



# WINTERFOLD

## WORDS

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### *From the Admin Team*

*Term 1 Week 8, 26 March 2014*

Dear Parents, Carers and Community Members,

The core work of schools may operate around the approximate times of 8.45am to 3pm, but a vast proportion of work continues well after the students have left their classroom.

For example; last Thursday, the Winterfold students were treated to an entire day dedicated to Science. This involved groups of students rotating every 30 mins from experiment to experiment. Scitech were our special guests for the day, where they too received students and ran their own experiments. The day culminated in a whole school Scitech demonstration, which was very interesting and well received by all students. This day would not have been possible if not for the vast efforts of Mr Craig Arkell. Mr Arkell had spent weeks organising this event in addition to teaching his classroom. The day ran smoothly and all contingencies had been considered. Great work, Mr Arkell!

Excursions in every students' life add to the richness of their well-rounded education, and these too are organised after the students have long gone for the day. Currently we have over 100 junior primary students going on an excursion to Cicerellos and we have our Year 3/4 class visiting Scitech. Each and every excursion takes a lot of planning, which is to be expected as our cargo is very precious!

One concern which is creeping more and more into school is the issue of students defaming each other over Facebook. Schools are not generally in the practice of dishing out parenting advice, however since we are now spending more time 'mopping up' the aftermath of a victim who has been defamed by a fellow peer, we feel we are somewhat justified.

1. It is illegal for any person under the age of 13 to have a Facebook account.
2. Students under the age of 13 are deemed too immature to manage such an account – Hence some of the immature comments posted.

3. Do not let your child have unfettered and unsupervised access to Facebook.
4. Have your standalone computer or mobile device in a public area so you can always monitor what your child is doing.

Please assist us in minimising the harm Facebook is creating.

Quote of the Day: They say one of a baby's first non-verbal forms of communication is pointing. Clicking must be somewhere just after that.

Thanks  
The Admin Team

### WHAT'S HAPPENING

#### **Thursday 27 March**

- ◆ Room 1, 2, 3 & 11 Excursion to Cicerello's, Fremantle, departing school at 9.30am and returning by 2.00pm

#### **Friday 28 March**

- ◆ **Rescheduling** of Room 2 Assembly in the PAC to Friday, 4 April

#### **Tuesday 1 April**

- ◆ School Board Meeting at 7.00pm in the Library

#### **Wednesday 2 April**

- ◆ P&C Meeting at 1.30pm in the Library

#### **Thursday 3 April**

- ◆ Room 10 Excursion to Scitech - departing school at 8.50am and returning by 2.40pm

#### **Friday 4 April**

- ◆ Room 2 Assembly in the PAC
- ◆ Closing date of Year 6 and 7 Leavers Shirt Orders

#### **Friday 11 April**

- ◆ Room 8 Assembly in the PAC
- ◆ P&C Easter Raffle Draw
- ◆ Reward Day - Movie Day in Fremantle - further information to follow
- ◆ Last Day of Term 1

#### **Monday 28 April**

- ◆ Students return for commencement of Term 2

## Can you help our Living Classroom Garden...

Thank you to those parents who have responded to our call out for parent help to assist our school with the maintenance of our Living Classroom Garden. Despite the threat of rain, these parents were on hand to help yesterday during our lunch time garden activities - Thank you!



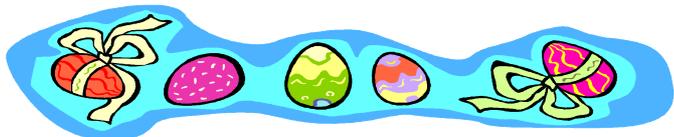
New parent volunteers are always welcome.

Our Living Classroom Garden Coordinator, Jill Sievenpiper, has allocated time during lunch on a Tuesday if parents wish to help. The sessions commence at 12.45pm.

## P&C News

### Easter Raffle

Our big Easter raffle is coming up again at the end of term. The box for your kind Easter donations is now at the front office. Winterfold families have been incredibly generous in past years and we are looking forward to seeing the excited faces of students again when the raffle is drawn on the last day of term - Friday, 11 April. The tickets are going home with students today and there are extras in the office when you need more.



### 2014-15 Entertainment Books

The new 2014-15 will be available in the coming weeks. The big gold book is celebrating its 20th anniversary with a book packed with hundreds of offers for restaurants, cafes, attractions, shopping etc. Those who have bought the book in the past love the discounts that it offers. The Entertainment Book is available for sale from many sources but we ask that you consider purchasing yours from the P&C to help us raise much-needed funds for our fund-raising goals this year. Keep an eye out for a note with purchase details in Term 2.

### Next P&C meeting

If you weren't able to make it to our AGM last month please feel free to come along to our next meeting on Wednesday, 2 April, at 1.30pm in the school library. We still need volunteers to help share the workload for events this year. If you would like to help with an event or two come along and find out what we're up to.

**and finally...** a BIG GET WELL SOON to our Superstar Treasurer, Suze, who has been soldiering on with P&C banking despite her back injury. Your courage is admirable, Suze!

## UNIFORM SHOP NEWS

- ◆ Would you like to be a part of your child(ren)'s school community?
- ◆ Do you have a hour or so to spare on a weekday morning?
- ◆ Have you thought about becoming a volunteer in the Uniform Shop?

## NEW VOLUNTEER(S) REQUIRED

To start at 8:10am (\*Opening shop at 8:15am)  
Close shop 9:00ish

If interested please see Natalie or leave your name and number at Front Office and she will contact you.

Alternatively If you wish to volunteer for the position but Mondays don't work for you, please let me know as the Monday is flexible.

Cheers  
Natalie Baines

## Overdue Library Books

A number of library books remain overdue. Invoices to parents and carers have been sent out so the school library can replace these missing items. Please return overdue books or any owing money for lost and/or damaged library books to the Front Office as soon as possible. In line with the Library Borrowing Contract that students (or parents if their child is too young) sign upon enrolment, borrowing privileges are revoked from students until the overdue book is returned or a replacement is paid for.

Hilton Harvest Community Garden  
**Twilight Fair**  
& EARTH HOUR  
**SAT 29 MARCH 4-9:30PM**  
Free entertainment | Local stalls | Activities for kids  
Plastic free event: Bring along your own plate, fork and mug  
Bring a candle and stay for Earth Hour (from 8:30pm)  
Where? Rennie Crescent South (Next to Hilton Pre-Primary)  
hiltonharvest.weebly.com  
60+  
Hilton Harvest Community Garden  
PLASTIC FREE  
HILTON PRE-PRIMARY SCHOOL

### Literacy News

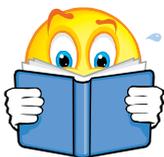
Congratulations to the following students who have already collected their first book prize for the '25 nights Home Reading Challenge':

Anouk Kilday Williams, Keifer Sheehy Hebb, Lincoln O'Byrne, Elise Moncur, Scarlett Turner, Rigby Cable, Zac Zadeian, Rex Sappho, Ffion Williams, Jesse Jones Head, Kiera McKay, Olivia Smith, Olivia Martins and Ethan Rokich.

We still have many books available for students when they complete 25 separate nights reading.

If children learn to love books when they are young it can set them up for life. Reading helps to fire up a child's imagination and the social and academic benefits of proficiency in reading are well documented. Parents and caregivers are fundamental in nurturing a love of reading and books.

Kylie Bonser  
Literacy Specialist Teacher



### P&C Canteen News

Entries are open for the 2014 Winterfold Kitchen Whiz Competition. This year we are looking for two new pasta dishes for the winter menu. Get your entry in early for the chance of a bonus prize. Entry forms can be collected and returned to the canteen. A reminder to Kindy parents - Yes!, we deliver recess and lunch to the Kindy on Wednesday and Fridays.

Our Term 2 volunteer roster is wide open so choose your preferred days now and beat the rush.

Food, safety and hygiene training is offered to all volunteers.

### School Board

Two of our Winterfold parents who serve on the school board are up for re-election. Both of these parents have renominated for positions on the board, however should any other parents wish to nominate for one of these positions we will hold elections.

If you wish to nominate for a board position please do so via email to:

Winterfold.PS@education.wa.edu.au

### TULIPS WITH A DIFFERENCE - BULB FUNDRAISER

*Thank you to all of those families that placed an order for Bulbs and supported your school.*

Your efforts have raised **\$485.70**.  
Well done!

Delivery of your bulbs will be by  
Thursday, 4 April.  
Thank you again for your support

Natalie and Heidi

### Message from the School Nurse

#### **Immunisation - information for parents**

Maintaining a high level of immunisation within our community is very important to controlling many communicable diseases.

It is important for parents to make sure that their children have received all of the childhood vaccinations. This includes Measles, Mumps, Rubella, Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis (whooping cough), and polio vaccines before school entry or from three and a half years of age

Immunisation programs in our community are designed to keep everyone well and safe, especially those people who are most at risk, such as babies

Parents or legal guardians who do not immunise their child should note the following:

- ◆ In the case of a Measles or Pertussis (whooping cough) outbreak, Western Australian schools are required by the Department of Health, to exclude students who have not received the appropriate vaccination.

Please make sure your school-aged child is fully immunised and that you have provided a copy of the ACIR immunisation record to the school.

If your child has missed out on vaccinations, a doctor or immunisation nurse can provide 'catch-up' vaccinations.

Make an appointment with a GP or visit the local (free) immunisation clinic in your community.

Did you know that as parents you can ring the National registry or go to the web site to check out your child's immunisation status? All you need is your Medicare number. Phone 1800 653 809 or access the web site: [www.humanservices.gov.au](http://www.humanservices.gov.au) or email [acir@humanservices.gov.au](mailto:acir@humanservices.gov.au)



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Open Mon-Fri 10am-2.45pm, Sat 10am-4.30pm  
Facebook: [www.facebook.com/outgrownkids](http://www.facebook.com/outgrownkids)

### Term 1 Reward Day, Friday, 11 April

Parents, you might have heard from your children that they may have the opportunity to participate in our Term 1 Reward Day with a bus trip to Fremantle to watch a movie. Our movie selection will be **The Lego Movie** and **The Muppets Most Wanted**.

A separate information flyer will be distributed in the next couple of weeks.

### **Room 2 Assembly Change of Date**

Sincere apologies but Room 2 has had to reschedule their upcoming assembly from Friday, 28 March to Friday, April 4. We apologise for any inconvenience and hope that you are all still able to attend.



### **Parents, Please read and ensure your children are aware....**

A reminder to parents that parking on verges on sections of Annie Street contravenes the parking signs and double parking on the street is dangerous and illegal.

After two near misses of children being hit due to cars being double parked on Annie Street were reported in one week, the WA Police and City of Fremantle Rangers have been advised.

We ask that parents and carers be patient during drop off and pick up times, to abide by the 15 minute parking maximums and the 40kmh speed limit on the street, and to please respect residents in the area and not park on their verge or across their driveways.

This may also be a good time to have a discussion with your children about road safety. There have been a number of reports from parents and the community of children running or riding out in front of cars, with children not checking to see if the road was clear first.

## WPS Science Tabloid Day 2014

Due to Publication policies, we are unable to display the WPS Science Tabloid Day photos online. Parents and carers, please see the front office for a copy of the newsletter. Thank you.