Every Monday, Wednesday & Friday
  Commencing at 8.00am through to 8.20am

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

**Tuesday 27 August through to Tuesday 3 September**
- Scholastic Book Fair - Please note books may not be available to purchase after school 3 September

**Friday 30 August**
- P&C Father’s Day Breakfast - 7.30am start
- Room 7 Assembly in the PAC - Around 9.00am start

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

**Wednesday 11 September**
- P&C Meeting at 6.30pm in the Library

**Friday 20 September**
- School Sports Carnival - see notice in this newsletter

**Thursday 26 September**
- Edu Dance Concert commencing at 7pm - A separate flyer will be distributed closer to the event

**Friday 27 September**
- Last Day of Term 3
**P&C News**

Don't forget our Father's Day breakfast this Friday, 30 August. The kids had a great morning having breakfast with their Dads last year and the canteen will be busy again this Friday morning cooking up a yummy breakfast for Dads, Grandads and other significant men in our students lives. We hope you can come along between 7.30am and 8.30am.

**Remember to get your orders in by 9.00am on Thursday 29 August at the latest for catering purposes.**

The P&C will also be running a cake stall, preparing lunches and selling drinks for Winterfold's annual sports day on Friday, 20 September. Flyers will be sent home in the next week or two with more information. Stay tuned for that but in the meantime if you would like to offer an hour or two of your time to help out on one of the stalls on the day, please give Leeanne a call on 0400 467 996 or send the P&C an email on winterfoldpandc@gmail.com. Any offer of help is most appreciated.

Our next P&C meeting is Wednesday 11 September at 6.30pm in the Library.

We hope to see you there.

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**Scholastic Book Fair - Tuesday 27 August to Tuesday 3 September 2013**

We are pleased to announce that the Scholastic Book Fair is now open for business in the school library before school from 8.00am to 8.20am and after school from 2.45pm to 3.00pm. Students are able to select and purchase their wish list items before and after school. A Book Fair brochure has been sent home.

Please remember that our school will benefit from any purchases. All commission goes towards buying new library books.

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**WPS Sports Carnival**

Friday 20 September

Parents, please keep this important date free to come along and cheer your child on!!

Sports day programs will be available in the front office from Monday 9 September.

The P&C will again be running their famous Sausage Sizzle, so don’t forget to put your order in for the day. An order form will be distributed closer to the event.

Included in the Sausage Sizzle order form will be information on the donation of cakes for the cake stall. Please consider helping out as your generous donation will be greatly appreciated.

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**A BIG Thank You to our wonderful Winterfold Families...**

Cath Wack has informed us that all but one of their puppies have gone to a loving Winterfold family and she wishes to pass on her thanks to all of those families involved. At this stage there is one little female left but she may have found a new home by the time this newsletter gets to print.

Cost per puppy is only $200 which covers full vaccinations, worming and vet check and they will be ready to go to a new home on 29 September 2013. If you think you would like to adopt the last of the litter, please call Cath on 0416 585 315.

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**Bookweek Character Assembly**

A small titbit from the Bookweek Character Assembly. Keep your eyes open for more photos in the next newsletter. We are still trying to work out who had the most fun dressing up - the teachers or the students??

The school has had to remove the photograph in this section to comply with our publication policy.

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**The Early Bird Reading Program**

Our fun before school reading program is back

Come and read your home reading books in the comfort of the Literacy and Numeracy Centre with a warm milo and friendly volunteers.

We welcome parents who would like to come along and volunteer to hear some great reading too!

Where
The Literacy and Numeracy Centre

When
Monday, Wednesday and Friday Mornings
8.00am - 8.20am

BYO
A plastic cup labelled with your name.

Mrs Bonser and other Winterfold staff members will be there to supervise.
Congratulations to all the Winterfold students who participated in the School Cross Country at Dick Lawrence Oval on Wednesday, 14 August. It was a great day with all students on their best behaviour.

Special mention must go the students listed above who were our Champions and Runners Up. These students will be presented with their engraved medallions at the Assembly hosted by Room 7 in the PAC commencing after the Father’s Day Breakfast, Friday, 30 August 2013, around 9.00am start.

It wouldn’t be fair if we didn’t mention the special effort of our super Pre Primary teacher, Miss Kristie Evans who ran the Cross County not once but TWICE - once with the girls and then again with the boys. Well done, Miss Evans!!

Thank you to Mr Wotherspoon and his helpers for a great job.
INTERSCHOOL RECOUNT by Aaron Pickett

On Wednesday the 3rd of July at Gilbert Frasier Park there was light falling rain. However all the boys were fine with it. There were five schools that came to the oval by bus. We played Fremantle Primary School first, and Winterfold beat them by 6 goals.

We were all playing for the championship trophy. Hilton Primary School and North Fremantle joined schools because their schools are small. We also beat White Gum Valley by 8 goals. The hardest school was East Hamilton Hill they won every game they had played. We played them in the grand final.

It was nail biting. We were winning first, and then they were winning. Then Owen came out of nowhere and kicked a goal. The coaches were stressing, you could see it on their faces then Mr H put me in centre. Matthew did the ruck tap. He hit the ball straight into my hands there was nobody on me so I ran down to the goals dodging and weaving, bounced the ball twice and kicked it.

Everyone watched it spin towards the goals. It went in for a point. We were up but not by much then the umpire got the ball and took it back to the middle when the siren sounded. All the footy players were wondering who had won. Then the goal umpires came and told the field umpire that Winterfold had won by 2 points and all the boys shouted “yes we won”. Two points! It wasn’t a thrashing but we did it.

All the boys from the other schools came and congratulated us. We have won just like all the players before. We won 6 years in a row. Even before the event started all the other schools were saying we should engrave Winterfolds name now. We did the presentations. Harry P and I had to go get the trophy and say a few words. I just thanked everyone for participating in the event and their great sportsmanship. Then everyone went back to their schools and by the time we got back it was the end of school.

THE END

Interschool Recount
By Marcus Gangemi

It was the 3rd of July 2013 that Winterfold Primary School and five other schools in our district came by bus to Gilbert Frasier Reserve. We were here to win the district championships, for the record breaking 6th year running. This time the weather wasn’t promising with an overcast 16 degrees.

By lunch time we were on the top of the table with East Hamilton Hill coming second by only a thin margin, they were a challenging side. Coaches Mr W and Mr H were on their toes all game when we played them after lunch. The other schools were a bit different as in they weren’t as determined to win the trophy and weren’t as challenging, to us it seemed like they were justgoing to give the trophy to us and not bother.

In the Grand Final it was us versus East Hamilton Hill in a nail biting clash. Mr H at the end said we were his best team he had ever coached. In the dying seconds Owen kicked a goal, Aaron kicked a point and I kicked a point to make us win by 2 points.

At the end of the day when the officials announced who had won we had never felt more proud about winning and getting a trophy. After the game we sung our school footy song (Oh we’re from Winterfold), a copy from Richmond Tigers Club song (Tiger Land).

Winter Sports Carnival Recounts from our talented Winterfold Year 7 Students (in their own words)

Interschool Carnival 2013.

On Wednesday, July 3rd, the Interschool Soccer and AFL teams set off to Gill Fraser Reserve. The Netball teams went to Gibson Park. The Soccer team's first match was against Fremantle. We lost 0-2.

We then played our next game. We had already lost and we wouldn’t let it happen again. We won 3-1. It was a good game. Then we played North Fremantle. We won this game 5-1. We were on a roll.

Then we had recess. reign got a hot chocolate but the teachers thought he had coffee! Our next game was a bye so we sat out but that was ok. We watched Papa’s team play (Papa is an old Winterfold student from last year).

Our next game was quite hard. We managed to win 4-1. It was now time for the Grand Final. If we won this game the year 7’s would leave Winterfold with a great memory. We went to the pitch only to find out that the game was cancelled. There wasn’t enough time.

Overall it was an amazing fun day. The Soccer team came 2nd. Netball teams divisions A and B both were 2nd, and the AFL team 1st. When we got back to school we were worn out. I will always remember my last Winter Carnival.

By Sam Berg.

Winter Lightning Carnival

On Wednesday 3rd of July, 6 primary schools (Winterfold, Fremantle, North Fremantle, East Hamilton Hill, White Gum Valley and Hilton Primary School) attended the Interschool Lightning Carnival playing soccer, football or netball. All the teams trained extremely hard to represent their school on the day.

First, all the Winterfold students who attended the carnival boarded the bus. They made sure they saved room for White Gum Valley Primary School who then headed towards. The school filed on and they headed towards their first stop, Gibson Park. The netball teams from both schools got off the bus and thanked the driver just before it departed to drop off the football and soccer teams to Gill Fraser reserve.

Excitement surged through the netball teams as they stepped onto the first of the 28 drizzly courts. It was an overcast day but none of the members seemed to care. They warmed up, stretching their limbs and hoping for several wins. Suddenly, Fremantle Primary School arrived and the adrenaline kicked in.

The games started and the A and B teams were doing well and had won all the games but one. There was the occasional slipover on the slimy, green courts.

In the end, Fremantle beat the A team and the B team were just short of North Fremantle’s score. This made both of our netball teams come runner up. They soon found out that the football team won and the soccer team placed runner up to East Hamilton Hill Primary School. They all thought it was a great day.

-Eva Lowe