



The Winston Whisper

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Year 6 Farewell

It has been a great start to what is the last term at Winston Hills Public School for our Year 6 students. This year we have had to change the venue of our Year 6 Farewell night from the Northmead Bowling Club to the school hall. The main reason for this change is the increased number of students in our grade (30 more in 2017 compared to 2016). To continue at the same venue would mean that we would not be able to continue the traditions of partner dancing and having parents join us at the end of the night.

I would like to give a big thank you to the parents who have volunteered to be part of the committee and have been working really hard with Mrs Frame to ensure that this will be a great night for our students.

Spring Picnic

This Friday is the first of hopefully a long tradition of our mother/daughter event. I would like to thank those who have donated prizes for the day. A special mention to a family who are new to the school for donating a year's membership to Fernwood Gym. Thank you to Mrs Barnett, Miss Shepard, Mrs Robinson, Miss Armstrong, Mrs Bowmaker, Miss Mason and Miss O'Hegarty for their hard work in organising the event.

Kindergarten 2018

It was great to see the large number of new parents attend our information night for Kindergarten 2018, last Wednesday night. I would especially like to thank the amazing team of Kindy teachers, Mrs Storath and Mrs Griffin for their attendance. Tomorrow will be the first day of visits by our new kindies. If you know of anyone who has not yet filled out their enrolment form for next year, please let them know.

Octoberfest

I would like to thank the band for doing a great job on representing our school at the Lion's Club Octoberfest that was held on the last day of the holiday. I would also like to thank Mrs Webb for helping on the day.

Classes for 2018

The school is about to start the planning process for next year. An important part of the process is determining numbers. A note will be sent home today asking for people leaving the school next year, so that we can determine accurate numbers. If you are taking an extended holiday, we are also asking for that information so that your child can be included in class formations.

If you have any concerns or things that you think need to be considered for your child's placement for next year, please email me on mark.byrne@det.nsw.edu.au

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CALENDAR

TERM 4

Week 2

Wednesday 18 October	Kindergarten 2018 – 1 st Visit
	Band Information Night 6.00pm
Thursday 19 October	Uniform Shop Open 8.40am
	3-6 Assembly
Friday 20 October	Spring Picnic Day

Week 3

Tuesday 24 October	Kindergarten 2018 – 2 nd Visit
	K-2 Assembly
Thursday 26 October	Uniform Shop Open 8.40am

Week 4

Monday 30 October	Kindergarten 2018 – 3 rd Visit
Tuesday 31 October	P&C Meeting 7.30pm
Wednesday 1 November	Life Education Starts
Thursday 2 November	Uniform Shop Open 8.40am
	Uniform Shop Open 6-7pm
	Count Us In Song @ 12.30pm
	3-6 Assembly

WHAT'S DUE?

Friday 20 October	Graduation Bear/Ball (Year 6 Only)
	Spring Picnic
Friday 23 October	Yr 4 Writers Festival Note & Money
Friday 27 October	Showcase Night Permission Notes
Thursday 16 November	Year 6 Farewell Note

ACCOMPANYING NOTES

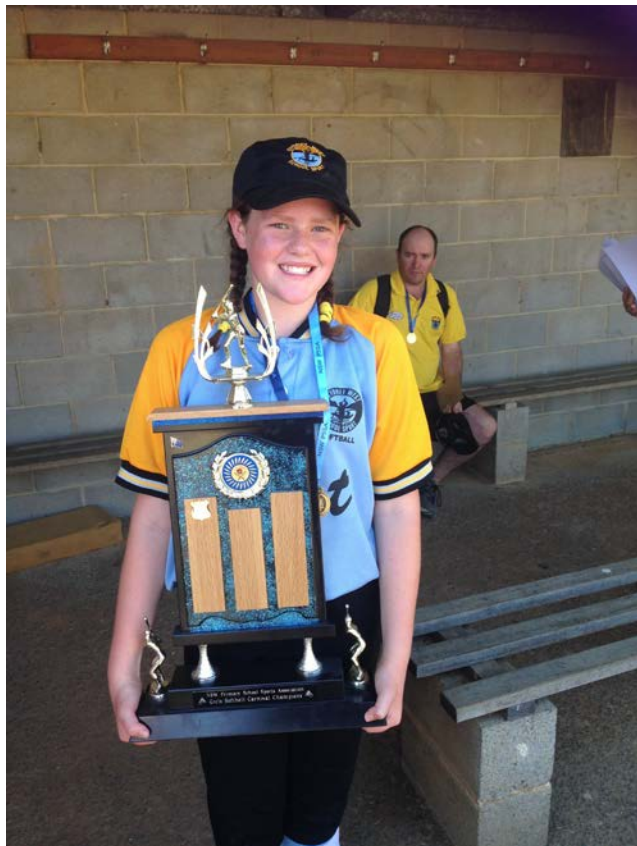
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Community News

- Canteen News
- Overseas Exchange Student
- Wesley Family Services – Parent & Child Activities
- Budocan Judo Club

FROM THE PRINCIPAL Continued...

Winston Hills Public School Sporting Star



Congratulations to Rachel who won the state championships as a member of the Sydney West Area PSSA softball team. We are very proud of her achievements.

Leave

I will be away on leave for just over a week from the 26th October. Thank you to Mrs Kayello who will be relieving as Principal and Mr Johnson who will be relieving as Deputy Principal. Miss Mason will be relieving Stage 1 Assistant Principal during this time.

Mark Byrne
Principal

Mark.byrne@det.nsw.edu.au

FROM THE DEPUTY

Kindergarten 2018 Class Visits

Tomorrow will be the first day of the class visits for the new kindies. The 2nd Class Visit will be on Tuesday 24 October and the last visit on Monday 30 October. We are looking forward to meeting the new kindies during these visits.

Life Education – Healthy Harold

On Wednesday 1st of November, students K-6 will participate in the Healthy Harold Program. This program covers the health and drug education component of our curriculum. The lesson modules for each stage focus on health education to help students develop relationship skills, positive communication, problem solving and decision making. Students will receive workbooks after their visit, which will be used in the classroom as part of Personal Development, Health and Physical Education. There will be a session for parents to attend on Thursday 9th November commencing at 9:20am.

Selective High School Placement 2019

Applications have opened for Year 5 students applying for entry to Selective High Schools in 2019. All applications must be completed online before the closing date Monday 13th November 2017. Only online applications will be accepted. Applications can be submitted at:

<https://education.nsw.gov.au/.../selective-high-schools-and-o...>

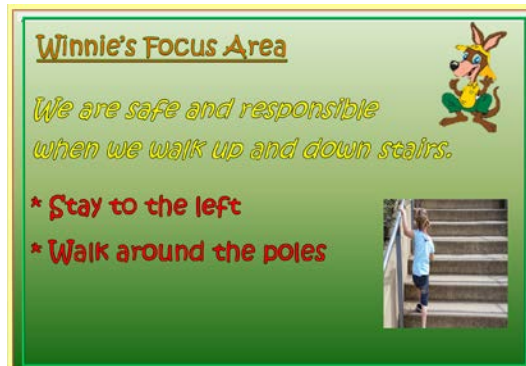
All applicants will be required to sit the Selective High School Placement Test on Thursday 15th March, 2018. For more information regarding Selective High School Placement for 2019, please visit:

<https://education.nsw.gov.au/.../selective-high-school.../year-5>

Limited number of Information booklets are available at the office – please see Ms Kayello.

Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL)

Focus Area for Week 1 & 2



This fortnight's PBL focus is about being safe and responsible when walking up and down stairs. Students are reminded to stay to the left and walk around the yellow poles that are at the top of the stairs. Posters have been put around the school to emphasise this fortnight's focus.

Honour Awards, Banners and Medals

When your child receives 10 merit awards, please send them in to me to receive the next level of achievement. They will receive an honour award, banner or medal in their next grade assembly.

Wendy Kayello

Deputy Principal

SCHOOL NEWS

PSSA RESULTS – Round 7

Cricket

Junior Vs North Rocks Public School	Won	56-29
Senior Vs North Rocks Public School	Won	72-41

Softball

Senior Boy Vs North Rocks Public School	Won	11-2
Senior Girls Vs North Rocks Public School	Lost	0-15

T-Ball

Junior Boys Vs North Rocks Public School	Won	28-19
Junior Girls Vs North Rocks Public School	Lost	18-21

Touch Football

Junior Boys Vs Excelsior Public School	Won	10-3
Junior Girls Vs Excelsior Public School	Lost	2-5
Senior Boys Vs Excelsior Public School	Won	20-2
Senior Girls Vs Excelsior Public School	Won	3-2

PSSA RESULTS – Round 8

Cricket

Junior Vs Crestwood Public School	Lost	83-93
Senior Vs Crestwood Public School	Drew	56-56

Softball

Senior Boy Vs Baulkham Hills North Public	Drew	1-1
Senior Girls Vs Baulkham Hills North Public	Drew	0-0

T-Ball

Junior Boys Vs Baulkham Hills North Public	Won	10-9
Junior Girls Vs Baulkham Hills North Public	Lost	8-9

Touch Football

Junior Boys Vs Baulkham Hills North Public	Won	3-1
Junior Girls Vs Baulkham Hills North Public	Won	6-2
Senior Boys Vs Baulkham Hills North Public	Won	11-3
Senior Girls Vs Baulkham Hills North Public	Won	6-3

Training

Boys & Girls Touch Football – Wednesday 8.15am
 Junior T- ball – Thursday 8.15am
 Cricket & softball – Friday 8.15am

Melissa Johnston

GAMES DAY IS COMING

**GAMES DAY FUN
WEDNESDAY 29TH
NOVEMBER**

A Year 6 fundraising initiative
2 Amazing Sessions
K-2 9.30am - 11am Years 3-5 11.30am - 1pm

*Sausage sizzle
orders coming soon*



HAIRSPAY, SPONGE THROW, VIDEO GAMES,
SOCCER, HANDBALL COMPETITION AND MUCH
MORE



SHOWCASE NIGHT

**Wednesday 15 November 2017
6.30pm
School New Hall
Tickets \$5.00 each**

**Ticket Information
Notes will go home on
Monday 23 October 2017**

SCHOOL NEWS

ASSEMBLIES

Kindergarten & Stage 1 Assembly (K-2)

- Tuesday 24 October – 2.00 pm
- KC – will host the Assembly
- Parents are welcome to attend

Stage 2 & 3 Assembly (Years 3,4,5 & 6)

- Thursday 19 October – 2.00 pm
- Class Item – 5/6D
- Parents are welcome to attend

CAPA (Drama) – Congratulations

Liam Condell 5/6R

Liam has been part of the Pulse Junior Drama Ensemble who have successfully auditioned for the 2017 Pulse Showcase of Arts. The ensemble will be performed at the Sydney Opera House on the 16th of November.

Melissa Johnston



Kindergarten Orientation

REMINDER

Kindergarten 2018 Orientation Days

Day 1
Wednesday 18 October 2017
9.30am to 10.50am

Day 2
Tuesday 24 October 2017
9.30am to 10.50am

Day 3
Monday 30 October 2017
9.30 to 10.50

*We look forward to meeting all
our new students*



Tickets are for sale in the office or via a marked envelope handed in to teachers. (Full name and amount of tickets with the correct cash inside). You do not need to be coming to the event to purchase tickets.

Tickets are ONLY \$2 EACH!

Prizes included: 4 double movie passes, Treetops family pass, Scentsy products, hampers, One & Only handmade gifts and MUCH MORE! There are 15 prizes so far with more coming!

We have been given an amazing way to raise more money with the donation of a

**FULL YEAR MEMBERSHIP
to Fernwood Female Gym
at Parramatta
worth \$1400**

(Thank you Jidah Family).

We will be doing a silent auction at the event, starting at \$75. If you are not attending, tell a friend what is your limit and they can bid for you. Payment will be due to the school in cash the following week.

Help us reach our goal

of

**\$2,000
for the
McGrath
Foundation!**

SCHOOL NEWS

 **Nutrition Snippet**

The simplest way

...to make beef kofta.

Cook extra for dinner and pack leftovers for lunch.

Serves: 12 | Preparation: 15 minutes | Cooking: 10 minutes

Ingredients
 500g beef mince
 1 small brown onion, grated
 1/4 cup chopped fresh continental parsley
 1 teaspoon minced garlic
 1 1/2 tps ground cumin
 1 egg



Method
 Combine all ingredients in a bowl, mixing together with your hands. Divide the mixture into 12 portions and shape each into a log. Heat the oil in a large frying pan over medium heat. Add the koftas and cook, turning occasionally, for 10 minutes or until golden brown and cooked through.

Serve with tabbouleh and tzatziki on Lebanese bread or with a side salad.

For more information visit www.eatittobeatit.com.au or join us at facebook.com/eatittobeatit

The Eat It To Beat It program is supported by the Western Sydney Local Health District Live Life Well @ School Program.

 **Health**
 Western Sydney
 Local Health District





Band Information Night Years 3-6

Does your child want to join the
Winston Hills Public School Band
Program?

Come to the Information Night
18 October 2017
6.00pm
In the new Hall

This will be an opportunity to learn about the program, try some instruments and get the details you need to apply for the School Band.



P&C NEWS

P&C
 Parents and Citizens Association
Our Children ~ Our Future

Next P&C Meeting

Tuesday 31 October 2018

7.30pm

In the Staffroom

Guest Speaker

Lachlan Johnson

Presenting updated information regarding
Student Wellbeing
at Winston Hills Public School

All Welcome



ARTS ALIVE FILM FESTIVAL

**Congratulations
To our Support Unit Students**

“Winston Hills Heroes”
was nominated for screening at the
Arts Alive Film Festival 2017

On

Tuesday 31 October 2017 – 12.00pm
ADULT: \$14 & STUDENTS \$9

Tickets go on sale Monday 16 October.
Tickets will be available at the Dendy Opera Quays
via phone or directly from the theatre.

K/1B & KC

K/1B Flamingos and KC Chimpanzees enjoy learning Mathematics and Literacy. The Flamingos enjoyed learning about Volume and Capacity and had a lot of fun! The Chimpanzees enjoyed making an Aboriginal art with their 5/6 buddies after learning about a Dreamtime story in Literacy. We love learning!

