Dear Parents, Carers and Community Members,

The term and year continue to fly by! We are well into planning, staffing and budgeting for 2015. We are finalising leavers camp and graduation, we are taking enrolments for next year and teachers are burning the midnight oil writing reports. Speaking of enrolments – we would love a half dozen Pre Primary enrolments if you are aware of anyone moving into nearby areas. For that matter, we are open for enrolments at all year levels as the Year 6 and Year 7 students moving to high school will put a dent in our numbers. We would be very happy to discuss the quality programs that WPS offers with any potential enrolments.

We wanted to share with our community a graph that shows our students’ attitude to school. The graph below shows, in purple, the normal distribution of student responses to questions about how they feel about school. The shaded bars represent how WPS students feel about school. You can see that our students rate their positive school experiences significantly higher than the state, and that our students rate their negative experiences at school significantly lower than the rest of the state.

Thanks
The Admin Team

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**Distribution of Stanines Across Schools**

- **Stanines**
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- **Distribution of Stanines compared with Normed Averages**

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**WHAT’S HAPPENING**

**Every Thursday from 7.40am to 8.15am**
- Techie Breakie in Room 5 - see information section in this newsletter

**Thursday 20 November**
- Room 1 and Room 2 Excursion to Scitech

**Friday 21 November**
- Room 10 Assembly in the PAC - includes presentation of Sports Carnival Champion Medals

**Monday 24 November through to Friday 5 December**
- Swimming Lessons for Pre Primary to Year 5 - notes distributed in Week 2

**Wednesday 26 November through to Friday 28 November**
- Senior Camp at Point Walter

**Monday 1 December**
- South Fremantle Senior High School (SFSHS) Orientation for Year 7 students commencing at SFSHS in 2015

**Wednesday 3 December**
- Kindy 2015 Information Morning from 8.30am to 9.15am to be held in the Kindy (Change from original date of 26 November)

**Friday 5 December**
- Room 3 Assembly in the PAC - Performing an Italian song in conjunction with Signora Sabella
- Seton Catholic College Welcome Day for new students commencing in 2015

**Wednesday 10 December**
- P&C Meeting in the Library at 1.30pm

**Wednesday 10 December to Friday 12 December**
- Christmas Scholastic Book Fair - see notice in this newsletter

**Tuesday 16 December**
- Pre Primary 1, Room 4 Graduation

**Wednesday 17 December**
- Year 6 and Year 7 Graduation - further details to follow

**Thursday 18 December**
- Year End Book Assembly followed by the Pre Primary 2, Room 5 Assembly in the Under Cover Area
- Pre Primary 2, Room 5 Graduation
- Students Last Day of School for 2014
**National Surveys**
All schools are required to conduct National Surveys of parents, staff and students every two years from 2014. Fortunately, the surveys are not long or difficult to complete and only take about three minutes to finish. To make it easier, surveys are online. Parents have been sent the link via email earlier this week.

If parents do not have access to a computer or internet at home, they are welcome to use the computer set up in the Front Office to complete a survey. If a parent wishes to complete a paper copy survey, please advise Front Office who will send a copy of the survey home with their child. It can then be returned to the Front Office by placing it in the locked box.

We hope you take the opportunity to provide us with valuable feedback.

**School Watch**
The South East Metropolitan Crime Prevention Unit in conjunction with the Police Community Engagement Division and Education Security is promoting the School Watch Program throughout our District. This program initiative has proven a great deterrent in reducing crimes such as Burglaries, Theft, Vandalism and Graffiti within Schools during the holiday period.

Your continued support and participation is invaluable to the continuation of its success.

Please report any suspicious activity or anti social behaviour immediately to:

- **School Watch on 1800 177 777 OR**
- **Police on 131 444**

**Canteen News**
The canteen committee would like to thank all 40 students that entered the joke competition for Fruit 'n Veg September. One joke was selected to go into the state prize draw - and it won! Congratulations to Tom Hay for winning a $200 canteen equipment voucher for the school.

Tom’s fantastic joke is:

**Q. What did Baby Corn say to Mother Corn?**
**A. Where’s Pop Corn?**

The Winterfold Kitchen Whiz competition will be returning soon. We want your ideas for next year’s menu. Keep an eye out at the canteen for entry forms and more information.

**Italiano Open Afternoon for Year 6 and Year 7 Students**
Buongiorno from Signora Sabella,

Parents and Caregivers of Year 6 and Year 7 students are welcome to come to open afternoons in the Italian classroom - Room 5, Pink Block. These will be held on Monday, 24 November and Monday, 1 December from 2.40pm to 3.15pm.

This will be an opportunity for your child to share their work and show off what they have learnt in Italiano over the last 5 or 6 years.

**Class Placement Request Information**
We trust that parents will allow the staff to use their professional judgement with placement of their children into the most appropriate classes for 2015. Our staff use a broad range of information in order to make class placements.

Parents, please be aware that class placement requests are always considered on an educational need. Should you still wish to make a specific request please address it to the Principal in writing.

Don’t forget our **“Techie Breakie”** each Thursday morning until 4 December, from 7.40am to 8.15am in Room 5. **Tea, coffee, toast and orange juice available**

**See you there, Techies!**
No experience necessary! First in, First served!
Thank you again to those parents and grandparents to chipped in on Friday, 7 November, for the Interschool Sports day. Between the P&C and the canteen we made sushi and sausages sizzles for the six schools competing on the oval as well as for our own students. We had coffee and tea for the teachers and parents, cold drinks and icy poles for the students and a wonderful selection of cakes for our cake stall. Thank you again to our amazing and generous Winterfold school community for supporting your P&C.

Thanks must also go to the organisers of the wine and cheese service on our Art Exhibition night: Sarah, Heidy, Jackie and a big thanks to Sunnie and her manager Sarah for offering their time and help on the night. It made the night a successful one.

Another big message of appreciation must also go to Princes Butchers and Perth Iceworks for their very generous donations for both our sports days. The P&C are very grateful for their generosity in contributing to our fundraising.

Our next, and last meeting for the year will be on Wednesday, 10 December at 1.30pm. At our last meeting there was great discussion about plans for 2015 with some fantastic ideas to focus our efforts on in the coming year. Our Secretaries, Elanor and Sarah, are currently putting together a list of these ideas and we invite our school community to contribute also. This includes input from our students. If you have an idea that you think the P&C could direct its efforts towards we would love to hear it. The money we raise is for the benefit of the students and we aim to put these funds back into the school as effectively as possible. We will also soon call for nominations for executive positions for 2015 and we urge you to consider nominating for one of the following roles in 2015: President, Vice-President, Secretary (currently shared between two), Treasurer (also currently shared between two), Additional Executive Committee member. If you would like any information regarding any of these positions please feel free to contact us at winterfoldpandc@gmail.com.

The Beaconsfield Dental Therapy Centre will be closed from Monday, 22 December 2014 and opening again on Tuesday, 27 January 2015. For Emergencies please call our emergency service on 9325 3452, or the Oral Health Centre of W.A on 9346 4400, or call your own private dental practitioner.

We wish you all a safe and wonderful Christmas and look forward to seeing you in 2015.

Beaconsfield Dental Therapy Centre | Dental Health Services
North Metropolitan Area Health Service | Public Health and Ambulatory Care
Dental Therapy Centre - G/1 Beaconsfield Primary School
Hale St. Beaconsfield 6162
Beaconsfielddtc@dental.health.wa.gov.au

Christmas Scholastic Book Fair
Come and purchase your Christmas presents at our Christmas Scholastic Book Fair being held in the Library before and after school from Wednesday, 10 December through to Friday, 12 December.

We were fortunate with our August Scholastic Book Fair to qualify for over $900 worth of books for the Library, let’s see if we can better this amount with a successful Christmas Book Fair!
UNIFORM SHOP NEWS

IMPORTANT

The end of year is nearly here. We would like to thank all families who have supported the school and the uniform shop throughout the year. It is your support that helps our children and school to look as great as it does.

We have today sent home with your eldest child, a handout stating hours that the Uniform Shop will be open for the remaining of 2014 plus 2015. There is a change to the start of the year so please have a look!!

We have also attached a copy of our hours for 2014 and 2015 and the Uniform Shop order form to your emailed newsletter. If you receive a paper copy of the newsletter, you can get a Uniform Order form from the front office.

Beat the rush and come and see us in the uniform shop. By getting your order in now, you can start 2015 relaxed with your new uniforms! Currently there are no queues, stock supply is good and we have a great amount of Coordinators to help you.

If you can't make it in when we are open, but you want us to complete an order for you, complete an Order Form which are located in the Front office or attached with your emailed newsletter, and we'll fill it the next day we are open.

Remember you can have us complete your order now. Then you pay (cash or cheque only) and collect at a later date from the front office.

Looking forward to seeing you soon

Natalie, Belinda, Holly and Sally

Uniform Shop Co-Ordinators

OPENING DATES AND TIMES

2014

Mon 24 Nov - 8:15am-9:00am
Mon 1, 8, 15 Dec - 8:15am5-9:00am
ADDITIONAL "KINDY ONLY" DATES
Held at the Kindy, NOT in Uniform Shop
Mon 24 Nov - 2:15pm-2:40pm
Fri 28 Nov - 2:15pm-2:40pm
Wed 3 Dec - 8:30am-9:15am

2015

Friday 30 January - 1:00pm - 3:30pm
Please Note this is the Friday before Term 1, 2015 starts on Monday, 2 Feb
New and Existing families welcome

Term 1, 2015

Mon 2 Feb - CLOSED
We, too, have children we need to settle into their first day
Mon 9, 16 & 23 Feb - 8:15am-9:00am
Mon 2 March - CLOSED – Public Holiday
Mon 9, 16, 23 & 30 March - 8:15am-9:00am

Fremantle PCYC Basketball Club

Is calling for registrations for U10’s players for 2015

Training is at the PCYC on Pager St in Hilton and games are at the Wally Hagen Stadium on Starling St in Hamilton Hill

To register or for more information please contact the PCYC on 9314 3157

BURRIDGE MARTIAL ARTS ACADEMY O’CONNOR

Our Martial Arts classes are age appropriate for 2½yrs to adult. Our classes are fun, social and inclusive. We teach Tae Kwon Do and mixed martial arts and we encourage self-discipline, self-control and respect, self-confidence and bullying in a fun and safe environment.

We are registered with the Kids in Sport program for families with concession cards.
All our instructors have Working With Children and Senior first aid certificates.

You will find our dojo at 19a Roper Street O’Connor
Please call 0430 044 179 for any enquiries
E-mail: delaneyhyde95@gmail.com
Facebook: Burridge Martial Arts Academy O’Connor
Head instructor - DELANEY HYDE