Dear Parents, Caregivers and Community Members

Well the term has certainly flown by; this is the last newsletter for this semester! At the conclusion of every semester all the teaching staff well and truly look forward to their semester breaks, mainly because they have just completed your child’s report. Please be mindful when your child’s report comes home on the last day of this term; that a huge amount of effort, teaching and assessing has gone into each and everyone’s report. Each comment is thought about in great detail and a lot of collaborative editing takes place before the final copy reaches your coffee table. Kids, on the whole, love to sit down with you and for you to go over their report, looking at every grade and reading every comment. Don’t forget to compliment them on their successes and to discuss and provide strategies on where they can improve. Keeping in mind that your child has spent approximately 600 hours at school in 2013, now that is a pretty good effort and one that should be recognised!

We know that we keep mentioning student uniforms and that some students’ lack responsibility for looking after their hats and jackets, however we’re fearful the message is not getting across, because each week our lost property basket continues to over-flow with these items of clothing. However, this is not the main problem. Many of these items do not contain names, therefore we cannot return them to their rightful owner. In a hat’s case this is not such a large financial impost, but just last week we donated back to the uniform shop at least 10 unidentified jackets, which will be sold again as second-hand clothing. This may be good for some students who will be able to pick up a cheap second hand jacket, but for the parent whose child lost their jacket, they are out of pocket quite a bit! Please, PLEASE place your child’s name on every piece of Winterfold PS clothing.

Reward day for the conclusion of Term 2 will involve a sporty flavour. We have engaged the services of ‘Sporting Heroes’ who are well known to the school as they conduct our Active After School Care Sporting Program and Mr Wotherspoon, our PE teacher, has used them on numerous occasions. Sporting Heroes will come out and setup an inflatable soccer pitch where every student that is eligible to participate in reward day will spend a session playing soccer. The students love it, and they will be out and about being active, which is a win-win for everyone. Students will also be provided with a LOL drink and a bag of popcorn. Additionally, EVERY student can come to school in FREE DRESS.

Enjoy the two week school break, stay safe and if you have any questions about your child’s report please make an appointment to see their teacher.

Thanks
The Admin team

Quote of the Week: The difference between school and life? In school, you’re taught a lesson and then given a test. In life, you’re given a test that teaches you a lesson.

WPS Events and Payments Due by end of Term 2

Thank you to all families who have already made their payments and sincere apologies for having so many events over a short period.

♦ Interschool Winter Lightning Carnival for selected students on Wednesday 3 July
$4.00 due by Monday 1 July and lunch order if required by 26 June

♦ Swimming Lessons - Pre Primary to Year 5 commencing Tuesday 23 July through to and including Friday 2 August
$40.00 due by Thursday 4 July

♦ Edu–Dance - Entire School commencing Thursday 25 July and continuing every Thursday throughout Term 3
$12.50 due by Friday 28 June

It is with great sadness that we advise the passing of one of our wonderful WPS parents. Anton Grundy’s mother, Ms Illanna Murphy, passed away last week. Anton is a former student of WPS, commencing in Kindy and continuing through to Year 7 in 2012. Anton’s Grandmother, Leola Murphy, has been in contact and has asked that any WPS parents and staff who would like to pay their respects would be most welcome. Illanna’s service will be held on Thursday, 27 June, at 2.30pm at Fremantle Cemetery located on Carrington Street. The family has asked for attendees to wear bright coloured clothing and bring a single stemmed flower. Our thoughts are with Anton and his family at this time.

From the Admin Team

Term 2 Week 8, 26 June 2013
WHAT'S HAPPENING

Friday 28 June
♦ P&C School Disco - see page 4 for further information

Wednesday 3 July
♦ Interschool Winter Lightning Carnival
  (Selected Year 4 to 7 students have received their information and permission letter)

Friday 5 July
♦ Assembly - Room 5 in the PAC
♦ REWARD DAY - Free Dress
♦ Last day of Term 2

Monday 22 July
♦ Staff Professional Development Day
  Student Free Day

Tuesday 23 July
♦ Students return for commencement of Term 3
♦ Swimming Lessons will commence Tuesday 23 July for students in Pre Primary to Year 5
  Concluding on Friday 2 August. A separate Swimming Lesson permission letter and
  payment envelope have been distributed.

Every Thursday During Term 3
♦ Edu Dance for students from Pre Primary through to Year 7 - a separate Edu Dance
  permission letter and payment envelope have been distributed.

P&C News

School Disco - Friday 28 June

Thank you to everyone who has already bought their tickets for the Disco. If you still need to purchase your tickets they will be available before and after school for two more days only tomorrow, Thursday 27 June and Friday 28 June, don't leave it too late!

Please refer to page 4 of this newsletter for further information. This information flyer will also be given with tickets purchased prior to the night.

Remember to bring your wristband with you on the night – it’s your ticket to Dance!!!

P&C Canteen News

The canteen is happy to announce its support of Red Nose Day this year. On Friday 28 June we will be offering Red Nose themed food with proceeds from all sales being donated to SIDS and Kids.

With winter in full swing, and kids and parents with runny noses, we are in greater need of last minute volunteers. If you are able to be a backup canteen volunteer please email winterfoldcanteen@gmail.com or let Pip in the canteen know.

P&C Movie Night Refunds

Firstly, a big thank you to all of those families who have kindly donated their P&C Movie Night refund back to the P&C - your generosity is greatly appreciated!

If you are yet to collect your refund please contact the P&C President, Leeanne Willows, on 0400 467 996 to arrange a mutually convenient collection time.

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 email at winterfoldpandc@gmail.com

UNIFORM SHOP NEWS

The Uniform shop is open on MONDAYS ONLY from 8:15am to approx 9.00am.
(We are closed on Monday Public Holidays)

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.

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

Cheers

Natalie and Leah
Uniform Co-Ordinators
The RSPCA WA July School Holiday Program

Winter is here, the days are cold and wet and the kids are under your feet - if only there was something entertaining AND educational with qualified teachers and great supervision that you could send your children! Well, RSPCA WA has the answer with fun, interactive and educational school holiday sessions. Children big and small can get up close and personal with some of our furry friends or explore their creative side in some of our more crafty sessions.

Here is a sneak peak of some of our fabulous sessions:

♦ Two, full day sessions - RSPCA WA Big Day Out and Friends, food and fundraising
♦ Join us for a sleepover In the Doghouse
♦ Radical Reptiles are back!
♦ Be A Vet for a day
♦ Meet some fabulous feathered friends in Bird’s Eye View

Bookings opened on June 24, 2013 and members June 17, 2013. Places fill quickly, so call 9209 9325 to secure your child’s spot. Further information on sessions is available on the website: www.rspcawa.asn.au

APPLICATIONS FOR ENROLMENT OF STUDENTS FOR 2014

Applications for enrolment for children entering Kindergarten and Pre Primary for the 2014 school year should be made by Friday, 26 July 2013. Please see separate articles below.

KINDY 2013 – If you know of any families in our area who will have a Kindy aged child next year please advise them we are now taking Applications for Enrolment. These are available from the office or the Department of Education website: www.det.wa.edu.au

Applications close Friday, 26 July 2013.
Families will be contacted shortly after this date regarding their application.

PRE PRIMARY 2014 – Students currently attending Kindy at Winterfold may have already signed an Application for Enrolment to be considered for enrolment in Pre Primary for 2014. If not please contact the office before Friday, 26 July 2013.

YEAR 1 2014 - As Pre Primary is now compulsory all existing Pre Primary 2013 students will be automatically enrolled into Year 1 2014 - no further enrolment action is necessary.

Second Instalment of the Schoolkids Bonus

Need a boost to your mid-year school budget?
The second payment of the Schoolkids Bonus is coming in July. If you are eligible you could receive up to $205 for each primary student and up to $410 for each secondary student.

You could receive the Schoolkids Bonus if you have a child in primary or secondary school and receive Family Tax Benefit Part A or you are a primary or secondary student receiving an income support payment.

If you think you are eligible and you haven’t already updated your child’s education details with Centrelink, then visit Online Services by 29 June 2013 to ensure you receive the correct amount and are paid on time.

The Schoolkids Bonus replaced the Education Tax Refund in January 2013 so eligible families cannot claim education expenses in their 2012-13 income tax return.

To ensure you receive the Schoolkids Bonus payment in July, check your eligibility by visiting australia.gov.au/schoolkidsbonus.

School Holiday Watch

With the School Holidays fast approaching, 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

Further information on the program can be located on the Neighbourhood Watch website, www.nhw.wa.gov.au, or alternatively please contact the South East Metropolitan Crime Prevention Unit on 9451 0055.

School Watch is a partnership of WA Police and Department of Education
WPS P&C DISCO INFO
Friday 28 June 2013

♦ The WPS P&C Disco will be held at Hilton PCYC, Paget St, Hilton. Parking available at side and rear of the premises.

♦ Parents are welcome and encouraged to attend the disco.

♦ If not staying, parents must drop off and pick up from the door - Disco attendees will not be allowed out without a parent or guardian.

♦ The Disco is for Winterfold Primary School students only.

♦ Parents, please inform ticket sellers if your child has allergies or a medical condition if you are not staying with your child for the disco. Please leave a contact number when purchasing tickets.

♦ Please wear your wrist band on the night to avoid waiting in the line to get in.

♦ Kindy to Year 3  5.30pm-6.30pm Disco  6.30pm-7.00pm Supper
  Year 4 to Year 7  6.30pm-7.15pm Supper  7.15pm-8.30pm Disco

♦ There will be food and drinks available to purchase on the night:
  ♦ Pizza $1.00 per slice
  ♦ Bottled water and juice box $1.00 (there will also be tap water available free)
  ♦ Soft drinks $1.50
  ♦ Lolly bags 50c
  ♦ Glo Stix 50c each
  ♦ Lollypops 50 c
  ♦ Crisps 50c pkt
  ♦ Tea and coffee for parents $1

Please call Karen (0422 746 672) or Lottie (0413 409 990) if you have any questions